

BACKGROUND INFO:

Sadie Ella Young Hempel

b 9-14-1877 (probably in the house where the Cellardoor Winery is now),
daughter of Albert and Jennie (Lovett) Young (married 11-05-1874).

Sadie had 2 siblings, **Ethel Blanche** b 11-20-1882 (Erwin Heald's mother) and **Winfield** b 1876. I believe there was another son, Charlie, who died at a very young age.

Several mentions of Claude (was this Erwin's father?? b 9-10-1872, d 5-10-66)

Sadie married sea captain **Christian Hempel** on September 4, 1902.

Their son, Wilhelm, was born 4-23-1910.

Sadie died 6-22-1948

Why was **this** diary saved? Would have been nice to have, instead, a diary of Sadie and Christian courting, or of another (or this one completed) sea journey...

This diary is printed for 1899. At the very first entry of Sun Jan 1, 1899, Sadie changed the year to 1900. It would be reasonable that the corresponding days would be off, but her second entry on Sun 8 WAS a Sunday. So the actual year is a mystery.

(---) denotes a guess on my part as to the word. Also, punctuation and capital letters were pretty non-existent!

My name is: Sadie E Young, Ctr Lincolnville Waldo Co. Maine

In case of accident or serious illness please notify

Winfield A Young Ctr Lincolnville Waldo Co., Maine

Things to be remembered:

My weight was 112

On January 29

My height 5 ft 2

Size of my Hosiery 8

Collar 12

Cuffs 7 ½

Sun Jan 1, 1899 (**this date had 1900 penciled above it**)

8 lbs flour makes 10 lbs bread. 2 quarts water/ four large loafs

Skipped 6 days--

Sun 8: Went to Sabbath School this A.M. got home Laura & Uncle by was there. Winnie and I served to meeting this P.M. Fine sleighing had company this evening Mr. (Jores) and (Amorn) also Claude.

Tues Jan 10, 1899

Left home today went down to Aunt Ellie Maude and I A very cold day. Packed some today.

Wed 11

Finnish our packing this A.M. Went down in town done some shopping. Called on Mrs. Wright at the Bay View. Came home went up to see Helen and had callers in the evening

Thurs 12

Started out this morn train for the South went as far as Boston had a fine day. But very cold. Mabel and Mrs. Seaverne meet us at station in Bolton. Aunt Ett and Mrs S went in to S--B. Mabel Maggie & I went to Keiths Theater that same night, so end the

Fri 13

Stayed at Mrs Seavern as part of the day in the P.M. We all went into Boston Went through the New Union Southern station (atev) through Jordan & March large store. Then back to three hundred Wa _____ St. then to Park square station. Mabel & Maggie (cards) to see we of started at 6 oclock on the road again

Sat 14 Raining

Was very late in getting _____ New York was very foggy had to wait about 3 or 4 hours between Boston and N.Y. so didn't get _____ until about twelve oclock Cpt Hempel meet me and took me to see Mrs Rickonveer out 2 west st. stay there until train times at 9 oclock in Jersey City # 18 and 20 came to train station

Sunday 15

Traveled all day to day get to Washington 4 oclock changed cars here for Richmond and arrived in R-8.48 oclock get breakfast here. This was a very had day. Changed cars again at Charleston about 10.00 oclock at night, for Jacksonville

Mon Jan 16, 1899

Arrived in Jacksonville Fla 7:30 AM got our breakfast hear had about 1 hour wait took the train for Altamorita Springs. It was a beautiful ride to the Springs Arrived Altamorita Springs at about 3:30 oclock had dinner and went to bed so ends the journey to Florida

Tues 17

Have not done anything today only straightened our room (serves) and took a walk in the morning over to the orange groves then came to our rooms and rested the rest of the day rained tonight.

Wed 18

Ther 68 Weat Fair

Commenced work today swept the offices this morn Also made nine beds and swept two rooms. Helped Mrs Savage sow the rest of the day. Tonight Aunt Ett and I went on a walk got a few oranges. Then came to bed.

Thurs 19

This morn swept the offices and hall made my beds Then went and helped the rest of the girls clean 6 rooms and (strarilytered???) them. 4 guest came to night waited on them Aunt Ett is writing a letter to Lizzie and I am scribbling.

Fri 20

Ther 58 Wea Fair

This morn swept the rooms and hall and write them _____ Went down to the station this afternoon get the mail then came home and went to bed I wrote to Aunt Elan and that is all.

Sat 21

Will have gone the round as usual cleaned some this A.M. Iron this P. M. One new guest tonight. The girls are going to a _____ festival tonight don't know whether I shall go or not.

Sun Jan 22, 1899

Wrote two letters. This has been the best day we have had since we came -E- (East???) went on a walk down to the lakes and the springs and got some (r???)oses. All went into the parlor and had a sing.

