JANUARY 1883

Monday, January 1

Clear frosty day

Went to Beach

Bought 30 Bbls.

Evening I and Nellie went up to Drinkwater's. Spent the evening

Pleasant time

Tuesday, January 2

Clear and fine

Sorting and packing apples for shipping

Recd. Check from Butler of \$17.30/100 on 5 bbls. No 1 and 1 bbl No 2 Baldwins

Evening went to Centre

Wednesday, January 3

Squally and cool

Went to the funeral of Burt Miller

Large congregation present

Buried under Good Templar's Order

Carried Em and Nell

P.M. Went to Centre Got Check of Amos Keyes & Co. \$7.30

Paid James Moody \$13.00 for pump

Wrote to Ernest

Thursday, January 4

Cold and windy

Put up some apples for shipping

Sawed some firewood etc.

P.M. Went to Centre Took Tea with Fannie

Dancing School tonight Failed to get signers enough to go

Came home early and read papers

Friday, January 5

Thermometer marks 10 degrees below zero

Putting up apples for shipping

P.M. Carried eight bbls Shipped 2 bbls of No. 1's and same of 2's to Keyes & Co. and 3 bbls of 2's and one bbl of 1's to E.E. Butler

Evening remained at home

Saturday, January 6

Mercury 12 degrees below zero

Hazy

Chopping and hauling firewood

Cy put window in Stable for me

Fan present P.M.

Evening went to Centre

Sunday, January 7

Snowing

Ned Coose and R. Sanford present

Cleared up pleasant P.M. Evening went to see Goldie

Monday, January 8

Clear and pleasant Putting up apples for shipping Evening called upon Fannie Reading Owen Meredith's Lucile

Tuesday, January 9

Pleasant day

Packing apples for shipping

P.M. I and Nellie called upon Eva Miller also called at Mr. Ross's

Evening colt got away Joel Mahoney helped me find him

Quite a tedious search

Llewellyn joined in search after we called there.

Found him at Henry Heal's

Went up with Lew and staid all night

Sat up in the wee 'sma' hours, but rested in the "Sanctum Sanctorum"

"Private Boudoir"

"Now you behave!"

Wednesday, January 10

Bitter cold day

Played checkers and other games Put on Boxing Gloves etc.

Ollie played and sung

"Will marry you in Spring"

"Would you have me obliged to marry you?"

"Last night you shall do this now remember"

Eureka!

Thursday, January 11

Milder but cool

Private conversation with Ollie A.M.

Came home this noon

Recd Check of Keyes & Co.

Carried Mother up to Warner Tower's

Evening went to Centre

George True called

Fan came up etc.

Friday, January 12

Clear and cold

Put up more apples for shipping

Cut some firewood etc.

Evening went to Centre

Called at Fannie's

Saturday, January 13

Warm and hazy

Cutting wood at door A.M.

P.M. Snowing

I and Nellie went to School Last day in District No. 4

N. Ross Teacher

Evening joined Good Templars at Centre

Saturday, January 14

Reading Lucile by Owen Meredith

Fred Rackcliffe and wife called

Evening went to see Goldie Yum, Yum!

Passionate affection

Threatened with Twelve weeks banishment for a broken promise

Monday, January 15

Clear and cold

Putting up apples for shipping

P.M. Carried Eight bbls. to Boat and shipped to Amos Keyes & Co. 5 bbls 2's and 3 bbls. of 1's

Sent him Postal also sent Postal to E.G.S. Ingraham West Camden Lodge business

Evening went to Centre

Tuesday, January 16

Clear and fine

Putting up apples for shipping

Willard chopping firewood

Evening went to Centre

Called upon Cousin Nancie

Wednesday, January 17

Lovely A.M.

Cutting and starting firewood

P.M. Went to Camde Carried eight bbls. of apples to Boat and shipped to Amos Keyes & Co. 4 bbls.

1's and 4 of 2's Sent him postal

Recd. Check of E.E. Butler \$16.40/100 on 8 bbls apples sent 28 Dec. and Jan. 5th

Went to Centre evening. Dance at Union Hal. Last dancing school at Cilley's. Snowing hard

Thursday, January 18

Clear and warm but windy

Sorting apples A.M.

P.M. Hauled up some firewood

Nellie went to Belfast on stage

Settled up with Alpheus on Harness and hay pressing bill and recd. \$71.68 cts balance due on ten

tons of hay at \$40 per ton
Paid Mother Seventy Five Dollard on Nellie's Acct.

Settled with Albert Knight for hauling hay \$13.20

Friday, January 19

Warm and hazy

Sorting and packing apples for shipping

P.M. Went to Boat shipped Six Bbls. of apples to Amos Keyes & Co. Three bbls. of 1's same of 2's

Willard starting firewood

Evening went to Centre

Called upon Fan

Lovely evening

Recd. Cards from Keyes & Co.

Saturday, January 20

Cloudy

Hauling dressing and firewood

Harnessed colt in J. Mathews sleigh about 4 P.M. Brought Fannie and Baby up home thence to Goldie's residence and took her on a short ride

Evening went to Lodge at Centre

Sunday, January 21

Rainy A.M.

P.M. Cleared away

Went to Church

Evening went to see Goldie

Learned Lucius was still meddling with my affairs and had been quizzing Willard in regard to same

"Will pay half towards Top Buggy"

"Am going to commence right! Or I mean to hold out"

Monday, January 22

Cool and windy

Worked on Highway 13 hours

Alpheus began pressing hay at my barn

Hurt my leg badly by falling upon it P.M.

Recd. Check of \$23.05 from Amos Keyes & Co. on nine Bbls. apples

One year ago today I arrived from Colorado

Tuesday, January 23

Clear and cold

Not feeling well

Went down to Fannie's Read Owen Meredith's Lucile

Evening went to Centre

Called at Fannie's

Jennie Lamb gave me Autograph Album with request to dedicate the same

Finished reading Lucile. Fine Poem

Wednesday, January 24

Clear and cold

Starting firewood P.M.

Callers Levi Mathews N. Ross G. Sanford

Evening I and Nathan called upon Annie Drake

Lodge Business

Paid Levi Twenty three dollars and five cents on Taxes

Thursday, January 25

Clear and cold

Putting up apples for shipping

Evening went to Centre

Called upon Nate Ross and Fannie

Friday, January 26

Thermometer 22 below zero

Clear and cold

Putting up apples for shipping A.M.
Hay pressers here today
P.M. Went to Camden with Six bbls. of apples
Shipped the same to Keyes & Co.
Four bbls. Russets and one bbl. No. 1 Baldwins same of No. 2 Baldwins
Nellie came home P.M.

Saturday, January 27

Snowing but warm Hauling and cutting firewood P.M. Went to Centre Evening went to Lodge Was Elected Worthy Chief

Sunday, January 28

Warm and snowy
Went to Church P.M.
Wrote in Jennie Lamb's Autograph
Evening went to see my Blue-eyed Pet
Remained all night retired at 12 O'Clock
Turning over a new leaf

Monday, January 29

Clear and fine

Reading and conversing with Goldie also ramping and training. <u>Fun</u> Alive would not listen to my coming home

Evening played checkers

Sat up with Goldie in the wee' Sma' hours

Mutual enjoyment and shame

"Will you ever love me as now" "Will you never change"

Tuesday, January 30

Clear and fine

Putting up apples for shipping A.M.

P.M. Hauling firewood

Evening went to Centre

Came home early

Jennie and Annie Lamb present

Recd. this morn Check from Amos Keyes & Co

Fourteen Bbls. apples \$36.75

Thirty six dollars seventy five cts.

Wednesday, January 31

Foggy and thawy

Putting up apples for shipping

Hauled a load of firewood

Started for Camden with apples began to rain and stored them at Albert Knight's store Recd. Postal from Ernest Evening raining hard

Remained at home Looked over my accts. and studied upon question for Sat. night Played checkers with Willard etc.

FEBRUARY 1883

Thursday, February 1

Clear and fine Chopping up ice A.M. P.M. Hauling firewood Evening went to Centre Fannie present

Friday, February 2

Clear and fine but cool

Got colt shod A.M.

P.M. Carried Nell up to see Eva Miller and started for Camden with apples. Heard the Boat was froze in at Belfast and I returned home

Recd. Check of Thirteen dollars 25/100 of Amos Keyes & Co. on 4 bbls. Russets and 2 bbls. Baldwins

Evening went up to Josiah Miller's spent the evening. Frank Miller and E. Pottle present also Johnnie Miller

Saturday, February 3

Settled with S. Coose for labor to date \$13.50 Thirteen dollars 50/100

Snowing

Hauled up firewood A.M.

P.M. Worked at Barn used sulphur and kerosene on cattle for vermin

Evening called upon Fannie

Sunday, February 4

Cloudy

Went to Church

Read Shakespeare's Timon

Cleared up P.M.

Evening went to see Goldie

Retired about 1 O'Clock

Evidently in a capricious and fickle mood. Spoke of going to Framingham and postponing marriage till another Fall. Told her to postpone as long as she liked for I did not think she cared enough for me to marry me, or rather to be anxious to marry me

Monday, February 5

Cloudy but not very cold Bugging Goldie

Came down home at noon

P.M. Mrs. Robinson present

Went to Centre

Evening remained at home I and Nell read in Concert and had a spell training

Time at Grange Hall tonight

Wrote a Postal to Amos Keyes & Co.

Tuesday, February 6

Clear and sharp

4 below zero

Jobbing A.M.

Ave, Win, and children were over Sold Ave a bushel of apples

Payson & Wife here at dinner

P.M. Hauled a little firewood. Callers Mason Stevens and Emma Abbott also James Fernald Evening I and Nell called upon Fannie

Took up the note of Twenty dollars given Cyrus Aug. 20 1882 Principal and interest Twenty dollars 50/100

Wednesday, February 7

Cloudy and snowy A.M.

Hauled up firewood

P.M. Cleared up windy

Went to Camden with Six Bbls of apples Shipped same to Keyes & Co. Two bbls Russets, two bbls No 1 Baldwins and two bbls No. 2 Baldwins

Thursday, February 8

Clear and fine

Put up some apples for shipping A.M.

P.M. Went to Centre, after which came home, and I and Nell took a ride. Called at Drinkwater's also at Josiah Miller's

Evening went to Centre and called upon Nancie

Friday, February 9

Clear and breezy
Put up some apples for shipping, and hauling dressing A.M.
P.M. Hauled some firewood
Evening went to Centre

Saturday, February 10

Cold and clear

Cutting firewood at door

Evening went to Lodge Was installed as W.C.T. for ensuing quarter

Quite a company present from Camden and Rockport. Contributed to treat same.

Went over to Union Hall after Lodge to a dance

Sunday, February 11

Snowing all day

Read Shakespeare's Richard Third

Started to go to Church. Was none

Evening went to see Goldie

"You shan't come again for ten weeks" Stormy interview in regard to postponement of marriage Told her to postpone it forever if she wished or Fall might do as well for by that time we would likely be so indifferent to each other we would neither desire to wed the other. Do not marry me if unwilling for you will doubtless find someone in future, as <u>Alton Neil</u> is in the past, that you will be willing to marry for love; you do not, never have, and never will love me as well. Why then should I try to persuade by words, that will not rouse your love, to do that, your love for me (if any you had) would make you willing to freely give without persuasion.

I may live single as others do and enjoy the freedom of licentious passions with "fast women" like other men, ne'er confine myself to one fair virtuous woman and still mingle in society a greater favorite than he of virtue to Fair Virtue. "You are indifferent to me, and I may not make you otherwise and will not marry you while your love for me is so sleight that you dread unhappiness and poverty, and think that I am not worthy of you, and think greater happiness is won in single blessedness and heartless flirtations"

"Am not indifferent to you, do not think you are not good enough for me and never cared for another fellow one spark as I do for you, Would I have went to Colo. for another?" Is licentious passion necessary to your happiness? Do not believe in flirting

Shall not live single another Winter. Repentant, yielding, no fellow ever got round me till you did. Who says differently lies, and I have fought you off all I could" Victorious for once!

