

Extracts from
The Diary of Grace Mackarness
1910

Saturday 1st January

Charlie celebrated at 7.15 but also helped at 8 when Elfie & I went. I also went to Matins. Guy, Roger, Elma went to the Rink. I went to Miss Green's but in the end there was no meeting as Miss West did not turn up. I took round the rest of my papers. It came on to rain. Cuthbert & (failing Elfie) Guy went to a Ping Pong tournament at the Bakers'. Evensong. Charlie & I went to the Pr. Of Wales about the Sale of Work. Charlie dined with the Hudsons.

Monday 3 January

A mild day. We had a meeting about the Sale of Work. The clergy came to luncheon & Cuthbert went out hunting. My At Home day, but soon after 4.30 I went round to the school for the Sunday School tea – at 5 - & magic lantern which went off well.

Tuesday 4 January

Charlie went to York for various meetings. I paid the books. Elfie, Cuthbert & I went down the town. Elfie went to a working party. Egie came in about the fancy dress. A small GFS meeting in the evening. Roger went to a fancy dress dance at the Pr. of Wales (given by the Salters) as the march hare, hot & not a successful dress.

Wednesday 5 January

Cuthbert & Roger stayed in bed to breakfast. Preparations for the League of Pity dance. I went to see Aunt Jue. We had all the Irwins & Dick & Sam Pawson to tea but Mrs Crombie & Dorothy were not well so couldn't come. The children went to the Grand about 8, Elfie as the Cook, C&G as Tweedledum & Tweedledee, Roger as the Baby, Eileen as the White Rabbit – herald -, Violet, & Vera Dawson as the White & Red Queen, Egie (I didn't see him) as the Duchess, Gladys as the Queen of Hearts, &c. – very good indeed.

Thursday 6 January

I went to church at 8 & at 12.30. The family stayed in bed to breakfast. Charlie went to Bridlington to dedicate a pulpit &c. Roger went to the rink with Bernie Willoughby &c. I paid visits. Evensong. Cuthbert went to a Political Meeting with Brian. Communicants' service.

Friday 7 January

Charlie went to York. Litany. Working party in the afternoon. Evensong. Elfie & Roger went to a party at the Gotts, 6.30 to about 9.30. Cuthbert & Guy went to a Political meeting at the Grammar School addressed by Mr Monckton Arundel [Conservative] &c.

Sunday 9 January

Very windy. Elfie, C, G & I went to the 8 o'clock celebration & to Matins. Mr Monckton Arundel was there at 10.30 & Stephenson put him on to collect, to Charlie's annoyance. Mr Stewart came to luncheon. & the Misses Randolph to tea. Charlie went to Wheatcroft. Roger stayed in bed till the afternoon.

Tuesday 11 January

I paid the books. Elfie, C, G & I went down the town before luncheon. Elfie & Roger went to a party at Brooklands given by Miss Wise. I paid calls. Aunt Jue came in to tea – Cuthbert & Guy went to the rink. Mr De Winton arrived & spoke very well at the Churchmen's meeting at the Town Hall in the

evening to which Charlie (who was in the chair) E & I went: I played the hymns: Mr Barrington Simeon also spoke. C went to the Radical meeting with the Godfreys.

Thursday 13 January

I went to the Celebration. The boys played hockey on the sands. Elfie had a walk with Gladys in the morning, & in the afternoon went out with Miss Barker & had her to tea. The boys went to the rink. I took bazaar notices & paid bills. Evensong. Cuthbert went to a Political meeting. Elfie went with Miss Barker to hear Miss Pankhurst .

[This was probably Adela, the youngest Pankhurst daughter, who was in Scarborough in January 1910 organising the Women's Social and Political Union election campaign].

Saturday 15 January

A fine morning. A very exciting day with the election. The children were about the greater part of the day & I for part. I went to the Rescue Committee. Evensong. After dinner the boys & Elfie & I went to the Royal where the Godfreys joined us & we had a room for the declaration of the Poll but C went out with Brian & Eric in the street. To our disgust Rea got in beating Mr Monckton Arundell by 292.

Monday 17 January

By the 8.55 we saw Guy & Roger off to Knoyle. I went to see Aunt Jue in the course of the morning. By the 1.17 Elfie & I saw off Cuthbert & Bueno to Oxford. The clergy came to luncheon. I paid calls. Elfie went to her working party. Evensong.

Wednesday 19 January.

I went to the Celebration. Charlie went to school & to QMS. Elfie began her regular work as a mistress at the Lodge. Charlie went to North Ormesby. I paid calls. CMWP. It came on to rain though earlier it was lovely. Late Evensong.

Thursday 20 January

A lovely morning. Elfie went off to school at 8.30. Charlie came back in time for a late luncheon. I paid visits to various people including Aunt Jue. Evensong. Elfie met Mary Brazier who arrived safely. Rain, but it cleared. I went to the Rough Girls' Club in the town with Alice Macnab.

Saturday 22 January

Snow showers at intervals. I went down the town before luncheon to which Elfie came home. Rescue Committee over which Mr Johnson of all SS. presided in the absence of the other clergy. I went to see Sister Edith at 32 Gladstone Rd. & paid the other sisters a visit too. Elfie tobogganed, & had tea with the Godfreys.

Sunday 23 January

For a 2nd Sunday we only had the little harmonium. Mr Bruce Steward came in to luncheon with his brother, & Mrs Wilkinson & Miss Woodhouse came to tea.

..... The Bishop of Hull died. Charlie asked for the prayers of the Church for a family in bereavement, & Mr Irwin spoke about what had happened at the end of his sermon

Cuthbert passed his exam. all right.

Wednesday 26 January

Charlie went to York. Snow showers. I went to the Litany & then did jobs – telling confirmation candidates about the 1st class &c. At 4 o'clock I went to a Lantern Lecture by Miss Hibbert Ware in the Victoria Hall – P N E U. To the school for the C M W P. Saw the comet. C E T S Committee. Fancy dress social where Charlie joined me. Elfie was tired & went to bed early.

Friday 4 February

Another fine – even finer day: I spent it at the Bazaar which was opened by Lady Halifax who had luncheon there with Charlie, Elfie & me. A very successful time; home about 10 or so.

Sunday 6 February

I stayed in bed with a cold. A mild day. Mr Steward came to luncheon but his brother was away. Charlie had to give an address at the Y M C A so F F C took the Catechising. Elfie went to tea at the Godfreys' & Charlie had his up with me.

Tuesday 8 February

X Father. Humphrey

Elfie went to school. By the 8.55 Charlie & I left, he for Northallerton & I for Eton. Laura met me at Kings X & came with me to Paddington & we had a nice talk. Bob & Margot met me at Slough & Bob walked & we drove to Eton. The rain had stopped & we went round the garden. Baby came down after tea & though shy at first was very sweet. The Mc.Neiles & Mr Sheepshanks dined & Mr Mc.Neile, Mrs S & Margot played trios afterwards. Mrs Mc.N & I read & played poker P.

