

**JANUARY 1876****Saturday, January 1**

Clear and warm  
Went to the corner called on Bell and Abbie also on Carrie Thomas Spent the evening with the latter Winnie went home P.M. This is the beginning of the New Year May I live a better purer happier life than ever before and accomplish greater deeds Perform more generous unselfish acts that may win the esteem of my fellow men Quit living for myself alone But with some loftier aim and to make happier the lives of those with whom I am destined to mingle And that the world may be the better and some lives made happier for my having lived in it  
Went to corner called on Caro Billings  
Married this eve Mr. Edgar Young and Miss Alice Brackett

**Sunday, January 2**

A.M. Warm and cloudy P.M. called on Bell and Abbie Carrie Thomas went back today

**Monday, January 3**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping  
Went to the corner this eve called on Caro also at B. Stetsons residence  
Played euchre with Abbie against Mrs. S. and Mr. Fuller  
Bell was rather indisposed

**Tuesday, January 4**

Cold and windy  
Chopping in the Cushion lot  
I and Avans called on Caro and Mrs. B. this eve  
Played euchre

**Wednesday, January 5**

Cool and cloudy  
Chopping in the Cushion lot  
Went to the corner this eve Called on Bell and Abbie Ella Pottle was present

**Thursday, January 6**

Snowing A.M.  
Put the sled together  
P.M. went to the corner  
Called on Bell and Abbie this  
Remained at home this eve  
A.R. Dunton was up from Camden  
Revising Poems

**Friday, January 7**

Cool and pleasant  
Hauling firewood today  
Remained at home this eve Revising Poems  
A. R. Dunton went back P.M.

**Saturday, January 8**

Pleasant  
Hauling firewood A.M.  
Recvd a note from Nellie Cross inviting me to come to Union with F. Heal Waited in rain till 7 P.M.  
for his return Then went to the corner Lucius Knight got home while I was there  
Made calls with him on Caro and the Stetson girls  
Snowing

**Sunday, January 9**

Snowing morning  
G. Tower was up to see me seeking information of Nevada  
P.M. Went to Union with Frank Heal  
Stopped at the Crosses residence  
Had a long and confidential talk with Nell  
Sat up in to the wee small hours  
She was very frank and confidential  
Told me of her resolutions and determinations and the course she meant to follow in life  
Was resolved not to marry before 25 and none but a professor of religion  
Would have but two children at most  
Tried quite hard to make a convert of me

**Monday, January 10**

Warm and foggy  
Looking over the town some to day Retired quite early to night  
Gave Nell a keepsake

**Tuesday, January 11**

Cold and Windy  
Left Union at two P.M.  
Went to South Hope on the Stage with Nell Cross Who started for Mass  
Took supper with Mr. Wiley family  
Fred brought me over to Lincolnville  
Called on the Stetson girls this eve

**Wednesday, January 12**

Hauling firewood  
Clear and Cold  
Miss Sumner and Winnie Tolman and Herb Heal were at Fathers tonight Played euchre with  
Alpheus at their residence first of the eve  
Was quite low spirited Had a long talk with mother after all had retired in regard to my feeling  
I am so discontented and unhappy that life seems anything but a blessing to myself And I wonder  
often if it will ever be the means of helping any of my fellow beings  
If not then why was I ever brought into the world to meet so much trouble unhappiness and  
discontent  
If I am not to be happy myself nor bring happiness to others  
If the world is not to be better for my having lived if no lives are to be made happier for my  
existence

**Thursday, January 13**

Four degrees below zero Clear  
Hauling firewood  
Herb and I played euchre with the Stetson girls this eve

**Friday, January 14 [continuation of thoughts started on January 12]:**

No sorrows alleviated  
 no wrong ever righted by my influence No worthy mark or deeds performed Then what is the  
 object of my life Is it possible that I am ever doomed to a lonely sphere with no purpose in life To  
 drag out a miserable existence Forbid it Almighty God  
 Help me to see and know the purpose for which I was created  
 Pleasant  
 Hauling wood  
 Went to the corner

**Saturday, January 15**

Clear and pleasant  
 Chopping  
 A.R. Dunton and Washington came up P.M.  
 Stetson girls came up and spent the evening Escorted Abbie home  
 A.A. Knight escorted Bell  
 Snowed during the night

**Sunday, January 16**

Clear and Windy  
 Took Sister Fannie on a ride  
 Called on Emma Lunt also on S. Coose and wife  
 Will and Fan Knight were down to see us also Austin Fuller  
 Evening went to the corner called on Caro Billings  
 Blue and discontented

**Monday, January 17**

Snowing  
 Writing and revising poems  
 P.M. Helped butcher the cow  
 Remained at home this evening  
 Read a letter from Nellie Cross  
 Of all afflictions taught a lover yet  
 Tis sure the hardest science to forget  
 (Pope,

**Tuesday, January 18**

Hauling wood A.M.  
 Warm and foggy  
 P.M. cutting up and packing beef  
 Remained at home this evening  
 Wrote to Nellie Cross  
 Expressed some of my ideas and wishes in regards to life

**Wednesday, January 19**

Warm and Foggy  
 Went to School P.M.  
 Evening went to Dick Martys Show at the centre  
 L.H. Knight and myself called on Bell and Abbie previous to the show

**Thursday, January 20**

Cold and windy  
Went to the corner P.M. and evening  
Called on Caro also at B. Stetson residence

**Friday, January 21**

Cool and windy  
Chopping on the Cushion lot  
Evening went to a euchre party at the residence of Laforest Rankins and Sister  
Winnie Tolman Mame and Annie Drake Sister Fan H. Heal Ave and myself were present  
Quite a pleasant time

**Saturday, January 22**

Chopping  
Evening went to the corner  
I and L.H. Knight played euchre with Caro and Mrs. Billings  
(The World has its delights and its delusions too  
(Browning)

**Sunday, January 23**

Snowing  
Remained at home all day  
Revising poems  
Evening went to the corner  
H.Heal and myself called on the Stetsons a few minutes  
Came home and wrote to Nell Cross  
(The miserable have no other medicine but only hope  
Shakespeare)

**Monday, January 24**

Chopping  
Cool and clear  
Remained at home this eve  
Writing  
(To die, to sleep no more and by a sleep, to say we end the heartaches, and the thousand natural  
shocks that flesh is heir to, tis a consummation Devoutly to be wished (Shakespeare)

**Tuesday, January 25**

Clear and pleasant  
Thermometer 6 degrees below zero this morn  
Went up to Enoch Knights residence  
Remained till afternoon and went over to see Lucius and Charles  
Evening went over to Singing School at the Tucker School House  
(Kindness by secret sympathy is tried  
For nobles souls in nature are allied  
Dryden)

**Wednesday, January 26**

Clear and cool  
Chopping in the Cushion lot  
L.H. Knight and myself called on Bell and Abbie this evening

**Thursday, January 27**

Snowing  
Chopping in the Cushion lot A.M.  
P.M. Writing  
Evening called on Caro played euchre Dominoes etc  
What stronger breastplate than a heart untainted  
Thrice is he armed that hath his quarrel just  
(Shakespeare)

**Friday, January 28**

Warm and pleasant  
Hauled 13 feet of wood to Stephen Page  
Snowed P.M.  
Went to the corner this eve

**Saturday, January 29**

Warm and Snowing A.M.  
Wrote a composition on Honesty for Fannie also a poem  
Went to the corner P.M. and evening  
Called on Mrs. Billing a few minutes this eve Caro was down to Ed Lunts visiting  
Read a letter from Charles Moody

**Sunday, January 30**

Clear and cool  
Went to the corner about noon Called on Mrs. Billing  
Came home P.M. and I and Fannie went over to Win's Spent the evening  
Quite a pleasant time

**Monday, January 31**

Cloudy and pleasant  
Hauling wood A.M.  
P.M. Went up to Heatons after a load of pressed hay  
Broke the sled and gave it up  
Went to the corner this eve  
I and Alpheus called on the Stetson girls  
Read a true womanly letter from Nellie Cross

**FEBRUARY 1876****Tuesday, February 1**

Cloudy and pleasant  
Avans went to Rockport with a load of hay  
Got the sled fixed chopping at the door etc.  
I and Herb Heal called into Stetsons a few minutes this eve

**Wednesday, February 2**

Raining A.M.  
P.M. Cold and windy  
Wrote to Nell Cross and Chas. Moody  
Evening went to the corner called on Caro a few minutes  
He who forgets a friend deserves a foe

Shakespeare

### Thursday, February 3

Cold and clear 8 below zero  
 Chopping in the Cushion lot  
 Evening went up to L.H. Knights residence to a party Avans carried quite a party of girls from the center namely  
 Caro Billings  
 Flora Parker  
 Georgia Drake  
 Fannie Rankin  
 Nell Heal  
 And Sister Fan  
 Had a rather indifferent time myself Large company present

### Friday, February 4

Snowing  
 Went to the corner called on Bell and Abbie  
 Reading The Scottish Chiefs  
 Avans and I called on Caro this evening  
 Oh such the generous faith that glows in womans gentle breast  
 Tis like the star that stays and glows  
 Alone in nights dark vest  
 That stays because each others ray  
 Has left the lonely shore  
 And that the wanderer on his way  
 Then wants her light the more  
 L.E. Landon

### Saturday, February 5

Clear and cold  
 Hauling wood  
 Went to the corner this eve  
 L.H. Knight and myself called at Stetsons  
 Girls not at home  
 Leaves have their time to fall,  
 And flowers to wither at the North-winds breath And stars to set but all,  
 Thou hast all seasons for thine own,  
 O Death!  
 (Mrs. Hemans)

### Sunday, February 6

Clear but rather windy  
 Went to the corner Called on Caro  
 P.M. I and Alpheus called on Aunt Ruth  
 Was in to Stetsons a few minutes this eve  
 (A womans' head is influenced by her heart  
 A man's heart is influenced by his head)

### Monday, February 7

Warm and stormy  
 Hauling wood A.M.