Mon 23

Rained again. Today Mabel Maud and I cleaned some rooms up on the third floor.

Tues 24

Raining again today but cleared of tonight have been cleaning house and helping prepare(???) today

Didn't get through walk until supper time pretty tired tonight.

Wed 25

Very pleasant day not very warm. Have cleaned one room and done my chamber work swept the hall and this P.M. A-E-and I went on a walk. Tonight there is to be a dance somewhere.

Thursday 26

Got a letter from home this afternoon. Rained hard all day today a very dismal day

Fri 27

Sat Jan 28, 1899

Not very pleasant today got all done work at eleven oclock. Today went on a walk with Aunt Ett and the other chambermaids got lots of oranges

Sun 29

Wrote 3 letter one home to Grandma and Aunt Rachel(???) Got a (tax???) today. 25

A beautiful day quite cool at morn and night. Maud and I went on a walk down to the station and all around this P.M. Aunt Ett and Fanny went to Elaterville to church. Mabel Maud and I went to the station tonight one guest came to night. More coming at midnight train.

Mon 30

Pleasant this morn took up the bathrooms carpets and (alover???) cleaned the floor. Rested some this afternoon. More guest came on 2 oclock train had to fix rooms for them then were (sex???) go tomorrow morn went down to the (pool???) room to listen to the music.

Tues Jan. 31

Pleasant this morn began to rain about eleven oclock and rained all the P.M. and eve Mr & Mrs Savage went to Sandford today. Helped put down the bathrooms carpet this A.. this afternoon

called on the Mrs Carrascoshe goes tomorrow

Wed Feb 1

Has been a beautiful day. Quite warm not had much to do today. This afternoon Aunt Ett and I went down to the spring house and sat a while took a walk around and came home fixed my wrapper tonight washed this P.M.

Thurs 2

This has been so very hot today had showers this afternoon. Cleaned Mrs. Callases room and more Got two letters today one from home Mamma(???) and Ethel.

Fri Feb 3, 1899

Another lovely day. Aunt Ett and I went on a call to see Mr. Corsdon. Was invited to spend the evening with them. So we went and John Savage with us. Had a pleasant evening

Sat 4

A very nice day have not had much to do. Went on a short walk. Three more guests tonight Mr. Hill here and friend. Went to a Festival down to a Mr. Williams about 1 mile and a half. Got home about twelve oclock. Not a very good time.

Sunday 5

Another hot day but beautiful some of the girls went on a ride Have been writing letters all the afternoon. One to ---- and one to Mamma and Ethel. Shall go to bed early am tired. No work today. Went to the S- this (noon???)

Mon Feb 6

Two guests today Mr & Mrs Perry. Well this has been a holiday. Mrs and Mr S-- Maud. And Emma and myself. all went to lake Jishafi(?) and spend the day had a ride in the steam launch. (Orerata) got home about 5 oclock. Nice time.

Tues 7

Had a shower early this morn cleared of hot. Mabel Milley John and Teddy went to lake Jeshap. Maud and I have had lots to do today. Didn't get through until four oclock.

Wed 8

Much cooler today this morn about seven oclock the Ther stood 48. Maud and Mr S- next to _____. Aunt Ett went on a walk called on Mrs Condon. Got a letter from Maggie today The thinks there will be a frost. Very cold for this

Thurs Feb 9, 1899

Ther 27 Wea fair

Colder than ever today. Everybody getting their firs(?) try to keep warm. Seven more guest came tonight. Room on this floor. Ice made in the sink in the Pastry room ice kept out of doors everything tuched with the frost.

Fri 10

A very little warmer today. Got my hall today called on Mrs Condon. Made a hat. Got a letter from Mamma & Ethel today quite

Sat 11

Ther 48 wea fair

Swept the Hall also Mrs. S rooms change the bed. Quite a little warmer today. Paid 4 cts for having my collar done up. Got all done work at 10.30 A.M. Four guests tonight all on my halls called on Mr. Condon tonight went and got some

Sun 12

Ther 80 Wea not very fair

Thunder shower this afternoon and rained hard all the P.M. and eve. Have written three letters one home to Lucy Isa. Swept the office this morn--all alone.

Mon 13

Ther 22 above Wea clear & cold

Snow squalls this morn and then cleared of kept cold all day everything frozen awful cold in the halls and rooms could not keep warm anyhow. Fires going everywhere. The coldest in four years.

Tues 14

Ther 30 Wea fair

A very little warmer this morn and quite a change tonight but cold enough. A very bright sun all day but still keeping the pipes frozen and some are bursting freezing all the time.