Thursday 10 February

Mary was much more friendly & stayed with me alone. We were delighted to hear that Kit & Violet have got a House – School Field. I went down the town before luncheon. A little rain, so Margot decreed that I should not go out with her & Bob. Molly Evans & Mrs Heygate came. We sat in the study after dinner.

Saturday 12 February

Lovely again. I wrote to congratulate Mr Mosse on his engagement to Miss Constance Body. Margot & I went in the town & later to luncheon with Mr & Mrs Williams. Afterwards we 2 & Marya Muse went for a drive to Burnham Beeches & home by Stoke Poges. Mr Crum – brother of the clerical one – was at tea.

Tuesday 15 February

A rough night but the morning turned out fine. By the 10.20 I left Eton, Margot & little Mary watching me off from the door. I caught the 11.45 at Kings X & at York joined Charlie & travelled home with him & Archdeacon Lindsay to find Elfie on the platform to greet us.

Monday 21 February

Charlie went to Hull & Elfie to school. I went to No.19 & saw Aunt Jue & Emmie Noyes. I went to a very interesting New Guinea meeting at the Vicarage when the Bishop Designate, the Rev Gerald Sharpe, spoke. Mrs Hebden drove me home. Evensong. I went to see Mrs Lomax. Charlie had a boys' Confirmation class. Elfie went to the Philharmonic.

Tuesday 22 February

Charlie went to York for Convocation. I paid the books. Mr Swallow of Horbury spoke at the Cambridge, at a very well attended meeting, on Rescue Work: Archd. Lindsay in the Chair. Miss West also spoke. It came on to rain. Aunt Jue & Emmie came in to tea. I went to help at the Gr Sch prepare [sic] for the Rescue Meeting tea at night which went off well with the same speakers & Charlie in the chair.

Saturday 26 February

There was snow on the ground when we got up but it turned out fine. I took round some of monthly papers before luncheon & some after Evensong. Rescue Committee & then the G F S Lodge Annual Meeting to which Charlie came. Elfie had a walk with Eileen.

Tuesday 8 March

Charlie went to the Grammar School. By the 10.35 he left for Eton. I paid the books & went to a G F S House Committee. Rain. I went to a meeting about a memorial to Bp. Blunt. Evensong. Gwen Barker – with Elfie – came to tea: Miss Shotto dined & came with Elfie & me to the very nice Philharmonic Concert. E sang in the chorus.

Friday 11 March

I went to Church early: & again at 12. After the 12 o'clock service we had a nice little memorial service for the dear old Bishop of Lincoln. Working party. I met Cuthbert who arrived safely at 5.59. Service at 8.

Saturday 12 March

Cuthbert went to the meet at Scalby & was not home till tea time. I went to the Committee Meeting as usual. Elfie had two W M Lodge girls for a walk & tea, Marjorie Winter & Dorothy Topham. Cuthbert went to the station & met Charlie who arrived quite safely, rested by his short holiday.

Monday 14 March

I went to the Celebration. Cuthbert went out hunting, not getting back till about 4. The clergy came to luncheon. Bp. Farrar (late of Antigua) came at 1.24 & I took him for a walk in the afternoon. Evensong. Charlie had Confirmation classes & candidates.

Tuesday 15 March

Charlie went to the Gr School. He went to Hull at 11.17. I paid the books. Bishop Farrar went by the 1.30 to Billington to confirm: Elfie & Miss Head went out together & back here to tea. Cuthbert & Eileen played golf. I went to an N U W W meeting. Mrs Edwards drove me home. Evensong. The Bishop confirmed at Holy Trinity.

Wednesday 16 March

Charlie went to school. A busy day. The Bishop went by the 1.17 to Langton to confirm. Charlie had candidates. I met Arch. Norris & Evelyn at 3.48. Evensong & C M W P. Mr England arrived & preached at night. Archd. Norris spoke to the Q M S girls at 6.30. Bp Farrar confirmed at Chch. Elfie & Evelyn slept in the nursery.

Friday 18 March

By the 6.35 train Cuthbert went to Aintree for the Grand National. I went to Church early & again at 12. Evelyn went out with Eileen in the afternoon. I had the working party. Sleet & snow & fine intervals. Charlie had a very hard day. Evelyn & I went to Church at 8. Later we played Poker P.

Tuesday 22 March

I went to all the services but Matins. The Bishop of Beverley arrived at 1.56, met by Charlie with Dr G's motor & took the Confirmation at 3: owing to a mistake the Willerby candidates came in very late. Aunt Jue, Miss Thompson & the clergy came in to tea. Mary (Brazier) was one of the candidates. Mr Rees gave the addresses at the 12.15 service & at night.

Tuesday 29 March

X

Elfie 23

I went to Church & Charlie celebrated. Elfie had to go to school, but came home to luncheon, bringing Miss Head & she came with Elfie, Cuthbert, the Godfreys & me to Forge Valley for a very successful picnic. A lovely day. Guy came by the 3.48 – Charlie meeting him - & he came to meet us at 6.13 bringing his dog Jack with him.

Friday April 1

A fine day. Aunt Jue & I packed the Lent work in the garden before luncheon to which she stayed. Cuthbert had a ride with Egie. Second day of the CMWP Show: I was there from about 3.45 till nearly 8. (Not a good account of dear Father who has had too much to do lately.) Bruce came in to say Goodbye before leaving next day.

Saturday 2 April

Rather a better account of Father by post & better still by telegram which we prepaid. Elma, Margaret Keble & I renovated most of the church windows. I went down the town. Charlie & I went to a good performance at QMS of a Dante play. I brought Aunt Jue home to tea before Evensong.

Tuesday 5 April

Celebration at 8 & Matins 10.30 (being kept as the Annunciation). Better account of father. QMS borke up & Miss Head came here for the night for a Clara Butt Conct. which failed, but we had Eileen & V & had music at home. The boys & I went down the town in the afternoon. Tiny GFS meeting at 5. Disappointing news that Hugh is not coming home but gone straight to business.

Wednesday 6 April

Miss Head left at 10.35. Charlie went to school. Litany. Cuthbert & Guy & the Godfreys went up to the Links. Charlie rode over to Scalby. I paid calls. Aunt Jue came to tea. I began on Charlie's charge. Roger arrived safely. Late Evensong.

Saturday 9 April

Guy & Roger went with the Godfreys to a meet at Cloughton & Cuthbert rode. It came on wet. I finished writing out the charge. Elfie & I went down the town. I went to the Committee in the afternoon. Evensong. Cuthbert & Guy went with the 3 Godfreys to an Entertainment on the Spa.

