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June 18 A man got into the house in the night. Daniel saw him sitting at the end of her bed. Spent commotion - S.D.M. phoned police - 6 hefty men came, looked room & secured the door the man came in by.

19 S.D.M. got Mr. Nxumalo to extra strong padlocks on the door, opposite front door. Police patrolled road in the night - were very noisy - asked to come in to get warm! Very cold day -

Sunday in October. Trinity I  
20! Went to a - Mass at S. Joseph - S.D.M. returned to Leseching with Mrs B to be in Retreat. She found it very cold. Confirmation at Holy Cross 3 p.m.  
Written by the church & S.R.M. went with S. May's candidates  
Thabo left - felt by adaptive faith.  
Procession of the Blessed Sacrament at S. May's Superior went -

21 Superior & S.D.M. took Samma to Napierkater Court. with her Aunt. S.R.M. went for her rest by 4.30 train to Durban - Superior & S.D.M. took her to the station - Natoron Selina dropped at Sophiatown to go to her mother who very ill.

S. Allan  
22 S.D.M. took girls to Bridgeman. Samma & Gabriel left to go to her Aunt.

23 S.S. & S.D.M. went to home to Napierkater Court - & left Butkles at Stanby's returned by train.

Nativity of S.J.B.  
24 Thameia kindly took Beauty to Baragwanath - (no car). Lydia taken to Bridgeman in ambulance.

July  
Log-keeper away - no record kept.

7. Board Meeting 3 p.m. S. Esme met S.R.M. 4.00. at station & took her to EK. Superior & S.D.M. came about 6.

8 S.D.M. took Queenie to Kliptown Court. in the morning. Superior & S.D.M. went to town in P.M.

9. S.D.M. went to Social Welfare in the morning - Superior left for her rest at 1.30. Meeting a girl from home at the station "escorting" her to East London. S.O.F. came with the girl. After seeing off the E.L. train, S.R.M., S.O.F. & S.D.M. had tea together, & took S.O.F. back to the station for 4.00. train. F. Jenkins came v. late. The Clinic brought car abandoned but

10. S.D.M. went to Baragwanath in a.m. & to town in p.m. via Talitha. Mrs Swartz called with Sara & Elizabeth - Sara

behaving badly.

Sunday Trinity IV Went to 6 or: Mass at S. John's. 8 am. S. Mary's - Classes etc. as usual. Matron Naomi did not come to work.

12. S.D.M. sent for ambulance in the night for Joanna - 1-30. Suki did not return till 3-30. ambulance ran out of petrol. Matron Naomi <sup>still</sup> <sub>at</sub> <sup>work</sup>. Went to Reading for Confession 4 p.m. F. Sidebotham.
13. S.D.M. took a letter to Matron Naomi - who was not at home, dismissing her. Called on Matron Amelia who will come tomorrow. Wrote for Mrs Mullineaux, who did not come. S.R.M. & S.D.M. went to town at 1-15 for shopping etc.
14. S.D.M. went to Bridgeman & Social Welfare in the morning. To Bridgeman & town in afternoon calling on Mrs Brittlebank to collect 2 strips of coconut matting. (good & useful)  
About 4pm S.R.M. found a fight going on between girls & Gertrude - It subsided, S.R.M. went on with confirmation class - soon heard another big noise - Gertrude really made getting dangerous - & unmanageable. Phoned police - who said someone would come. In the meantime got Gertrude isolated - & the girls & babies into Dining Hall - all frightened, upset. Police sergeant came at 5. S.D.M. also returned - got Gertrude into the sitting-room - Winnie & P. Script sat with her. Girls all went back to their work. S.D.M. phoned to Barrag to admit her - but they would not consent - phoned police to look her up - unsatisfactory reply - all taking so much time - Phoned Mr Nicholson - with his advice police consented to fetch Gertrude & lock her up for the night - & remove her to Newland in the morning. At 7pm police van came with European Officer & 4 policemen - Gertrude removed under great protest & fight, screamed the house down - (see S.D.M.'s Home Log for details).  
7-30 Peace at last - & supper - followed by Verspers & Complaints. Mattie & Laura after short interval - locked all windows down in case Gertrude escaped) Baby safely here.
15. Labor called with visitors - S.D.M. spent most of the day among Gertrude's affairs - spent a long time at Orlando P-station. In the p.m. took her to Newland with escort - Arthur Mhethwa driving