Wed Feb 15, 1899

Ther 60 Wea cloudy

Warmer this morning but still no water pipes going as yet. Raining this afternoon. Mrs Phu (?) sick abed had the Dr come this morn. Mabel nursing her. Maud and I done (M?)--work together.

Thurs 16

Ther 58 Wea rainy

This is some warmer but storming have done Mabel work again today and Maud and I mangle all this P.M. did not get through until supper time.

Fri 17

Ther 70 Wea Fair

Very pleasant today done Mable work again. Wash this P.M. and went on a little walk. Got a letter from Mama was looking for one from Maud

Sat Feb 18

Ther 66 Wea Raining

Raining all day. A very (?lowes any) day Mabel commenced work again today. Have helped Mrs Savage sew this P.M. still raining the girls are all gone again tonight Got a letter today from home

Sun 19

Ther 70 Wea Very clear

This has been a beautiful day. Have written to Ethel and Mama Been on a walk down to the station got weight have gained 8 lbs in the last four weeks. Went on ___ride tonight to Winter Park Saw the (?Sernino) by moon

Mon 20

Ther 60 Wea Clear

Another fine day but a very little colder done my ironing this P.M. four oclock when I came upstairs got a letter from Lucy. The Ther stands about "70" tonight a very little range.

Tues Feb 21, 1899

Ther 70 Wea Cloudy

Cloudy this morn and all this A.. rained at noon time and most of the P.M. Quite pleasant tonight warm and muggy. Got a letter form Laura went for a walk to night.

Wed 22

Ther 70 Wea Stormy

It commenced to rain some time in the night again and is still raining at 11 oclock heavy thunder and lightning and is still raining at ten oclock The worse storm of the season they celebrated Washington birthday.

Thur Feb 23, 1899

Ther 70 Wea Fair

The ther stood at 64 this morn early. At noon about 73 is a fine day. Clear as a bell all today. Stood at 72 tonight. A beautiful evening. Maud and I went for a walk down to the station and back.

AM SKIPPING SOME OF THE DIARY. AS SADIE SAYS ON SUNDAY MAR 12 "THIS IS THE SAME STORY OVER AND OVER". The temps start to get into the 90s and they are getting ready to leave.

Thurs Mar 23, 1899

Have finished work today and been payed off Aunt Ett and _____ went to Olando with Mrs S--. Has been showery all the A.M. and is quite pleasant.

Fri 24

Started for home this morn. Arrived at Jacksonville at 3.30 and were to the Travelers hotel to stay all night, will take the 8.30 train for Savanah. Did the town after supper. Saw the alatrals(?) and all the sights

Sat 25

Ther Cooler Wea Fair

Took the eight oclock train for Savanah arrived there at 1 oclock took the transfer across the city to the Boat Manchooches that's left at about half past five in the P.M. will have a very nice night on the water

Sun 26

Have been sick a very little quite rough. Aunt Ett is real sick. Did get up untill P.M. it has been storming all day I did eat any breakfast this morn

Nancouchee the Savanah line

Mon 27

Well this has been a cold gray day on the water the wind has blown hard all day. Aunt Ett has not been up today so I have been alone most of the day. All the girls have been sick.

Tues 28

Ther cold Wea stormy

Got in New York this morn about seven oclock took the steamer the New Hamphere on the starring ten times Has rained hard in New York all day so we went aboard the boat in the morn and left at 6

Wed Mar 29, 1899

Ther cold Wea Fair

Got in Boston this morn at about half past ten Mr. Grindle and I took the 11:40 train for Brockton and the other girls went to the homes Aunt Ett went into J.P. got in Brockton at half past 12.

Thurs 30

Ther cold Wea Fair

Edna and I went on a walk this P.M. and tonight Uncle Fr___ and I went to the theatre to see Kirla and Aunt May and Edna went to church to prayer got home at 11 oclock

Fri 31

Ther Wea Fair

Edna and I did up the town saw city hall and all the handsome houses in Brockton and tonight we all went to the Musical had a very pleasant time. Home about 10.30.

Sat April 1, 1899

Ther cold Wea Fair

Edna had company all this P.M. and he stayed to tea and then they went to the reashal(?) and Aunt May and I went down street got home about ten oclock it was a very cold night.

Sun 2

Ther cold Wea Fair

This morn I went to the M.E. church with Aunt May. They had company to dinner and tonight we all were to the (?large) church to hear Hudson and racial like time went to bed at half past ten

Mon 4 (for some reason Sadie changed reversed these 2 dates)

Ther Fair Wea

A fine morn. Aunt May, Edna and I took the half past eight express for the city of Boston expected to find Aunt Ett at the station she did not so we went to Mables office and she _____ and out to her came in and we went to J.P that noon

Tues April 3, 1899

Ther Fair Wea

Helped Aunt May do up the work and then Edna and I went down street before dinner in the P.M. Aunt May went to make some calls and _____ Rider came in and stayed for supper and all the evening. Edna and I made candy.