Sunday 10 April

Elfie, Cuthbert & I went to the 8 o'clock Celebration. Fine. Elfie, Cuthbert & I, the 3 Godfreys, Gladys & Miss Salmon went for walk after Matins, Guy & Roger stayed to do photographs. Mr Stewart came to luncheon & Mrs & Miss Birley to tea. Egie came in during the evening.

Wednesday 13 April

Litany. I read aloud to Elfie during the course of the day while she worked. I paid some calls and went to a tea party at Mrs Hope's. In the evening I played games with Roger & accompanied Guy. Elfie went to bed early with neuralgia.

Sunday 17 April

Elfie, Guy & I went to the Celebration. Roger was not well & spent the day in bed. Joyful news by wire that Margot had a little son at 10 o'clock last night [John Booker]: both well. Mr Irwin preached at Matins. Mr Stewart came to luncheon before which E C G & I had a walk. I stayed at home at night & read to Roger.

Monday 18 April

Roger was better but I kept him in bed for breakfast. Cuthbert & I saw off Elfie for Knoyle at 8.55. Guy went with Mr Crombie for a walking tour, starting with Goathland. Roger & I saw off Cuthbert for Oxford at 1.17 & then went to Boots'. I gardened. Aunt Jue came in. Evensong. A good account from Ling Cot. Roger's temperature was up so we had Dr G who prescribed for him.

Wednesday 20 April

Fine till the afternoon when there was rain for some time. Roger went to Ganton in the car. I went to a GFS Associates' Meeting. Calls in the afternoon. Roger went to 'Raffles' with the Godfrey party. Late Evensong.

Saturday 30 April

A little rain. It got milder. Charlie went to S. Anne's Bridlington to dedicate a reredos. I went to the first part of little Coulson's funeral at S Martin's, it was very touching Roger played golf. I went round with my papers. Evensong. I went to No. 19. Poker p. with Roger.

Wednesday 4 April

Charlie & Elfie went up to QMS. I saw Rogie for [sic] at 8.55 for his last term at Fonthill. Later I went into the town for shpping. Elfie was home for luncheon & onwards. Aunt Jue came to luncheon. I paid calls. Gwen Barker came & stayed to tea. She helped me garden, & later went for a ride with Charlie & Elfie. Late Evensong.

Friday 6 May

We were sorry to hear of the serious illness of the King with bronchitis ... I wrote for Charlie. Litany. Charlie went to Market Weighton. I went to enquire after various sick people & paid a visit to Mrs Coulson & to Alf., but Maggie was out. I went to tea with the Vickermans. Evensong. I planted lettuce seed. Tidying in the study.

Saturday 7 May

.... News came of the death of the King last night at about a qr. To 12
A busy day seeing about mourning, tidying &c. I went down the town in the morning. Evensong.

Sunday 8 May

Fine early but rain in the afternoon. Charlie preached both morning & evening & we had the Dead March in Saul in the morning & Chopin in the evening & a verse of the Nat. Anth sung kneeling both times after the funeral march & before the Blessing: it was most impressive.

Tuesday 10 May

A fine day for our start. Elfie went to school where she is to have nearly all her meals but sleep at home. Charlie & I left at 8.55 & reached Petersfield at 4.45: Ada met us & she & I drove up [to Buckmore House] & Charlie rode. After tea Ada & I had a walk & Charlie cycled to Petersfield & for a ride with Arthur. Ada & I played poker p. in the evening.

Wednesday 11 May

Arthur went to Petersfield. Later he had to go up to town as Geraldine Coleridge had died suddenly Ada & I went down to Petersfield. Mrs Shield & Miss Lowndes came to luncheon. Ada & I drove to Buriton & then to Froxfield to call on Mrs Corfield with whom we had tea & went round her lovely garden. We went to the Keenes' after we came back. Charlie rode to Selborne. A tearing wind. Arthur got back soon after 9.

Thursday 12 May

The day turned out lovely. By the 10.57 Charlie & I left for Haslemere for the christening of 'John Mackarness'. We & Margot had luncheon & presently Bob, Mabbie & Mr Brinton appeared in a motor & as soon as could be could be we went to the Church at Grayshott where Charlie baptised his grandson who was very good. Leaving the Booker family to motor home the rest of us left at 4.25, we

2 & Mabbie arriving at Oxford together. Cuthbert turned up at 14 A. Margaret's Rd while we & Daisy were at dinner.

Friday 13 May

Charlie & I left for Windermere at 9.45 & arrived safely by the 4.55, only changing at Bletchy. There was no dining car on & we were glad of tea at the station before driving in an open carriage to the Prince of Wales Hotel Grasmere; a glorious drive. After dinner we had a stroll in the garden & then sat up in a nice little private sittingroom.

Saturday 14 May

A beautiful day. Charlie worked at his York sermon. In the afternoon we had a victoria & drove to Hawkshead where we explored, saw the church, the school to which Wordsworth went & the house where he lived. Tea, & then we drove back to Esthwaite, Skelwith Force, Elterwater, & through Grasmere: a lovely drive. We sat out after dinner. C offered to help the Rector who gratefully accepted.

Monday 16 May

A little rain early & then a beautiful summer's day. I sat out before luncheon & in the afternoon we had a lovely expedition to Ambleside (going by motor) – where we saw Stock Ghyll Force & Rydal where we saw the Falls & the Church & had tea. Then getting a lift to beyond what was White Moss Cottage we walked up to the Wishing Gate & gradually back to Grasmere where we went over Dove Cottage, the home of Wordsworth. We found Mr Clement Jones (who knew Hugh in America) & his sister waiting for us & had a nice talk.

Thursday 19 May

Charlie & I drove to Windermere station & left at 10.25, going as far as Carnforth together, he on his way to Bishopthorpe where he has to address the ordinands, & I on my way to Oxford. I had a nice little time between trains at Rugby, 3.56 L & N & 5.55 GCR, to pay my 1st visit to School Field & have tea with Violet & Kit in the garden, & see Christopher & Edward: Violet & Christopher saw me off: I was delighted by their new house. Cuthbert met me at Oxford & escorted me part of the way to 14 S Margaret's Rd where Daisy welcomed me. An evening of talk.

Friday 20 May

The King's Funeral

A fine warm day. I went to the 7.45 Celebration at S Margaret's. Daisy & I had a very early meal of sandwiches & milk & then caught the 12 o'clock tram & by 12.30 were in Cathedral with Miss Marzials for the Funeral Service. There was a huge congregation & the dean preached a good sermon. Frank & Winifred & the Cuffs with them were there & we saw them afterwards. Cuthbert was at Windsor with the OTC helping line the streets. After an early tea & a rest we went to Winshields, then to Carfax & a hansom from the High. Frank & Dr Cuff walked back with us as far as the Parks.