7. Board Reedy - S.R.R. returned for Reedy - S. met her & took her to E.K. Muter. Sisters came about 6.
8. S.D.M. went to Klyptam Court with Queenie in the morning. Superior & S.D.M. do her in p.m.
9. S.D.M. S. Welfar in a.m. Superior left for her rest at 1.30 - took Mary & Anne to station with Superior - S.D.F. met S.D.F. from Peoria train - ~~after~~ ~~sup~~ E. headed train off - then we all had tea together, took S.D.F. back to station for 4.00 train.
- F. Jenkins came v. late. Cleric brought ~~Baragremuth~~ ~~sent~~ as abandoned baby, to be housed.
10. S.D.M. went to Baragremuth a.m. to town via Talika in p.m. Mrs Swasty called with Sarah & Elizabeth. Sara behaving badly.
11. Sunday as usual. Nativ Naomi did not come to work.
12. S.D.M. took sent for abulma in the night & took Joanne to Bridgman - at 1.30 - sister ~~did not~~ ~~return~~ at 3.20. Nativ Naomi still absent. Went to hereds for Confession 4.00.
13. S.D.M. wanted in for Mr Dullency who did not come. S.R.M. & S.D.M. went to town at 1.15 shopping & took letter to Nativ Naomi desiring her - & called on Nativ Amelia who will come tomorrow.



July.

Police very unhelpful - only consented to keep Gertrude through order from Social Welfare Dept.

- 16 S.D.M. had to fetch Gertrude from Newlands & take her to court, when she was eventually transferred to van Ryn. (see Hair Log)
- 17 F. Jenkins came in the evening, & baptized Beauty Makoni - all the girls came - took a long time - No lights over part of the house.
- 19 Arthur Mhetwa Mass in the House - F. Wardle - Arthur Mhetwa sent for later to baptize Legathi's baby Peter - Quiet Afternoon for 2 Confirmation girls at S. Mary's. S.M. had to fetch coal from Station Arthur Mhetwa helped.

Sunday Trinity V 6 a.m. Mass at S. Mary - High Mass 8 a.m. Confirmation

- 18 at S. John's. Home. Rebecca & Beauty Confirmed & several other candidates from S. Mary's. Still no lights in the house.
- 19 S.D.M. to girls to Bridgeman, left the car at Winifred's returning by train.

S. Margaret V.M.

- 20 Mrs Mullenbaux called bringing Miss Lawrie to see the Home - they bought nice woolies -
- 21 In the afternoon S.R.M. visit in the 'Shelkus' taking Mistress Winnie S.D.M. to Maria to meet her escort then on to the <sup>10<sup>15</sup> a.m.</sup> Station for 4:30 train
- 21 S.R.M. & S.D.M. went to town shopping, bank, garage.
- 23 S.D.M. went by train to Brixton to fetch car, then on to town.

S. Mary Magdalene

- S.R.M. didn't visit today. Arthur Mhetwa shaved Film Strip to the girls <sup>2:15</sup>
- 22 Sung Mass 5:30 S.D.M. took car to garage, brakes not right.
- 24 S.D.M. went to Bridgeman & EK. S.R.M. Saturday jobs & classes as usual. Quiet Afternoon at S. John for Beauty & Rebecca & other

S. James Ap. Trinity VI

- 6 a.m. Mass S. Mary. High Mass 8 a.m. Newly Confirmed
- 25 made their 1<sup>st</sup> Communions - Classes as usual - Baptisms in the afternoon - 5 babies from Muterzele Baptized at S. Mary's. F. Huddleston called.