Wed 5

Dora came this morn and we all went to Boston to do some shopping and then went to the hospital to see Minnie, then back to J P then tonight I met Mabel at Castle Square Theater. Went home with her.

Thur 6

Ther Fair Wea

Maggie and I came with J P this morn found them all (latk) (over?) hats. Dot and Maggie went on a walk this morn I did feel very well. Felt better and we all went to see J.P. _____ and then came home.

Fri April 7

We came to the boat this afternoon. Maggie and Mabel came to see us of for home but is look stormy. And the boats didn't start out it stormed all night but we stayed on the boat.

Sat 8

Cleared of this morn but the Capt waits start until four o'clock to night so A E and I went up to see Mabel again. Came back to the boat found Maggie there she stayed until 2 oclock had a nice day

Sun 9

Well here we are in old Camden. Got here about eight oclock. Found Lizzie looking for us breakfast all ready. It was a very rought night. Aunt Ett was sick all night Call up to Helen's this P.M. and went to bed early.

Mon April 10, 1899

Aunt Ett and I went to _____ this morn and I picked up some of my cloths. Winnie came down for me about nine oclock. Stayed to dinner and got home about three. It was very hard going.

Tues 11

Have not done much of anything today, cleaned up my dresses and unpacked my things and have done some talking I guess found Mama better than I expected.

Wed 12

Have washed today and fried doughnuts and done a little of everything. Claude came over tonight and stayed the evening. The boy went to a _____ this afternoon. Carrie Hardy was in a little while the P.M.

Thu April 13

Ther Wea Fair

I ironed all the A.M. Claude started for New York this noon on the Yachth. had collars all this afternoon have sowed a little and tonight _____ was in.

Fri 14

Ther Wea Fair

Mama has been fixing her plants this A.M. and I have been fooling around and doing much of anything. Sidney Young has been here helping on the barn.

Sat 15

This has been a fine day the first warm day since I came home. Have done the cooking and helped Ethel clean up . Got one letter tonight.

Sun April 16, 1899

Ther Wea cloudy

Ethel and I went to Sabbath school this morn and then went to meeting walk there and back again. Mr. Ross last Sun here. Have been writing letter tonight.

Skipped 14 days...

Mon May 1

Ther Wea Fair

Quite warm today but not as warm as yesterday. Looks like a storm. Have washed this AM and this after noon Ethel and I have been out of doors cleaning up a little of the dirt around the door.

Tues 2

Ther Wea stormy

It rained all night and some this morn but looks as though we should have a pleasant day tomorrow. I have ironed today and this P.M. have crocket (crocheted???) a little.

Wed 3

Ther cooler Wea Fair

A great change in the weather. This morn and A.M. have partly cleaned the dining room. _____ the plastering. Carrie came up and spent the afternoon with us. We went a little way with her.

Thus May 4

Ther cool Wea fair

Have cleaned the porch chamber and painted the windows and then Ethel and I went out of doors and sowed our sweet peas. Winnie has gone to Camden.

Skipped 8 days...

Sat May 13

Cooked and swept this morn and Ethel and I went out of doors and made some flowers beds until dinner time. I had to rest some this P.M. Went to lodge tonight and had a nice lodge. Grace called.

Sun 14

This forenoon we went to Sabbath school and this afternoon Ethel, Winnie and I went to church. There were quite a lot out to church. I gave the Min 5 cents. Ethel 5 cts. A fine day. May went away today.

Mon 15

Have washed today and this afternoon I fixed some more flowers beds and finished a jacket no school today the teacher went to the convention. Irwin in this afternoon

Tues May 16

I have ironed this morn and planted (confid) sweet peas morning glories and nasturium. This afternoon have been chrocheting. Went to the ctr tonight to see about my hat.

Wed 17

Hand cleaned the front Hall and gypsied (as is gypsum?) the walls and painted the window in the entry. Tonight went in to the woods and got some ceader to put under the carts (maybe carpet??).

Next entry is handwritten in as Sat June 2, 1900

Commercial work at Capt Marlain today. Came down last night.

Next entry handwritten in as Friday June 26, 1900

Dudley gave me \$3 dollars today. They have all gone up to the lake and George coming out this morn.

Diary has now been marked as 1902. Sadie has handwritten in the actual date (but no day of week) as she is recounting September and the pages are for June. This diary begins with the day after her marriage to Capt. Christian Hempel (learned from another source).

Sept 5 1902

Today we are on our way to the Mtns. Took the 1:40 train at Rockland got in Portland at 5:30 went to the west end Hotel got a room stayed al night after supper we went on a walk saw a little of the place. Very cool tonight.