Saturday 21 May

There was thunder growling about so I wired to Guy to come in instead of my going to Radley, but he got it too late & wired to ask me to go there. So in the end I went with Cuthbert to see his rooms & then to the station & we left by the 3.50 for Radley where Guy met us. It was then raining but soon stopped. Tea in Guy's room & later we & Mr Lowe looked on at a match & finally he drove us down to the station in his car for the 6.12 & took Guy back with him.

Tuesday 24 May

Not nearly so warm. By the 12.8 Cuthbert saw me off for Eton, & I had a comfortable journey to Slough without a change. Bob & Margot met me as I drove up to the door & Nurse & the children were up at the window. Bob went for a ride, & M & I watched a 2nd x 1. House Match. I saw Baby after his bath & gave him his bottle. M & I played poker p.

Thursday 26 May

The day turned out fine & lovely. I went in the town before luncheon but spent the rest of the day in the garden where Margot & I sat out. Mrs Impey came to tea in the shelter with us. Bob went up to London to hear Frank read a paper at the Society of Antiquaries & brought F down, late for the night. Margot & I & 2 boys, Whateley & Power, tried in vain to see the comet.

Wednesday 1 June

A fine day. Margot & I went down the town. I helped Charlie destroy letters &c before luncheon. Margot & I went for a drive in the afternoon dropping Charlie's luggage at Slough, & he bicycled rather later to the station & left at 3.50 for Oxford. Margot & I had tea at the Williams'. Bob & Margot went down to the river & I kept Mary till she went to bed. Poker p.

Friday 3 June

A lovely day. Mary came down before she went out & later I had Baby. Packing. Dorothy Charrington (nee Lethbridge) came with her husband about their boy coming to school, & I was so glad to meet her. I left Windsor at 1 & had a good journey to Semley, Beatrice joining me at Salisbury. Father & Mother & Mai welcomed us & after tea I went round the garden with father & Mother. Ended by the evening with Poker Patience with Father as well as Mother.

Wednesday 8 June

At 8 o'clock sisters & I started for the station & went up by the 8.30 excursion to the British-Japanese Exhibition at the White City with Mai's Band (whom she treated). We had a most successful day and glorious weather, hot & fine. We came across Walter, Margery, & Gracie Medicott. Home by 3 o'clock having much enjoyed ourselves.

Monday 13 June

Struggles over smocking. Mai & I played croquet. Charlie went to Salisbury & cycled back to Dinton where he took the train again as the wind was so strong. Father, Mother & I called on the Edgar Gordons at Berrybrook, Sedgemoor & found them, but Mr Ricketts was out. Colorito with Mother after croquet with Mai. Poker p. with Father & Mother. Cuthbert wired that he had passed his Indian Botany exam.

Tuesday 14 June

Beatrice went in to Salisbury. Mai & I played croquet. Charlie had a ride. Father, Mother, M & I went over Parson's Paddock, & then Mai went home to a candidates' class & I called on Mrs. Garrett while Father & Mother went elsewhere. Coming back I visited Bessie, Mrs George & Mrs Mike. Mr Ricketts came to tea. Guy was in the Infirmary not quite well.

Thursday 16 June

Lovely. Beatrice went to Salisbury to the GFS Council meetings. Mai & I played croquet. I had a lesson in honeycombing (not smocking) from Mrs Wilby Snook. Ella arrived safely with Beatrice - I went to meet them. Charlie rode to Berrybrook & called on the Gordons. Poker p. with Father, Mother & Ella. We 4 sisters talked in Ella's room.

Monday 20 June

Glorious again. Beatrice came with me to the station & saw me off at 9.30 for Sandhurst. I went via Farnborough to Sandhurst Halt. Nell welcomed me & soon after went to her Mothers' Meeting. Randal was away for the day. After Evensong at 6 taken by the curate Mr Leslie Nell & I played croquet. Sat out after dinner & Randal joined us.

Thursday 23 June

Nell saw me off at Sandhurst Halt at 10.10 for home. During my wait at Banbury I went to see Winnie Stevenson. Charlie met me at Scarborough & we had tea in the garden. Elfie came home in time for dinner.

Friday 24 June

Celebration at 8 & Matins at 10.30. Tidying – paying books, writing. Elfie came up to ‘Astoria’ with me to get my CMS suSummer School ticket. Evensong. I went to see Aunt Jue. Ethel Marriott, Joan Warburton, & Kathleen Hosdell came & they & Elfie went up to QMS in the evening. Charlie & I went to a tent in Mr Beeforth’s garden for the 1st summer school meeting. Pouring wet. The Archbp. drove us home & had tea before leaving.

Monday 27 June

Our guests gradually departed: but first they & Charlie & Elfie went up to QMS for final prayers & address. Theodore & Elsie wrote to propose themselves for tomorrow. Kathleen Hosdell & also May Spencer had an early luncheon. The clergy came to luncheon. I went to call on a Major & Mrs Briggs. At 4.55 Charlie & I went to Bishopthorpe to dine & sleep. Mr Parker received us. The Tupper Careys & a Mr Harrison & Lady Domville (husband & wife) were staying there too. Prayers (short Evensong) in the chapel: we ladies had veils on our heads.

Tuesday 28 June

The Archbp. & Mrs Parker went off at 7.30. Charlie took Matins in Chapel, & after breakfast the 3 Tupper Careys & we were motored in to York & we left for home. A busy time paying books, getting ready for our guests & doing the flowers. Charlie met Th. Elsie & Michael, & the McNaughts came to tea, Mary & Michael fraternising. Afterwards I went with Th, Elsie & Michael on the sands.

Saturday 2 July

A showery day again. I chose the hymns, and hurried round my district with the papers. I went to the Committee meeting & later joined Theodore & Michael on the sands: Elsie & Elfie went for a botanising walk. Rain. The Bishop of Hull & Mrs Kempthorne arrived at 6.5 & in the evening Elfie & Mrs Kempthorne stayed at thome, Theodore & Dr Godfrey went to a concert on the Spa, & Elsie & I went with Charlie went with Charlie & the Bp to a Missionary Meeting at the Londesborough at which the Bishop took the chair.

Sunday 10 July

I heard from Evelyn that Molly is engaged to Mr Rolt, Vicar of Huddersfield. After Matins Elfie & I & Eileen & Elma went out for a short walk. Mr Crombie & Mr Steward came to luncheon. There was a Friendly Societies’ service at 2.30 taken by Charlie, so he let Mr Crombie take the Catechising. We had Rachel Lambert, May Skipwith, Poppy Garnier, Madeleine Stocker, & Evelyn Madagan to tea, & also asked Dorothy Gilliat but she couldn’t come. Boeno was lost before 1 & never turned up till nearly 11.

Monday 11 July

A milder day. Charlie went to York & to Market Weighton & Nafferton. I went to the Fathers v. Sons Match at Bramcote: the weather was very nice at first but came on very foggy, a regular sea roke. Evensong. Elfie went over to the Godfreys for music.

