call on his children & their friends, himself to hear & let the children hear for an hour christian truths – is certainly more than we might reasonably expect in London, especially under present exciting circumstances. But we have to walk a good deal more than all understanding & what may we not expect from God even in London, though quite contrary to our experience & reason! – In another house, my customs were out. – In another house had an excellent & very hearing – & very respectable young man in the room & three youths in the yard, myself sitting in the second floor in the Drawing & thus serving both parties. – In another house had a most excellent hearing drawing, of a Samuri & his Boy, gave all possible indications of friendliness & attention, freely answering every question. The house is from acquaintance long since. – In this house & in the first we visited this afternoon I offered books, they were gladly received. Returned home very weary, distressed in throat but very happy in heart.

Had a refreshing evening service & conversation at home.

26. Had a blessed season of prayer this morning. We enabled to give myself away entirely to the Lord, praying that if it be see it necessary for this mission that I should remain still, every way for my escape be providentially shut up, so that I might not be able to leave. My heart bled, but the scripture yesterday so impressed me with a sense of personal Duty, that I feared, however Duty for my own may call me away, that may stick closer to it more selfishness, than in my adhering to my duty here. At any rate I hope my heavenly father will so direct providences as to make my way plain. I should like to go to China at least for a short time, I long for a change & refreshing my humanity; a pelting time may bring me back if that is absolutely necessary, & the Lord may easily raise a few feeling men, who might contribute this time. However, when I am once off from here, what may be the temptations to evil, when I am once off from the new prospects of life. Whether I shall have power to overcome & endure temptations for a continued residence in this Dreary isolation, this the Lord knows best, & I therefore once more commit myself to his wise providences, to be kept in my way that I should not be able to take a wrong steps.

Mr. Morrison to – Day for the first time settled accounts, the receipt being drawn in his name; as is case I leave next month, a beginning in this was advisable. –

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25. Started this morning, a very a warmmorning day. Engaged much more in walk to Gh, it had long work. My companions are otherwise unhealthy but the last, I offers respectably suppose to see this planner on a preaching excursion. I feel for him with the Barbarous language & it is indeed a painful & perplexing to attempt it. I only hope from them as to the future, that he may be prepared, as I believe, it is right. But, remember, people have been offering of two sights, the one this afternoon & now seem better than the other. I fear we have been partaking of evil. I for my part have more people of evening & several were going in a man from among the simple people, the to-morrow again, although the Chinese felt very, apparently reluctant to listen & it seemed then to me. Since I did I, as various instances, all the more whether the Lord has think it better to make this Journey first than we appointed, my mind has been, in no very good to have it now," of the other feeling in. I trust, stopped & praying with them.

In the afternoon went out accompanied by Mr. Morrison. Entered a very respectable house, the I had visited with the Lord. Daughter of one of the officers. The mother style house, often some intelligence of the usual complainants, being required to point in his children & young children to have what I had to teach them, to our surprise, instructed by his, for we had an anything of about 10. Just opposite Family C where. I hope I need the opportunity in work. I pray that may be for good work. Remarkable language is for me on this occasion I feel for the Barbarous language is for the purpose of the a full conviction that I am to say. Surprised me, surprised with teach the afternoon, didn't rather the Lord will not use of if we I had opening from the Lord's Table. The matter of the were rather better I was then I had my Barbarous form. Dr. Kidd I. we open rather very Christian Life and Christ. Shortly we were of the good. We had big had a have big had it seems being paid more paying attention to this work. "I'd let it be" my manner, the word being it seemed that Christ in it for the the mother (Chinese lady) had opened & then it seemed of some Chinese, Chinese, Christ. Confessing the mother, the mother had the had heard) or that the with the in what was of learning the Lord, for digestion for the Lord. It is to Christ. Opened his eyes & heart. And so I do so. Dr. Dodd, the good. Opened his eyes & heart. Dr. Dodd, the that was to preaching in the right! The the Lord which in them. Christ in the heart the young female & my them were there. There are yet days of religion in preaching in. Tears for Barbarous. May we heart often take we to. And I think that I was the opinion of Lord. – Mr. Morrison left me, he was yesterday here baptized, had he see the that, it was the heart heart. Lord he had in Barbarous, I. Immense, in a first the were, baptized to.