P.M. chopping at the door  
Went to the corner  
Played euchre at the residence of Miles Fuller this eve  
In society we learn to know others, but in solitude we acquire a knowledge of ourselves

**Tuesday, February 8**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping on the cushion lot  
Mrs. Lamb and Winnie were over this evening also Elmer Gould  
Went to the corner a few minutes Herb Heal came up with me  
Found Dr. Huse and his brother also Gerald Hosmer present when I came up  
Tis sweet to know there is an eye will mark our coming, and look brighter when we come  
Byron

**Wednesday, February 9**

Pleasant but cloudy  
Chopping on the cushion lot  
Recd. a letter Nell Cross  
Went to the corner  
Played euchre at the Billings House  
Albert Knight and Caro against Mrs. B. and myself  
Isaac Young was present first of the eve

**Thursday, February 10**

Snowed last night  
Windy A.M.  
P.M. Clear and pleasant  
Went to the corner called on the Stetson girls  
Evening went to the corner again  
Telling stories at E. Parkers Shop  
One woe doth tread upon another's heel  
So fast they follow  
Shakespeare

**Friday, February 11**

Snowing  
Went in the road a while A.M.  
P.M. Rained  
Wrote to Nell Cross  
Evening went to the corner  
Played euchre with Abbie against Mrs. Stetson and Bell

**Saturday, February 12**

Very warm and clear  
Seems quite springlike  
Chopping at the door A.M.  
P.M. went to the corner  
L.H. and myself called at Stetsons and then came up home to tea  
Hired E. Parkers team and went up to J. Clarks to a dance L.H.K. and Foss Rankin went with me  
Good time

**Sunday, February 13**

Clear warm and pleasant  
Went to meeting A.M. and P.M.  
Harnessed team about 2 o'clock and took Sister Fannie and Caro Billings on a ride as Carrie was up to our house visiting  
Went to the Beach Took tea at Phillips Hotel  
Met Riley Mathews and wife there

**Monday, February 14**

Valentine Day  
Clear and pleasant morning  
P.M. Snowed  
Hauling wood all day  
Evening went to the corner called on the Stetson girls a few minutes

**Tuesday, February 15**

Raining hard all day  
Remained at home day and eve  
Wrote a poem entitled the Girls of Lincolnvilles Reply to hope on the Brain  
Alpheus came over this eve played euchre  
It is always safe to learn, even from our enemies

**Wednesday, February 16**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping  
Called on Caro this eve a few minutes  
Went up to the Methodist house  
The same are women, maids or crones,  
In every eye and clime  
Men's hearts they use  
As stepping stones  
Across the stream of time  
(The Magentor)

**Thursday, February 17**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping in the Cushion lot  
Went to the corner this eve  
Called on the Stetson girls  
Then upon this shore of strife  
Let your aim be high and true  
Strive to live a nobler life  
With some loftier aim in view  
Arno

**Friday, February 18**

Chopping on the Cushion lot  
Went to Hope this eve to a sociable and Dance  
Carried Emma Lunt  
Had a fair kind of a time  
Nearly all the centre girls were over  
What is friendship but a name,



A charm that lulls to sleep. A shade  
That follows wealth or fame  
And leaves the wretch to weep  
Byron

### **Saturday, February 19**

Clear and cool  
Hauling wood  
Went to the corner this eve a few minutes  
Friendship tis nothing but a childish dream  
Dispelled when life's turbid stream  
In after years  
A.W. Knight

### **Sunday, February 20**

Clear and cool  
Went to meeting A.M.  
P.M. I and Avans went on a ride called at Enoch Knight's took tea and then down to Rackliff  
Schoolhouse to meeting  
Called on the Rackliff girls previous to the meeting

### **Monday, February 21**

Clear and cool  
Hauling wood  
Recd. a letter from Nellie Cross  
Went to the corner I and Herbert Heal  
Called on the Stetson girls a few minutes

### **Tuesday, February 22**

Snowing A.M.  
P.M. clear and pleasant  
Went to the corner  
Called on the Stetson girls Evening went to the Exhibition and dance  
Carried Emma Lunt Quite a crowd present  
Escorted Fannie Knight home  
Had quite a talk with Emma after carrying her (Emma) home Told her should not carry her  
anywhere again and the reasons why I should not  
Got home about 5 o'clock  
Fair time

### **Wednesday, February 23**

Clear and cool  
Went to School P.M. Till intermission  
Came over to the corner again  
Called into Stetsons  
Evening went to the corner again  
[Continued from the 22<sup>nd</sup>.]  
Told her would give her time to prove her boasted friendship But that I considered friendship a  
humbug at best and that time would test whose was the most sincere  
Gave her some lines on friendship as it is and as it should be

**Thursday, February 24**

Thermometer at 5 degrees below zero this morning  
Wrote to Nellie Cross  
Went to the corner this eve  
Called on Aunt Ruth and Nancie

**Friday, February 25**

Clear cool and windy  
Wrote to D. F. Decatur Esq  
Went to the corner P.M. and evening  
Fannie and Ave went to Hope to a dance also one or two others from the centre

**Saturday, February 26**

Clear and cool A.M.  
Cutting wood at the door  
P.M. pleasant  
Went to the corner  
Called on the Stetson girls Am reading one of Bell's books entitled the Scottish Chiefs

**Sunday, February 27**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to the corner awhile  
Went into Stetsons and read the Scottish Chiefs  
Evening went up to J. Lambs  
Winnie played and sang  
Dark thoughts are often hovering over me  
I'm sad and gloomy all the day  
The future looks all dark before me  
There's care and sorrow all the way  
A.W. Knight

**Monday, February 28**

Hazy and pleasant  
Chopping wood at the door  
Went to the corner I and L.H. Knight called on the Stetson girls a few minutes this eve  
Avans went to Hope with Allen Miller

**Tuesday, February 29**

Clear and pleasant  
Cutting wood at the door  
Went to the corner this  
Herb Heal and myself called on the Stetson girls a few minutes this eve  
Avans went to Hope to a dance Fan went over with John Drake Most of the centre girls went over

**MARCH 1876****Wednesday, March 1**

Hazy A.M.  
P.M. Snowing

Cutting wood at the door  
Remained at home this evening  
(When the years have rolled above us  
And the false have proved untrue  
Will you then regret thy scorning of the heart that beat alone for you)  
A.W. Knight

**Thursday, March 2**

Cutting wood at the door  
Cloudy but pleasant  
Went to the corner this eve Herb and I played euchre with the Stetson girls  
Our pride and strength is fleeting breath  
All rights are equalized in Death  
Arno

**Friday, March 3**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping wood at the door A.M.  
P.M. went to school till Recess thence to the Horse-trot on the pond  
Went to the dance at the Cheese-factory this evening  
Carried Fannie Knight to supper escorted her home etc  
Pretty fair time

**Saturday, March 4**

Clear and pleasant  
Father Mother and Emma went visiting today  
Not at work  
A. Miller was present most of the day  
Went to the corner awhile  
Called on the Stetson girls  
Herbert and I played euchre with them this eve

**Sunday, March 5**

Clear and pleasant  
Went up to the Residence of J. Lamb  
Staid nearly all day Winnie sang and played some also the Parker girls and Elmer Gould who were present  
Came home and found the Stetson girls present just at night I and Foss Rankin went down to Rackclifftown to a meeting this evening Lively meeting  
Ed Payson and Ned Coose called at the residence of R. Knight this eve

**Monday, March 6**

Unusually warm for the season  
Cutting wood at the door  
Father sold the Sorrel mare today for \$150 (one hundred fifty dollars)  
Went to the corner this eve  
Called on the Stetson girls

**Tuesday, March 7**

Clear warm and pleasant  
Cutting wood at the door  
Went to the corner this evening

Called on Stetson girls  
Have got a bad cold and feel rather spleeny  
The World has many a dream of bliss  
And many an aching heart  
Arno

**Wednesday, March 8**

Rainy  
Remained at home most of the day writing and revising some of my compositions  
Feel quite unwell from the effects of my cold  
Recd. a letter from D.F. Decatur  
Remained at home this eve

**Thursday, March 9**

Cutting wood at the door  
Cool and cloudy  
Remained at home this eve as I am feeling quite unwell of late and somewhat despondent  
We are changing drifting onward in a world as false as wide  
Changing like the moon above us  
Changing like the drifting tide

**Friday, March 10**

Cloudy  
Cutting wood at the door  
Went to the corner this eve  
Played euchre at the residence of Miles Fuller  
Jacob Heal died today  
Sleep and rest in peace forever  
Though loved ones for you may sigh  
When life's tender cord shall sever  
May they meet with thee on high

**Saturday, March 11**

Clear and pleasant  
Recd. a letter from Charles Moody  
Chopping at the door A.M.  
P.M. Went to the corner Called on Aunt Ruth and Nancie  
Attended the Democratic Caucus etc

**Sunday, March 12**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to the corner A.M.  
J. Lamb and wife and Winnie were over visiting today  
Went up to Enoch Knight's residence P.M.  
Lucius Knight Fred Moody and Fred Mahoney were present in the eve  
Herb Heal and Ned Coose stopped at Father's residence tonight

**Monday, March 13**

Rainy  
Went to town meeting  
David Howe Alpheus A. Knight and Robert Perry elected  
Selectmen J. Mathews town clerk

Went to the corner this eve  
Read a letter from Nellie Cross  
Was into the Stetsons a few minutes

**Tuesday, March 14**

Clear and windy  
Cutting wood at the door  
Herbert and I played euchre with the Stetson girls

**Wednesday, March 15**

Clear and cool with very high wind  
Cutting wood at the door A.M.  
Went up to J. Lambs  
Staid P.M. and evening  
Party at Nat Clarks Avans went up

**Thursday, March 16**

Clear and pleasant  
Cutting wood at the door A.M.  
P.M. Wrote a business letter for Wm. to Gen. Boynton Augusta Me  
Flora Clark and Nettie [illegible] were at father's spent the evening Frank also came down  
evening Avans carried Winnie and Fan down to the party after they left at Ed Lunts  
Was pretty sick P.M. and eve

**Friday, March 17**

Snowing  
Cutting wood at the door A.M.  
Went to the corner about 3 P.M.  
Went into Stetson's  
Read the Scottish Chiefs till dark  
Evening I and Abbie played euchre against Bell and her father

**Saturday, March 18**

Clear and cold  
Remained at home all day  
Wrote to Nellie Cross  
Also writing on some of my original poems  
Went to the corner this eve  
Foss Rankin and I played euchre with Caro B. and mother this eve Caro gave me one of her cards  
also one of Mr. French's

**Sunday, March 19**

Clear and cool  
Remained at home A.M.  
P.M. Went down to Stetsons  
Reading the Scottish Chiefs  
Avans carried Winnie on a ride  
Wrote to Fred Burditt this evening

**Monday, March 20**

Clear and quite pleasant

Finished cutting our firewood at the door  
Wrote an acrostic on Fred Burditts name Evening went to the corner

**Tuesday, March 21**

Fierce Snowstorm raging today  
Turned to rain P.M.  
Continued through the night  
Wrote to Charles Moody  
Reading and writing all day

**Wednesday, March 22**

Squally A.M.  
P.M. Cleared up pleasant  
Shoveling snow and splitting wood at the door  
Evening went to the corner  
I and Herbert Heal played euchre with Bell and Abbie

**Thursday, March 23**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping in the Cushion lot today  
Evening went up to see Win and Herbert  
Avans Fan and Nell also went up

**Friday, March 24**

Clear and pleasant  
Started two cord of Kiln wood from the Cushion lot and Hauled a load of firewood A.M.  
P.M. cut up the load of firewood  
Evening went to the corner  
L.H. Knight and myself called on Caro a few minutes  
Austin Fuller was also present