Friday 15 July

X Roger 14

Charlie celebrated & I was present. A good deal of misty rain. Litany. I paid calls in the afternoon & so did J R V [Archdeacon Vincent, arrived 13 July] who went to tea with Aunt Jue. Charlie had his Bible classes. J R V & I started out together & then he went for a walk & I went to the station & met Cuthbert who arrived at 5.48. We sat in the hall after dinner.

Saturday 16 July

Cuthbert & Mr Irwin & I saw Archdeacon Vincent off at 11.12 for Birmingham, & then Cuthbert & I did jobs in the town. I did the altar vases. Committee Meeting & calls. Elfie & Cuthbert went for a walk, & Cuthbert went to tea with the Godfreys. Charlie had tea with Aunt Jue. I went to see Mrs Kately. Evensong. Cuthbert dined with Egie.

Monday 18 July

Actually sunshine at last, though there was a wind. Charlie spent most of the day at the Convent superintending the Oxford local exam, only coming home for luncheon. I looked out a lot of Hugh's things for packing. Elfie came home early & she & Cuthbert went out together. I paid calls. Evensong. Elfie, Cuthbert & I went to 'The Gondoliers' & much enjoyed it. Alice & Lily [maids?] also went.

Wednesday 20 July

Some rain. I worked at packing Hugh's box. Charlie was over at the exam. a great part of the day. Cuthbert & I went down the town. In the evening Elfie, Cuthbert, Eileen, Elma, Dorothy Ward, & I went to 'Patience' & enjoyed it immensely. Fanny & Mary also went.

Friday 22 July

X Charlie 60

Charlie took the celebration, to which I went. I went to say goodbye to Aunt Jue who went away in the afternoon. Beatrice & I went to the Litany & to have a look at the sea. Charlie went twice to the Convent for the exam. He had his Bible classes. Beatrice & I went into the town & shopped. Thunder & lightning & heavy rain. Egie dined with Cuthbert & they went together to 'Iolanthe'.

Sunday 24 July

Charlie preached both time, but Mr Stewart (père) helped by singing the service at Evensong. Beatrice, Elfie, Cuthbert, Elma & I went for a walk after Matins & got caught in rain so Cuthbert went back for umbrellas. Mr & Mrs Stewart, C H S[tewart] & his brother Eric came to luncheon. We were to have had QMS girls to tea but they couldn't come. Cuthbert had supper at the Cuffs.

Tuesday 26 July

Archdeacon & Mrs Norris turned up while Charlie was gone to meet the Bp of Wakefield & Miss Eden who arrived at 11.14. The Bishop gave an excellent address at the QMS service. We had Canon Greenwood only to luncheon. We all (except Cuthbert) went to the Speeches & prizegiving at 2.30 & again at 8 to the Concert. Evensong. The Edens stayed here. (Dr G & Eileen left for Australia.)

Friday 29 July

Rain early but it cleared & was quite fine. Roger, Elma & Ione Beaumont (staying with her) on the sands. I went down the town. Charlie went to the Prestons' for a Waifs & Strays' Meeting. Roger & the 2 girls played l.t. & R went back to tea at the Godfreys. I went in my district. Evensong. Charlie went to preach at S James'.

Monday, Aug 1

Fine. I wrote many cheques, our own & Church. Mr Irwin came to luncheon. Charlie & the 2 boys went for a bicycle ride. I had my At Home in the garden though it got rather windy. Roger & I went on the sands to see the fireworks with Elma & Ione, & Mrs Jack [Jock?] Hartley.

Monday 8 August

Margot & Bob's wedding day

The boys & Elma bathed. Charlie left at 11.12 for Bath. The day turned out lovely. Cuthbert & Guy went to an l.t. party with Mrs Godfrey at the Boltons', playing in the Crescent. Elfie, Roger & Elma played l.t. at CMS: Elma had tea with us in the garden. Plain Evensong as the boys had holidays for the Scouts camp. I paid visits.

Tuesday 9 August

Cuthbert, Mrs Godfrey, Elma, Dr Gunn & Margery Cadman went for a ride before breakfast. I went to the GFS House Committee at the Lodge. Cuthbert, Roger & Elma went to the Links, & Elfie & Guy down the town, & I paid calls. Tea in the garden. Elfie & Guy put up a tent which they ordered at Jones'. Evensong. Charlie got him [sic] safely. The 3 boys slept out in the tent.



Cuthbert, Guy and the tent.
If this photo was taken in 1910, they would have been aged 20 and 17.

Wednesday 10 August

The 3 boys bathed. A busy time preparing for the arrival of the Eton party, Bob, Margot, Mary & Amy the nurserymaid. Charlie, Elfie & the boys had a bicycle ride. I did the altar flowers. Elfie, Guy & Roger met the Eton party who arrived safely. Tea in the garden where Mary joined us later. The boys all 3 slept in the tent.

Thursday 11 August

The boys & Elma bathed. Elma came in to see Mary in the garden. Gladys Inglis came later to see Margot. Lovely. I wrote to congratulate Ernest Scammell on being appointed CGTS organising Sec. for Exeter Diocese. M E G & R played l.t. before luncheon. The 3 boys played golf in the afternoon, & the rest of us – except Charlie – went on the sands with Mary. Tea in the garden. Evensong. Margot was not well & went to bed early. C & G went to the Hippodrome. Charlie, Roger & I watched the fireworks from the garden. The boys slept in the tent.

Sunday 14 August

Guy came to Church at 8 & Bob & Margot, Elfie & I. Elfie & the boys went to the Gr School & Roger felt queer & had to be escorted home by Guy. I went alone to Church where Charlie preached a good sermon on Sunday observance. Margot stayed with Mary & Bob with her. A short walk after Matins. Mr Steward came to luncheon & Mr Irwin & Mrs Keyswells & Willie to tea. Charlie took Willie to Wheatcroft with him, the rest of us (except G) went to S Martin's where Mr Irwin preached. M E & Elma slept in the tent & G & R on the lawn till driven in by rain. It came on to pour later & ended in a thunderstorm.

Monday 15 August

Bob & Margot left at 11.12 for Ramshaw, Corbridge, to stay with the Haverfields: E & G went with them to the station. The day turned out lovely. Mr Crombie came to luncheon. Elfie & the boys went on the sands with Mary. I paid calls. We had Mary in the garden. Evensong. Roger dined at the Godfreys' & went with them to 'The Dollar Princess'. Elfie & I played poker p. Elfie & the 2 boys slept in the tent.

Tuesday 16 August

A fine day. I paid the books. Elfie went with Mary & Amy on the sands in the afternoon, & the boys went in the motor with Mrs G & Elma. I paid calls. Elfie met Francis by the 5.41: tea in the garden. I took Mary to see the Kendalls in their garden. Evensong. Elfie, Francis & I played poker patience. Elfie & the 2 boys slept in the tent.

