

April.

Sunday 24th Another Sabbath has passed away, and this we are in St Catharines. This morn went with Mrs Lindsay and Miss Webb to call on the Baron de la Roche. He is a Frenchman and speaks only French. Some of his family speak Portuguese. Had a very pleasant call. He has a beautiful garden, and gave us flowers and oranges. This afternoon the Baron de la Roche arrived. It brought us Mr Lettice and Mr Lindsay. But he has been to Belfast before.

Monday 25th

This morn went out to do some shopping. Bought several things to take home with us, also some powder to use on board, and John and myself each two pairs of hose. Mrs Lindsay and Miss Webb have been here twice, since dinner have been out to walk. Have got a plan to take on board the ship. The transport steamers arrive here for bringing troops from Paraguay. Count de Eum is expected tomorrow, there is a great time expected, great preparations are making for his reception. Unless he comes tomorrow we shall not probably see the great ceremony as we shall leave Wednesday if the weather is good. I wrote to Annie last night. Shall write several other letters before we leave port.

Tues 26

Last morn, 'Good morn', we passed the city at the Convent. Just before we left a gentleman from Montevideo called there and brought me five letters two from Lydia, two from Pamela and one from Kate. I was so glad I was to get them, and know that up to the 14th Jan. our friends were all living and well. There are other letters for us somewhere on the route, get half a peck is so much better than none. I feel that my heart should be full of gratitude to our kind Heavenly Father for his preserving care and many mercies. We expect to leave here tomorrow for the ship. Shall probably go out to sea on Thursday if the weather is favorable.

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Thurs 27th

The Count, long looked for, has come at last. He arrived this morn. about eight o'clock, cannon, the Orchestra, Refrains and the singing of bells announced his arrival. He was met at the wharf by the Governor and Deputies. While John Concher and Ellen were shown attending his gateway, Baron was held in the Boys in front of the Convent. He walked from the Convent to the Boys. He played the Conquering Hero Cornet, after Baron played to the Cathedral. When the March down Landmark was performed, the Count is about 40 years old. Very tall, thick a military bearing, King of the don of the Empire. Just seated in the Throne of his father's throne. He died at the Convent at one and at 2 o'clock for the Shippings. Left at five o'clock P.M. it really seems just to be back again. He shall have tomorrow afternoon if possible. He shall have these letters this morn. John, Pamela & Kate. Shall write more before we leave. Capt Bealey passed the one with us, and I played the Organ and he long with me. a number of Comp making Games. I really enjoyed it. He has a very Amical look. But cannot read music, sings only by ear.

Thurs 28th

Have had a pleasant day. This afternoon went ashore for a short time. Purchased a happier mule just scaler paid 20 Millins, equal to \$12.50 cts and money. We took a short walk, and gathered quite a variety of herbs that I have made into a breath. Capt Bealey went with us. I saw for the first time a cotton tree. I never before had much idea how it grew, also saw coffee, Pruning Apple, Short Leaves, Oranges, the have more 20 thousand Oranges, by the other of herbs, on board. Capt Bealey and son dined with us. The Custom House Officer came on board the 1st of the afternoon, and brought me a beautiful Boys in shipped to the Shank Boys and also for to be had with a concert, which was highly complimentary. By the distances, Capt Bealey shipped the evening.