**Saturday, March 25**

Cloudy  
Hauling top dressing for the orchard  
Snowing P.M.  
Evening went to the corner  
Herbert and I played euchre with Bell and Abbie  
A fierce storm tonight

**Sunday, March 26**

Storm conditions changed from snow to rain  
Long day  
I and Avans went to the corner this eve  
Called on the Stetson girls  
How like a mounting devil in the heart  
Rules the unreigned ambitions  
N.P. Willis

**Monday, March 27**

Still stormy  
A.M. Writing

P.M. Went into Stetsons Read the Scottish Chiefs all the afternoon  
 Evening called on Caro played euchre awhile  
 Then called on Bell and Abbie again  
 (And womans' love if in a beggars lamp Twould burn might light us clearly through the world  
 N.P. Willis

### **Tuesday, March 28**

Cloudy  
 Went out to Searsmont to see Ephraim Knight about money loaned to him Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> 1875  
 Recd. his note for thirty three dollars with interest from that time  
 Bill Stetson, Mrs. Page, Cyrus McKinney and a few others from Lincolnville took the Boat for  
 Boston this afternoon  
 Evening called into the Stetsons

### **Wednesday, March 29**

Rainy A.M.  
 P.M. Foggy  
 Recd. a letter from Fred Burditt  
 Called into Stetsons this eve L.H. Knight also present  
 Copied some lines found by Laforest Rankins  
 (Knowledge has a far more wildering power She will lead to the stars and witch you with their  
 mysteries Till gold is forgotten dross and woman's careless love light as the breath that breaks it  
 N.P. Willis

### **Thursday, March 30**

Quite pleasant  
 Trimming apple trees  
 Evening called on Fannie Knight at E.J. Towers residence Hired Emery Parker's horse and carried  
 her up to James Mahoney's to a dance  
 Had a very good time  
 A good company present  
 Horace Thurlow and Etta Mathews married today in Portland

### **Friday, March 31**

Quite pleasant  
 Went to the corner Called into Stetsons and finished reading the Scottish Chiefs  
 Fannie Knight was present awhile  
 Evening called at E.J. Towers played euchre  
 Fannie Knight and Herb Heal were present

## **APRIL 1876**

### **Saturday, April 1**

Cloudy  
 Went to the corner  
 I and Fan Rankins Wrote several fictitious letters for April fools  
 One to Walty one to W.C. Tower one to Flo Parker one to Allen Miller and one to Lucius Knight  
 Called on Fannie Knight a few minutes Her father carried her home A.M.  
 I and Herbert played euchre with Mrs. Stetson and Abbie this eve

**Sunday, April 2**

Clear and pleasant  
Called on Fan Rankin and brothers A.M.  
Cora Rackcliff was present  
P.M. came home Foss came with me  
Frank Clark was also present  
Copied some verses which he had  
Went to the corner again about 4 P.M.  
Called on Abbie  
Came home first of the evening

**Monday, April 3**

Clear and pleasant  
Went up on the upper road  
Called at Enoch Knights residence also at Robert Moody's  
Evening called on Herb and Winnie  
Winnie played and sang several pieces  
Recd. a letter from Edward Burgess of Dedham  
Ida Drake got home today

**Tuesday, April 4**

Sunny  
Packed my trunk A.M. and got ready to go to Boston Stormed so hard I gave it up  
Went to the corner P.M.  
Paid up some small outstanding bills  
Called into Stetsons evening I and Foss called on Caro a few minutes Thence to see Flora and Bell Parker where we spent the evening

**Wednesday, April 5**

Still snowing  
Largest fall of snow for the winter  
Went to the corner  
Wrote to Edward Burgess Dedham  
Called on Abbie this eve

**Thursday, April 6**

Clear and pleasant  
Writing A.M.  
P.M. Went to the corner called on Abbie a few minutes  
Read a few of my poems to her  
I and Lucius rode down to Lunts Talked with Emma a few minutes  
Came back and went to School meeting Avans was elected clerk  
Called on Caro this evening

**Friday, April 7**

Clear and pleasant  
Copying some of my poems A.M.  
Went to the corner P.M.  
Called on Abbie  
Evening went to the corner



**Saturday, April :**

Clear but somewhat windy  
Went to the corner Recd. a sweet confiding little letter from Nellie expressing pure, lofty sentiments of a true womanly heart  
P.M. called on Caro Jesse got home today also Mr. French Caro's intended Mrs. Scranton and Freddy Dunton also arrived in L.  
Evening played euchre at Miles Fullers residence

**Sunday, April 9**

Clear and cool  
Went to the corner  
Called on Foss Rankin and sister  
Called on Abbie this eve  
Commenced to read Roughing It by Mark Twain

**Monday, April 10**

I and Foss went to Rockport today  
Evening Herbert Heal and Winnie Tolman were over this evening  
Clear and cool

**Tuesday, April 11**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to the corner  
Called on Caro and Abbie and bid them good bye A.M.  
P.M. Avans carried me to Camden Took the Boat for Boston  
Flora Cross Will McKenney and several others from Lincolnville went up on the Boat tonight  
Had singing and instrumental music to entertain us

**Wednesday, April 12**

Arrived in Boston this morning  
Went out to Dedham with Flora Cross and Mrs. McWain  
Thence to West Dedham Stopped with D.F. Decatur and family tonight  
Recd. a cordial welcome  
Played euchre this evening with D.F.D. and family

**Thursday, April 13**

Went to Boston again today  
Sam George Crawford and I went over to Chelsea with him Drove over Boston all day Came out to Dedham again tonight  
Carried Clara and Flo on a ride this eve  
Had Dan's team  
Stopped with them all night  
Met Eva Cross and Mr. Clough there  
Fast day in Massachusetts

**Friday, April 14**

Clear and pleasant  
Commenced work for Edward Burgess Esq. today of Dedham

**Saturday, April 15**

Clear and cool

Working on the Driveway  
Evening read the papers

**Sunday, April 16**

Went to Church A.M.  
P.M. Called on D. McWain and wife  
Eva was present  
Evening wrote to Nell Cross  
Shower P.M.

**Monday, April 17**

Working on the farm  
Planted a few potatoes  
Had a row with the farmer foreman today  
Carried my point and told him what to depend upon if I remained on the place  
Wrote to Father this evening also played euchre awhile with the girls and James Brown  
Cool but pleasant

**Tuesday, April 18**

Cloudy and cool  
Working on the farm  
I and James Brown went out for a row on the River tonight  
Reading the evening papers and Harpers' Magazine after I came back

**Wednesday, April 19**

Clear and pleasant  
Working on the farm  
Fixing up fence etc,  
Have a bad cold

**Thursday, April 20**

Cool and windy  
Working on the farm  
Evening went out on the river for a row

**Friday, April 21**

Cold and windy  
Working on the farm  
Evening read the papers and played euchre awhile

**Saturday, April 22**

Working on the farm  
Very pleasant day  
Evening misting remained in doors writing my Diary and reading  
Cold not much better

**Sunday, April 23**

Remained at home today  
The rest all went to Church  
Reading Mrs. Hemans poems

**Monday, April 24**

Pleasant  
Hauling rocks grading etc.

**Tuesday, April 25**

Cold and windy  
Working on the farm

**Wednesday, April 26**

Cold and windy  
Snowed a little  
Working on the farm

**Thursday, April 27**

Clear and pleasant  
Working on the farm  
Settled up with Mr Burgess this evening  
I and James Brown took a row on the river tonight

**Friday, April 28**

Clear and pleasant  
Left the Burgess place this morning  
Called at McWains awhile  
Took the train for Boston  
Traveled over Boston today  
Met Henry Briggs in town  
Evening took the Boat for Camden  
Charles Wellman came down also  
Splendid music vocal and instrumental on the boat

**Saturday, April 29**

Arrived in Camden A.M.  
Came up as in a Sylvanes with Geo. Young  
Evening came up to the corner  
I and Herbert called on Abbie a few minutes

**Sunday, April 30**

Raining and snowing  
Remained at home all day  
Evening I and Avans went over to see Winnie

**MAY 1876****Monday, May 1**

Cold and cloudy  
Went to the corner A.M.  
P.M. Played ball awhile  
Winnie Tolman was over  
Evening went to the dance at the Union Hall  
Carried Cora Rackliff to supper

**Tuesday, May 2**

Cold and windy  
Went to the corner A.M.  
P.M. Swept the lawn trimmed apple trees etc  
Evening went to the corner

**Wednesday, May 3**

Cold and windy  
Set out some Strawberry plants  
Also four Rock Maples one Elm and one Ash  
Set all but the Ash in the Lawn front of the House  
Evening went to the corner Played ball till dark  
Called on Abbie  
Charles Moody arrived in Lincolnville today from Iowa Called on us before going home

**Thursday, May 4**

Clear and pleasant  
Commenced ploughing today  
Went to the corner  
Played ball

**Friday, May 5**

Cloudy  
Ploughing and other farm work  
Went to the corner evening  
Played ball  
Called on Abbie  
Hands broke out today  
Suppose it is the effect of poison Mercury

**Saturday, May 6**

Cloudy A.M.  
Jobbing  
P.M. Rainy  
Commenced laying wall  
Fannie was examined and got a Certificate for teaching  
Town meeting P.M did not go Got a vote to build a new School-house  
Emma Lunt came up home with her  
Remained at home this evening

**Sunday, May 7**

Warm and showery  
Emma Lunt stopped with Fannie last night  
Charles Moody also staid all night  
Winnie Tolman was over this afternoon staid all night  
Called on Abbie A.M.  
Went up home with Charles just at night  
Hands growing rapidly worse

**Monday, May 8**

Warm and cloudy I and Charles Moody called at Fannie E. Knights School a few minutes A.M.