Monday, February 12

Got home at sunrise Clear and windy Shoveled snow about buildings Went to Centre etc. Reading Shalespeare Evening at home

Tuesday, February 13

Clear fine day Worked on Highway 2 ½ hours with Team and Willard Wrote to Erastus

Wednesday, February 14

Clear fine day
I and Nell went up and got Eve Miller. Came down and spent the day
Carried her home this evening
P.M. Went to Camden I and Cyrus
Sent a comic Valentine to Adella Wadsworth also a nice one to Olive and

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Thursday, February 15

Cold and cloudy Cutting and hauling firewood Recd. check from Amos Keyes Fourteen dollars on six Bbls. apples Evening went to Centre

Friday, February 16

Foggy thawy day Cutting and hauling firewood Called upon Uncle <u>Tommy</u> etc. Evening went to Centre

Saturday, February 17

Foggy thawy day Jobbing P.M. Went to Centre Evening went to Lodge

Opened the debate upon the resolve that a farmer's life is the best occupation for man

Sunday, February 18

Cloudy A.M.
Cleared up P.M.
Went to Church P.M.
Evening went to see Goldie
Love predominates "Hallelujah tis done"

"Would swear if upon my dying bed, that none but you have ever been allowed these privileges, or any improper advances and you ought know it by your own experience" Should think so!

Home at daylight

Monday, February 19

Clear and fine chopping at door A.M. also went to corner to see about Boat

P.M. Went to Centre Called upon Fannie

Elder Simonton present to Tea

Lovely night

Phrenological lecture at Grange Hall tonight

Retired early this evening

Tuesday, February 20

Clear and nice

A.M. Put up a few apples for shipping

P.M. Went to Camden Shipped eight Bbls. of apples to Amos Keyes

5 bbls. of 1's and 3 bbls. of 2's

Bought bbl. of Flour of B. Robinson

Six dollars 75/100

Got home at dark

Evening remained at home

Wednesday, February 21

Clear and windy

Carried Wheat to Mill. Hauled load of firewood etc.

Alpheus moved last of his hay from my barn

P.M. Went to Camden Carried Nellie down

Took Tea at Mr. Gilkey's. Evening went to the Drama at Megunticook Hall – "The Social Glass"

Clara and Laura went with us. Got home at 1.30 morning

Thursday, February 22

Clear and fine

Went to Mill for grist and Hauled four loads of firewood A.M. Fan and baby present

P.M. Went to Centre a few minutes Came home and sorted apples

Mrs. Piper present

Evening carried Fannie home Jennie Lamb present

Read papers

Friday, February 23

Clear and cold

Light snow last night

Put up apples for shipping and sawed wood at door

Recd. letter from Ernest

Evening went to Elm House to Social Party. Nice supper and pleasant time

Introduced to Lucie Bates, Miss Carrie Sherman present also a party from Beach

Minot Crehore & Nettie Adams, Louisa Frohock and Ella Pendleton

Olive and Llewellyn called while we were absent

Saturday, February 24

Clear fine day

Went to Searsmont

Bought a **Shute** a few oats and some barrels

Evening went to Lodge. Lucie Bates and Georgia Moody initiated

Talked upon the Negative of the Resolve that "Anticipation is greater than Realization"

Sunday, February 25

Snowed A.M. Read Shakespeare's Richard Second P.M. Rained Evening wrote to Ernest Raining hard

Monday, February 26

Clear and windy
Putting up apples for shipping
P.M. Went to Boat with eight Bbls. of apples
Sent to Amos Keyes Six bbls of 1's and Two of 2's
Evening cooler and windy
Went to Centre
Llewellyn present this evening
Mailed letter to Ernest

Tuesday, February 27

Cold and windy
Fitting firewood at door A.M.
P.M. Toothache
Read Shakespeare's King Henry IV
Cyrus present this evening
Robbie Dyer got leg broken

Wednesday, February 28

Snowing A.M.
Sent Keyes a Postal
Went to Camden
Carried Fan and Cyrus down. Had a tooth extracted and one refilled.
Recd. of Ed Coleman Check for One Hundred Dollars \$100. Got same cashed P.M. Putting up apples
Evening went to see Goldie

MARCH 1883

Thursday, March 1

Clear nice day

Put up apples A.M.

P.M. Carried Six Bbls. of same to Boat Camden

Three barrels of 1's and 1 bbl. of 2's to A.D. Rogers and 1 bbl extra choice and 1 bbl. of 2's to Keyes

Evening carried Em and Nell to Grange hall to a miscellaneous time

Went to Supper etc.

Della pretty sweet on me, but Goldie good and I would not flirt. Fair time

Got home 1.30

Ave and Winnie present

Met Hattie Fletcher etc.

Friday, March 2

Warm nice day

Put up apples A.M.
P.M. Went to Beach Got 17 Bbls.
Called at Mrs. Dyers a few minutes
Olive present
Recd. Check of Amos Keyes & Co.
Twenty two Dollars 50/100
Recd. letter from Erastus
Evening remained at home and retired early

Saturday, March 3

Clear pleasant day
Putting up apples
Evening went to Lodge
Recd. Check of Amos Keyes & Co.
Twenty three Dollars 50/100

Sunday, March 4

Clear and cold
Thermometer at zero
Went to Church P.M.
Evening called upon Fannie also at Benjamin Stetson's
Came home and retired early
Llewellyn present
Let Cyrus have a check of Twenty two dollars and 50/100

Monday, March 5

Four Degrees below zero Cyrus moving to Camden today
Put up apples A.M.
P.M. Went to Boat at Camden
Shipped Eight Bbls. Baldwins to Amos Keyes & Co. 7 bbls. of same were No. 1's
Ave went down with a load
Sent Keyes a Postal
Met Clara Gilkey
Evening went to Centre a few minutes
Called at Fan's

Tuesday, March 6

Nine Degrees below zero this morning Hazy Ave's horse ran away Went down to Fan's Hauled home ashes and other truck Fan moved to Camden today P.M. Snowed Put up apples

Wednesday, March 7

Snowed last night Pleasant morning Worked on Highway

Worked on Highway 1 ½ hours with Willard and steers

 $P.M.\ Went\ to\ Beach\ Bought\ Fourteen\ Bbls.\ \$2.10\ Wind\ blowed\ a\ gale\ Tedious\ coming\ home\ Evening\ remained\ at\ home$

Recd. Returns from Keyes on 2 Bb;s. apples Gave me credit for same without sending check

Thursday, March 8

Cold and windy

Worked on Highway One Hour A.M. with Willard and Steers

Putting up apples splitting logs etc.

Evening went to Centre

Friday, March 9

Clear and cool

Putting up apples

Worked on Highway 2 ¼ hours A.M. with Willard and Steers Sold Higgins Bbl. apples \$1.75

Recd. Check of A.D. Rogers of Eleven dollars 95/100 on 4 Bbls. apples

Evening The Georgia Drakes were present

Rehearsed dialogue "The Enrolling Officer"

Saturday, March 10

Cloudy A.M.

Putting up apples Splitting logs etc.

Willard starting firewood

P.M. Went to Centre Attended the Caucus at Union Hall

Was nominated for Moderator of our Town Meeting to be held March 12.

Storming furiously

Let Ave have a check of Twenty three dollars 50/100

Evening at home

Sunday, March 11

Clear and cool

Went to Church P.M.

Called upon Benj. Stetson a few minutes etc.

Evening squally

Llewellyn present

Remained at home

Made some candy

Monday, March 12

Clear and cold

Went to Town-Meeting

Was elected Moderator. Hard days work

W.K. Duncan, I.H. Cross and J.H. Young Selectmen

J. Mathews Clerk

A.A. Knight Treasurer Levi Mathews Collector

Recd. Check of Amos Keyes Eight Bbls. No. 1's and Two Bbls. No. 2's \$30.10/100

Thirty dollars 10/100

Evening went to see Goldie. Remained all night

Tuesday, March 13

More moderate, and fair

Bugging Goldie

Evening played Euchre with L. Lazy day of pleasure

"What can you think!"

Kind but fearful

Retired late

Wednesday, March 14

Cloudy and mild

Playing Euchre and checkers with Goldie and L.

Pleasant leisure and varied amusements

Evening sat up with Goldie. Sweet, and loving

Would go home with you and stay a few days, but for going to Beach

"Guess so in April but shall stay here most of time"

Came home about 2 O'Clock morning

Partaking of forbidden fruit

Thursday, March 15

Thawy and Hazy Willard hauling dressing

Went to Camden with load of apples

Sent Four Bbls. of same to Keyes and same to Rogers

Carried Fan a sack of apples etc.

Friday, March 16

Cold and windy

Putting up apples for shipping

Ave paid the Twenty three 50/100 loaned him last Saturday

S. Coose called

Not feeling well and retired early

Saturday, March 17

Clear and warmer

Sick abed today with cold and bilious attack

High fever

Took a sweat tonight

Sunday, March 18

Clear with a southerly wind

Feeling some better

Remained at home all day

Eddie Tolman called

Phebe Norton's funeral at Methodist House

Read Shakespeare's Henry V

Monday, March 19

Cool and cloudy

Ave went to Camden for me with my team

Carried Seven Bbls. of apples

Shipped 4 bbls of same to Keyes the other to Rodgers

Considerable better

Called at Stetson's a few minutes P.M.

Tuesday, March 20

Smart Rain

A.M. Not feeling very well

Alpheus present had a final settlement with him on the hay

Gave him Five dollars 50/100 drawback on the hay for the amount it fell short of Ten Tons

Allowed \$2.50 for board of men while pressing same

Paid that amount to Mother

P.M. Cold and windy

Evening went to Union Hall to a dramatic entertainment "Among the Breakers" Rockport

Wednesday, March 21

Clear and cool

Some better but not well

Went to Centre P.M.

Called at Aunt Ruth's

Mrs. Page present

Recd. Return from 4 bbls if apples sent Keyes 15th

Thursday, March 22

Clear and cold

I and Willard put up Seven bbls. of apples for shipping A.M.

Feeling some better

P.M. Went to Centre Got harness repaired etc.

Evening went up to Austin Marriner's

Bought Six bushels of Oats at 55 cts per bushel

Friday, March 23

Cold and cloudy

Went to Centre A.M.

P.M. Went to Camden with Seven bbls. of apples

Shipped Four of same to Keyes and Three to Rodgers

Called to see Fan

Snowed coming home cold and disagreeable Mother and Willard sick abed

Piper Dr to 1, board of 31 feet

Saturday, March 24

Clear and cool

Nearly all sick

Mother and Willard sick abed

Put up a few apples for shipping choring etc.

Recd. returns from Four bbls. sent Rodgers the 15th and Three bbls. sent same the 19

Evening went to Lodge Talked Neg. upon the resolve "That single life is preferable to married"

Sunday, March 25

Clear and windy

Ave over A.M.

Annie Lamb called etc.

Evening went to see Goldie

Went to meeting at Grange Hall

Eva Miller present

Monday, March 26

Warm and thawy Fair

Went to Camden

Shipped Five Bbls. No. 1 Baldwins to Amos Keyes & Co.

Bought some Shirts, Drawers and a hat

Evening Llewellyn present

Played Euchre

Tuesday, March 27

Warm and cloudy
Putting up apples and choring
Willard unable to work yet
Evening went to Centre
Called at Stetson's

Wednesday, March 28

Cloudy
Snowing A.M.
Put up apples and choring
P.M. Went to Centre
Got Dr. Brown to come up and see Willard
Nell commenced work in Vest Shop
Recd. Check of Amos Keyes
Thirteen dollars 95/100 on 4 bbls. of apples sent 23rd inst.

Thursday, March 29

Clear and cool Choring Splitting logs etc. P.M. Went to Centre Evening at home Lovely evening

Friday, March 30

Fair and pleasant Went to Camden

Shipped Five Bbls. apples to Amos Keyes 3 bbls. No. 1 Baldwins the others No. 2's Recd. Check of Amos Keyes for Five Bbls. sent Monday 26th

Seventeen 50/100 dollars

Also from Rodgers for 3 bbls sent Friday 23 Eleven dollars $15/100~{\rm Got}\,\$4.25~{\rm per}$ bbl. from Rogers

Evening Good Templars Entertainment and Dance at Union Hall Took an active part and managed Literary exercises. Conversing with old acquaintances during dance. Depressed in spirits and could not help reflecting seriously if my engagement to my betrothed was after all a serious mistake more likely to mar, than add to her happiness or mine. Her evident preference for company to which I object and she knows it, Her inclination to flirt, and my jealous, exacting disposition, Her seeming, or real indifference and my proud sensitive nature, Give me cause for fear. Either each fails to understand the other or we are unsuited to each other. Realizing something wrong – yet sure of my love for her I am despondent and unhappy.