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27. Morning the return junk from China in sight. But to track till evening then she came in with the native. Myself with Mr. Moreton went to the junks harbour, & great indeed was our joy when a parcel was handed over to us, which we could feel contained nothing but paper, paper, letters we thought, or at least china journals, more valuable to us than gold. But our joy was short lived. On opening the parcel only one brief note – without date – of Dr. Walters to me & another letter to Mrs. Moreton, from her sister, besides a few Records & some dreary Chinese paper was all the contents. It is useless to lose oneself in conjectures about the neglect or want of common sense in others. With the letter of Mrs. Moreton, which must have gone in March from Hong Kong to Foochow much more, at any rate journals might have been sent. – We are thus entirely left without letters & without china news, & as regards my wife & children, not even cheered by a letter from my wife to tell them. Happen also they inquired me daily, my wife certainly knew how uncertain my journey is, & has no doubt sent letters, either from Shanghae or Hong Kong. So that the fault must lie in those to whom the entrusted them there.

28. Two junks, which had been sent from here to take off the chinese mutineers from Pakhangpan, also came back to-day, & neither by them have we any letters. Usually I have received a note & Reviews, journals &c from de Lamond at Foochow. It appears we have now lost all countenance of our China-Officials.

July 1. Yesterday evening we were reading in a Review of the Record some extracts from a work of Cardinal Wiseman concerning alleged miracles of the virgin Mary. I should feel much obliged to him, said I smilingly, if he was to bring us hither to-morrow some things. Had a Roman Catholic chanced to have been the speaker he might to-day have got one more entry for the Cardinals' book, as, no doubt, the event of two ships arriving to-day would have been metamorphosed into a miracle of the virgin in answer to prayer. At any rate we are truly glad that the Pakatoy & Mississippi both steamers are again at anchor in our Road since ten o'clock this forenoon.

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for the Commodore – He kindly told us what he thought we might place of his transactions. Samoda & Hakadori were the two points spoken of the latter, I heard afterwards, to be opened a year after the ratification of the Treaty. What I am most surprised at is that the whole Squadron has had to subsist on salt provisions all the while they were in Japan. Capt. Mc Clancy (of the Powhatan) told us, they had had symptoms of Scorbute breaking out among his crew, though fortunately it not actually break out. However we must not expect Japan would yield on mere persuasions. We'll take care to speak smoothly but by her works she will be known as a malicious power for generations to come, unless she be subjected by power to obey the dictates of humanity. We saw several drawings & landscapes striking the eye by novelty, not less than by execution of the accomplished artists who accompanied the Commodore. Art & science may perhaps have gained more than Commerce, Diplomacy & religion either from this expedition. The "Macedonian" with the "Supply" as tender we hear are despatched to Formosa, ostensibly to inquire whether no Europeans or Americans are detained there as prisoners, but really to look out for coals, as there, the Commodore in Japan would use some the purposes of steam, the coals flaring away like dry wood. Query: Have the Japanese found the real coals?

Drinking at the Mississippi had arrived Mr. Jones, the Chaplain, was to the Squadron, & finding Capt. Lee unwilling to speak about the service after morning I engaged with Capt. Mc Clancy. He at once kindly accepted my offer, but hearing from Mr. Morrison that Mr. Jones was not present, but had for geological purposes been sent to Formosa, & returned to the Mississippi, then I told Capt. Lee that as I am engaged if he wished a service on board Mr. Morrison would conduct it. This was accepted. And I then engaged for a service on the Leaving this to proceed that I am to work on the Powhatan. May the Lord be with us.

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2. Lord's Day. Read prayers & preached on Board the Lexington. The Lord being with us enjoyed the service very much, & hope the hearers' marked attention showed their own profiting. We had each a boat in waiting for Mr. Moreton to be conveyed to the Mississippi. (Mrs. Moreton we deemed it advisable not to expose to the stormy sea of to-day) & myself to the Powhatan. I had a very hard row, against wind & sea, but arrived in time. Read prayers & preached, as a welcome sermon to the Squadron, from: "~~The Lord~~ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord." It was an excellent & very Sabbathly congregation. I was thankful for the good spirit I was in, & for the undivided attention of the audience, though greater part of the men had to stand in front during the whole service.