Sister Fannie commenced teaching School today in District No. 1  
School commenced at the Centre today Cora Henderson Teacher  
Plowing this afternoon  
Remained at home this evening

**Tuesday, May 9**

Warm and showery  
Finished breaking up in the Piper field  
Could use my hand enough to drive the team  
P.M. Rained steady  
Was not at work  
Sylvanus was working for father fencing today  
Remained at home this eve

**Wednesday, May 10**

Cloudy and Showery  
Centennial Exhibition opens today at Philadelphia  
Still unable to use my hands  
Reading most of the day Uneasy and impatient  
Remained at home this eve

**Thursday, May 11**

Showery  
Writing a little  
Studying Composition etc  
Revised and rewrote an Acrostic on the name of N.C.  
C Moody was up P.M. Went to the corner this evening I and Charles called on Abbie a few minutes  
Recd. a note from F.E. Knight

**Friday, May 12**

Clear and pleasant A.M.  
P.M. Cloudy  
Evening rained  
Hands getting better Jobbing around a little  
Sylvanus and Ave fencing Jonas Calderwood Setting glass and jobbing  
Remained at home this eve

**Saturday, May 13**

Clear and pleasant  
Laying wall below the orchard First day I have been able to work on account of my hands  
P.M. had a shower Israel Cross called in a few minutes  
C Moody went down after Fannie  
Went to the corner a few minutes this eve  
Charles Moody staid all night

**Sunday, May 14**

Clear and cool  
J.C. Drake was up to Fathers' this morning  
Went to the corner I and Charles called on Abbie

**Monday, May 15**

Clear and cool  
Set out several apple trees  
And doing other farm work  
Played ball this evening  
Quite a rage for setting out shade trees at the centre  
About 40 or 50 have already been set out there So much for Centennial Year

**Tuesday, May 16**

Clear and pleasant  
Working on farm  
Went to the corner at eve  
Played ball  
And went over to see Win  
Turned our cattle to pasture first time for the Spring

**Wednesday, May 17**

Quite pleasant  
Froze ice last night  
Plowing above the orchard also plowed B. Robinson's garden  
Went to the corner this eve  
Played ball  
Called on A.E.S Jennie Candel was present  
Clear Avans called on the Parker girls  
B. Stetson is making quite improvements in his front yard

**Thursday, May 18**

Cool and cloudy  
Mother's and Fannie's birthday  
The former 57 the latter 21  
Working on the farm  
Father and Ave went down to Sylvanus'

**Friday, May 19**

Clear and cool  
Working on the farm  
Emma L. Was present this eve  
Went to the corner  
Had the blues

**Saturday, May 20**

Warmest day yet  
Sowed our oats today  
Evening Played ball Called on A.E.S.

**Sunday, May 21**

Hazy  
I and C Moody went down to Rackliff School-house to meeting  
Called on Carrie Thomas who came up this A.M. etc  
P.M. Called on Caro Billings  
Benj. Butler and sister were here today

**Monday, May 22**

Warm and showery  
Plowing Harrowing etc  
Evening played ball

**Tuesday, May 23**

Clear and cold  
Avans went down to S. Coose's plowing  
Set out about 25 trees – Birches Maples etc by the roadside from the Stem Bridge brook to our pasture line  
Played ball this evening  
I and Herb called on A.E.S.  
Ella Pottle was present

**Wednesday, May 24**

Clear nice day  
Plowing  
Avans and Father planted Potatoes – first we have planted this spring  
Played ball this evening  
Mailed a letter to James Brown

**Thursday, May 25**

Hazy and showery  
Preparing the oat ground  
Sowed about a third of an acre of oats  
Played ball at the centre this evening

**Friday, May 26**

Sowed our oats  
Hauled of the rocks etc  
Evening went to the corner played ball  
Called on Mrs. Billings a few minutes

**Saturday, May 27**

Very Warm and pleasant  
Plowing planting etc.  
Evening played ball  
James Dickey died today  
How frail, a thing is life,  
But eternal breath!  
Where pain and joy, and strife,  
Are hushed in Death  
A consummation blest  
To mortals given  
A sweet eternal rest,  
And joys of Heaven

**Sunday, May 28**

Uncomfortably warm today  
Chas Moody Foss True and Ned Coose were here today  
Practiced sparring with Fred Wiley and Foss Rankin a few minutes

Evening went to the corner  
Called on A.E.S.  
Revised one or two poems today

**Monday, May 29**

Clear and hot this morning Had a shower A.M.  
Came off cooler  
Planting corn  
Went to the corner this evening

**Tuesday, May 30**

Cold and windy  
Planting corn and Potatoes  
Went to the corner  
Played ball  
Fannie Knight was down

**Wednesday, May 31**

Clear and pleasant  
Planting Beans  
Went to the corner Played ball.  
Called on A.E.S.

**JUNE 1876****Thursday, June 1**

Clear and pleasant  
Plowing A.M.  
Finished today  
Planting potatoes  
S. Coose helped us  
Evening went to the corner  
Played ball  
Called on A.E.S.

**Friday, June 2**

Quite pleasant  
Finished planting Potatoes and Beans and Commenced planting the garden  
Jennie Candel and Abbie Stetson called on us after Tea  
Played ball this evening  
Called on Caro etc

**Saturday, June 3**

Foggy morning  
Came off clear and hot  
Finished planting today  
Avans went over to Union  
Carried Winnie Tolman  
Went to the corner this eve  
Was pretty tired



**Sunday, June 4**

Rainy most of the day  
Wrote a poem  
That's what's the matter with Hannah today C. Moody  
F. Wiley F. Rankins  
Benj. Butler etc were here today  
I and C. Moody  
Called on Fannie Rankin  
Parker girls were present Played and sang for us

**Monday, June 5**

Rainy  
Wrote to Nellie Cross  
Went to the corner P.M. and evening

**Tuesday, June 6**

Cloudy A.M. jobbing  
P.M. laying wall  
Evening went to the corner Played ball

**Wednesday, June 7**

Worked for Frank Rankins  
Hauling rock A.M.  
P.M. Laying wall  
Evening went to the corner  
Winnie Tolman and Annie Bryant was over this evening

**Thursday, June 8**

Pleasant  
Short shower P.M.  
Mowed the front yard also back of the house  
Laying wall part of the day  
Went to the corner this evening

**Friday, June 9**

Pleasant but very warm  
Laying wall  
Fan came up home tonight  
Went to the corner this evening

**Saturday, June 10**

Clear and very warm  
Laying wall  
Ave carried Fan and Win to Belfast today  
Shower P.M.  
Evening went to the corner  
Recd. a letter from James Brown

**Sunday, June 11**

Cloudy and foggy  
Winnie went home this morning

Went to the corner several times Called on Caro Billings  
Had and introduction to Hattie Eva Thomas  
Tedious and monotonous day

**Monday, June 12**

Cloudy and foggy  
Working on the Highway  
Went to the corner this evening  
Recd. a letter from Nellie Cross

**Tuesday, June 13**

Foggy  
Working on the Highway  
C. Moody was down this evening went to the corner  
Planting corn

**Wednesday, June 14**

Cleared up warm and pleasant  
Laying Wall  
Went to the corner this evening  
Called into the Stetson's a few minutes  
Sarah Cleveland was up on a visit today  
Remained all night

**Thursday, June 15**

Foggy  
Serenaded Waltz last night  
Clear and hot morning below the barns  
Went to the corner  
Played ball

**Friday, June 16**

Mowing some A.M. P.M. Fencing  
Went to the corner Took a ride with L.H. Knight in his Top Buggy which he has just bought  
Played ball  
Foggy - Cleared up - Hot day

**Saturday, June 17**

Partially clear  
Went up to L.H. Knight's residence Thence with him to Brewsters grove to a dance Fair time  
Came back with Sydney Moody  
Staid all night

**Sunday, June 18**

Remained at Moodys residence most of the day  
Charles came down with me  
P.M. Joseph Wiley and wife were present also Benj. Butler and mother  
Foggy morning  
Hot today  
Evening went to the corner called on Foss Rankin

**Monday, June 19**

Rainy Wrote to Nellie Cross  
Also to J.B. Husted New York including 40 cts.  
Went to the corner  
Called on A.E.S. a few minutes  
I and John Drake practiced sparring P.M.

**Tuesday, June 20**

Foggy morning  
Showery day  
Ave Went to South Union  
Cleared up the shop, cut some brushes and jobbed around generally.  
Went to the corner this eve

**Wednesday, June 21**

Foggy morning  
Commenced Hoeing corn  
Cleared off first time for over a week  
Raked up and shook out the hay  
Evening went to the corner

**Thursday, June 22**

Clear and pleasant  
Hoeing corn A.M.  
Quite a Shower at noon  
Ave and C Moody went off on a ride P.M.  
Worked Staying up the Shade Trees

**Friday, June 23**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished hoeing the corn today  
Slight shower about noon  
Evening went to the corner played ball

**Saturday, June 24**

Clear and warm  
A.M. mowed the front yard and Cultivated Potatoes and Beans  
P.M. Went to Camden  
Had Billings's Horse  
Evening saw Henry and Abbie Moody  
Who had just come from the Provinces after several years absence Charles Moody brought Fan  
up home Addie Coombes came up with them

**Sunday, June 25**

Clear and pleasant  
Herbert Heal and I went to the Beach last night  
Remained at home A.M.  
P.M. went to the corner  
Ave and the girls went up to Lambs  
C Moody carried Fan and Addie back this eve

**Monday, June 26**

Hoeing Potatoes and Beans  
S. Coose helped us today  
Clear and warm  
Went to the corner this evening

**Tuesday, June 27**

Clear and pleasant  
Hoeing Potatoes  
Put the Hay rack together and Hauled in a load of hay  
Girls went to Camden  
Went to the corner this evening  
Foggy and also rained a little during the night

**Wednesday, June 28**

Thermometer 98 in the shade  
Hoeing Potatoes  
Went to the corner this evening

**Thursday, June 29**

Clear and hot  
Finished hoeing our crops first time  
Went to the corner this evening  
Recd. a letter and Bouquet from N.C.  
Conversed with Caro a few minutes

**Friday, June 30**

Clear and hot morning  
Mowed a little round the house  
Commenced Hoeing our corn second time  
Went to the corner this evening  
Called on A.E.S.  
Ella P. was present

**JULY 1876****Saturday, July 1**

Clear and hot mowed a little this morning  
Recd. Compound by mail  
Finished Hoeing Corn second time  
P.M. Went to the corner  
Called on Cousin Nancie also on A.E.S.  
Ave went to the Beach  
Went to the White Family Concert this evening Very good entertainment

**Sunday, July 2**

Clear and pleasant  
Went down to the pond this morning  
J.C. Drake went up with me A.M.  
P.M. Emma Lunt and Winnie were present  
Evening went to the corner Called on A.E.S.