Wednesday 17 August

A very busy day. I went to the Celebration which Charlie took. I had to go to Miss Marshall's & - with Elfie's help - do the altar vases. Mr Thackeray & his boy Guy called. By the 2.5 we all (except Mary) & Gladys, went to Ravenscar, where Charlie opened a Sale of Work & we gave 2 concerts: Charlie & I sang 'Friendship' at the 1st but he left before the 2nd. We most of us went to the lovely hanging gardens. Home by the 7.36 - 8.10. Elfie & the boys slept out.

Monday 22 August

X Lionel

Francis & the boys bathed. Charlie, Francis, Elfie & Roger went for a bicycle ride in the afternoon, Guy went to an l.t. party at the Boltons' & Margot & I took Mary out & called on Lucy Thompson & the Saverys staying to tea with the latter - Mary behaved excellently. Bob came back safely & we all went to 'When Knights were Bold' at the Londesborough.

Tuesday 30 August

I paid the books and escorted the boys to Mr Ashby where Guy was found all right & Roger had 2 small holes stopped. Charlie & Elfie had a ride & the boys went to the links. We had 2 girls from the 'Arcadian' Company to tea, Dorothy & Cicely Derrick, not ladies but nice girls: Margaret wrote about them. Evensong. Mr Pugh came in at 9 o'clock.

Sunday 4 September

Charlie celebrated at 8 when Elfie & I went, & preached a very good sermon at Matins. Bruce came to luncheon & the fletchers & Gilbert Russell to tea. Charlie & Elfie went to Wheatcroft. Boeno made a great fuss about settling down in the scullery, so Guy & I finally put both dogs in the hall.

Tuesday 6 September

Charlie went at 8.55 to Northallerton. The boys & I went down the town for shopping & then they went to the cricket. I paid the books, & handed over the job of doing the altar flowers to W. Macnab. Some rain & Elfie & the boys (who met in the town) came home instead of going to the cricket. I paid calls & later met Aunt Jue. Evensong. Hugh sent me a fine photograph of Niagara done by himself.

Saturday 10 September

I went to Church at 7.45. the day was dull but mild. At 12 was the wedding of Annette Kitson & Chief Justice Matthews of the Bahamas to which I went, Charlie took it helped by Mr Matthews' brother. Elfie came. Charlie & I went to the luncheon at May Lodge after which the bride & bridegroom went off in a motor. Charlie & Elfie cycled to Seamer. I paid calls. The boys – who had been played [sic] golf – went with E to tea at No.19. Frank & Winifred came to see us.

Wednesday 14 September

Our wedding day

Francis' birthday

I went to Church at 7.45 when Charlie celebrated. He had to go to school. Damp part of the day. After the Litany I played Pour shilling in the nursery with Elfie & the boys. We went for a walk in the afternoon. I stayed at home in the evening & had games with Roger. Charlie gave me some lovely flowers.

Friday 16 September

The boys & Egie bathed. Guy went over to Cloughton again for l.t., Roger to the Links, Charlie & Elfie had a ride, and I paid calls. Evensong. Charlie went to the Sea Bathing. Boeno was brought back from the vet's & was very standoffish with Jack at first.

The Irwins came back.

Saturday 17 September

Charlie & the boys bathed. A lovely day. Elfie, the 2 boys & I went to Cloughton, taking our luncheon, to see a whale which had been washed up: it was getting pretty smelly. Back by about 2, when we had a slack in the garden. Later I paid a fruitless visit to No.19 & Mrs Hudson was out too. Guy & I took the dogs for a run after tea. Evensong.

Sunday 18 September

Elfie had a headache so I went o Church alone at 8. Only the little harmonium as the organ motor has come to grief. Charlie preached in the morning & Mr Crombie at night. Mr Stewart came to luncheon & Brian, Egie & Lionel to tea. Guy put on cassock & surplice & sat with Egie in the servers' seat. We sat out in the hall at night over the stove & Charlie read to us.

Thursday 22 September

The boys & Egie bathed early & by the 8.55 Elfie & I saw the boys off for Radley & Charlie with them, but he had to come back to York for the old Archbp's funeral so, I am afraid never got to Radley to start Roger there. (He did come up to York by night.) Elfie & I went to S. James Sale & later she went to tea with the Kebles. The little Alderson Smiths played in the garden. Evensong. E & I sat out in the hall – Poker p.



The hall at St Martin's Vicarage

Sunday 25 September

Charlie heard from Hugh, a very disquieting account of himself poor darling boy – he wrote from the Roosevelt Hospital. I had Dr Thornley to see me after Matins & consulted him & he was very kind. Mr Stewart came to luncheon before which Elfie went out with Violet & Elma & the dogs. Arthur Austen & the girls & then Anne came to tea & Arthur preached at Evensong. Dr Thomley came in late & had a talk with Charlie.

Monday 26 September

We called to Hugh but got no answer & next day found that he had left New York & the telegram was at the N Y Post office. Elfie went to School but came back to luncheon to which the clergy came: she went up again afterwards. I paid calls. We had a Mr Melhuish to tea. Evensong. Elfie & I sat in the hall after dinner & Dr Thornley came in to see about Hugh & stayed chatting & smoking till 10 o'clock.

Thursday 29 September

I went to Ch at 7.15 when Charlie celebrated, & to Matins. Sat out & wrote. Chalire went to Malton to dedicate some things. Elfie & I went to the Ch. Ch. Sale of Work & had tea there. Aunt Jue was not well & I went to see her & ask after other invalids. Evensong. Very interesting Bechuanaland address at the Miss'y Assoc Meeting by E. A. I.

Tuesday 4 October

A little rain. I paid the books & lost the dogs as usual. I went down the town and then paid Aunt Jue a visit. The 1st G F S Meeting only a small one, at 5. Elfie went to the Philharmonic. The return cable came from Hugh: - Greatly improved England unnecessary thanks Hugh.

Saturday 8 October

The day turned out lovely. Charlie went to teach at Orleton, going & coming back in the motor. I went to see Harrie who arrived yesterday. Elfie went to Brompton by the 1.40 to see Jean Simpson. I went to the Committee Meeting & then paid a call on Miss Longstaffe. Harrie came to tea – in the garden. Evensong. Elfie & I washed Jack who was too appalling for words.

Monday 10 October

Charlie left for Sandhurst at 10.35. I went round to see Aunt Jue. In the afternoon after going to Mrs Clay's I went to a Meeting in the Victoria Hall about the Promotion of Xtianity among the Jews. Gardening. Good news that Cuthbert has passed 3 out of 4 exams. Evensong. I went to tell Aunt Jue & Harrie walked back with me.