Sept 6, 1902

Got up had our breakfast took the train at 8:40 for North Conway arrived there got a train to take us to Russell Cottages, Kearsage. Had a lovely ride got to the _____ about eleven oclock. Saw A-E-- got a room had dinner A-E with in the afternoon. A very nice day.

Sept 7, 1902

Aunt Ett birthday rain this morn hard and all the A.M. Cleared up a little in P.M. Went on a ride Aunt Ett Mr. Russell drove us started at 2 oclock got back at six a fine drive very pretty ride. We like it very much Aunt Ett spent the evening with us.

Sept 8, 1902

A beautiful day we took a little walk and packed our grips and got ready to start for train to Boston at ten oclock A.M. Got in Boston about three in P.M. took a hack to a hotel the Adams House saw the girls in evening. I bought me a white shirtwaist.

Sept 9, 1902

Took our breakfast with Lucy at Hutk(?) Lunch. Took a hack for the station got the early train for New York arrived in N.Y. at three in P.M. Saw Capt M-- and Mr Snow raining hard went across to Brooklyn to the vessel at half past five P.M. rain all that way.

Sept 10, 1902

I have unpacked one trunk and straighten some drawers. Christian brother called last night. Capt M down this morn Christian went above with him, this afternoon we went and had lunch on the Oscar I very large steamer. Tonight went in to NY and had supper at a large place.

Sept 11, 1902

Have been busy today doing a little of everything, writing letters. Capt M and Frank M started with us tonight came to supper. A nice day. Quite warm.

Sept 12, 1902

This is Friday night have been in town and done some shopping went into W.R. Grace office. Was Capt M We also went to the fall River to see Capt M off for Home. I feel bad to have him go. A fine day. Wilhelm (The Wilhelm who was Erwin's first cousin was born 4/23/10, so not sure who

this is--I think it might be Christian's brother) called today.

Sept 13 1902

The vessel moved this morn to finish loading with oil. We went in town this afternoon. The mate sick and left this noon. Got another coming Monday morn called on

Sept 14, 1902

My birthday Christian gave me a nice umbrella. Went and had dinner with Wilhelm on the Oscar II then we went and made a call on the Sourens(?). Started for Coney Is. but to late so spent the even with the same people.

Sept 15, 1902

The Capt went in town early this morn mate came after he felt (left?) about 9 o'clock fell down the hold and broke his back taken to Hostipal at once. Tonight we went to the Grand Opra with the S--u W. saw the Fatal Wedding

Sept 16, 1902

Vessel all loaded at 12 o'clock at 2PM was towed down stream to the statue of Liberty we went ashore in the tug boat went to South Ferry Hotel that night. Said good by to Wilhelm and the Sorens came back to the City.

Sept 17, 1902

Rainy all day mates gone on board waiting for sails did come today so we went called on Allice Bick more then went into Brooklyn and stayed all night.

Sept 18, 1902

Went into N.Y this morn no sails comes but not to the office until night too late to go aboard tonight still stormy. Went to Keiths Theater tonight then to Hotel.

Sept 19, 1902

Well we came aboard this morn about 9 o'clock Pilot on board all day but no wind foggy could not sail have done some more packing and straitening. Pilot went ashore tonight.

Sept 20, 1902

Started from Statue of Liberty to put out to sea but was no wind and foggy so had to anchor at west bank light house. I have been mending a little today.

Sept 21, 1902

Sunday no chance to put out to sea today. Wind just the same has been a long and lazy day. I am not feeling real well.

Sept 22, 1902

on deck watching the men scrape paint. Fixed my wapper sleeves and have been reading tonight.

Sept 23, 1902

The stewards wife has washed a little for us today. And I have not done much of anything only to be lazy. fixed my dress skirt and marked some of my cloths.

Sept 24, 1902

We started early this morn only one vessel ahead of us good wind but a little foggy. A very good start first day at sea. I ironed some handkerchiefs this morn. Mended some more stockings.

Sept 25, 1902

I have been a little sick today but got up and went on deck.

Sept 25 (2 listings for this date)

Have been sick all day have not ate anything for all day. I don't like to be sea sick, not a very nice feeling stewards wife sick too. Rained and blew hard all day.

Sept 26

A am still feeling sick. but not as bad went to the table tonight. tried to eat a little supper has been rain by spell all day rained hard all night. saw steamer today

Sept 27, 1902

Cleared up some today so the sun has shone have stayed on deck about all day am feeling a little better Done a little work to day rained hard last night. Another steamer.

Sept 28, 1902

Sunday. A fine day. I am feeling quite well have fixed my hair and read and been on deck a good deal saw 2 steamers this morn and another at noon. Looks like rain tonight.

