

Friday April 15th, 1887.

Take baby to Mary Phelps as yesterday,
during school. Lesson to Eliza Bailey
at 4. Get \$6.00. Go home to tea with

Mrs. Simmons. Sam lends me a lot
of books. Jim comes home with me.

Sat. April 16th 1887.

Lesson to Emily, walk down St. Shop,
getting shoes \$3.00 down, 3 more due;
bought 75cts, elastic & lining 13. Cambric
and Silesia for new dress & 3. Carfare 6.
Home. Mother goes down St.

Sun. April 17th, 1887.

Walter take baby to ride and I come
over here and clean up as I have
managed to every day. Then he comes
here. Send him off with bag for
mother. Follow. Meet Anna &
Aunt C. and find Julia Gaston
and little Julia Edward Brown,
and Miss Pease. All go. dinner.
mend Walter's overcoat lining. Mrs. Allen
in to see about dress.

Mon. April 18th, 1887.

Take baby to Mrs. Vaughn's during school.
Back very tired. Egg nogg. doze. dine.
come over home, and am here
now. Have made bed, made
fire, washed dishes, written two
notes. Am very tired.

I have kept - a journal since I was fifteen, the only blanks being in these last years of sickness and pain. I have done it - because it - was useful. Now I am to go away for ^{my} health, and shall not try to take any responsibilities with me, even this old friend.

I am very sick with nervous prostration, and I think with some brain disease as well. No one can ever know what I have suffered in these last five years.

Pain pain pain, till my mind has given way.
O blind and cruel! Can Love hurt like this?

You found me - you remember what.

I leave you - O remember what, and learn to doubt - your judgement - before it seeks to mould another life as it - has mine.

I asked you a few days only before our marriage if you would take the responsibility entirely on

yourself. You said yes.
Bear it - then.

Tues. April 19th. 1887.

Snowed yesterday. Cold night. Wintery
this morning. Another letter from
Mrs. Cresson. Take baby to Mary's. Back
and lunch. Come over home. Doors
locked. No key to be found. Struggle in
at bay window with much effort.
clear up and write here. Begin to
write an account of myself for the
doctor.