Receipts of evening about \$10.00

Checks cashed at Bank Sixty-eight 55/100

Saturday, March 31

Cool windy day Splitting logs A.M. P.M. Went to Centre Called at Stetson's Evening Good Templar's Lodge Several visitors from Monterey Lodge

APRIL 1883

Sunday, April 1

Clear cold and windy

Went to Church P.M.

Evening went to see Goldenhead

"Will marry you next week if you want me to"

Serious altercation before coming home. Same old cause of misunderstanding

My jealous disposition, her love of flirting and seeming indifference to me in Public.

Monday, April 2

Clear and cool

Got home at Sunrise

Cross and miserable

Done up chores and went to Ave's A.M.

P.M. Worked on Highway P.M. about 2 ½ hours

Evening Jennie Candel present

Escorted her home

Called at Stetson's a few minutes

B. Robinson Commenced to build New Store

Erected frame today

Tuesday, April 3

Clear and fine

Split logs A.M.

P.M. Got colt shod

Evening at home

Reading papers

Wednesday, April 4

Clear and fine

Split logs at door A.M.

P.M. Went to Centre thence to Joel Lamb's, thence across to Ave's, back to corner and home

Nancie D. called

School meeting P.M.

Willard better went to corner awhile

Thursday, April 5

Stormy Went over to Ave's after wagon intended to go to Camden but stormed so hard gave it up Went to Centre P.M. and evening

Wrote note to Alpheus for Two Hundred dollars Not to be delivered till I draw money from safe Recd. letter from Ernest

Friday, April 6

Clear fine day

Sawing wood A.M.

P.M. smoked the Sheep

Willard able to work a little and assist about chores first time for two weeks

Evening went to Centre

Called at Stetson's

Saturday, April 7

Cloudy and snowing slightly

Nasty day

Went to Centre P.M. I and Ave went up to see Parker's Phaeton

Sunday, April 8

Warm pleasant day

Went to Camden

Carried Mother and Emma down to Fan's and left them Wrote to Ernest

Evening went to see Goldie

Had gone to meeting waited her return.

She was quite ill after her return

Certainly odd and indifferent she seems. Came home early. At her request asked L. to return at once

W. Monroe and wife present today

Monday, April 9

Clear and fine

I and Ave went to Belfast

Ordered a Fifty dollar Tablet for Father's grave

Priced window frames, sashes and Doors, also Clapboards

Got hair cut and moustache dyed

2 Checks amounting \$28.68 Cashed at Bank

Bought, and paid Ave for, old wagon

Willard keeping house along today

Got home about 7 P.M.

Tuesday, April 10

Clear and very fine

Went to Camden

Had three teeth filled. Got price of Clapboards etc.

Brought Emma home

Evening remained at home

Wednesday, April 11

Misty

Cutting wood at door A.M.

Rainy P.M.

Wrote to W.H. Parker for "Science of Life"

Inclosed \$1.25 for same

Went to Centre

Called upon Belle S.

Recd, Check of Amos Keyes on Five Bbls. apples sent March 30th

Thirteen Dollars \$13.00

Thursday, April 12

Pleasant day

Working on firewood

Got saw filed

Evening went to Centre a few minutes

Friday, April 13

Rainy morning
Pleasant P.M.
Hauled brush for Slough hole on the Hill – I and Willard and Aplheus A.M.
P.M. Sawing firewood

Saturday, April 14

Clear and warm
Sawing firewood
Evening went to Centre
Called at Stetson's after which went to Lodge
About Fifty members present
Had a party after Lodge
Did not stop

Sunday, April 15

Clear and fine Went to Church P.M. Evening went to Church at Grange Hall Went home with Goldie

Thought I was treated rather cooly, and said so

Seems to me as if her affections were not very ardent when she voluntarily absents herself at a time she had reason to expect me and then treat me as any other visitor would be treated, so near our appointed wedding day. Does she really me as I would be loved, as a husband should be loved?

Monday, April 16

Got home at light
Clear and fine
Went to Camden
Carried 3 bushels of apples to market
Recd. for same Four dollars 30/100
Got check cashed at Bank \$13.00
Brought Mother home
Took dinner at Fan's Carried her down half bushel of apples
Recd. Book by Mail "Science of Life"
Evening went to Centre Called at Stetson's

Tuesday, April 17

Cloudy and warm Went over to Ave's A.M. thence to Eng. Thomas's with him P.M. Trimming apple trees and splitting firewood Evening split wood till dark then retired

Wednesday, April 18

Clear hot day
Sawing firewood Spreading dressing etc.
Worked till dark then went to Corner Got some soap etc.
Called at Stetson's a few minutes

Thursday, April 19

Fast day

Clear and warm A.M.

Sawing firewood

Cyrus came up stopped to Dinner

Evening went to see Goldie

Began to rain

Staid all night

Retired at daylight

Paid Lew Drinkwater \$50.00 on Ernest's acct.

"If this is all you come for, you needn't come any more!"

"This must be stopped!"

I know how it will end, and if we were married I should be tied down

"Think we have no need to hurry and better postpone it till after planting or haying. I should have to live at home, and it is a busy time. What is the sense of living so?" Told her I did not wish marry till she was ready and willing, that I didn't know as there was any sense in getting married anyway and I was sure we had better not if there was so little love that we must quarrel and misunderstand as we have for the past year. So postpone it as long as you like.

"Love dwells not in the heart that shadows dreadeth"

Friday, April 20

Rainy disagreeable weather

Played cards, checkers, etc with O. and L. Passed the day in social conversation and varied pleasures.

Evening sat up with former Came home about 1 O'Clock

"Last of last month"

"You are exacting! Don't know whether I can come up to your ideal of what your betrothed or wife should be or not?"

"Think you expect more of a wife than most men"

"Won't you try and be good?"

Saturday, April 21

Clear and cold

Fitting up firewood at door, spreading dressing etc.

Evening went to Lodge

Took part in the debate upon the resolve that Tobacco is as great a curse as intoxicating liquors Ada Wentworth died this morning

Sunday, April 22

Clear and cold Went to Church P.M. Evening went to Centre Called at Stetson's Lew present this evening

Monday, April 23

Cold and cloudy
Cut firewood at door A.M.
P.M. Spreading dressing
Evening at home
Reading "Science of Life"
Ada Wentworth's funeral at Centre today

Tuesday, April 24

Snowing A.M.

Put in an axe handle ground axes etc.

P.M. Cloudy

Spreading dressing

Willard chopping over side of road

Benj. Stetson died this morning

Evening went to Centre for some medicine of Dr. Brown for Mother

Sat up with the remains of B. Stetson tonight Chas. Drake sat with me

Wednesday, April 25

Snowing A.M.

Jobbing

P.M. Went to the funeral of Benj. Stetson

Evening Mr. Thorndike and Miss Bates present and remained till 11 O'Clock

Mother quite sick

Wrote to Durham Hall an order for doors and windows

Thursday, April 26

Clear and cold

Chopping firewood in the woodlot A.M.

P.M. spreading dressing and Hauled rocks from pasture piece etc.

Evening went to a party at Warner Tower's to please Nell

Remained till Twelve O'Clock

Called Doctor Brown in to see Mother

Friday, April 27

Snowing this morning

Repaired stove drag

P.M. Cleared away and I began grading front lawn

Worked till dark then went to Philip's Hall and presided over the Literary entertainment given by the Good Templar's. Dance afterwards. Remained but a short time at dance. O present more and more convinced that she does not love me Actions speak louder than words and her actions are not those of a lady who considers her wedding day nigh. If not indifference her actions her demeanor is hardly warm enough to indicate friendship, much less love

Saturday, April 28

Pleasant but cool Recd. letter from Clerk on Cross estate

Grading lawn

Doctor present to see Mother

Evening went to Lodge

Election of Officers Piper Dr. to Board 30 feet 90 cts

Fan and Cy came up tonight

Sunday, April 29

Cloudy cleared up at evening

Went to Church

S. Dunton preached

Carried Fan and Cy home after Church. Got back at dark.

Called at Stetson's

Wrote to Henry Clark in regard to Elias Cross estate

Got some medicine of Brown

Monday, April 30

Clear and cool
Went to Camden
Got 400 Pine Clapboards \$10.00
Got back 2 O'Clock P.M. and went to fencing
Evening went to Centre
Got Sugar, Nails etc.

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Tuesday, May 1

Clear and cold

Froze hard last night

Fencing in new piece and repairing Pasture fence.

Evening worked till dark

Mrs. Page and Mrs. Olive Knight present

Remained at home

Paid Willard Five dollars on his labor

Wednesday, May 2

Cold and windy

Repairing fence A.M.

P.M. Breaking up Higgins helping

Recd. of Elias F. Cross Fifteen dollars to settle on the Estate of his Father

Uncle Abner over P.M.

Evening went to Centre and got a blank for quit claim deed

Called at Stetson's

Thursday, May 3

Cloudy morning

Broke away pleasant

Fencing A.M.

P.M. Spreading dressing Burning brush in Orchard etc.

Evening went to Centre a few minutes

Friday, May 4

Cold and cloudy

Fencing all day

Evening went down to Elm House with Nell

Quite a company present

Adjourned to the dance Stopped but a few minutes myself conversing with George True

F. Rankins and Annie Frohock, Thorndoke & Miss Bates, Nell and myself Mr. Falker and Fannie

Rankins and Lucius Knight & Dr. Tenney Present at Elm House

Mailed Deed to Elias F. Cross

Saturday, May 5

Cloudy

Went up to Robt. Moody's

Got load of Cedars for Hedge A.M.

P.M. Set out a Hedge of Cedars and clearing up about Farm

Evening went to Lodge

Installation of Officers Fannie and Baby came up today

Sunday, May 6

Cold rain

Broke away just night

Evening went up to see Olive – Monroe the Evangelist present. Went to Church at Grange Hall after ascertaining she did not care enough for me to stay at home for my sake Well her love for me is indeed a slight affair if I may judge from her conduct and I told her in my sorrow and bitterness just what I thought of her treatment said she did not want me to come anymore thinking thus of her. Told her, her conduct justified me in thinking she was trifling with me and if she cared no more for me than appearances indicated I did not wish to come anymore, and demanded my letters. And though we were to have been married in April or May 1st our engagement thus comes to an end for I will not longer cling to such a trifling love and if she won't manifest more regard I am forever done. I have overlooked slights, snubs, whims and caprices till forbearance ceases to be a virtue

Monday, May 7

Fencing all day
Evening harnessed colt and drove about Centre
S. Coose & Wife called also Tam Scruton

Tuesday, May 8

Fencing all day and hauling rocks from pasture land District Lodge at Grange Hall Fine day Evening I and Nellie went up to Josiah Miller's Got Guardian papers made out etc. John Dean present

Wednesday, May 9

Pleasant Plowing Harrowing etc. Evening carried Fan and Baby home

Thursday, May 10

Pleasant day but chilly P.M.
Sawed a piece of wheat ½ bushel
Plowed a piece etc.
Evening went to Centre for mail
Called upon Bell a few minutes

Friday, May 11

Rainy all day
Sorting apples
Uncle Abner Dunton went home P.M.
Evening went to Centre called at Stetson's a few minutes A.A.K. and J. Gordon present

Saturday, May 12

Rainy A.M. or cloudy Burnt brush, spread ashes Hauled chips etc. P.M. Went to Camden Carried two bbls. Russets Sold same \$7.70

Hauled home 300 clapboards

Evening went to Lodge

Stormy debate in regard to G.R. Sanford's refusal to wear Regalia

Made some pretty plain talk to him

Sunday, May 13

Cold and windy Ave came over with Top Buggy and we went to Beach on a ride. Took dinner at Hotel

Got back about 4 P.M.

Callers John Dean, Emery Heal, Ruel Sanford, Marshall Cilley, Frank Miller, Eva Miller, and Della

Wadsworth

Willis Harvill and Fred Lermont

Called upon N.A.D. evening Blue

Monday, May 14

Clear and cold

Sowed ¾ bushel of Wheat

Planted ¾ bushel of potatoes etc.