Was rather Blue this eve  
Married this eve at The Billings House Capt. E.L. French and Miss Caro Billings

**Monday, July 3**

Showery  
Went up on the upper road  
Called at Enoch Knights and Robt. Moodys  
Chas. brought me home  
Took a ride down as far as Rackliffs this evening

**Tuesday, July 4**

A.M. Went to the corner  
P.M. Hired Billings horse Went to the Beach for the Grove Dance  
Carried Bell Parker Danced but once when a shower came up and we adjourned to Philip Hotel  
Took tea and came up to the Centre Went to the Dance at Union Hall  
Carried Bell, Took supper at the Elm House  
Pretty good time

**Wednesday, July 5**

Clear and hot  
Mowed a little above the house  
Working most all day  
Went to the corner this eve  
Had a family row at Billings  
Old Lady called me in to protect the women and take care of Billings Got him away from the women He and French afterwards had a fight  
Conversed a few minutes with A.E.S. at the doorway

**Thursday, July 6**

Clear with very high winds  
Mowed the upper Orchard  
Evening went to the corner

**Friday, July 7**

Nice hay day  
Hauled in 2 loads  
Started the hay out of the Orchard etc  
Commenced mowing with the machine  
Went to the corner this eve

**Saturday, July 8**

Partially clear  
Haying  
Hauled in 2 loads of hay  
Went to the corner this eve  
Rode round a little with C. Moody's team

**Sunday, July 9**

Cloudy  
Morning went to the corner  
Cleared up just before noon

Charles and Sidney Moody were down  
Took a ride with Sid  
Uneventful day except for its monotony  
Mrs Nancie Fuller and John were here today

**Monday, July 10**

Cloudy morning  
Cleared up about 1 ½ O'clock  
Hauled 1 load of hay  
Mowed the front yard also beside the road  
Evening went to the corner

**Tuesday, July 11**

Clear and hot  
Thermometer 90 in the shade  
P.M. Hauled in 3 loads of hay  
Wm. Commenced work today  
Went to the corner a few minutes this eve

**Wednesday, July 12**

Very warm  
Thermometer 99 in the shade  
Hauled in 4 load  
Cleared the Garden field  
Went to the corner this evening

**Thursday, July 13**

Terrible Heat  
Thermometer stood 102 ½ in the shade  
Hauled in 2 loads When a thunder shower came up and caught our hay all spread out  
Went to the corner this eve

**Friday, July 14**

Hazy morning  
Cleared up warm  
Hauled in 2 loads  
Had a thunder shower about 2 P.M.  
Went to the corner a few minutes this eve

**Saturday, July 15**

Hazy morning  
Cleared up and proved a good hay day  
Mowed Piper field and run which finishes all the mowing above the road  
Hauled in 3 load  
Went to the corner this eve

**Sunday, July 16**

Clear and pleasant  
Went down to the pond A.M.  
P.M. Hauled in 3 loads of hay

**Monday, July 17**

Thermometer 100 in the shade  
Mowed a large piece Hauled in 1 load  
Went to the corner this evening

**Tuesday, July 18**

Hazy A.M.  
Showered on the Mountains  
Cleared away about noon and the Thermometer ran up to 100 in the shade  
Hauled in 4 loads of hay  
Evening went to the corner

**Wednesday, July 19**

Clear  
Thermometer 98 in the Shade  
Hauled in 4 large loads of hay  
Evening went down to the Pond to cool off by a swim  
Recd. a letter from Allen Miller

**Thursday, July 20**

Clear and pleasant with a Southerly breeze  
Avans went down to Barnum's Show at Rockland today  
Worked a little at Haying  
Hauled in 1 load  
Shower tonight  
Remained at home this eve

**Friday, July 21**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished mowing our upland today and commenced on the Intervale  
Hauled in 1 load  
Went to the corner a few minutes this evening

**Saturday, July 22**

Clear and pleasant  
Haying Hauled in 3 loads  
Abbie Stetson was up this evening went to the corner with her

**Sunday, July 23**

Rainy Wrote to J.B. Husted  
Sid Moody staid with me last night  
Wrote to Nellie Cross  
Went up with Sid this evening  
Called at Enoch Knights  
Shaved my mustache off today

**Monday, July 24**

Came down home this morning  
Walked over to the School-house with Fan Knight  
I and Avans went down on the Turnpike  
Went to mowing P.M.

Evening rode to Rackliff Town  
Avans took Bell P. and Jennie Jones on a ride after coming back

**Tuesday, July 25**

Fair hay day  
Hauled in 2 loads  
Went to the corner this eve

**Wednesday, July 26**

Finished mowing the Western Intervale this morning  
Began to rain about 9 ½ o'clock A.M.  
Henry Moody and his Sister Abbie are here on a visit this afternoon  
Went to the corner a few minutes this eve

**Thursday, July 27**

Pleasant  
Haying A.M.  
Felt quite unwell P.M. Had to quit work as I was terrible sick  
Fan went to the Beach with Henry Moody and Abbie Winnie Tolman and Emma Lunt  
Called P.M. Evening Parker girls  
Mame Georgia and Annie Drake called

**Friday, July 28**

Hazy High wind  
Some better today but unable to work  
Wrote to Thomas Elliott Lowell Mass.  
Also to L.A.L. Smith Palatine Ill. inclosed 50 cts for a book  
Avans also inclosed 40 cts for another book  
Wrote to Allen Miller

**Saturday, July 29**

Rained last night also this morning  
Went to the corner A.M.  
Mailed 3 letters  
Cleared away P.M.  
Went to the corner this eve

**Sunday, July 30**

Clear and pleasant  
Went down to the pond this morning  
Fan went back to the Beach to commence school  
L.H. Knight was down Took a short ride together Then took A.E.S. in and gave her a ride with his team

**Monday, July 31**

Rainy morning  
C. Moody came down today  
Went to the corner awhile P.M. also this evening

**AUGUST 1876**



**Tuesday, August 1**

Good hay day  
John Wiley helped us today  
Hauled in 1 loads  
Went to the corner a few minutes this eve  
Bell Parker 16 today

**Wednesday, August 2**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished mowing today  
John Wiley was sick went home  
Father went up and got Chas. Moody to help us Hauled in 5 loads of hay  
Went  
Remained at home this eve  
Lonely evening

**Thursday, August 3**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished haying today  
Hauled in 4 loads  
Chas Moody helped us  
Saw Chas. Billings today  
Called to see us Got home Aug 1st  
Went to the corner Lovely evening  
I and Foss went out with Bell Parker and Eliza Adams Escorted the latter home  
Ave and Charles Billings went to the Beach

**Friday, August 4**

Clear and pleasant  
Helped Alpheus unload some hay  
P.M. Went to the corner  
Chas H. Billings cut my hair  
Went down to the Pond and had a swim etc.  
Evening went to Dick Marty show Carried Flora Parker and Annie Adams Avans carried Bell Parker and Fan Rankins C. Moody Eliza Adams

**Saturday, August 5**

Thermometer 103 in the shade  
Mowed a few weeds A.M.  
Went to the corner P.M.  
Evening called on M.N.D.  
Thence up home with Chas Moody

**Sunday, August 6**

Thermometer 100 in the shade  
Came down home with Chas Moody and mother who spent the day at our residence  
Went to the corner a few minutes  
Conversing with Mrs. Piper also with A.E.S a few minutes

**Monday, August 7**

Terrific heat

Thermometer 103 in the shade  
Mowed the oats above the Orchard  
Went to the corner a few minutes this evening  
Ave helped A.A. Knight mow his Barley

**Tuesday, August 8**

Clear and pleasant  
Mowed the oats in the farther field  
Hauled one load of Oats  
Went to the corner this eve

**Wednesday, August 9**

Clear and Hot  
Mowing Thistle in the Pasture A.M. Avans worked for Alpheus  
P.M. Hauled in a couple of loads of Oats  
Recd. a letter from Allen Miller  
Also a couple of books from Smith & Co, Ill  
(The Little Flirt,  
And Sports Jest)  
Book

**Thursday, August 10**

100 in the shade today  
A.M. Dressing poultry  
P.M. Hauled in a couple of loads of Oats Chas and Sid Moody called up a few minutes  
Helped us get in a load  
Evening went to the corner

**Friday, August 11**

Mowed about one hour for Billy this morning on the meadow  
Very warm  
Ave worked for Alpheus  
Went to the corner P.M.

**Saturday, August 12**

Slightly foggy this morning  
Ave went to Rockland  
Took Winnie along with him  
Cleared off hot  
Hauling rocks from a Hedge row in the further field P.M. Went over to Joel Mahoneys field to see  
an exhibition of Giant Powder Blasting  
Evening went to the corner

**Sunday, August 13**

Foggy A.M.  
P.M. Clear and hot  
Benj. Butler brought Fan home P.M.  
J.E.S. J.C.D and C.A. Moody were present  
Went to the corner this eve

**Monday, August 14**

Foggy Morning  
Cleared off hot about 11 A.M.  
Hauling rocks from the hedge row in the further field  
Frank Pearse came up to see me today also J.C.D.  
Evening went to the Beach with L.H. Knight

**Tuesday, August 15**

Foggy A.M.  
P.M. Clear and hot  
Hauling rocks from the Hedgerow in the further field  
Remained at home this eve

**Wednesday, August 16**

Hauling rocks same as yesterday  
Avans got home today  
J.C. Drake was up to see me  
Went to the corner a few minutes this eve  
Clear and hot

**Thursday, August 17**

Slight showers today  
Commenced laying Wall at the head of the further field  
Recd. a letter from a Friend in California  
Went to the corner a few minutes this eve

**Friday, August 18**

Partially clear  
Foggy nights and mornings  
Laying wall at the Head of the further field  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Insufferably dull and monotonous there

**Saturday, August 19**

Foggy Dog day weather  
Laying Wall  
Charles and Sid came up P.M.  
Ended work about 3 P.M. Went up on the upper road Called at Henry Knights residence also at Enochs where I spent the evening  
Started to come home and met C Moody and went home with him

**Sunday, August 20**

Foggy morning  
Cleared away quite early  
I and Charles called at widow Fletcher's  
Was introduced to Cora's fellow Wm. Fowler and his sister Carrie  
Cora played and sang several pieces  
Called at Enoch Knights residence as I came home also at Wm. Moodys' to see Herbert Heal  
Evening I and J.C. Drake and Foss Rankins went over to the schoolhouse

**Monday, August 21**

Clear cool and windy  
Helped Frank Rankins with the team this morning about 2 hours  
Hauling Rocks from the Hedge-row the rest of the day  
Avans worked for Frank Rankins P.M. Digging the trench for his match pipe  
Went to the corner and got mail and came right home

**Tuesday, August 22**

Clear cool and windy  
Hauling rocks from the same hedge-row  
Avans worked for Frank again today  
P.M. Hauled a load of Oats also some Peas  
Evening remained at home  
Just rain enough to lay the dust tonight

**Wednesday, August 23**

Clear and cool  
Went to Camp meeting with Charles and Sydney Moody  
Fair time but no notable event  
Went to the corner a few minutes after coming back  
Avans worked for F. Rankin

**Thursday, August 24**

Pleasant day  
Hauling rocks A.M.  
Finished pulling the beans and Cleared out the watering places for the cattle P.M.  
Evening went to the dance at Union Hall  
Fair time first of the evening  
Did not dance at all after supper Came home before the dance broke up

**Friday, August 25**

Foggy most of the day  
Did not work much today  
Went to the corner in the afternoon also this evening

**Saturday, August 26**

Repairing fence in the Swamp A.M.  
P.M. Went to the corner  
Avans went out to Brewsters

**Sunday, August 27**

Pleasant  
Wrote to Ella W. also to Allen Miller  
Went to the corner a few minutes  
Several boys came up with me

**Monday, August 28**

Clear and pleasant  
Mowed a little rowen A.M.  
P.M. Picked up and gathered a few apples  
Went to the corner a few minutes this evening

returned home disgusted  
Mailed two letters

**Tuesday, August 29**

Laying Wall  
Clear and pleasant  
Warren Robinson was up  
Remained at home this evening

**Wednesday, August 30**

Clear and pleasant  
Father and Mother went to Camden  
Jennie Collamore and Winnie Tolman were over P.M.  
Laying wall today  
Went to the corner a few minutes this evening

**Thursday, August 31**

Warm day and dusty  
Laying Wall  
Evening quite a party of us went out to Hall's Corner on a moonlight excursion and dance Ave, Win and Flo, myself, and Bell, Lily and Annie, Ave Ada Mira Belle Dyer Lincoln Young and Amy Heal  
Elmer Gould carried us with his double team  
The Drinkwater's girls Olive and Lilly Thought them quite sociable and agreeable Had always suffered them rather airy and hitherto avoided rather than sought an acquaintance  
Although I have known them by sight a long time Especially Olive Mean to find out if my opinion of them was right or hastily formed if not too proud or haughty of which there was no more desirable acquaintances  
Acted as escort to Bell Parker

**SEPTEMBER 1876****Friday, September 1**

Warm and hazy  
Hauling rocks and laying wall  
Evening went to the corner  
Conversing a while with A.E.S.