Capt. McCluney was kind enough to invite me to take my passage down to Hong Kong in his cabin & the wardroom officers offered me likewise room with them. But I had the slightest hope of a steamship returning to this & should certainly not have sent off my letters five months ago. However all things work together for good to them that love God, and I trust our separation was for good purposes.

Was signalized for under the "all chaplains" flag to repair to the Mississippi, where we all had been invited to dinner with the Commodore, & there I met also Mrs. Moreton who had been fetched in a special train with little Philip. We been regaled in addition with excellent music, the Piccolonist, Lucian Contesse, who plays besides two other instruments, being – and deservedly – a great favourite with the Commodore. I saw the boy after dinner. He is of Italian extraction & was brought up at Paris. Was glad to hear he has read a French Old Testament & an Italian Gospel. – The Commodore approved of my taking passage in the Powhatan. – Returned home, & had an excellent proceeding of nearly less than 1½ hours length in a temple before 20-30

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Lieutenants, all of whom listening with great attention & inquiring questions bearing on the matter. I went home exhausted but rejoicing the only drawback being Mr. Moreton's telling me, he had never before seen it so, whereas I maintained we had had many similar hearings since he goes with me about. I say that he may I shall ever maintain he is as good a missionary orator as any other, even in England, & that every christian who has but a drop of real love to God & to the souls of heathens may here find opportunities of preaching away both his lungs were forbidding to preach the Gospel even in the temples of our adversaries, certainly more than could be done in a Dissenting chapel in any Country of Europe.

I have in addition had heavy labours in the interval at home, opening as they were, with writing & signing lots of provision bills, so much out of grub is the Mole Squadron that I thought it allowable to do for them such work even on the Lord's Day.

Had evening service at home.

4. Saw this morning some festival appearance of the ship, but seeing the Regent steering hither in his miserable barge I thought the two stand in connexion. Long after, it struck me this was the Day of the Declaration of the United States' Independence. I had just been rowing in a native boat towards the Lanyatoo to have there a talk with my chinamen, when it struck me that a festival day would not be the most suited for such purposes. Indeed at noon a salute was fired & I thought it becoming to go on the Commodore's ship & congratulate him, he same I did on board the Pocahontas & Lanyatoo. Then I had promised to dine. – The Regent, I learn, had been very coolly received, & promised to institute a fresh investigation on the case of Bowl. Two officers, who had been at the Lanyatoo indeed, stated they had seen the witnesses examined, being punished with a large bamboo by a man on either side to speak loud as the one termed, & had at last his hands tied behind.

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5. Dr. Williams & Mr. Bent came desiring me to go with them to be examination of the witnesses, adding they had asked the Commodore concerning my going (as there might be need of some interpretership) & he said I might go, as I knew of the whole affair. I asked the gentlemen whether the Commodore wished or ordered that I should go. They said no, he only said I might. On which I declared (& the gentlemen found it right) that as missionary in the place I think I had better not go.

On their return we heard the present version of the matter was this: the man Board had been at some house where cries of a woman were heard to land that her husband or friends thought it advisable to come to her rescue. They did not plainly say whether the man merely intended or really did the woman any harm. It is quite likely the woman would have screamed out on the mere sight of a foreigner in one of the same room with her. Board was then driven out & threw at with stones, & being ~~xxx~~ persecuted & finding no way of escape he jumped over the bridge & thus came by his death in the water.

Mr. Moreton. He has given up this week all his exercises in the Loochoo-an, because of letter writing – a business in which he is engaged ever since the "mischief" had been done, & to which he increasingly has turned his mind when we still expected the Commodore in at the 20th of June, to stay only, as we believed, a very short time, & a business too, which I told him he might carry on in the afternoons as I am credibly informed the Squadron would remain here till the end of this month, a business too which is far from pressing upon him, ~~xx~~ he is ever ready to interrupt to sit down & chat with all who arrive, & leaves him time to spend on board the ships. Of course under pretext always of some important business, as getting shoes for Philipp & h.l. Now to-day at noon he returned flushed like a conqueror with the news that the Commodore had given him two bundles of Calico, each containing 25 pieces, for his own use & whomsoever he wishes to make presents. While we were at dinner two large bundles arrived, and after dinner & a very brief consultation with Mrs. Moreton he had them carried over into his private rooms, myself standing only looking on without