Evening went to over and got top buggy

Bought it of Ave for \$135.00

Went up and took Olive on a ride

Stormy interview but adjusted matters amicably after some bitter reproaches on my part and recriminations on her's. One of our most serious quarrels, near ending in separation.

Tuesday, May 15

Rainy A.M.

Sorting apples

P.M. cloudy and foggy

Jobbing cut firewood graded ridge in further field etc.

Evening went to Centre

Got Postal from Durham & Hall and letter from Ernest

Went to Centre evening

Ollie's Birthday

Twenty Eight today

Wednesday, May 16

Clear and cool

Went to Belfast

Got windows, paints, oil, nails, knobs, locks etc.

Hired Jim Dean to haul home window frames

Got back 5.30 P.M.

Evening Ave came over with Horse and he and I Olive and Lew went to Belfast to the play "Only a Farmer's Daughter"

Scammon commenced work on the House

Tore off clapboards

Put up staging Repaired the boarding etc.

Thursday, May 17

Clear and fine

Sowed three pecks of Wheat on greensward

Plowed Harrowed etc.

Commenced to harrow pasture piece Scammon put in the New window frames today Tardy this morning Went to Centre this evening bought Paint brush

Friday, May 18

Clear and fine
Sowed about 1 ½ acres of Oats
Mother's and Fan's birthday
Worked till after dark then went to Centre
Lovely evening
Scammon Clapboarding front of house
Little tardy this morning

Saturday, May 19

Clear fine day
Planting on pasture piece. Potatoes, Sweet corn, Pole beans etc.
Evening went to Lodge Olive Llew and Eva Miller down
Had more talk with Gid and Ruel
Scammon Clapboarding and painting today
Full day

Sunday, May 20

Foggy

Washed Buggy A.M. and choring

P.M. Ave came over

Paid him One Hundred Dollars on Buggy

Evening went up to see Ollie took her on a ride

Put horse up and went in after we returned, and here we draw the veil of obscurity over what was said, and done

Amen!

Llew down to see Nell

Monday, May 21

Got home daylight

Foggy

Plowing A.M.

Scammon Commenced work 8.30

Set windows down 8 inches in parlor and finished clapboarding front to front door

P.M. Went over to Ave's bought a bushel of seed potatoes etc.

P.M. Hauling dressing and planting potatoes pasture land

Evening at home

Tuesday, May 22

Foggy A.M.

Plowing

P.M. Showery

Spreading dressing on Wheat ground

Scammon working on window casings and door knobs

Full day

Evening Rainy

Remained at home

Wednesday, May 23

Scammon not at work

Rainy

Heaviest fall of rain for a year

Jobbing got Steers shod forward etc.

Thursday, May 24

Cloudy but clearing off with occasional dashes of rain

A.M. cleared away old piggery lumber and cleaned out rocks

P.M. Set out Strawberry plants where old piggery stood after grading down the same

Evening went to Centre and got the mail Paid Subscription on Boston Globe 12 months

Bought a pig of Orlando Stevens

Scammon not working

Friday, May 25

Clear nice day

Went to Camden

Hauled home 200 clapboards, shorts, meal etc.

Dined with Fan

Willard setting Strawberry plants

Evening went to Centre a few minutes No I remained at home though S. Howard called. Scammon worked full day finishes clapboarding front side of house

Saturday, May 26

Clear and warm

Hauling Stone and laying wall A.M.

P.M. Went to Camden Carried Three Bbls. Roxbury Russets. Shipped same to D.A. Rogers

Scammon began work 8.30 this morning

Willard jobbing P.M.

Evening went to the Lodge at Mrs. Phillip's Hall. Large Company present from Searsmont

Sunday, May 27

Rainy

Called on N.A.D.

Went over to Ave's

Wrote Questions for Lodge etc.

Evening wet to see Goldie

Peace between us for a change. Well variety is the spice of life, and the variety of peace and love, is an agreeable change.

"You do not think so much of me as you used to"

Came home about 3 A.M.

Monday, May 28

Clear fine day

Foggy morning

Went to Belfast

Paid Durham & Hall Twenty five 81/100 dollars in full of all demands on Doors Windows etc.

Bought Paints Oils etc.

Got home about 3 P.M. Called upon Ollie on my way home took a lunch of Pie and cake

Scammon working on Gable end full day

Tuesday, May 29

Showery

Went down to see Colburn

Planted a little Corn

Worked a little on the House and jobbed round in general

Scammon worked mortising doors for Knobs, Locks, etc.

Wednesday, May 30

Clear and cool

Scammon worked full day

Clapboarding gable end

Planting corn

Nell went to Camden to Decoration

Evening went to see Goldie

Took her on a ride

Went in and staid till 2 O'Clock

"Do you think I don't love you now?"

Lew came down evening

Thursday, May 31

Rainy

Washed Buggy

Puttied up old door latches repaired drag etc.

Scammon not working

JUNE 1883

Friday, June 1

Clear fine day

Laying wall and hauling rocks from pasture piece A.M.

Scammon worked full day

Colburn began work P.M.

Boarded up Ell door and put in window

Set window frames and clapboarding on Gable end and Ell

Went to Camden P.M.

Bought 500 Clapboards and hauled same

Mrs. Georgia Drake present P.M.

A.R.D. present staid all night

Patience wife of Enoch Knight died tonight

Saturday, June 2

Clear and warm

Sowed one bushel of Wheat 1/3 acre Planted corn etc.

Scammon & Colburn worked full day

Put under new sill under Nothern end of house and clapboarded some on South end of ell also Lathed over windows that were set down

Billy plastered up the same also bricked and plastered under sill about 2 hours work

Evening tired but went to Lodge was W.C.T. Protem

Sunday, June 3

Pleasant day

Went up to see Olive P.M. Took her on a ride round by Beach home by way of Centre Carried Robbie with us
Patience Knight buried today
L. took Nell on a ride
Came home quite early

Monday, June 4

Foggy A.M.
P.M. Showery
Finished planting corn
Scammon & Colburn worked full day Finished Clapboarding front end
Rehung inside doors, made doors stools Set up sills in cellar etc.
Sold Scammon 117 feet of lumber at 3 cts. per foot

Tuesday, June 5

Fair day
Planting garden stuff, beans and potatoes
Plowed a piece in pasture etc.
Evening went up and took Olive on a ride.
Called on Mrs. Dyer took Allie on a ride etc.
Scammon & Colburn worked full day

Wednesday, June 6

Hot I and Sylvanus Sheared the Sheep Willard planting Scammon worked full day Colburn A.M. only on back end Went to Centre evening

Thursday, June 7

Clear and hot with occasional showers Finished up planting by planting garden stuff, beans, potatoes etc. Scammon worked full day finished clapboarding back end etc. Colburn not working

Friday, June 8

Clear and hot A.M. P.M. showery

Hauling rocks and laying wall pasture piece

Scammon and Colburn worked full day Put new sill under Ell and patching up back side of House Evening I and Nell went down to see Alden Dunton about painting House

Saturday, June 9

Clear and hot

Lame today

Hauling rocks from Oat and Wheat ground A.M.

P.M. Broke up small piece

Evening went to Lodge. Nell and L. went to Camden

Scammon and Colburn worked full day each

Put in Front door and casing round windows in front room. Finished clapboarding etc.

Sunday, June 10

Hot and sultry A.M.

P.M. Showery

Remained at home all day

Washed buggy etc.

Evening went to see Ollie.

Lillian at home

Former spoke of going to Minnesota as Alice is very miserable.

"May get married before I go"

Monday, June 11

Got home 4.30

Rainy

Worked in cellar and jobbed round generally

Scammon and Colburn worked full day each on windows and doors

Evening at home

Ellen Morrill called

Tuesday, June 12

Clear and windy

Plowed Hauled rocks etc. A.M.

P.M. Harrowed hauled dressing hoed strawberries etc. Judge Miller called Harnessed up about 5.30 and took Olive on a ride. Came to Centre Got home 11.30 made her a present of Stereoscopic views. Shower before I got home. Pleasant drive, all but that

Scammon & Colburn worked full day

Wednesday, June 13

Hazy and hot A.M.

Went to Belfast carried Mother over to the Probate Court Got her final Acct. Allowed as Guardian of Nellie M. Knight

Rained hard P.M.

Scammon and Colburn worked full day

Settled with Colburn for nine days labor at \$1.75 per day allowed 75 cts. for broken glass Got home about 6 P.M.

Went to Centre

Thursday, June 14

Clear cool and windy

Washed Buggy

Got colt shod cleared up rubbish etc.

P.M. Worked in Shop clearing away to make Carriage House of same

Evening Took Ollie out to Searsmont to Lodge. Lew took Nell and Lil

Scammon worked finishing up about house today. Put on knobs casing under eves etc.

Paid him Twenty dollars on labor tonight

Recd. Balance due from A.A.K. on note of April 5th

Friday, June 15

Clear and fine

Planting Beans among corn A.M.

Turned Colt to grass

P.M. Scammon worked finishing up

Helped him put Carriage doors in Shop Etc.

Evening went to Centre

Saturday, June 16

Clear and fine

Painting A.M.

Willard finished planting the beans

Got bucket repaired

Wm. Jobbed a little plastering

P.M. Fixed up Carriage House doors

Evening went to Lodge Eva & Effie Miller and Lena Cross came up with I and Nell

Sunday, June 17

Warm and showery

Choring A.M.

Callers Abner Dunton Jr. and Mr. & Mrs. Page

Evening went to see Ollie

Came home quite early. Presented me with Carriage mat, and Necktie.

Reserved one for "a special occasion"

L. down to see Nell

"Don't think I'll go to Minn."

Monday, June 18

Clear and pleasant

Partially Foggy

Carried Mother to Camden to stop with Fan

Left Top Buggy with Hess to be varnished. Hunter to drop it down

Got Building insured for \$1800 Eighteen Hundred dollars

Evening went to Centre. Dance at Phillip's Hall

Remained a brief time but did not dance

Escorted Nell, and Alice "Honey" home

Loaned Nell \$5.00

Tuesday, June 19

Cloudy morning

Worked on Highway three hours, when it began to rain and we quit

P.M. Worked about House and Cellar

Sandpapered doors, Patched Kitchen floor etc.

Wednesday, June 20

Rained hard all day

Cleared up in shop making room for Carriage

Wrote Resolution of Esteem as Lodge Comm. On E.M. Heal

Evening went over to Ave's thence to Centre

Called at Parker's and Stetson's

Thursday, June 21

Foggy A.M.

Got Wheat ground A.M.

Mowed lawn etc.

P.M. Worked on Highway

Hot

Commenced laying drain on big hill

Evening Lew Bates present Alden Dunton began Painting P.M. inside

Friday, June 22

Hot and sultry
Worked on Highway 10 ½ hours. Self, Willard and oxen
Laying Drain on big hill
Evening Mrs. B. Robinson present
Dunton Painting outside today priming back side

Saturday, June 23

Clear and hot
Worked on Highway 5 ¼ hours A.M.
Self Willard & Steers
Alden Dunton worked painting
Painted Gable end on North
P.M. Hoeing potatoes
Worked on Highway 30 minutes
Evening went to Lodge

Sunday, June 24

Clear and hot Esther left Went to Church P.M. Evening went to see Olive Swinging in the Hammock Came home about 1 O'Clock L. down

Monday, June 25

Clear and hot Dunton & Son painting outside today Front side and back side Hoeing potatoes, mowed the Lawn etc. Evening went to Centre

Tuesday, June 26

Foggy A.M.
Went to Beach
Willis Harvill helped hoe corn part of day
Dunton Painting inside A.M.
P.M. His son came up painting outside
Clear and hot
Evening at home
Made out Bill of \$22.84 against Coleman on Hay

Wednesday, June 27

Clear and warm
Finished hoeing corn
Hoed potatoes
Sowed some turnip seed etc.
Alden Dunton finished painting house outside and two front rooms inside
He and boy made out Seven days

Paid him Ten Dollars \$10.00 on same Evening fixed up Hammock poles

Thursday, June 28

Foggy drizzly day

Esther returned

Painted cook room A.M.