Wednesday 12 October

After breakfast Mrs D W & I went by train to Leeds for the opening of the Leeds Festival, 1st the Nat. Anth. & then the 'Elijah' which, with an hour's interval, was over before 3 o'clock, beginning at 11. Agnes Nichols, Clara Butt, Herbert Brown & William Green were the chief soloists. I left by the 4.13, due home at 6 & was met by Elfie & by Cuthbert who came home yesterday. A tearing wind.

Friday 14 October

Cuthbert had an early breakfast & at 7.30 went to a Meet at Hummanby & had a good day's cub hunting getting home about tea time. Charlie went to QMS. Daisy & I went to see Aunt Jue who was in bed. In the afternoon we had a walk. Charlie went to Nafferton to prach at the Harvest Festival. Evensong. Harrie came in.

Saturday 15 October

Charlie came back safely by the 10.14 & brought me some sweet peas. Daisy went to see Aunt Due & also had tea with her. Charlie & Elfie saw off Cuthbert at 2.40 on his way to Germany. I went to the Committee Meeting & to see Mrs Kately. Elfie & Daisy had a walk. We had Nellie Inman & Marie Tupper Carey to tea. Evensong.

Sunday 16 October

I was hoarse so spent the day in bed & got through a good deal of reading. Ruth Cotton came to tea & Mr Stewart to luncheon.

Wednesday 19 October

I spent the morning in bed, but came down to luncheon. Daisy & Elfie went to S. Saviour's Sale for me. Mrs Sims came to see me & stayed to tea to which also came Miss Hunter & some cousins – Mr & Mrs Andrews. We all went to see 'Iolanthe' – done by the Philharmonic – at the Londesborough, going down & coming back in the G. car with them in 2 detachments. The Play was very good - Mr Stewart was capital and Mr F. Savage A1.

Friday 21 October

Charlie went to Harrogate by the 10.35 for the stone laying of the new Woodard Girls' School. I went out before luncheon, & in the afternoon Mrs Sims, Daisy & I had a good walk which Mrs Sims & I combined with a call on Evie Hughes.

Tuesday 25 October

A busy day. The Clergy Lectures began: Dr Burn arriving in time to give the 3rd. I went to see Aunt Jue but Dr Cuff came so I left. Evensong. We were at home to the clergy & their belongings in the evening & had a great squash: it went off very well. Charlie, Elfie & others sang.

Thursday 27 October

I went to see Aunt Jue before luncheon. Elfie & I looked for rooms for Cecily Harvey & Co. Evensong. Missionary Address on China – very interesting. Elfie went to a Parish Tea practice.

Friday 28 October

I went to Church at 7.15 & 10.30. A small Parish Tea Collectors' Meeting at 12.15. Charlie came home in time for luncheon. I went round with my district papers. Evensong. I went to see Aunt Jue. Rainy. Charlie went to the Sea Bathing.

Photo from 1906



Saturday 29 October

Charlie went to Orleton & to Mr Paton's. I went to the Rescue Committee. Rainy. Elfie & I paid Aunt Jue a visit. Mr Crombie came to tea. By the 5.56 Charlie & I went to York to the Deanery: only the Dean & Lady Emma there, he very deaf, & she with very failing memory.

Wednesday 2 November

Elfie was not very well so spent the day in bed. Aunt Jue was not so well & I did not see her when I went in the morning but I went later & read to her, after going to a Zenana [missions to Africa etc] meeting & tea in the Victoria Hall. (Cuthbert's puppy 'Geoff' arrived yesterday & I went to see it at Bunns' stables in the morning.) I called on the Heywood Jones', & then played the hymn at the CMWP. Evensong. Poker P with Elfie. (Alice & Fanny went to the Missionary Exhibition in York.)

Monday 7 November

Some showers. I went to see Aunt Jue. Mr Irwin came to luncheon.. My At Home day & I had a good many callers: Elfie came in for part of the time. Elfie went to a practice at WMS & I to Mr Williams' concert. Dr Godfrey & Eileen came home from Australia: Eileen came in while I was out.

Thursday 10 November

I had rather a chest cold so Charlie kept me in bed & sent in Dr Godfrey. I had Alice Hogarth about the decorations, & Elfie went over to Church later. Charlie had his communicants' class, & then went for a little while to the Cuffs' party at the Grand. Elfie had tea with me. Beginning of the Festival: Charlie preached.

Saturday 12 November

A fine morning. Charlie wished me to have my breakfast in bed, & it ended in my staying there by Doctor's orders, so I did not see the Bp of Hull again. I had, besides Dr Godfrey, visits from Miss Thompson & Mr Crombie whom I wanted to see about the tray drawing. Elfie & Eileen went to see 'Caste' by amateurs which seems to have been very good.

Wednesday 16 November

Charlie went to Bishopsthorpe but got back in time to take Mrs Shields' funeral Dr Godfrey came to see me before I got up. Elfie & Mr Pemberton went for a walk. Mr Pemberton went for a walk. Mr Pemberton gave his final address at the 8 o'clock Evensong.

Elfie & I watched a very good eclipse of the moon from my window.

Monday 21 November

Charlie had a gas stove put into my room. The clergy came to luncheon. Dr Godfrey wd. not let me go out, so I did not get to either of the S P G meetings, one at the Cambridge & the other at the old Town Hall. Elfie went to the afternoon one & much enjoyed it but had a Philharmonic Practice at night. Miss Hodgkinson came to tea & I had Miss Heywood Jones & Mr Keble before that.

This is probably Grace and Charlie's bedroom



Wednesday 23 November

Charlie went to school. Dr Godfrey came to see me & said it was raw & I must stay in. Elfie took the dogs out but they ran away & came back tarry & Frank put on too much turpentine & Elfie had to get the Vet for them. Mr Bickersteth had a Mirfield meeting in the afternoon & dined with the Skeltons. Charlie read to the Bramcote boys.

Thursday 24 November

Mr Bickersteth left at 8.55. Charlie went again to the Gr. School. I had a visit from Emmie Noyes. Charlie went to Helmsby to see Mr Gray about his schools. Elfie took Jack for a walk & Boeno went with Mrs G & Elma who were riding. Charlie & Elfie went to a performance of 'Old Knockles' at the Spa Theatre got up by & for Dr Ely: 2 of the maids also went, & I washed the dogs by the kitchen fire.

Friday 25 November

X Bob

Charlie went to Q M S. A fine day, & I had, at last, a good walk ending up with a visit to Aunt Jue. Dr Godfrey paid me a final visit in the afternoon & gave me leave to go to Church if I put something over my mouth. Charlie went to the sea Bathing but found most of the patients gone & no service.

Tuesday 29 November

A lovely bright frosty day. I paid the books. We were delighted to hear that Guy had got his 1st Football cap after kicking the winning goal v. Bradfield.
..... Dear old Miss Legard died in the early morning Charlie went to London by the 1.17 to stay with Min. I went to see Mr Fletcher, Mrs Kately, & Aunt Jue.