**Saturday, September 2**

Rainy A.M.  
P.M. Cool and windy  
Went to the corner P.M. and evening

**Sunday, September 3**

Cool and windy  
Went on a ride with Fred Wiley  
Sid went with us  
A.R. Dunton and Charley were up on a visit P.M.  
Evening called on Mrs. Caro French

**Monday, September 4**

Partially clear and pleasant  
Went on Carvers Harbor on a pleasure excursion  
Carried Belle Parker A large company of Lincolnville people went  
Had a nice time  
Afternoon we danced at Granite Hall on the Harbor also on our return home upon the Barge  
Arrived at the Beach Between 7 and 8 this eve Came up to the Centre and went to a Political lecture

**Tuesday, September 5**

Clear and pleasant  
Picking up apples A.M.  
Laying Wall P.M.  
Evening went to Dr. Smalls Medical lecture  
Sent for some visiting cards today

**Wednesday, September 6**

Clear and cool  
Laying wall  
Evening went to the corner  
Attended Dr. Homers' Medical lecture  
Recd. a letter from Allen Miller

**Thursday, September 7**

Clear and cool  
Finished getting out those rocks in the old Hedge-row and laying that piece of double wall at the foot of the Pasture field  
Also ploughed the old Hedgerow and twitched out the stump and roots there-from  
Father and Mother went down to S. Cooses'  
Remained at home this evening

**Friday, September 8**

Rainy  
Writing and reading  
Went to the corner P.M.

**Saturday, September 9**

Cloudy A.M.  
P.M. Cleared up  
Gathered a few sweet apples and picked up a few  
Recd. my cards today  
Charles Moody and Sister Delia and Cora Fletcher Called on us this afternoon  
Went to a Political lecture this evening

**Sunday, September 10**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished my poems on Fred B. Dunton and the reply to the Youngtown Square slander  
Gave a copy of the former to S. Howard  
Dropped a copy of the latter where it might be picked up at the Centre

**Monday, September 11**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to Town Meeting today  
Evening went to the dance at Union Hall  
Came home quite early

**Tuesday, September 12**

Clear and pleasant  
Commenced Harvesting Potatoes  
Evening went to the corner

**Wednesday, September 13**

Harvesting potatoes  
Clear and pleasant  
Evening I and Charles Moody went to Kendalls Hall and joined the Monterey Lodge No. 14 of  
Good Templars

**Thursday, September 14**

Clear and pleasant  
Harvesting Potatoes  
Evening Family Paring bee

**Friday, September 15**

Showery A.M.  
P.M. cleared away  
Harvesting Potatoes  
Evening Family paring bee

**Saturday, September 16**

Quite pleasant  
Harvesting potatoes A.M.  
P.M. Harvesting Apples  
Evening I and Charles Moody went up to Widow Drinkwater's residence this evening  
Had a very pleasant time

**Sunday, September 17**

Hazy Went to meeting at the Heal Schoolhouse A.M. P.M. at the Free meeting house  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes with Mr. Homer from Rockland who stopped with us  
tonight

**Monday, September 18**

Rainy  
Wrote to Allen Miller  
Wrote in Miss Olive Drinkwater Album  
Went to the corner this P.M.  
Evening writing Questions for the lodge

**Tuesday, September 19**

Rainy  
Writing and reading most of the day

Evening felt quite unwell and retired early  
Wrote in Sister Nellie's Album

**Wednesday, September 20**

Still Rainy  
Al. Homes went home today  
Reading and studying on Elocution  
Evening Composed a Leap Year Poem

**Thursday, September 21**

Rainy A.M.  
Broke away P.M. with some indications of clearing off  
Went to the corner P.M. and evening  
Called at Stetsons' residence a few moments

**Friday, September 22**

Clear and pleasant  
Picking up apples today  
Evening making cider

**Saturday, September 23**

Picking up Apples A.M.  
P.M. Trimming apple trees  
Evening went up to Mrs. Harvills with Sisters Fan and Nell  
Dance at the Factory tonight  
Paring Bee at Spauldings  
Robinson and Homes loaded here with apples and Potatoes and Cider today  
Warm and pleasant

**Sunday, September 24:**

Very pleasant  
Called on Mrs. Caro French A.M.  
Frank Clark Charley Dunton Mr. Andrews J.C.D.  
Austin Fuller  
Johnny Scruton  
Foss Rankins  
Ruth Coose and Aubry and Winnie Tolman were all present this afternoon at the residence of R. Knight  
Remained at home this eve Went a piece with Frank Clark Avans and Winnie went on a ride

**Monday, September 25**

Hazy  
Harvesting Potatoes  
Fannie and Nell commenced going to the High School today  
Had a family paring bee tonight  
J.C.D. and Foss Rankins were also present

**Tuesday, September 26**

Harvesting Potatoes  
Albert Knight completed the Dam in our pasture today  
Built for the purpose of flowing the Swamp with a aim to cultivating Cranberries



Remained at home this eve Doing apples  
Sid Moody staid with me tonight

**Wednesday, September 27**

Clear and windy  
Threshing beans and picking up apples also gathered the Pippens and Limbertops had about 10 bushels of the two varieties  
Had 7 ½ bushels of Beans  
I and Ave went over to J. Lambs this eve  
Winnie gave me her photograph

**Thursday, September 28**

Clear and windy  
Harvested the Pinball apples  
Had 28 bushels  
Remained at home this eve read the Paper and went to bed

**Friday, September 29**

Partially clear  
Southerly wind  
Harvesting Potatoes  
Finished the early Rose which consisted of 115 bushels of marketable and about 50 bushels of small ones  
Went to a Dance at the Union Hall Large Company present  
Disgraceful time  
Drunkenness and fighting all night by Camden boys  
Had a personal encounter with Samuel Gould of Camden His friends jumped in and hurt me slightly but I came off victorious

**Saturday, September 30**

Warm and cloudy  
Gathering apples several varieties  
About 16 bushels in all Avans went to Union P.M.  
Evening went to the corner

**OCTOBER 1876****Sunday, October 1**

Clear and pleasant  
J.C.D. and E.F. Gould called today  
Remained at home all day  
Evening went to the corner called on Abbie Stetson a few minutes

**Monday, October 2**

Harvested 31 bushels of Baldwins  
Pleasant day  
Father and Mother went to Hope to the funeral of Susannah Dunton  
Went to the corner a few minutes this evening

**Tuesday, October 3**

Gathering apples  
Gathered 34 bus of Baldwins  
Clear and pleasant  
Went to the corner this eve  
Prevented Murray Fuller and Gideon Milliken from fighting

**Wednesday, October 4**

Cloudy and windy  
Harvesting apples gathered 29 bushels of Baldwins  
Evening I and Charles Moody went to the Monterey Lodge of G.T. Pretty good time with  
Programme Paper and Debate on the Question  
Resolved – Country Life is preferable to City Life Carried Olive and Lily D home I and C.M. went in  
and stopped with them awhile entertained us first rate

**Thursday, October 5**

Rainy  
Writing and preparing myself for the debate at our next Lodge meeting A.M.  
Writing for the lodge

**Friday, October 6**

Rainy  
Writing and revising articles for the Lodge  
Foss Rankins and J.C.D. were up a few minutes this eve

**Saturday, October 7**

Picked 46 bushels of Baldwins  
Pretty high winds went to the corner a few minutes this evening

**Sunday, October 8**

Pleasant A.M.  
I and Avans picked up about 40 bushels of apples  
P.M. Chas Moody and myself went up to Drinkwaters  
Took Olive and Lily out to Belmont to a meeting  
Stopped with them awhile  
In the wee small hours of night we took our departure for home

**Monday, October 9**

Clear and cold  
Windy  
Harvesting apples  
Wm. commenced work for us  
Picked 48 bushels also picked up about 30 bushels of windfalls  
Hauled in 2 loads of Pumpkins and of Corn  
Went to the corner this eve  
Called at Mrs. Stetsons a few minutes

**Tuesday, October 10**

Cold and windy  
Went down to Thomaston to see about getting a chance to go to Virginia  
Chas. Moody went with me

Ave and Billy picked 50 bushels of Baldwins  
Girls went over to Joshua Lambs this evening

**Wednesday, October 11**

Clear cold and windy  
Gathered 10 bushels of Baldwins and 2 bushels of Nonsuch  
Father gathered 4 bushels of Tolman Sweets  
Took a part in the debates upon the question that walking was preferable to riding  
Carried Olive Drinkwater home from the Lodge  
Got home at 10 o'clock

**Thursday, October 12**

Clear and pleasant  
Harvesting apples  
Picked 48 bushels of Baldwins  
Wm. quit work for us tonight  
Went to the corner Called at Mrs. Stetsons a few minutes  
Abbie was down to E.J. Towers  
Came home about 8 o'clock

**Friday, October 13**

Very warm and pleasant day  
I and Avans picked 40 bushels of Baldwins  
Went down to the corner I and Foss Rankins  
Called on Flora and Bell Parker this eve Allen Miller also called upon them They played and sang several pieces Then we wished them good night and took our departure

**Saturday, October 14**

Cloudy Finished hauling in and husking our Corn today  
Commenced to rain a little before dark  
Remained at home this evening  
Wrote a story for the Lodge Paper entitled Poor Charley C Lost His Sweetheart

**Sunday, October 15**

Snowing all day Cold and freezing too  
Remained at home writing  
Revised and rewrote my story  
Also wrote several advertisements Notices etc for the Paper  
Called on Mrs. Stetson and daughter this evening

**Monday, October 16**

Clear cold and Squally  
Ground white with Snow  
Sorted over apples in the shop all day  
Remained at home this evening

**Tuesday, October 17**

Clear cool and windy  
Threshed our Oats today  
Had 60 odd bushels  
Wm. Knight and S. Coose helped I picked 16 bushels of Baldwins

Went to the corner this eve  
Obtained 3 members to the [incomplete sentence]  
Avans was married this evening to Winnie L. Tolman at Lincolnville Beach by John Brackett  
Joy and happiness to them in their married life