P.M. Fixed up about Carriage house and put some Top poled on Pasture line between myself and Benson Noyes

Friday, June 29

Hot

Hoeing Beans and Potatoes P.M.

A.M. Worked on Highway 1 ½ hours Self Willard and steers

Hauled some Loam to Pigs etc.

A.A. Bought yoke of oxen today

Evening Lew and Hettie Bates ad Carrie Sherman present

Saturday, June 30

Showery morning

P.M Warm

Went to Camden with A.A.K.

Trailed the colt

Brought Buggy home. Mother came home with me

Willard finished the hoeing

Evening went to Lodge

Sold old Hay Rake \$1.00

JULY 1883

Sunday, July 1

Clear and cool

Washed Buggy and choring A.M.

P.M. Went to see Goldie

Evening took her on a ride

Went to Beach - home via of Centre

Monday, July 2

Clear and windy

Mowing round the buildings

Mr. Page altered calves

P.M. Worked round the barns underpinning and blocking

Evening went to Centre

Bought Bbl. of Flour of N. Ross

Meal & Salt of A. Knight

Tuesday, July 3

Clear fine day

Mowing A.M.

P.M. Put rack together Carted a few loads of Loam etc.

Raked up hay

Evening Nellie Went to Grange Hall with L. Olive with C. Clark Went to Centre a few minutes Paid Willard \$4.50

Wednesday, July 4

Paid Willard 50 cts.

Rainy morning

Willard up today

Of E. Coleman Balance due on hay Twenty three dollars

Wrote to Ernest and a Postal to Fan

Mowed A.M.

P.M. Heavy Shower in fact a stormy day

Evening cleared up Remained at home Olive and Chas. Clark went to Belmont to a dance.

That settles it.

Paid Dr. Brown \$5.80 on Mother's sickness

Dr. Tested my lungs and heart

Touch of Heart Disease

Thursday, July 5

Warm and Sultry Showers

Thermometer registers 90 in shade

Mowed a little in upper Orchard

Put Rock together underpinned barn etc

Dunton came up and finished painting Dining room

P.M. Went over to Ave's

Evening I and Nellie went up to Father's grave

Friday, July 6

Hot and clear

Mowed A.M. and shook out hay

P.M. Paris greening Potatoes

Evening went to Centre Bugging Miss Bates and Lu Lane

Working in pain today

Seriously contemplating selling farm

Courage at a low ebb I know I ought not feel crushed by a woman's heartless deception, but I expected so much, thought her so superior to other women of my acquaintance, and trusted we might be mutually happy in each other's love

Why! Oh why must the beautiful illusions of life end in bitter Realities

Intended to visit Monterey but for shower

Saturday, July 7

Clear and hot

Hauled in 3 loads of Hay

About played out today

Felt sick and disheartened, Suffering mentally and physically

Went to Lodge

Thunder shower

Sunday, July 8

Cloudy and cool

P.M. Harnessed up and went on a ride

Took Eva Miller with me. Went most to Belfast Northport Road. Evening walked out with \underline{Lu} Lane and Lew Bates

Llewellyn took Nell on a ride Returned 9.30

Sat out on doorstep till Twelve O'Clock conversing with him

Informed him of my determination not to go near Olive again unless she made some satisfactory explanation of her treatment to me or should apologize and show by her conduct that she really loved me more than I had reason to think from treatment accorded

Asked Lew to obtain my letters and thanked him for his gentlemanly treatment of me and also for his friendship

Cora R. gave me a bouquet

Monday, July 9

Haying Clear and cool Hauled in one load Albert mowed above the orchard P.M. about 2 ½ acres Hired George Young for haying at \$2.25 per day Evening <u>Lu</u> Lane and <u>Lu</u> Bates were present Took them on a ride

Tuesday, July 10

Clear and rather a poor hay day

George Young Commenced to work P.M.

Esther left again

Hauled in one load of hay cleaned out upper orchard etc.

Evening sat in Hammock and talked with Nell about myself and Olive and her treatment of me. All adrift now in my plans for the future. Six years of wasted life for her sake I ought hate her for such a return for my devotion, such cold hearted treachery for my fidelity

Wednesday, July 11

Clear good hay day
Hauled in Four loads of Hay
George worked full day
Albert mowed field back of Orchard 2 acres
Lizzie Moody present Dress making today

Worked late.

Sat in hammock and talked with Nell till 11 O'Clock

Downhearted but angry too over my treatment by Olive

Would gladly be on good terms again but I am right, and she is wrong and I cannot make any advances till she manifests regret and proves by actions or words she loves me and is willing to treat me differently. If she loves me she will be will to do so

If she does not why let her go

Thursday, July 12

Clear

Hauled in Four loads of hay George worked full day P.M. Raked about 3 hours for Albert He mowed Piper field for me Evening lovely Went to Centre for mail Bought Sugar Lemons etc. Nell out to the dance at Phillip's Hall

Friday, July 13

Foggy showery day
Hauled in 1 load of Hay clearing Orchard field and field back of Orchard
George worked ½ day
Oscar Wiley called A.M.
P.M. Raked up hay and jobbing
Finishing up Door Knobs
Evening Jennie Lamb present escorted her home

Saturday, July 14

Foggy

Worked in the Garden. Went over the potatoes with Paris Green etc.

Evening went to Lodge. Took part in the debate etc. Dance afterwards

Emery Heal staid all night with Willard

Blue! Wild projects and plans for future action rise before me, only to be discarded and yet in very desperation I may act upon some one of them

Sunday, July 15

Foggy cloudy A.M.

P.M. broke away

Went down to Rackcliffe's Took Emma Rackcliffe on a ride Went to Beach home via Kendall's Mills and down by Centre

Pleasant ride and she proved and interesting and agreeable companion "Have no objections to a more intimate acquaintance or to riding with you"

"Don't think I won't tell you when I have"

"Come down and play Croquet" "Guess your thoughts are not for away" Laura Gilkey came up P.M. Also Fan and baby L. took Nell on a ride Had a talk with him about Olive Refused to return letters by him

Monday, July 16

Foggy cloudy day

Laura Gilkey present Conversing, reading Poems, etc.

Put down Sitting room Carpet

Put up picture knobs etc. Evening Carried Laura down to farm and then went up to see Olive.

Took her letters and gifts determined to settle for good, some way

Dictated a settlement upon my own terms to which she acceded. More lenient perhaps than I should have been, but she seems to have suffered as well as myself and I have no wish to be hard if she will be just and loving to me.

"Let's go to work and get married"

"Is Sept. 1st too soon?"

"You've got to take me home"

"You can afford to wait"

Got colts shoes set

Tuesday, July 17

Foggy A.M.
P.M. burned away
Jobbing about, weeded Strawberries etc.
P.M. Shook out and put up the Hay
Evening at home
Retired quite late
Got home 4 O'Clock this morn

Wednesday, July 18

Foggy A.M.

P.M. broke away

Out on key latches and the rest of the Knob plates

Cyrus came up

P.M. Went up on upper road to look at some oxen

Evening went to Centre

Thursday, July 19

Clear and cool

Good hay day

Hauled in Five loads of Hay. Cleaned out Piper field 3 loads in same

Albert mowed 1 ½ hours P.M.

Lulie Lane and Cousin present evening also Ella Pottle, J. Mathews wife, Annie Lamb, and Georgia

Young

Lovely evening

George worked

Friday, July 20

Clear and cool

Felt pretty sick today

Hauled in 3 loads of Hay

Albert mowed 2 hours A.M.

Evening lovely

Lu Lane, Lu Bates, Mr. Tenney and Jennie Lamb present evening

George worked

Saturday, July 21

Clear fine hay day

Hauled in 4 loads of Hay

3 from run field, 1 below

Albert mowed about 2 hours

George worked

Evening went to Lodge

Sunday, July 22

Warm and fine A.M.

P.M. Carried Mother and Emma up to William's and called on Ave as I came back. Took Nell on a ride etc.

Went up and took Olive on a ride evening. Went in and stopped awhile

Coming home Horse ran away overturned the Buggy, smashing it up some

Throwed me heavily to the ground injuring right shoulder and bruising me badly

S. Coleman brought me home with remnants of Buggy (My Luck)

Monday, July 23

Sore and lame

Windy

Went down to see Doctor. Said Shoulder was started in Socket very painful

Put Paris Green on Potatoes

George worked

He and Willard hauled in 2 loads of Hay which cleaned all out above the road

Albert mowed about 2 hours P.M.

Tuesday, July 24

Windy

James Fernald set Father's Grave stone this morning

Paid him twenty five Dollars on same

George worked

He and Willard hauled in Four loads

Fearful sore and nearly sick

Wednesday, July 25

Clear and cool

Cyrus commenced work for me today

Albert mowed A.M. and finished my machine mowing

Hauled in 2 loads today

Evening went to Centre

Bought Beef, Sugar, Raspberries etc.

Jennie & Annie Lamb present eve also Hattie Noyes and Miss Sumner

Thursday, July 26

Clear and fine

Hauled in Six loads, which cleared all of upland

Emery Heal began work for me today

George & Cy worked

Went to Centre evening. Got mail

Sold Joe Wiley Four Lambs for eleven dollars

Friday, July 27

Clear and cool

George, Cy & Emery worked

Commenced hauling from Western Intervale today

Hauled 4 loads

Lameness less painful today

Cy Butchered a Lamb for me

Evening Olive and Lilly called

Saturday, July 28

Foggy showery day

Carried Harness to Page for repairs

Went up to Samuel Coleman's and got broken Buggy shaft

P.M. I and Cy went to Camden

Evening went to Lodge Election of Officers

Paid Albert Knight nine dollars and 50/100 \$9.50 for machine mowing

Payment in full for present Season

Paid George R. Young \$20.00 Twenty Dollars on Labor Haying

Sunday, July 29

Cloudy and showery

Reading Crowe's History of France

Remained at home all day and evening

Caller's Willis Harvill, Ruel Sanford etal.

Evening Lew down

Wrote in Lu Lane's & Lu Bate's Autograph Album

Monday, July 30

Cloudy A.M.

P.M. Clear with quite a shower

Discharged Willard and paid him off

Cy and Emery mowed about an hour

I and Cy went to Camden

Cy loaned me One Hundred Dollars for which I gave my note

Evening went to Centre

Tuesday, July 31

Clear but poor hay day

Shower P.M.

Hauled in 2 loads of Hay Western Intervale

Cy, George, & Emery worked

Finished mowing Western Intervale and mowed some opposite side

Evening went to Centre I and Cy called upon Belle Heal, Mame Drake present

Dance at Phillip's Hall. Went over and looked on awhile.

AUGUST 1883

Wednesday, August 1

Partially clear but poor hay day

Emery taken sick

Cy and George working

Hauled in 1 load of Hay

Evening at home

Lizzie Moody present

Thursday, August 2

Partially clear poor hay day

George and Cy worked

Abner Heal notified me that Emery Heal's Mother was missing

Informed Emery who immediately left

Paid him \$5.00 on labor haying

Friday, August 3

Foggy dull day

Worked in Garden and laid wall

Settled up with George Haying

Paid him \$11.50 Total Amount for Fourteen days labor

\$31.50 Thirty one 50/100 dollars

Saturday, August 4

Clear good hay day

Hauled in Three loads of Hay

Cy and Emery worked

Settled up with Scammon. Sold him 34 lbs. of paint and 5 galls. of Oil former 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts per lb. latter

60 cts per gall

Evening went to Good Templar's Public Installation

Large company present

Total amount paid Scammon 23 days labor on House \$40.25

Sunday, August 5

Clear and pleasant A.M.

P.M. Squally

Went to Church

Evening Lu Bates present

Escorted her home Evidently not averse to my caress any

Why should I persist in wooing one who is evidently disinclined in spite of her professions, and whose highest conception of Love is her own selfish gratification!

Monday, August 6

Fair hay day cool and windy

Hauled in Two loads

Fred Wiley took near ox tonight

Evening I and Ave went up to Eng Thomas's

Bought his Steers

Paid One Hundred twenty-two 50/100

Paid Seventy five dollars down

Balance to be paid in 10 days

Emery worked today quit tonight

Tuesday, August 7

Good hay day cool hay day

I and Cy mowed A.M.