S. Anne

- 26 S.D.M. took Shirley & Queenie to Bridgeman. Fetched some trees from the Nurseries at Nancefield. To hereding 4 p.m. for Confessions - F. Huddleston.
- 27 S.R.M. & S.D.M. went to town. Left girls at the Court with Miss

Winnie, went on to Randles & did other shopp - returned rather late. Karney House girls with S. Courtenay & Mrs Reeves arrived at 2.45 & Mrs Martin. They brought a gift of £20. Had a very happy visit. They went to see the Swimming Bath before leaving.

- 28 S.D.M. went to Social Welfare, Waterval, Baragwanath.
- 29 Mrs Henderson called. New girl came. Violet. S.R.M. & S.D.M. went to town at 1.15. Bank, Randles. & on to Mrs Gluckman's to collect play pen & other gift - very nice, delightful place - would like to visit Mutejele some time.
- 31 S.D.M. fetched wheel from garage. F. Rehale came to hear 2 girls confessions as F. Jenkins was away - returned later than expected. Farewell concert to Mattie Constanza 9.30 - a great success

many visitors came - 3 ladies from Dik.  
Trinity VII  
S. Peter's Chains kept in Church. Masses 6.30 & 8.0 -  
Sunday classes as usual.

- 1 Sunday August 1st
- 2 S.D.M. went to Bridgeman. Queenie admitted. On to Town. Electrician came to do the front door bell - it was rings!
- 3 Mr Tabor called. New girl Annie brought. S.R.M. & S.D.M. went to Ek. to ask S. Some about Rebecca - & school for Beauty. Left Annie at Social Welfare Dept. Met Superior at station 3.30. train very punctual. came straight home for tea & had talking supper.

S. Dominic.  
4. Profession Day at Wantage. Sisters Betty Louisa, Anne Mary, Phoebe Gertrude, Laura Mary. Intention at Mass & Talking Day.

S. Oswald.  
5 Mrs Henderson called also Mrs Georgia Mdinga, prospective matron  
5 S.R.M. went to Staff meet at Leseding. S.D.M. went to town

F. of Transfiguration of Our Lord.  
6 Sung Mass 5.30 Talking day S.R.M. S.D.M. & Mrs Isaacambo went to Town Randles first - the S.R.M. & Mrs. dropped in Joubert St. returned by train & D.M. continued her business. Dorothea Fetherston came to tea & stayed for 1st Vespers of Holy Name.

7. Fest of Most Holy NAME Talking Day at Mass 7. S. Mary ->  
S.D.M. in Retreat at Leseding. Superior took Mildred to Jabavu. (to talk to her parents.)  
Concert repeated for Superior - F. Jenkins - Dik Students.

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(cont.) 7. Mistress Winnie & a friend came for the night.

Sunday Trinity VIII 6 a. - Mass at S. Joseph's 8 a. - Sung Mass S. Mary's

8. Classes as usual. F. Huddleston called in the afternoon.

S. Margarete Anne came to Morning-T.

9. F. Jenkins dismissed Mildred Guma & Flora? after 7 a. - Mass at S. Mary's. Superior & S.D.M. took Mildred & her baby to Tabernacle called Mr Tabor & Leseding.

S. Lawrence - R.M. St. Andrews Social Science group visited with Mr Nicholas & John <sup>CR</sup> to Leseding 4 p.m. for confessions - F. Huddleston

10. Superior in Retreat at Leseding. S.D.M. went to town in afternoon.

11. S.D.M. went to Mass at S. John in order to bring Superior home - but Leseding van refused to go - so S.S. not at Mass there. S.D.M. fetched her from Leseding after R.M. The Sisters from Waverly came to lunch, & we all went on to tea at Leseding & Vespers & Devotions. Called in police in the evening to talk to Janet about fighting with inmates. The girls are rather quarrelsome, caused by a few troublesome ones.