**Wednesday, October 18**

Clear and quite pleasant  
Picking apples  
S. Coose helped us George also picked a few  
42 bushels was all we gathered  
Went over to the Lodge this evening Was selected as the next Editor of the paper Was also  
nominated to take the affirmative of the question that Knowledge was or is preferable to Riches  
Escorted Olive Drinkwater home  
This evenings debate was upon the resolve that the works of nature were more beautiful than  
those

**Thursday, October 19**

Clear and beautiful autumn weather  
Finished Picking our Baldwins today Had 577 bushels in all  
Evening went to the corner at E.J. Towers residence a few minutes Came up home about 8 o'clock

**Friday, October 20**

Warm and pleasant  
Harvesting potatoes Got 19 bushels that were marketable Several bushels that were defected  
and a few small size  
Evening went up to a sing at the Heal Schoolhouse  
Carried Sister Fannie  
Met Ed. Whitney who has just returned from Minn. after several years absence

**Saturday, October 21**

Warm foggy weather  
Harvesting potatoes Got 22 bushels of marketable ones today  
Evening remained at home engaged with my Editorial duties and studying on the questions to be  
discussed at our next meeting

**Sunday, October 22**

Warm and foggy  
Remained at home most of the day writing for my paper  
Addie Coombs was present part of the day Austin Fuller also called  
Evening went to the corner Returned Caro French's Book  
Also one borrowed of Fannie Rankins  
Parker girls were present at the latter place where I spent the evening  
Flora Sang and played several pieces

**Monday, October 23**

Warm and foggy  
Finished harvesting our potatoes today Had 170 bushels fit for market 60 bushels small size 10  
bushels defected  
Sorted apple P.M.  
Evening engaged with my editorial duties

**Tuesday, October 24**

Rainy  
My birthday 25 today  
Went to the corner P.M.  
Cleared off  
Evening went in to the Stetsons' with Herbert Heal  
Played euchre  
Lucius and Fannie Knight also came in Came up home quite early and wrote some for the paper

**Wednesday, October 25**

Clear and pleasant  
Gathering our Russets today  
Went to the Lodge tonight  
Sid Moody and John Drake joined tonight  
Elected officers and voted to move to Cilleys Hall  
Carried Olive Drinkwater home from the Lodge

**Thursday, October 26**

Finished gathering our apples of all kinds today Total of all kinds raised 875 bushels  
P.M. commenced hauling dressing  
Evening went up to ?? with C. Moody to a party  
Poor time for me

**Friday, October 27**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauling dressing  
Evening got the members of the band to gather and practiced boxing this evening  
10 members

**Saturday, October 28**

Clear and cool  
Hauling Dressing for the upper Orchard  
Evening went to the corner  
Called at Stetsons residence

**Sunday, October 29**

Clear and cool  
Remained at home A.M. P.M. went to the corner a short time  
Evening went to the Lamb Schoolhouse to a meeting

**Monday, October 30**

Clear and cool  
Wrote to Pollard Leighton & Co. Boston Mass  
inclosed \$1.00  
Hauling Dressing  
Avans hauled about 35 bushels of Cider apples up to Jolls Mill  
Went to a lecture at the corner Thence to a dance at the Beach with Jamie Tucker  
Pretty fair time

**Tuesday, October 31**

Warm and pleasant

Hauling Dressing  
Had a boxing School this eve about a dozen of the boys present

## NOVEMBER 1876

### Wednesday, November 1

Clear and pleasant A.M.  
Hauling Dressing in the farther field  
Evening went up to Cilleys' Hall to the installation  
Carried Avans up  
Quite a number of girls from the Centre went up Parker girls Georgia and Mamy Drake and Sister Fan  
The former with E.J. Gould the latter with J.C.D. & L. Rankins  
Rained coming home Carried Olive & Lily D. home

### Thursday, November 2

Warm and foggy  
Scraped the yard A.M.  
P.M. Chopping the wood in the orchard and round the fences  
Evening went down to E.J. Towers residence Quite a lively debate between Fannie Knight and myself in regard to the relative merits of the boys and girls of Lincolnville  
I took the masculine she the feminine side of the question

### Friday, November 3

Warm and foggy  
Avans hauled 18 bushels of Potatoes to the Beach 60 cts. per bushel for the same  
Hauled a cord of Hard wood to J.L. Taber  
Chopping apple tree P.M.  
Evening I and L.H. Knight called at Stetsons'  
H Heal and Fan Knight were present

### Saturday, November 4

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping wood above Alberts dam in our pasture A.M.  
P.M. Twitched the same on to highland Avans went to Rockland today  
Homer got 19 bushels of Potatoes today paid 45 cts per bushel  
Alpheus brought my boxing gloves from the express office  
Cost me \$ 5, 65 cts  
Recd. 40 cts on them from Albert Knight  
Received a brief letter from Nellie Cross

### Sunday, November 5

Clear and pleasant  
Ave got back today Win came over with him  
Annie Drake and Minnie Fuller and Fidelia Calderwood were also here today  
Chas. Moody called a few minutes  
Commenced a Poem today Knowledge vs. Wealth  
Evening called at Stetsons' a few minutes

**Monday, November 6**

Clear and pleasant  
Avans hauled 18  $\frac{3}{4}$  bushels of potatoes to the Beach  
Recd. 65 cts per bushel  
Homes also took 20 bushels of Red ones at 45 cts per bushel  
Hauling dressing  
Evening practiced Boxing with the Band Also went to a medical lecture by Dr. Homer Frank Clark  
Al. Sylvester and myself were examined phrenologically at his request

**Tuesday, November 7**

Raining hard all day  
Election day for President of U.S.  
Went to town meeting and voted for Samuel J. Tilden  
P.M. Warm discussion on politics at the centre with Gus Young and others  
Evening remained at home  
Chas. Moody stopped with me tonight

**Wednesday, November 8**

Rained A.M.  
P.M. Cloudy  
Went to the corner I and C. Moody and Lucius Knight  
Called at Stetsons a few minutes  
Evening went to the corner again  
Got in a pretty warm discussion on politics

**Thursday, November 9**

Cloudy  
Chopping apple tree  
Avans went to the Beach with 10 bushels of apples and 6  $\frac{47}{60}$  bushels of potatoes Exchanged the apples for 10 bushels of corn  
Winnie was over P.M. Wrote to Mrs. McWain and inclosed a letter to her sister Nell  
I and Wm. Calderwood and Wm. Farrar had a hot debate on politics at Waltys Store this evening

**Friday, November 10**

Cloudy  
Banking the house Chopping wood etc.  
Rained tonight  
Revised and rewrote my poem entitled Knowledge vs. Wealth

**Saturday, November 11**

Rainy  
P.M. and eve went to the corner  
I and J.C.D. practiced boxing today

**Sunday, November 12**

Raining hard all day  
Remained at home both day and evening  
Reading papers books etc.

**Monday, November 13**

Clear and pleasant

Finished banking the house and cut some boughs in the further woods A.M.  
P.M. I and Alpheus worked on the Highway  
Evening went to the corner  
Recd. of J.C.D. 50 cts on the gloves

**Tuesday, November 14**

Partially clear  
Avans went to Rockland today  
Father & Mother went to Mrs. Jones funeral  
Hauled a load of boughs to put round the house Put them round P.M.  
Evening went to the corner a short time

**Wednesday, November 15**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauling Loam on the lower orchard and spreading the same  
Evening went to the Lodge  
Had a debate with E.F. Gould and others on the Resolve that Knowledge is preferable to Riches  
A.W. Knight A. Miller Frank Wilson on the affirmative  
E.F. Gould Minot Crehore and others negative  
Read my original poem Knowledge vs. Wealth

**Thursday, November 16**

Clear and pleasant  
A.M. getting firewood under cover  
P.M. Hauling dressing on the lower orchard  
Evening went to the corner  
I and J.C. Drake called on Foss and Fan Rankins  
Flo and Bell Parker were present Invited Bell to go to James Mahoneys with me tomorrow night  
Came up home quite early

**Friday, November 17**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauled 1 cord of wood to John Taber A.M. P.M. Hauling dressing on the lower orchard Avans  
harnessed the colt etc.  
A.R. Dunton was here this evening  
Evening went up to James Mahoneys to a dance  
Carried Bell Parker  
Quite a pleasant time

**Saturday, November 18**

A.R. Dunton went home today  
Clear and pleasant  
Getting our dry wood under cover A.M.  
Mrs. Lamb was over P.M.  
Laid up rocks awhile in the yard and then went to School meeting at 3 o'clock  
Bought a piece of land of Miles Fuller to locate the new School house upon

**Sunday, November 19**

Pleasant Partially clear  
Called at Stetsons residence a little while P.M.  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Came up home and found B. Robinson present



**Monday, November 20**

Cloudy and cool  
Got a bad cold and feel about sick today  
Al. Homes got 9 bushels of Pinballs paid 80 cts. per bushel also 8 eight bushels of red potatoes at 45 cts. per bushel  
Finished getting our dry wood under cover today Hauled up a load of firewood etc  
Recd. of J. Wiley 50 cts. on the gloves  
Remained at home this evening

**Tuesday, November 21**

Cool and cloudy  
Cutting wood at the door A.M.  
P.M. Trimming apple trees  
Avans hauled a few loads of Loam  
Went to School meeting this eve

**Wednesday, November 22**

Clear and very pleasant  
Plowing Hauling dressing etc.  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Frank Clark L.H. Knight and several others joined tonight  
Had an introduction to Alice Drinkwater Escorted Miss Olive D. home Rained slightly coming home

**Thursday, November 23**

Warm and cloudy  
Trimming apple trees brush  
Win and Jen were over today  
P.M. visited the school at the centre  
Was much surprised on meeting Ida Drake to have her speak to me  
Evening called on Foss and Fan R. Parker girls present also Elmer Gould

**Friday, November 24**

Clear and pleasant  
I and Avans dug a trench in the yard also scraped the yard ploughed some ditches etc.  
Evening had a boxing school

**Saturday, November 25**

Clear and cool but pleasant  
Hauling dressing on the upper orchard  
Have hauled 70 loads in all this fall  
Avans rather sick today  
Evening went to a sing at the Youngtown School-house

**Sunday, November 26**

Clear and pleasant  
Winnie and Jennie and Mr. and Mrs. Lamb came over today  
Austin Fuller Foss Rankins and J.C. Drake were also here A.M.  
Evening Parker girls Fan Rankins and Georgia Drake were present with them John Drake Cyrus Young and Charles Manning

Wrote till eleven o'clock this evening after the young baths left upon the Lodge question (Woman Vs. Money)

**Monday, November 27**

Clear and cool  
Got up about 3 o'clock and assisted Earnest Clark who broke his shafts  
Hauling dressing  
Evening went to the corner  
I and Lucius Herbert and Mr. Fuller all met at Mrs. Stetsons residence

