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Jane Macartney : Diaries, 1859-Sept. 1884 (1866 missing or not complete)

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Details

Daily record of events kept by Jane Macartney, the wife of the Very Reverend Dean Hussey Burgh Macartney. These mainly relate to family life, ministerial work of her husband and the role Jane Macartney played in society: her involvement with numerous benevolent societies and institutions, committee work, Sunday school teaching, visitations to the poor and the sick, social life and general domestic existence as it was for the upper social classes during this period which gives an overall impression of a woman's life and work in this environment., Particular reference to several well known families, and details of social activities, the place of religion in one's daily life, the importance of public transport, suburban social visits as far as Brighton, the extent of the Macartney's travels in Victoria; ministrations and work re early hospitals and orphanages; general references to family life includes details of births, baptisms, sickness and deaths, past-times, notion of the extended family, the belief in God and life after death and general importance placed upon family life and social relationships.

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