P.M. N. Ross helped me haul in 3 loads of hay

Steers came this morning

Dance at Centre evening

Went to corner a few minutes

Wednesday, August 8

Clear and warm I and Cy finished mowing today

P.M. Mr. Page helped me

Hauled in 3 loads of hay

Evening went to see Olive

Came home about 4 O'Clock

Invited her to go to the Cantata at Northport the 9th "Didn't care to go"

But went "all the same"

Probably meant didn't care to go with me

Thursday, August 9

Clear and hot

Hauled in Four loads of hay and finished Haying

Billy helped me also Cy

Latter made out Eleven days at \$2.50 per day

Total amount \$27.50 Twenty seven 50/100 dollars

Evening at home

Friday, August 10

Warm day

Got colt's shoes set

Weeded garden trimmed off Canker worms etc. Private Picnic at Centre Pond. Had an invitation to attend but did not

Evening at home

In a dull apathetic mood of late.

Little of satisfaction in the present, and my confidence in the future is not such as to inspire me with animation or cause me to indulge in anticipations of future bliss, even though my appointed wedding day is near at hand.

The coldness, selfishness and evident lack of love on her part is imparting to me a feeling of apathy and indifference that is forming a poor basis for matrimonial felicity, Bah! What a wretched farce is affected love, devoid of fondness, ardor and unselfish devotion, it is a mocking delusion

Saturday, August 11

Hazy and warm

Cy, Fan and Baby went home A.M.

Trimming off worms and Caterpillars from Orchard

Evening went to Lodge

Recd. letter from Ernest. Wrote Dillon mine had been jumped

Sunday, August 12

Clear and hot

Wrote to Ernest

Called at Aunt Ruth's

Evening went to see Olive

Was cross and gave her my reasons for being so. Said I wronged her in saying she did not love me and in advising her to accept the attentions of a "Society Man" who could more fully fill her requirements for I could not, try as I might. "Don't be so ugly and see if there won't be a change in future"

"Do you know I think all your care for me is what you can get out of me"

Monday, August 13

Clear and hot

I and Ave went to Searsmont Carried my Buggy out to Barker's for repairs

Took Dinner at Hotel and went out to Liberty P.M.

Got home about 6 P.M.

Evening at home

Tuesday, August 14

Cooler

Mowed for Billy A.M. P.M. worked 1 ½ hours on Highway Trimming apple trees

Evening lovely

Lu Bates, Annie Frohock, Lu Moody and Miss Dickey present, Swinging in Hammock and singing Olive and Milly Henty called

Wednesday, August 15

Clear and fine. Mowed for Billy till 10.30 A.M. then jobbing about farm

P.M. Trimming apple trees

Evening went to see Goldenhead

Lovely eve.

"Will try to be ready Sept. 15 if you don't think it too soon"

"You don't seem to take much interest in it should like to know what you think" "You have been good, and are entitled to credit if you have been straight as you say"

Thursday, August 16

Clear and hot

Got home at daylight

Went down to Fred Wiley's for money on ox. Did not get it

District Lodge at Searsmont Did not attend

Evening at Centre Saw Eng Thomas and out him off a few days on money balance on oxen

Friday, August 17

Partially cloudy

I and Ave worked on Highway 5 hours A.M.

P.M. jobbed a little and then to the Pond to a Picnic. Fair time

Mother and Em also went

Evening went to Centre

Saturday, August 18

Hot day

Trimming apple trees and cutting bushes

Evening Fred Wiley came over and Paid me for the ox Sixty six dollars and 50/100

Paid him for Butchering and marketing same \$3.54

Went to Lodge

Sunday, August 19

Partially cloudy

Warm

Went over to the Spiritualist Campground to a meeting with A.R. Dunton

Evening went to see Goldie

Was seemingly half jealous, capricious and out of sorts

Good hearted, but variable and freaky

Remained all night

Phelia Dunnell & Austin Greer married

Lu Bates present eve

Monday, August 20

"Beastly" "O"

Mowed Wheat on two pieces also part of Oats

A.R.D. left A.M.

Evening went up to Eng Thomas's

Paid his wife balance due on oxen amounting to Forty seven 50/100 dollars

Nellie went with me

Tuesday, August 21

Hot

Mowing Oats A.M.

Pitched Wheat together etc.

Evening dance at Phillip's Hall

Looked on about 1 ½ hours

Retired 10.30

Wednesday, August 22

Hot

Finished mowing Oats and Raked part of same

Pitched up some hay

Tried in vain to get a man to help me haul in grain

Met Ida Jones

Tired

Went to Centre a few minutes

Thursday, August 23

Hot but quite windy P.M.

Hauled in two loads of wheat and one load of Oats. Chas. Drake helped me

Nell went to Campmeeting with S. Coose

Evening went to Centre for mail

Met Belle S. and called a few minutes

Ollie went to dance at Morrill's Hall Belmont

Bound to have a good time no matter what I think. Why shouldn't I regardless of her?

Friday, August 24

Warm but not as hot as yesterday

Mowed a piece of Wheat A.M. also went over to Ave's Saw Win's little girl

P.M. Went to Camden Nell went with me.

Tried to trade horses with Frye.

Paid Fan five dollars on Cy's acct in having

Saturday, August 25

Cooler but warm dry and dusty

Went to Searsmont and got my Buggy

Alpheus went out with me

Dined at Hotel

Raked up Wheat after got back

Evening heard Alice Whitney was dead Conversed a few moments with John Dean and Eva Miller

Sunday, August 26

Pleasant day

Went up and took Olive on a ride

Report of Alice's death an error

Not very ardent in her reception of me.

If she feels any ardent affection she certainly shows it in a cool way, and with less demonstration than many and old married woman

Like an infant it seems []. And needs a deal of nursing

Monday, August 27

Cool and windy

Ave helped me break up A.M. also helped me haul in a load of Wheat after dinner

P.M. Hauled rocks from piece broke up also went round Ave's pasture fence

Evening at home

Gave Nell a lecture on the conduct of young ladies and their associates in general Some plain, and perhaps, unpalatable truths

Tuesday, August 28

Cool and windy

Heavy frost tonight

Hauling rocks from Oat ground

Mrs. Robinson and Mary Bartlett present P.M. also Uncle Abner Dunton

Tired remained at home eve

Dance at Centre

Wednesday, August 29

Cold Raw day

Pulled weeds, Dug a bushel of potatoes, Fished bucket from well, trimmed apple trees, mowed some aftermath etc.

Evening went down to B. Robinson's store and got oil can

Uncle Abner Dunton left A.M.

Thursday, August 30

Pulling Beans, Peas, etc. Sent oil cans back to W.K. Morrison Belfast via of Stage Evening went to Centre for mail Called upon Belle S.

Friday, August 31

Clear and warm

Pulling beans, picking up apples, pulling weeds etc.

Evening went to Centre

Met Lu Bates and escorted her home also met Belle S. on the street

SEPTEMBER 1883

Saturday, September 1

"Yes, Sept. 1st is too soon!"

Warm day

Went to Camden

Alpheus went with me

I and Ave went over to Rockport on a horse trade

All dined with Fan

Evening went to Lodge Lew present with Lena Cross

Gave Nell a severe talking to, on unvarnished facts. Some things she will doubtless remember Good advice and harsh truth blended

Sunday, September 2

Clear and hot

P.M. Went up to take Olive on a ride Was at Church so I rode alone.

Gave her a short ride afterwards

Evening went to Centre

Felt sensitive and somewhat cross and yet not much disappointed. No matter how much I put myself out for her pleasure. She is ever unwilling to sacrifice aught for me or even change one solitary plan or habit

Monday, September 3

Cool and windy

Pulling Beans

Got colt shod, or rather a shoe set. Cleaned out watering places in pasture etc.

Evening Show at Centre did not go

Tuesday, September 4

Cool and windy

Mowed Wheat and repaired fence A.M.
P.M. Trimmed apple trees
Evening I and Nell went down to the dance at Phillip's Hall
Conversed with Mamy Drake and Belle Heal
Came home early

Wednesday, September 5

Rained slightly morning Clear and pleasant day Digging Potatoes Evening Lu Bates present Went to Centre Rode up with Frank Miller

Thursday, September 6

Clear and windy
Nell went to Camden
Digging and wheeling potatoes
Evening went to Centre
Called upon Belle S.
Aunt Ruth present P.M.

Friday, September 7

Clear and windy
Cleaned out the Well and privy
Hauled in a load of Wheat etc.
Dr. to Billy for help on same \$1.00
S. Coose called P.M. helped unload Wheat

Saturday, September 8

Cloudy with a few sprinkles Hauled in beans, hauled weed for mulching etc. P.M. Cut a load of cornstalks and hauled in same Evening went to see Goldie

Was cross and upbraided her for cool treatment and lack of affection
Denied that Chas Clark sat up with her while at home "Stupidest lie that ever was told"
Postponed marriage as I told her I was in no hurry till I saw a change
Kinder and more anxious to please after quarrel
Sold scaffold of hay to Joe Lamb Nine dollars loose

Sunday, September 9

Cold and windy came home at daylight Retired about 2 hours A.M.

P.M. Went up to Lermond's woods fighting fire after which went and took Olive on a ride also Allie Dyer

Olive came down home with me

Did my chores and carried her home

Cold

The right way is, for a gentleman, to leave a lady who will not treat him as he deserves, instead of upbraiding her

Monday, September 10

Clear and pleasant

Pulling Beans cutting cornstalks etc.

Evening went up and got Olive carried her to "Park Family Concert" at Centre

Tuesday, September 11

Clear and warm

Cutting cornstalks Pulling weeds etc. A.M.

Picked up a few apples P.M.

Evening went to Dance at Phillip's Hall conversing with Mame Bartlett and Mame Drake

L. Down

Wednesday, September 12

Clear fine day

Put cart together and Dug Potatoes

Evening went to see Goldie Took her on a short ride

Came home about 2 O'Clock

"Stay till daylight"

Seemingly more desirous of pleasing just now.

Evidently aware that affection alone can hold me now, and is necessary to restore my waning

love

Thursday, September 13

Clear hot day

Digging Potatoes

Mrs. Joel Mahoney and Mrs. Wm. McKenney present P.M.

Evening at home

Worked quite late

Friday, September 14

Rained slightly morning

Burnt brush A.M.

P.M. Sultry

Picked up apples

Evening at home

Sold Two Lambs to Fred Wiley \$4.28

Saturday, September 15

Warm day but some indications of rain

Hauled in Beans, Pumpkins, etc.

Evening went to Lodge

Bought Meal, Salt, etc of N. Ross

Yes! I think Sept. 15th is too soon

Sunday, September 16

Hot day

A.R. Dunton and Griffin boys present

Carried Nell on a ride

Called at Rackcliffe's

Evening went to see Goldie

Remained till Monday morn

Monday, September 17

Misty Showery day Hauled some muck A.R. left A.M. Ave over Went to Centre etc.

Tuesday, September 18

I and Ave went to Liberty Nell went to Rockland bought her an Organ Evening I and Nell Miss Sherman and Miss Bates took a moonlight walk Mrs. B. Robinson present

Wednesday, September 19

Clear and hot Digging Potatoes Tenney from Rockland present Evening called at Mrs. Stetson's

Thursday, September 20

Clear and hot Digging potatoes Evening called upon <u>N.A.D</u>.

Friday, September 21

Clear and warm
Got colt shod and Carried Nell to Camden
Dined with Fan
Hauled home Meal

Saturday, September 22

Hot smoky day Hauled in two loads of corn, harvested beets, hauled muck etc. Evening went to Lodge Conversing with Eva Miller etal Acted as W.C.T.