S. Clara - R.M.

12. No Mass at S. Mary's noted till 6.30 then cup of tea & prayer time. S.D.M. went to Social Welfare & E.H. S.R.M. to Staff Meeting handling 2 students came to work from Jan. Hofmeyer Coll. Joe in the house painting Sister cells - Canty R. bathroom.

13. S.R.M. went to town with Leseding Sisters to get flowers for S. Mary's Festival - returned by train. Superior & S.D.M. set out out for

Superior Jan Smuts airport at 5 p.m. to meet Miss Kathleen Bronhead. Having got directions of the way from Mary at Dik. plane punctual - 6.45. Sisters returned 9.30 p.m. K. Bronhead sleeping at Dik. until new rooms finished. F. Jenkins came <sup>around</sup>

Octave Day HOLY NAME

14. S.D.M. took R.C. girls 3. for baptism of their babies - R.C. Church. Then she went to the Bridgeman. Superior & K.B. went to Pimville & Vocational Sch. in afternoon. S.R.M. classes as usual.

Sunday Fest of Assumption of B.V.M. Trinity IX

15. Patronal Festival at S. Mary's. Masses 6 & 8. High Mass, Procession 3 p.m. Swearing Procession & Garlanding Statue of B.V.M. Devotions. S.M.A. came to Morning-T. S.R.M. went to R.C.C. 11.30

16. Matron Constance left 11 a.m. Superior, S.D.M. & K.B. took her



to Jabara - & called on Sannah's Aunt. S.S. S.D.M. & K.B.

Went to the Court with a girl in the afternoon & did other business in town

- 17 S.D.M. went to Sophiatown, for Social Welfare etc.  
S. Beatrice Roza called in afternoon & took S.R.M. to Leseding for Retreat. S.D.M. started Hygiene classes with the girls.

S. Helena

- 18 S.R.M. in Retreat at Leseding. Superior went to town. Mr Tabor called with plans for Sisters' Cottage. Mrs Henderson called.

- 19 S.D.M. went to Sophiatown, EK. & Social W. S.R.M. returned after staff meeting. Monica came for games in the evening.

S. Bernadette Ab.

- 20 Superior & K.B. went to town -

- 21 S.D.M. took girls to Bridgeman - S.R.M. had usual classes - went to Dike for Miss Priscilla's farewell party - returned for tea with S. Esme. Joe painting Community R.

Sunday Trinity X Mass 6 am S. Mary's & 8 a.m.

- 22 Sunday as usual. Mrs. Miss Treadway came with a baby asking for admission - Old Holy Cross Pondoland folk.

23. ~~Miss Maspero brought a new girl~~ S.D.M. took car to garage with punctured tire - & went in into town to EK.

To Leseding for Fr. Huddellstone 4 p.m.

S. Bartholomew ApM

- 24 Sung Mass 5.30 a.m. v. small congregation

Miss Maspero brought a new girl. S.D.M. went to Waterfall & on to the Thornton's.

S. Hilta-V.

- 25 S.R.M. S.D.M. went shopping taking Dewie with them - a good morning - rather late back. In the afternoon the Native Commissioners wife called, Mrs Morris, to see the Home - Miss Sworsens also came mistaking the day of the B-meeting

- 26 S.D.M. went to Social Welfare in morning, took K.B. to town in the afternoon. Randles & Greakermans to fetch yesterday's shopping. Mrs Wilkinson & Mrs Meyer came bringing various gifts. Monica for games in the afternoon.

- 27 R.C. lady came for to give class to R.C. girls. S.D.M. v. busy turning out skeroom. Fr. Jenkins for class in the evening.

S. Augustine Bp. & C.

- 28 S.D.M. went to Bridgeman & Sophiatown, took K.B.

Joe & Paul painting - Electrician fixed up new light

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28 outside Sister's bathroom. + new wiring switch in Dispensary.

Miriam Nhusa taken to Waterford with diphtheria.

Sunday Trinity XI S.J.B. Behaating.

Went to 6. am at S. May - 7. Rose born

very early - Superior, S.D.M. + K.B. went to Christ the King at 11.