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using a word. Now, if the Commodore did it not quite exceptionally, the gifts were given to the mission of course for the missionaries were for posterity to the people. Well then, I should say I had at least as much trustworthiness in them as a recently arrived person who as yet has done nothing either among the natives or for the Squadron, & yet this is the person who without asking me at all about it locks with goods immediately up as his own, & so he does with any of the domestic conveniences the Committee had brought – as he once was betrayed into confessing – as nails, screws, locks, brushes &c. which I had sometimes, & especially lately had while posting occasion to use, & which he locks all in his own grasp, as if I had not & he had laboured for the contributions by which these things were bought. – This is one more illustration that it is not they who labour but they who scheme. & who have the profits.

6. Went on board the Zeeuw this, & had reading & prayer with my Chinese congregation, which however I did not find to-day as attentive as usual, events thickening round them as well as every other connected with the Squadron in proportion as preparations for departure increase & various rumours as to the steps to be taken by the matter of Board. We heard to-day that the Commodore had sent 25 marines with haversack &c. to take possession of Naha, i.e. to reoccupy the house where Mr. Randall & the inmates of the Hospital had held possession for nearly 5 months.

I went in the evening to the Mississippi. Capt. Lee told me he had received a note of Mr. Moreton concerning the service of next Lord's day, & he (Capt. L.) thought as it was probable that he next was the last Lord's day the ships remained here, that we change pulpits so as to give Mr. Moreton a chance to tell himself the head on board the Powhatan. He added however we might arrange this among ourselves. – I returned home rather late & sitting

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On the morning the servants coming round I spoke to them of Jesus, one of them particularly in giving us the text & tenor of the death Jesus, which he had seen the picture. I was glad of the opportunity to speak. But soon our coolness & cordiality the overseer & spy in the house – began to call the servants off but I forbad him interfering & they continued to listen till he came up to us & hinting & pulling at their sleeves drew them with one exception. I partly spoke to his one & partly remonstrated with the others for keeping the cook, or the bad people out of doors, rather than their master. In the meanwhile I had been keeping in the distance & stretching up & down back with one hand slung over his lips – usually with him a sign of great victory over something opposing his fame – asking me very roughly: "Not yet ready for tea?" I answered yes, & went in to the room with him & his wife, remonstrating with them for the servants poisoned for his having run away, & for the bidding of the cook. "They were frightened" said they, "because I had scolded them!" And out I went calling out for the cook & others. Upon this Mr. & Mrs. Morton came out after me & gave me a lesson which I shall never forget, the purport being that I improperly with them to look the servants therefore I figure to speak to them, which I knew they have strong prohibitions, & they additionally frightened them, instead of having persuaded them, whereas how should the gospel do them any good, sir, &c. I confess I had repeatedly to cry out to God to give me patience to be able to sit quietly while this talk went on, which after all was only a pretence to the next that they had ready their letters in which they ex-

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promised the Committee that they could not do so much good here as they should have done, because I would not permit Mr. Moncton to go out to preach among the people. Every day Mr. Moncton obeyed my orders & taken no his particular order going? & when tired Mr. Moncton, when I was had told her that "I had sent Mr. Moncton to preach to Tamai" — an expression which she could not forgive — & when he had been come I had told him he should rather have gone with me than go out alone." All I recollect is that I told Mr. Moncton on some Sunday, that I thought when I go out on a preaching round & he is with me it may help his language forward more than if he went alone. Naturally enough in the work should have induced me to forbid him going out helping as much as he could. And here can Mr. Moncton cite any thing I told him in hindrance to his plans, as he never mind my suggestions. Having told me repeatedly he was perfectly his own master & that he had given the Committee no promise to stand under any, & that himself had told him a missionary must be quite free. — While we were just talking the servants came in all kneeling down & begging pardon for their misdemeanour, adding they had been frightened. "Frightened!" exclaimed Mr. Moncton drop he jumped. "D you see they say they had been frightened" The servants seeing he repeats their own word "ud urotchi", of course repeated it again, & showed also by signs that my sleeve had been turned up. "Sleeve turned up!" exclaimed Mr. & Mrs. Moncton & while I was explaining by signs the ignorance of the servants

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