Sunday, September 23

Hot and sultry
Choring A.M.
P.M. Went and took Ollie on a ride
Called at Barrett's and got some grapes. Called when we came back, done up my chores and carried her home
Staid all night

Monday, September 24

Looks like a storm Husking corn, Hauled rocks and muck etc. Evening retired early

Tuesday, September 25

Clear and fine but windy
Picked up Fourteen bushels apples A.M.
P.M. Paid James Fernald Ten Dollars on Gravestone
Went over to Ave's to a husking
Evening went up to Billy's to a party

Wednesday, September 26

Clear and fine
Picked up Twenty bushels apples, husked corn etc.
Evening went to Centre
Dance at Mrs. Phillip's Hall
Subscribed for Paper Three months
I and Frank Miller went over to Hall about 15 minutes

Thursday, September 27

Picking up apples and finished harvesting corn etc. Bought of N. Ross one bbl. of Flour \$7.50 Evening went to Centre Paid on the flour \$5.00 Billy over and cleaned out Stovepipe

Friday, September 28

Cloudy and windy Husking corn picking up apples etc. Sold Tenney of Rockland 4 ½ bushels of apples

Saturday, September 29

Cloudy Husked corn Laid Arch Floor and picked up nine bushels of apples and put in cellar Evening went to Lodge Ollie, Lil, Allie Dyer, and Lew were down Rained tonight

Sunday, September 30

Cold and cloudy
Choring A.M.
P.M. went up to Meeting House
No services
Joshua Lamb present
Did up my chores and went to ride
Called and took Ollie along
Brief interview
Returned home 7.30 this eve
Frosty night

OCTOBER 1883

Monday, October 1

Cold and clear

Picking up apples

S. Coose commenced helping me

P.M. Went to Camden after Nell

Called upon Lawyer Rick etc.

Bought Four bushels of Meal

Borrowed Thirty Dollars of Cy. Left with Fan

Free Dance at Grange Hall

Remained at home tracing corn this evening

Tuesday, October 2

Cloudy A.M.

S. Coose finished picking apples and commenced to pick from trees

Repaired Cart & Cart tongue and assisted in picking apples

P.M. Rainy

Carried Five bushels Baldwins to Cellar

S. Coose went home

Nell working in Shop

Evening at home

Wednesday, October 3

Clear nice day

S. Coose picked eighteen bushels Baldwins today also done my chores evening

A.M. Washed Buggy and choring

P.M. went to the Fair at Belfast Carried Olive

Stopped with her all night

I and Lew played Euchre with Pressers

Warmer hearted than usual

Thursday, October 4

Fan and Baby came up

Cold and windy

Spits of snow

I and S. Coose picking apples

Put eighteen bushels in Cellar and got cart partly full again

Gathered squashes tomatoes etc.

Evening went to Wedding reception of George & Hattie Miller at Mr. Russ's. Nell & Em went.

Large company present

Presented a silver Sugar Spoon

Married this eve Hattie Russ to George Miller

Friday, October 5

Cold and windy

S. Coose worked picking apples

Put Fifty-one bushels in Cellar today Ave picked P.M.

Dr. Young brought Nell's Organ up Stopped to dinner

P.M. Mrs. Page Anna Thomas and Addie and Mame Drake present

Evening Lew present played Euchre

Saturday, October 6

Cold and windy

S. Coose and Ave picked apples for me today

Picked 40 bushels

Finished picking in Lower Orchard

Had 105 bushels of Baldwins

Quit work quite early and went to take Ollie on a ride

Stopped to the Lodge at Grange Hall. Remained with Ollie tonight etc. Retired early

Ave did my chores

Dissatisfied with such love she gives Perhaps incapable of a deeper, so a cool goodnight, rectified by a kiss

Let it pass, for I am certainly learning to repay with the same coin. Coldness, apathy, and indifference are seeds that I will bring forth the same kind of fruit

Sunday, October 7

Came home about 10 O'Clock A.M. Olive came down with me

Done up chores and went down to Bill Barretts on a ride. Got grapes etc. Carried Cy down to Camden after returning

Della Wadsworth present, but did not see her

Carried Olive home evening

Remained all night

Retired at 10

Bah! Talk about a love that is ever frigid, apathetic or indifferent with no spontaneous outbursts of affection as if it were a piece of machinery to be run by rule, and a one-sided, selfish rule at that.

Really a man must expect great happiness from a union with such love. Better single, if that is the only kind to be had

Monday, October 8

Got up at light and started for home before anyone in house were up

I and S. Coose picked 30 bushels of Baldwins today

Evening Free Dance at Grange Hall

I and Nell went to the Entertainment given by Scholars of Carrie Sherman's School

Tuesday, October 9

Fair at Hope Commencost today

Fine warm day

I and S. Coose picked 28 bushels Baldwins today

Evening I and Nell went up to John Miller's

Spent evening

Pleasant call

Wednesday, October 10

Foggy morning but nice day

S. Coose and Walter helped pick today

Picked 40 bushels

P.M. Mrs. Olive Knight and Mrs. Scruton present

Evening went to Centre

Settled with Nate Ross to date

Sat up till 11 O'Clock Talking with Nell in regard to matrimony, and my present feelings upon same in regard to Olive

Thursday, October 11

Foggy warm day

S. Coose and Walter helped me pick apples

Friday, October 12

Clear morning but rained about 4 O'Clock Jim Heal Fixed House Valley and patched barn roof Dr. 80 cts for same S. Coose helped pick apples Picked 24 bushels

Saturday, October 13

Rainy and warm Threshed my beans Evening went to Lodge Lew down Stopped in the "wee' sma' hours"

Sunday, October 14

Rainy A.M.
P.M. Carried Cy down to Rockport Got some grapes of Barrett Evening went to see Olive
"Don't ever expect to get married now"
"Am all ready when you are"
"Think more of you than I used to"

Monday, October 15

Clear cool and windy Got home at 4 O'Clock I and S. Coose finished picking the Baldwins Picked 30 bushels

Tuesday, October 16

Clear and cool Gleaning apples Evening went to Centre Bought 2 bushels of Meal of J.A. Knight

Wednesday, October 17

Clear and cool
Threshed Wheat and Oats 15 bushels of former and 14 ½ of latter
Alby Drake and Willis Harvill helped me
Sold 30 Bbls. of Baldwins to Burke of Portland for Three dollars per bbl.
Also one bbl. of mixed apples
Evening went to Centre
Settled with Willis, and Alby

Thursday, October 18

Clear fine day Carried Fan & Nell, and Baby to Camden Also one bbl. of apples for Burke and one for F.B. Dunton Bought four bushels of Meal Evening went to Centre

Friday, October 19

Cloudy threatening day

Finishes digging my Potatoes, Harvested Turnips etc.

Hard days work

Evening went to Centre and got Seven bbls.

Spent evening at home

Saturday, October 20

Cloudy and threatening A.M.

I and Ave got Calves in field and fixed the fence a little

Topped my turnips etc

P.M. Rainy

Traced up my corn picked over a few apples etc.

Evening went to Centre after mail

Sunday, October 21

Cold and windy

Went up to Drinkwater's

Took dinner then went to Camden via Beach. Carried Olive. Called at Fan's and got Nell

Home via Turnpike. Got some grapes of Barrett

Carried Olive home after doing chores - remained all night

Talked over matrimonial plans

"Won't set any time see how we get along about Thanksgiving"

Evidently as willing at last as I "The Mills of the Gods grind slowly etc."

Monday, October 22

Came home after breakfast. A frigid morning but nice day

Unloaded potatoes, Put turnips in cellar, Picked over windfall apples etc. Picked up four bushels

Natural fruit etc

Evening Mr. Green Jewelry peddler put up with us

Remained at home

Tuesday, October 23

Clear nice day

Harvested and gleaned about 1 dozen bushels of apples

Ave was over A.M. Paid him \$1.50 on labor and \$1.05 on 7 bbls.

Remained at home evening

Wednesday, October 24

Cold N.E. Rainstorm

My Birthday

Thirty-two today

Pitching over dressing under the barn

Evening at home

Wet and cold

Thursday, October 25

Cold misty day

Picking over windfall apples

P.M. John Fuller and Mother present stopped overnight

Evening went to Centre after mail

Friday, October 26

Misty foggy day some rain Picking over windfall apples A.M. P.M. Threshed peas and jobbing John Fuller and mother went home P.M. Evening at home Reading Shakespeare

Saturday, October 27

Cloudy but warm Partially clear

Got Wheat ground and picked up a few apples A.M.

Jim Heal got Five Windows small size 50 cts. each \$2.50

Paid \$1.00 cash and 75 cts in labor

P.M. Hauled rocks from pasture piece

Evening went to Lodge Elected Secretary but resigned in favor of Willis Harvill

Talked in the Affirmative upon the resolve "That Machinery is detrimental to the laboring classes"

Sunday, October 28

Warm fine day

Choring A.M.

Ave came over and got calves Traded or exchanged for one of his 25 cts. to boot or an even trade and 25 cts. his due on pasturage

P.M. Done up chores early and went up took Olive on a ride

Came back staid all night Retired at 11 O'Clock

"Would like to get married soon as I can now!"

"Might have been married now if you hadn't been so ugly!"

"Vive L' Amour"

Omnia Vincit Amour"

Monday, October 29

Began Raining again Came home about nine O'Clock Washed Buggy and choring Rained hard P.M. Evening reading Shakespeare's Rape of Lucrece

Tuesday, October 30

Cleared up windy
I and Alpheus worked on Highway
Fixed bridge and Big Hill turnouts
Worked about 6 hours
P.M. Billy mortared henhouse walls
Evening home
Reading Shakespeare's Venus and Adonis

Wednesday, October 31

Clear warm day Alpheus worked 3 hours on Highway Picked up Six bushels of apples and hauled eight loads of dressing on pasture field Billy got eight bushels of apples at 20 cts per bushel Evening went to Centre Emma went to Camden

NOVEMBER 1883

Thursday, November 1

Clear fine day

Hauling dressing

Seven loads on pasture land

Pressers moved in, pressing hay sold to Joe Lamb

Evening went to Centre for mail

Dance at Mrs. Phillip's. Did not attend

Friday, November 2

Clear fine day

I and Nellie went to Belfast Ordered Suit of Clothes to cost \$30.00 Thirty dollars also Overcoat to cost \$18. Eighteen dollars

Took dinner with Uncle Dave Lancaster and family. Got home at dark

Pressers commenced to press my hay P.M.

Bought a pr. of calf boots

Saturday, November 3

Clear fine day

Hauled out Ten loads of dressing, 2 loads on pasture piece, 8 loads below

Evening carried Nellie up to Drinkwater's

Stopped and went to Lodge at Monterey

Escorted Olive

Remained all night

Pressers present today

Signed on Quilt square for Olive and Lillian

Sunday, November 4

Cloudy A.M.

Came home 11.10 A.M.

Cleared up lovely

Read Pape, Shakespeare, etc.

Mother and Em went to Church

Ave over

Evening went to Centre a few moments. Came home and retired at 8 O'Clock, just as Nell got home

Monday, November 5

Clear and fine

Pressers finished pressing my hay tonight

Hauled out Ten loads of dressing

Two above Orchard Seven lower field one in pasture field

Hauled hoops from brook etc.

Evening picked over Two bbls. of apples

Lu Bates present

Played checkers, Euchre etc with Pressers and Lu.

Escorted latter home Chas. and Dave plagued Ruel over same

Tuesday, November 6

Fine Morning

Lovely day

Moved the Hay press to Geo. McKenney's this morning

Hauled 3 loads of muck from meadow put round apple trees also hauled three loads of stone to the meadow from plowed land

Also hauled two loads of stone from pasture piece and one load of manure on the same Evening at home tired

Wednesday, November 7

Delightful weather

Hauling rocks from pasture field also hauled a load of dressing.

Ave got a bbl. of Pippin Apples, also a bushel of Pinballs

Dave Heal got 2 bbls. of Baldwins at \$5.50 unpaid

Sociable for Minister's benefit at my Residence tonight

Large company present

Olive present Adjourned to Union Hall to a dance a few minutes about 11 O'Clock Escorted Alive Parker Sweet Beginning

Thursday, November 8

Lovely warm day

Hauling rocks from pasture field

Hauled a load of dressing on same

Evening went to Centre for mail

Came home early

Splendid evening

Cross and tired

Dissatisfied in general and more particularly with my Fiancee

Her frigid esteem (or what ever it is) is fast congealing all fervor and enthusiasm on my part. Is it not unwise to wed under such circumstances. If she is capable of ardent affection, and clinging fervent tenderness, then I am incapable of rousing the enthusiasm and spontaneous outbursts of "natural love" that must lie dormant beneath the crust of cool selfishness, and calm, complacent, unemotional indifference

Friday, November 9

Pleasant A.M.