7. Huddleston came in the afternoon - + Mrs. this Treadway. + many visitors for girls. K.B. went to S. Augustines in the evening to see Film Strip.

30. S.S. + S.D.M. Went to Police Station to report that Maggie + Violet had absconded. went on to Bridgeman, + did other business in town.

Miriam taken to Bridgeman in early afternoon. Mr. Tabor called.

S. Aidan B.C.

31. Superior went to clinic to get more treatment for her laryngitis

S.R.M. + S.D.M. went to Sophiatown soon after dinner to S.W. + on to Rosemore Nurseries where we were given a lovely gift of plants.

Superior ordered to rest as much as poss. so she retired after finishing up immediate jobs, before dinner. Anne came for games instead of Monica.

September 1st S. Giles A.B.C.

Terrible day - wind + dust storms

Board Meeting - Members met here + went on to the Vocational School where the Meeting was held. Gifts brought by Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Rae, + Mrs. Murray.

At 5.45. S.R.M. + S.D.M. went to Park Station to meet Miss Fowler. K.B. who had been in town during the afternoon was to meet us too. When we got to the station found train should

be late - no sign of K.B. we waited long as we could then came back to get our supper - + set out again - The train scheduled 9.40,

another 1/2 hr to wait, S.D.M. went in search of K.B. + found her - We took her to get some supper. At last the train came, it took some time

to get the luggage + then Miss Fowler had to pay duty on a wireless. In the meantime some 'Waverly' girls came + talked to the Sisters

while we waiting - they had come down on the Rhodesian train too. We finally got home about 10.30. Dropped K.B. at Dick Point.

2nd Miss F. had supper - + we all got to bed rather late.

3rd Several visitors called in the morning. In the afternoon Mrs. Gled + 2 daughters to see Annie. S.R.M. retired to bed with temp. after tea. Four girls went to camp Fire at 10.30 but got there too late.



September

3. S.D.M. took this Fowler (Sister Haphie she likes to be called) to clinic & Bridgeman to be introduced. Dr. Richards came to see S.R.M. who is to stay in bed for the present. Temp. still up.
4. Superior took S.H. to town to fetch her heavy luggage - S. Ernie & S. Ida called - also the Mthethwa. Mass in the House 6:30 - 7:00. Jenkins
5. Trinity XII Mass at S. Mary's 6:30 - 8:30.  
S.D.M. packing up for her Rest. Superior & K.B. took her to station for 2:30 East London Train - S. Katerini met her. They had a compartment to themselves. S.R.M. in bed.
6. Superior took girls to Bridgeman & Clinic - F. Huddell came to see Mr. Githens. Superior various other visitors came Superior went to Sophiatown Ch. the K. where F.H. was hearing Sister's confessions. S.R.M. up for short time in afternoon.
7. Superior took girls to Clinic - saw Dr. de Vos. herself - who gave her various remedies - Laryngitis still v. troublesome. Various visitors came re-ports. S.R.M. up for tea.
8. Nativity of the B.V. Mary Sung Mass 5:30. S. Mary's. F. Jenkins brought Sikh Communion to S.R.M. Superior went to Industria on various business. R.C. lady came to give the girls address. Miss Hill (Child Welfare) came Sisters had tea with the ladies for the Festival. Mr. Tabor called.
9. Mrs Henderson came with an American Anthropologist. Hofmeyer College students did not come.
10. Superior went to town to court with Naomi - K.B. went too. Mr. Tabor came to see Mr. Githens.
11. Mass in the House. F. Wardle. Superior took girls to the Bridgeman <sup>went</sup> to Waverley with K.B.; they returned rather late for lunch. Superior retired to bed before tea & we hope to keep her there tomorrow. Laryngitis still very troublesome.
12. Trinity XIII 6 am Mass at S. Joseph. 8 am S. Mary's - Superior resting in bed. S.R.M. did ordinary Sunday classes etc.

P.O. S. Cullberts  
1206. C.P.

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My dear Kathleen  
I have long been

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