Sept 29

A heavy thunder and lightning shower in the night. It has been quite rough today it has to rain most every day I have read and slept and finished the Capt mending.

Sept 30

The steward's wife has washed some today. A very nice day. Rained hard last night and was a little rolling. It is the same old thing sleep eat and do nothing.

Oct 1, 1902

The steward wife has ironed this A.M. and I have been lazy went up on the house and watched the Capt and mate sew on a sail did some crocheting. Very nice day and a shower tonight

Oct 2, 1902

Rained and blew hard at about half-past 12. Capt up all the time. Has blown all the morn then clam (calm?) the vessel rolling quite bad everything on the move. I have been feeling a little sick about all day better today. Rained tonight.

Oct 3, 1902

Began to rain about six this morn. Lost my breakfast if has rained about all day this afternoon I was on deck watching the men scrape paint. Fixed my wrapper sleeves and have been reading tonight.

Oct 4, 1902

I helped sweep up the cabin this morn and have basted on some hard. Has rained by spells all day and is raining tonight. saw two land birds tonight.

October 5, 1902

Another Sunday at sea has rained by spells all day I have been on deck a little the boatswain caught a bird of some kind this afternoon. I have read about all day am feeling quite like myself.

Oct 6, 1902

Another day done. I was going to do lots today but it has been about the same thing. It rained this A.M. by showers but has been nice this afternoon a good wind and is fine tonight

Oct 7, 1902

This morn I washed some necktie for the Capt the steward wife has been washing today and I have been on deck all the AM. Saw some flying fish today. A fine day and I have been lazy as usual we are going along pretty well.

Oct 8, 1902

I ironed a little this morn. Took my dresses out and brushed(?) them. We have also had the bed and pillows out on deck. A fine day. This PM went up on the house(?) a little while and pull thread for the Capt on a sail. A 4 masted ship in sight all day.

Oct 9, 1902

I have cleaned the bird cage this morn. The Capt has been sewing on a sail all day so I have been sitting on the hatch with him. I have crochet some on my lace. Has been a beautiful day and a fine evening. Moonlit night. Another ship this morn. The keep was _____

Oct 10, 1902

The ships are still with us in plain sight it has rained a little this early morn and quite a strong breeze blowing. One ship still in sight a fine night.

Oct 11, 1902

I have felt mean all day so have not done much. It has been raining about all day. I went on deck at noon a little while but have been reading and have gone to bed early a windy day but a good sail.

Oct 12, 1902

It has been squally today wind has blown so I could not stay on deck much. I got a wetting this morn. Have been reading. Have felt a little better today. On deck tonight a fine night.

Oct 13, 1902

I have been on deck all the morn on the house. Christian has been sewing our sail. A squall this noon. Has been in the cabin working on sail. I have crochet my lace. It is a fine night. A ship past us this morn on her way to England.

Oct 14, 1902

A beautiful day I did some washing this morn a fine day to dry clothes swept the cabin this afternoon went up on the house with the C still sewing on sail. A fine night not much wind moon very bright.

Oct 15, 1902

I done up 2 white waist this morn and ironed some other things I was at it all the AM. This afternoon I have done some mending I washed my flannel waist yesterday and pressed it today. A fine day and a very nice evening

Oct 16, 1902

I don't know what I have done today. The same old thing I guess. A vessel in sight all day. Has been calm all day so we have not gone much. A few squalls but not heavy.

Oct 17, 1902

This has been a very good day a little rain showers at different times during the day and calm all day. Have been on the house with C and Mater they are working on sails. Put the fringe on my stand cloth this fore-noon.

Oct 18, 1902

It was squally all night and we had a heavy squall about 10 oclock lots of rain. Heavy thunder and lightning and has been squally all the afternoon. The Capt on deck all day and most of the night. This was the heaviest squall I have seen.

Oct 19, 1902

Another Sunday we are 26 days out today. It was squally all night very little wind by spell then calm cleared up this morn and had a good breeze untill noon and then calm. Quite warm I have been on deck all the afternoon reading to Christian he has been craking nuts.

Oct 20, 1902

Well is has been calm all day no sails set untill tonight a very little breeze at sunset but is calm at seven oclock again. This morn C. and I painted a little while this PM have been sewing Steward caught a dolfen, we tried to get one to but did not saw quite a lot of fish.

Oct 21, 1902

I have washed my clothes and she has been washing a squall this morn and a little rain but still calm and quite warm. C and I have been on deck all the afternoon. I have been at work and C has been reading. We are getting tired of this calm.

Oct 22, 1902

Still calm and rolling and sails lowered this morn no wind yet and heavy seas. I ironed a little this morn this after-noon on deck with C look like wind about three but soon died away and is rolling worse than ever. I wish we could have wind.