P.M. Cloudy

Evening Rainy

Hauling rocks from pasture field also hauled a load of dressing on the same and picked up 3

bushels of apples gleanings

Evening at home

Saturday, November 10

Lovely weather

Hauling rocks from pasture field also hauled a load of dressing on same

Evening went to Lodge

Sunday, November 11

Warm lovely day

Carried Nell and Lu Bates down to S. Coose's and then went up and took Olive on a ride P.M. Got Walter to do my chores evening

Came home 2.30 Monday A.M.

"Omnia Vincit Amour"

Monday, November 12

Cold and windy

Blowing a gale

Went down and helped S. Coose plow today

Evening at home wrote off a few familiar Quotations for Wed. eve's entertainment

Tuesday, November 13

Cold and windy

Blowing a gale

Winnowed beans 4 3/4 bushels

Carried Pumpkins apples etc. to cellar

Evening Ave came over and we put Six bbls. of No. a Baldwins

Wednesday, November 14

Snowing turned to rain 4 inches of snow this A.M.

Cleaned out sheep pen

Evening Good Templars had Necktie Sociable at Union Hall

Presided over the Literary part

Pleasant time but a small company

Thursday, November 15

Partially cloudy and moderate

Banking the House

Evening went to Centre for mail

Came back at once read papers

Friday, November 16

Snowed morning

Cleared up cool

Shovelling dressing from under barn

Evening went to Centre for Mail

Returned early

Saturday, November 17

Partially overcast

Went to Camden

Carried down 136 lbs. of wool Recd. on same 23 cts. per lb.

Nell went with me or rather started with me and went with Ave. Got horse sharpened

Evening went to Lodge

Sunday, November 18

Warm but cloudy

Oiled cattle and choring most of day

Let Wm. have house window 30 cts.

Evening went to see Goldie

Talking over Matrimonial plans

Came home 4 A.M. Retired 2 hours

Monday, November 19

Warm and cloudy
Went to Camden
Got 4 teeth filled
Ave took 6 bbls. No. 1 Baldwins to Rockland
Got home at dark

Tuesday, November 20

Warm fair day

Banking front of house A.M.

S. Coose hooped a few barrels for me

P.M. Ave came over with cattle and we broke up about $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in lower field. Received a letter

from O'Connor

Evening went to Centre a few minutes

Came home and put up 2 bbls. of No. 1 apples

Ave paid me Eighteen dollars on the Six bbls. of apples he got yesterday

Paid him Eight dollars of same on Buggy

Allowed Ave \$22.25 one day's plowing to go on his Highway tax

Wednesday, November 21

Foggy day

I and Page Butchered pigs Hauled 2 loads of Loam on orchard Plowed a ditch on Pasture field etc.

Evening I and Ave put up 4 bbls. No. 1 apples

Dance at Grange Hall tonight

Thursday, November 22

Foggy and windy A.M. Mr. Page cut up pork. Went to Camden Carried Cyrus 155 lbs of Pork at 6 ½ cts. per lb.

Got tooth filled free of charge

Came home and salted pork and put up 2 bbls. No. 1 apples

Worked till 11 O'Clock tonight

Dance at Centre

Dave Heal paid me \$5.50 on 2 bbls. apples

Called to see Elder Wentworth

Friday, November 23

Rainy A.M.

Stowing away pressed hay

P.M. Hauled 4 loads of dressing on the Orchards

Evening went to Centre Got Published

Saturday, November 24

Foggy day

I and Ave went to Rockland

Carried Six bbls. of No. 1 Baldwins. Ave got three bbls. of me

Recd. on my six bbls. \$3.50 per bbl.

Terrible going, Muddy

Got home about 8

Albert Knight worked on Highway

Sunday, November 25

Pleasant day

Jobbing about farm and choring. Went up to Billy's & Leadbetter's

Evening went to see Goldie

Remained in the "wee Sma' hours"

Monday, November 26

Pleasant morning but clouded up chilly

Went to Belfast

Got my suit of Clothes including Overcoat Forty-eight dollars

Billy Lathed and plastered Cellar way

Evening rainy

Got letter from Ernest

Wrote to Ernest informed him of my intended marriage to his sister

Tuesday, November 27

Cleared up this morning

Hauling dressing on the Orchard

Hauled 5 loads

P.M. Ave came over and got 4 ¼ bushels of natural fruit apples

Evening at home

Wrote to Dr. O'Connor

Wednesday, November 28

Clear fine day

Went up to Leadbetter's and got Buck Got Raisins and other groceries also Salt

Hauling dressing on Orchard 4 loads

Evening went up to Josh Lamb's to a sociable for Minister

Thursday, November 29

Thanksgiving

Clear and cold

Fan and Cyrus and Ave and Win and children present at dinner

Family Reunion

P.M. Chas. and Sid Moody present

Went up and got Olive. Went to Camden and got married by Elder Wentworth. Home to Supper at

8.30

Nell and Lew went to Belmont to dance

Friday, November 30

Rainy day

About house most of day

Went to Centre for mail and groceries

Evening Ave over

Settled up in full with Ave on Buggy

DECEMBER 1883

Saturday, December 1

Clear and cool

Cut and hauled 2 loads of Spruce boughs

Evening I and Wifey called upon Uncle Samson and wife after which we went to Lodge a little while

Sunday, December 2

Rainy, sleety, snowy day

Choring reading etc. Olive played and sung

Monday, December 3

Cold and windy a severe Winter day

Carried Leadbetter's buck home A.M.

P.M. Got horse shod

Evening carried Olive up to old home and went to Dancing School at Grange Hall

Nell went with us

Bitter cold night

Left Olive up there, I and Nell came home

Tuesday, December 4

Clear fine day

Putting boughs round the house putting wood under cover etc.

Evening I and Ave put up 3 bbls. apples

Ed Coleman called to see my hay

Chas Moody drove up a few minutes

Wednesday, December 5

Foggy morning

Cleared up fine

Putting wood under cover

Fixed underpinning of barn made shelves for cellar way etc.

Evening Lew brought Olive's Chamber set down

Spent evening playing checkers

Thursday, December 6

Clear lovely day

Putting firewood under cover

Cut down Haysrow's etc.

Went to Centre for mail

Dance at Phillip's Hall

Did not go

Friday, December 7

Warm nice day

Putting firewood under cover

Evening went up Lew Drinkwater's

Went over to Dancing School with wife after which we came home. Dark and foggy. L. brought Nell home

Saturday, December 8

Warm foggy day

Rained slightly P.M.

Washed Buggy

L. brought Olive's things down

Stopped to dinner

Helped Olive set up Chamber Set and arrange Chamber

Evening at home

Ollie presented me with Slippers and socks

Sunday, December 9

Cloudy

Went down to S. Coose's Returned Sparerib borrowed.

Allie Knight went down with me

Evening Lew and Allie Dyer present

Lovely evening

Monday, December 10

Clear nice day

Hauled 8 loads of dressing on Orchard

Evening at home

Cheese factory and vest shop burnt tonight about 11 O'Clock

Tuesday, December 11

Warm fine weather for season

Hauled 3 loads of dressing on orchard picked up apple tree limbs etc. Also hauled 1 load of boughs and put on strawberry beds

Evening Ellen Morrill present. Put up a bbl. of apples also 1 ½ bushels to carry to Fan

Wednesday, December 12

Clear lovely day

Went to Camden

Carried 1 ½ bushels apples to Fan also milk, vinegar, etc.

Bought 250 feet of floor boards \$4.50

Paid Lermond 55 cts for hauling same

Llewellyn down this evening

Played checkers

Thursday, December 13

Clear fine day

Laying Kitchen floor took up old brick hearth etc.

Llewellyn came down and helped me

Evening I and Olive went to Apron Sociable at Dunton's Hall

Friday, December 14

Warm and cloudy

Finished laying Kitchen floor

Evening at home

Reading papers

Olive and Nell singing

Saturday, December 15

Clear cold day

Cleared up shed and cut up apple tree brush did floor boards etc. Cut down mow Alpheus came over Paid me for hay Paid him Press bill, Hoops, Slats etc. Settlement in full to date. Evening went to Centre a few minutes for mail and groceries Cold night

Sunday, December 16

Clear and cool Home all day Emma came over Staid till evening Ellen Morrill and Ruel in evening I and Nell read in concert

Monday, December 17

Snowing hard all day Carried Olive's carpet rags down to Mrs. Martin Oiled and sulphured Cattle Evening at home

Tuesday, December 18

Pleasant morning Commenced to snow Made Calf cribs at Barn also made Hen's nests Ammy Heal came up Bought 200 feet of Lumber Boards

Wednesday, December 19

Pleasant morning
P.M. Snowing hard
Jim Heal hung storm door for me
Went to Centre and got some nails butts etc. Planed Kitchen floor
Packed away old hearth bricks etc.
Evening Lew down Alpheus and Ellen in
Played Euchre

Thursday, December 20

Hazy and cool
Jim Heal worked part of day. Hung stair door in the hall
Went to Centre A.M. Bought Sugar groceries etc.
P.M. Got sleigh out Went up to Jim Moody's
Evening went to Centre for mail
Nell went to Camden
Loaned her \$10.00

Friday, December 21

Snowing all day
Sorting apples
Evening went to Centre a few minutes Came home and played Euchre with Olive

Saturday, December 22

Clear and cold Ave took 3 bbls. of No. 2 apples exchanged them for groceries Put knob on Hall stair door and puttied up about Kitchen and Hall doors. Olive Painting Hall & Stairs

Ground Axe Knives etc. Nell came home with Ave

Went to Centre a few minutes this evening for mail & Kerosene

Sunday, December 23

Thermometer 18 degrees below zero this morning Very cold all day Ave Win and Em were over a little while Evening Ruel called Llewellyn down

Monday, December 24

Stormy day

Llewellyn and Lillian came down Stopped to dinner Played Euchre etc.

Billy Whitewashed Dining Room and Kitchen

Evening stormy

Sorting apples

Tuesday, December 25

Warm and pleasant

Went to Camden and brought Fan & Cy up to Ave's

Got hair cut

Bought Emma print dress Christmas present

Mother pr of Rubbers

I and Olive and Mother went over to Ave's to dinner P.M.

Evening I and Olive went to Christmas Tree at Grange Hall Recd. some very nice presents

Stopped with Llewellyn all night

Wednesday, December 26

Clear lovely day

Came home 9.30 A.M.

Choring

P.M. Went up and got W.C. Tower's buck. Ave over and got 3 bbl. of No. 2 and I bbl. of No. 1 apples. Paid me 7 dollars on same

Lillian D. and Milly Henty present at Tea. Callers Cy, and Isaac Young, and wife.

Sold John Wiley my ox for Seventy-two dollars to wait ten days to pay

Thursday, December 27

John Wiley took ox this morning Went to Centre A.M. Got butter Salt Went up to Mr. Lamb's got Emma Mother and Fan came over P.M. Hauling firewood Evening Rainy

Friday, December 28

Squally and windy
Blowing a gale
Sulphured and carded cattle and sorted apples
Evening went to Centre for mail

Saturday, December 29

Clear pleasant day

Choring about a little A.M.

Sorted a few apples cut a little wood etc.

P.M Carried Emma up to Mr. Lamb's Cut down mow, Traded a little at corner after which Took care of my stock and carried Olive up to Lew's Took tea and stopped all night

Evening Played Euchre I and Olive, Lew, and Lil

Sunday, December 30

Cloudy A.M.

P.M. Snowing

Passed the day in reading, conversation singing etc.

Henry Pierce present awhile P.M.

Evening came down home

Llewellyn came down with me

Ruel called

Wrote to Allie Dyer

Fan went home

Monday, December 31

Cloudy snowy day

Cleared out rubbish from shop including old horserake, and cut up for firewood

Evening went to Centre Mailed a letter to Allie Dyer

Called at E. Parker's residence a few minutes

Paid Emery for Errands and Door knobs

Marriages 1883

Aug 19 Miss Phelia Dunnell to Mr. Austin Greer

Oct. 28 Miss Annie M. Frohock to Mr. LaForest Rankins

Nov. 17

Nov. 29 Miss Olive Drinkwater to Mr. Arno W. Knight

Deaths 1883

Apr 21 Ada Wentworth

April 24 Benj. Stetson

June 1st Mrs. Patience wife of Enoch Knight