Saturday 3 December

Charlie went to Orleton & the Patons'. The Election Day. I went to the Committee Meeting in the afternoon. Elfie went down the town afternoon & evening. Evensong. Elfie heard the Poll declared: she was at the Royal with the Godfreys, Howards &c. Mr Monckton Arundell lost again but only by 52 instead of 292. Very windy & some rain.

Wednesday 7 December

A lovely day. Charlie went to the School. I went down the town for shopping. After luncheon I went to the S Columba's sale, & after I got back I went to the Spa to the Concert – Philh. – rehearsal (C H S's suggestion) as I cd. Not go at night. Charlie had meetings. Evensong – Elfie went to (sing at) the Philharmonic Concert.

Thursday 15 December

Charlie went to Bramcote. I paid some calls in the afternoon, & then went with Charlie to a concert at Q M S: Elfie was too busy to go. Elfie & I went to the first Social & Charlie looked in later. We did not stay till the end. Boeno was lost & did not come home all night.

Friday 16 December

A great deal of rain. No news of Boeno. I went to the Litany & Instruction. I worked at Christmas things. Evensong.

We advertised for Boeno – or rather sent the advertisements.

Saturday 17 December

Charlie went to Orleton. Boeno was brought back by a boy & we paid 2/- reward. I went to a Magazine Club Meeting at May Lodge. It turned out very wet. I drove up to W M A for a Sale, tea & a really beautiful performance of 'Eagerheart'. Miss Randolph drove me home.

Monday 19 December

The clergy came to luncheon. Elfie & I shopped in the afternoon. Charlie went up several times to Q M S & Elfie too. Charlie, Elfie & I went up to Q M S for a party given by Miss Bostock & Miss Gedge, dancing &c. Charlie met Roger who arrived very tired by the 9.52.

Tuesday 20 December

Charlie went to Nafferton at 11.17. Elfie & Roger went down the town. I paid the books. In the afternoon I went to see Mrs Kately, &c, I had tea at the Briggs'. Evensong. I did a little wreath making, Roger handing me holly. Christmas cards in the evening.

Wednesday 21 December

I went to the 8 o'clock Celebration & to Matins. Elfie & I went down the town shopping. I worked at Christmas cards &c in the afternoon. Elfie & Roger met Cuthbert who arrived safely by the 3.26 from Hull having crossed from Rotterdam. After Evensong Elfie & I helped with the wreath making. Charlie went to preach at S James. Mr Crombie preached at S Martin's.

Thursday 22 December

A fine day. Elfie & Cuthbert went down the town. I went down later. A busy time. Guy at last turned up after a delightful visit to the Bp. Of London's: he got 3 of the 4 goals in the Radley team v. the OMs. Egie came in the evening.

Friday 23 December

We stirred the Christmas pudding. Very windy. Another busy day. Roger & I got the Christmas tree. I went to see Aunt Jue before tea. Evensong.

Sunday 25 December

A lovely day. Elfie, Cuthbert, Guy & I went to the 7 o'clock Celebration, & after some tea went up to have a look at the sea. I had a lovely elbowchair from the family. After Matins, the Godfreys came in to see our presents. Elma came for a walk with us. Christmas tree after children's service. Egie came to tea. No sermon, but cards & poems after the 3rd collect: Charlie sang the King's part in Good King Wenceslas. We had C H S to supper as well as dinner or he wd. have been alone. We sat out in the hall.

Thursday 29 December

Guy & Roger had breakfast in bed. Elfie & Gwen Barker worked at Roger's fancy dress & Gwen stayed to luncheon. I paid the books & went to see Aunt Jue. I went to a Hearts' party at Mrs Carroll's, & in the evening Guy, Roger & I & the Gs & Vera Dawson went to the League of Pity dance at the Grand: Guy was Bluebeard, Egie Fatima, & Roger, the 3 Godfreys & V Dawson other wives – all very good. Mrs Edwards was excellent as Mother Goose.



Friday 30 December

Cuthbert went out hunting, & Guy & Roger, after breakfast in bed, went up to the Links. I went to a G F S House Committee & then to Beechville Avenue & to Dalton's &c. Mr swayne came in while we were finishing tea & stayed till Church time. Evensong. Guy went to the Hospital Ball with Brian & Mrs Cuff – given a ticket.

Saturday 31 December

Guy came down to breakfast & he & Cuthbert & Roger went down to the sands for hockey. Elfie & I went down the town. In the afternoon I went to the Rescue Meeting & then took round my papers. Aunt Jue & Edith came to tea & afterwards Elfie & Guy sang. Late Evensong & address. Guy & Roger went to a dance at the Hospital. Charlie read me the home psalms.

In the 'Memoranda' pages of this diary, Grace lists the books she has read along with the following quote:

'Worry is active atheism' – Rev. T. Rees – March 21

*(it's not clear what * and X mean beside the titles)*

A false position *	Mrs Baillie Reynolds
King's End *	Alice Brown
Father Pat X	Mrs Jerome Mercier
The sweet o'the year X (Cornish, Manchester)	Emily Ridgway
Letters from E. Africa X	Gertrude Ward
A Parson in the Australian Bush X	C H S Matthews
The Homecoming of Ensign Knightley &c	A W Mason
The fowler X	Beatrice Harraden
My honey X	Author of Tip Cat
Cherry ripe	Helen Mathers
Gathered leaves from the prose of Mary Coleridge with preface by Edith Sichel	
Out of the night *	Mrs Baillie Reynolds
A little green world X	J E Buckrose
The authoress	Mrs Channon
The story of a lifetime X	Lady Priestley
A spinner in the sun *	Myrtle Reed
A wild heart X	M E Francis
The transformation of a savage X	Gilbert Parker
Canadian born *	Mrs Humphrey Ward
Fame	B M Croker
The city of beautiful nonsense	E Temple Thurston
The woodcarver of 'Lympus X	Mary E Walker
His first leave *	Mrs Allen Harker
A romance of the nursery X	" " "
Franklin Kane X	A D Sidgwick
The professional aunt ... X	
Josephine E Butler X ... Life	
Concerning Paul & Tiammetter X	Allen Harker
An Intervention of the Duke	" "
Letters from a self made merchant to his son X	G H Loumer
	Rudyard Kipling
The supreme test	Mrs Baillie Reynolds
Early Victorian *	Tallentyre
The Bancrofts	Sir S & Lady B
At the sign of the Jack O'Lantern X	Myrtle Reed
Old rose & silver *	" "

The Church, her books & her sacraments
The Andersons
A summer of the Canadian prairie
A winter's comedy X
A girl from nowhere *
Master & maid *

G G Holmes
Miss McNaughton
G Binns Clark
Halliwell Sutcliffe
A E Holdsworth
Mrs Allen Harker