Oct 23, 1902

Another calm day. The Capt and Mate has been painting all day. This morn I cleaned up the cabin and then went on deck with my sewing. Had to stay in the cabin all afternoon. Paint all round. Quite warm no sign of wind tonight.

Oct 24 1902

Still calm all day and very warm. I guess I have not been doing anything today. That amounted to anything. The same old story eat and sleep.

Oct 25, 1902

This A.M. Christian and I have painted all the time and I spoiled my skirt. To bad black skirt. This afternoon I have not been doing much. Did a little on my battenburg. A very little wind so they set no sail tonight. Quite warm all day.

Oct 26, 1902

All sails set at 4 oclock this morn a good breeze all day. I have been lazy today. The Capt and mate has been painting. A squall at noon they covered the paint so it did not get hurt. I have been thinking of home all day.

Oct 26, 1902 (2 entries for 26th)

A fine breeze and very nice day. I have spent the day reading and we stayed on deck all the fore noon. A nice day. Have started a letter home tonight. I am in bed at a little after seven the Capt watch from 8 to 12.

Oct 27, 1902

Monday another good day. And a nice breeze. I have been on deck most all day. They have been painting and scrubbing the deck. John has made us some chairs.

Oct 28, 1902

Tuesday I have been on top of the house most all day. The Capt has been sewing all day. I have finished my lace. It has been a nice breeze again we are going along fine the Capt watch tonight

Oct 29, 1902

A nice breeze all day and we have had a good run. I hardly know what we have been doing today and guess not very much anyway. It is about the same thing every day.

Oct 30, 1902

The wind was good untill about noon then was lighter. And cloudy this afternoon and evening the Christian has painted the chairs and got one all done I have been on the house with him.

Oct 31, 1902

The wind very light since 4 this morn died out altogether at eight oclock. No wind all day. Warm. Saw a shark the steward caught him the C fired his gun at him but it did not go and so he cut the line and got away.

12 empty listings then this (with no dates!!) It does look like she is at least following the day of the week--Maybe this goes back to the beginning of the diary 1899 OR 1900, she would have skipped that whole summer...

Wed (Sept 6, 1899)

I have started on **another journey**. Got on the boat to Boston tonight.

This has been a disagreeable day. The wind has blown a gale all day.

Thur

It was a nice night on the boat but we did not get to Boston untill two oclock. Arrived in Roxbury at eleven oclock.

Fri

Wrote home today

Sat

Sun

Have had to work all day. Mrs. Patch boys were all at home so we had quite a dinner did not come up stairs untill half past four. Wrote a letter to A-R this evening.

Mon

Have washed today. The clothes were out all day when I took them in. Mended a curtain that went in the dining room. Mrs. Hadyen went this morn. And the boys went back to their work.

Tues

I have ironed this before noon. Did not get all through. Had a shirt waist of Mrs. Patch to do after dining this afternoon Mrs. P and I went out on the Streets to look around. Cleared off

Wed

Today did up the work washed of the piazza and made some bread. This afternoon we went in to Boston to do some shopping and so I am very tired shall go to bed early

Skipped 3 days--

Sun

A beautiful day. I went to church this morning with Bradford. Mrs. Patch had to stay with Mr. he is sick in bed today. Have been reading all the P.M. Put the cloth in soak tonight

Mon

Another fine day wash and then did some cleaning up and the P.M. have been working on my pillow covering. Shall go to bed early. Got a letter from A-- this morn

Tues

Got a letter from home this morn. Have ironed all the day. Did not get through untill supper time. Has been a very hot day but looks like rain tomorrow.

Wed

It began to rain about three oclock this morn and rained hard all the A.M. but the sun broke out at seven and was quite pleasant for a little while have bound a rug for Mrs. P

Skipped 3 days--

Sun

A fine day. Did get to church today. Had chicken for dinner and it took me all the A.M. to get things ready Walter(?) Patch was here. Have got to get up early in the morning.

Mon

This has been a fine day. Quite warm. Have washed had quite a large wash did get through until eleven oclock. It is very warm to night. Hae had a bad headache all day

Tues

Has been stormy all day. Have ironed got them almost done I ironed untill three oclock left the rest it cleared up tonight and is very pleasant

Wed

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Thur

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Fri

Mrs. P-- went into S-Boston this morn. Have swept the halls and cleaned up a little in all the rooms and ironed her dress. Have written to Mary(?) and Ethel. Looks like rain

Sat

Had a nice shower in the night cleared off lovely this morn a very little cooler. Cooked a little this morn This PM went to Cambridge was Harvard College and sat down on Harvard common. It is a beautiful place

Sun

The first day of Oct cooler today seems like fall _____. Got to church today had a nice sermon on Inda by Mr. Fairlankes from that state Am tired tonight. To get to bed early in the _____

Skipped 6 days...

Sun (Oct 8, 1899)

This has been a day of rest Mr. Patch has been away from house so we had a laisy dinner and I have written letters and read. About all day am not feeling very well.

Mon

A rainy day did ot wash today. But Mrs. Patch made some Ginger pears and put them up 7 quarts in all. And I cleaned the silver als my cold is a very little better today have worked all day. Does lok as though it would clear off tonight.

Tues

Well it was not pelasant this morn but I washed and put the cloths out the sun came out about 11 and been a nice days. Got the cloths in and folded them some not dry. Looks as though it would be pleasant tomorrow

Wed

Foggy this morn cleared up at noon. Ironed some this morn and diusted the halls and sitting rooms, dining room and etc. company at dinner. Finished the ironing this afternoon came upstairs at four oclock.

Thu

Has been very warm. Have swept the halls today for we are going into Boston tomorrow if noting happens. Went into the Youth Companion(?) building with Bradford and another little boy had a nice ride

Fri

Another hot day but very pleasant foggy morn. WE had a early dinner and started for town. Had good luck shopping. Got my jackets and shoes and etc. saw all the decorations for Dewey. And I am tired.

Sat

A very warm day foggy and the morn sun came out about 11 and has been beautiful ever since. This has been a great day for Boston celebrating Dewey a public holiday. Went on a car ride this P.M. went we got back found company stayed to supper

Sun

Another fine day. I did not feel like doing to church this morn so I wrote some letters. And went to church tonight with Mr. P--and Walter had a very nice sermon.

Mon

Foggy this morn but the sun cam out about ten oclock washed today and went to bed this afternoon have been sick all day. _____ did eat much breakfast and no dinner an a very little supper.

Tue

Have felt lots better today. Have ironed and this afternoon wrote to Maggie Lizzie and Aunt Ett. Got a letter from Maggie saying she would come and work for Mrs. Patch was glad to hear from her.

Wed

Foggy and rained all the forenoon. hard stopping about near but is still foggy. We went into the F____ Fair this afternoon heard Sousa Band for the first time. Liked it very much would like to hear it again.

Thu (Oct 19, 1899)

This has been a fine day. Not to warm but fine. I have swept the sitting room and washed a little this forenoon. This afternoon commenced a letter home and finished it tonight.

Fri 20

Rainy this morn. Swept the halls and my room. Wen tin town on a errand for Mrs. Patch this afternoon cleared of the night cooler than it has been for some time. Got a letter from home this morn.

Sat 21

Pleasant again this morn but cool and windy Made _____ fries and some cookies. And then usual Sat work. Mable and Mrs. Seven(?) called this afternoon. Mrs Patch rowed (rode??) into the Fair to meet Walter and his young lady and (an)(br)(M)other. Stay all night.

Sun 22

Very pleasant today. The folks all went in town to church Bradfor and I went to the Baptist church this morning. Diner at two the walkers go tomorrow.

Mon 23

This has been a foggy and disagreeable day. I washed this morn but didn't put the cloth out. Mrs Patch went in town with Mrs Walker and Alice. Finished my slippers this afternoon.

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Wed (Oct 25) - Sun (Oct 29): more of the same: rain or sun, wash or iron, letter or not

Skipped 4 days, then more of the same...

Skipped 2 days

Wed (Nov 8, 1899)

Pleasant day. Claude came to see me this afternoon on his way home from New Y--. We went on a car ride up to Franklin Park to supper. Went to the Theatre with Malbelle.

8 more days of "the usual"

On the next page Sadie re-numbers the dates: Nov 13 - 15, **1902** but has no activities.

Then on Nov 16 1902:

We are fifty four day out. And crossed the equator at half-past ten this morning.

Then back to the original diary date listings:

Tue (Dec 12, 1899)

Came into Boston this morn on the 8.15 express with Nancy Rich. Went to see Mabel on Ritby St then out to Roxbury, it began to rain at one oclock the boat has not come up so I shall stay.

Wed

Helped Lizzie do the work so we could go in town early to do some shopping. Call to see Mabel, then we went to the boat but was to late it had gone so I went into S-B- with Mabel, went to Castel S

Thu 14

Took the 9 oclock train for Rockland

Interesting address book listing:

Mrs. M.E. Dunton
7 Alveston
Jamaica Pl

Other listings:

T(F)remont Young
97 High St
Brockton Mass

Ida L Pearson
38 Beach

Revere Mass

Mrs. Patch
18 Savin St
Roxbury Mass

Mrs. Adelia Seavers
K St No 129
South Boston

Also a few pages of income and expenses, none seem to be related to the ship journey, but always interesting to read...

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