**Tuesday, November 28**

Clear and cool  
Hauling dressing  
Evening remained at home  
Commenced writing for my Lodge paper  
Wrote [illegible] as three articles Several comparisons etc.  
Wm. Moody died today

**Wednesday, November 29**

Clear and cool  
Hauling dressing  
Total amount hauled on the orchards 42 loads  
Evening went up to the lodge  
Opened the debate upon the question Womans influence over men is greater than the influence of Money. Affirmative A.W. Knight A. Marriner Negative Mason Stevens E.F. Gould Cyrus Young went up with me  
Escorted Olive Drinkwater home

**Thursday, November 30**

Clear and pleasant  
Thanksgiving day  
Hauling dressing A.M.  
Total number of loads hauled 90 loads  
Went to the corner P.M Recd. a letter from Nell C. & Clara McWain  
Evening went to the dance at Union Hall  
Acted as escort to Bell Parker carried her to supper escorted her home etc  
Pretty good time  
Got home Friday morning 4 ½ o'clock  
Willie Knight and Lucy Lassell were married this evening

**DECEMBER 1876****Friday, December 1**

Clear and cold  
Got up about nine o'clock this morning  
Did not do much today  
Chopped a little wood at the door  
Done the chores etc

Evening was into Stetsons Had quite a dispute with Abbie in regard to the Drinkwater girls She claiming they were affected and airy while I maintained they were not & that Alice was the best looking girl present which she disputed

**Saturday, December 2**

Snowing slightly all day  
Went to the corner A.M.  
Mr. Butler and wife were here today  
Wrote a little for the lodge Paper today  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Came home and wrote for the Paper

**Sunday, December 3**

Clear and cool  
Writing for my Lodge Paper most of the day  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes but came back and wrote for my paper till 9, 30 P.M.

**Monday, December 4**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping today  
Evening Writing for my Lodge Paper

**Tuesday, December 5**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauled a load of firewood A.M.  
P.M. Chopping  
Jennie Collamore and Uncle Abner Dunton were here P.M.  
Lyman Parkers funeral today  
Evening writing for the Lodge Paper

**Wednesday, December 6**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping and Trimming up brush and bushes by the Roadside and further field  
Evening went to the Lodge  
Declaimed a piece and read the Paper  
Drinkwater girls resented the personal articles concerning them

**Thursday, December 7**

Clear and pleasant  
Took the Rack apart and out the Double Sled together  
Carried to F. Rankins for repairs Hauled a load of wood etc.  
P.M. went to Frank Levansellers Hauling  
Evening Foss Rankins and I called on Flo and Bell

**Friday, December 8**

Clear and pleasant  
Beautiful winter weather  
Chopping over in the run  
Quit chopping and fought fire about an hour in Harvills pasture I and Albert Knight got pretty exhausted before we got it subdued  
P.M. Sorted apples awhile

J. Calderwood put a new sink in the back room  
Evening called at Stetsons awhile H.H. present

**Saturday, December 9**

Snowing slightly A.M.  
P.M. Fierce storm  
Hauled 15 bushels of Baldwins to A. Spaulding at 75 cts per bushel Flour in exchange at \$ 11.00 per barrel  
Remained at home this evening

**Sunday, December 10**

Cold and windy  
Thermometer 4 degrees below zero tonight  
Reading

**Monday, December 11**

Thermometer 2 degrees below zero  
Chopping over in the run  
Evening remained at home

**Tuesday, December 12**

Snowing hard all day  
Writing an essay for the Lodge Subject All The Worlds A Stage All The Men and Women Players  
Remained at home this evening

**Wednesday, December 13**

Warm and pleasant  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening went out to Belmont Corner to a dance  
Foss Rankins went with me  
Did not dance  
Disgusted with the time

**Thursday, December 14**

Warm and pleasant  
Went to the Beach on business  
J.C.D. went down with me  
Evening went to the corner  
Called at the Stetsons a few minutes  
Frank Young was singing song at Waltys store

**Friday, December 15**

Hauled 3 loads of firewood today  
Evening went to the corner Was introduced to Dr. Neal

**Saturday, December 16**

Pleasant A.M.  
P.M. Cold and squally  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening remained at home

Married today Mr. B.F. Fowler of Liberty and Cora Fletcher of Lincolnville

**Sunday, December 17**

Thermometer 16 degrees below zero  
Clear

**Monday, December 18**

Commenced snowing this morning  
Storm increased all day  
Evening rained  
Cut a little wood A.M. at the door  
Alpheus was over this evening  
Wrote some more on my essay (All the Worlds a Stage etc)

**Tuesday, December 19**

Came off cold last night  
Clear and cool today  
Shoveling snow round the house and cutting up wood at the door  
Evening remained at home

**Wednesday, December 20**

Clear and cold  
Cut a little wood at the door Cut down the snow got down the sleigh and jobbed round generally  
Evening called on Foss and Fan Rankins  
Flo Parker was present

**Thursday, December 21**

Went to the Cushion Woods cut and hauled a load of firewood  
Evening remained at home  
Thermometer 4 degrees below zero

**Friday, December 22**

Snowing  
Cut a little wood at the door  
Sorted over some apples potatoes etc.  
Evening went to the corner  
L.H. Knight and I were at Stetsons awhile

**Saturday, December 23**

Snowing  
Sorted over a few apples  
Evening went to the corner

**Sunday, December 24**

Clear cool and blustery  
Ave and Win were over

**Monday, December 25**

Clear cool and pleasant  
Cutting a little wood

Breaking roads about the front yard etc.  
Evening went to the dance at Union Hall enjoyed myself nicely Small company present Broke about 12 o'clock  
Escorted Bell Barker home  
Went for that Englishman from Camden about scratching my face when I had that run in Sept.  
He denied doing it went into his boots pretty quick  
Married in Rockland today Crocker Tolman and Jennie Collimore

**Tuesday, December 26**

Went to the Beach with 15 bushels of baldwins  
Exchanged them for 15 bushels of corn  
Ave carried 2 bushels of Baldwins to J.L. Taber  
Evening went to the corner Called at Stetsons  
H. Heal and Ella Pottle were present

**Wednesday, December 27**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopped a little at the door  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Took a part in the debate  
Also read an essay – Subject All The Worlds a Stage etc  
Escorted Olive D. home  
Question Anticipation vs. Realization Took the affirmative side

**Thursday, December 28**

Clear and pleasant rather cooler than yesterday  
Butchered the pigs today  
S. Page helped us  
Went to the corner a few minutes

**Friday, December 29**

Clear and pleasant A.M. P.M. Cloudy  
Cutting wood in the swamp  
Evening went down to the Trap to Bay in Lodge No. 86  
Carried Olive D.  
Tough snow storm coming home  
Had to walk a part of the way from Drinkwaters' as it was drifted so badly and stormed so hard could not keep the road and swamped the horses several times Got home at 11 o'clock

**Saturday, December 30**

Cool and squally  
Shoveling around the house A.M.  
P.M. worked 2 hours on the Highway  
Evening remained at home reading the Papers

**Sunday, December 31**

Clear and cold  
Wrote upon the subject of my contemplated debate at the Lodge  
(The Natural Impulses of the Heart Are Good)

**MEMORANDA**

Improvements in Lincolnville for the year 1876

Adelbert Drake built a house at the centre

A large lot of shade trees set out S. Page and B. Stetson made improvements in their front yards

A. Piper Laid a Water Pipe from B. Norsses Spring Albion Drake enlarged his Barn Albert Knight

Built a Dam in Father's pasture

James Dean Built a new house J. Matthews built a barn F. Levenseller built a House

**CASH ACCOUNT JANUARY**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
10			1.10
11			.60
15			.20
19			.25
26	To reprg boots		.25

Marriages in Lincolnville of Friends and Acquaintance 1876

October 17

Miss Winnie Tolman to Mr. Avans Knight

July 2

Miss Caro Billings to Capt. E.L. French

Nov. 30

Miss Lucy Lassell to Will Knight

Dec 25

Miss Jennie Collamore to Mr Crocker Tolman

Jan 1

Miss Alice Brackett to Mr Edgar Young

**CASH ACCOUNT FEBRUARY**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
12			.40
13			1.25
18	Dancing expenses		1.15
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Show and Dance		1.80
23 <sup>rd</sup>			.15

Marriages 1876 continued

March 30

Miss Etta Mathews to Mr. Horace Thurlow

Dec 16

Miss Cora Fletcher to Mr. B.F. Fowler

**CASH ACCOUNT MARCH**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dancing expenses		1.70
30	E. Parkers Horse		.50
30	Dancing expenses		.43

Deaths, 1876

March 10

Jacob Heal

May 21

James Dickey

Nov. 28

William Moody

**CASH ACCOUNT APRIL**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
1 <sup>st</sup>			.04
4 <sup>th</sup>	Recd. of Father	30.00	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Paid 1 pr. Calf boots		5.00
4 <sup>th</sup>	Sundries		1.60
10 <sup>th</sup>			.11
11 <sup>th</sup>	Ticket to Boston		2.00
12 <sup>th</sup>	Stage & R.R. fare		.80
12 <sup>th</sup>	Hack fare		.50
13 <sup>th</sup>	Sundries		.15
27	Recd of Burgess	10.00	
28 <sup>th</sup>	To Boxing Gloves		3.75
28 <sup>th</sup>	Refreshments		.75
28 <sup>th</sup>	Carfare and Express bill		.65
	Ticket to Camden		2.00

**CASH ACCOUNT MAY**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
1	Dancing Expenses		1.40
2	To Reprg boots		.70
29 <sup>th</sup>	To Oranges		.15
30	" "		.20
	Loaned Herbert Heal \$1.00		

**CASH ACCOUNT JUNE**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
3 <sup>RD</sup>			.05
13 <sup>th</sup>			.20
17 <sup>th</sup>			.15
19	To Cards and Postage		.46
20			.05
24 <sup>th</sup>	Sundries		.35

**CASH ACCOUNT JULY**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
1 <sup>st</sup>	To Concert		.10
4 <sup>th</sup>	Expenses day time		3.03
	Evening		1.55
	Horse Hire		1.00
9 <sup>th</sup>			.27
12	Recd. of Father	10.00	.20
13			



19		.13
22 <sup>nd</sup>	To Bay Rum	.40
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Candy	.05
29 <sup>th</sup>	Postage and money inclosed	.39

**CASH ACCOUNT AUGUST**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Of Chas. Billings		
	Payment in full of money		
	Loaned Jan 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1872	5.00	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tickets to Show		.60
4 <sup>th</sup>	To Candy		.10
12 <sup>th</sup>			.10
13 <sup>th</sup>	Church contribution		.10
13 <sup>th</sup>			.20
14 <sup>th</sup>	To Treats		.40
20 <sup>th</sup>	Writing paper		.10
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Camp-meeting expenses		1.70
24 <sup>th</sup>	Dancing expenses		.65
24 <sup>th</sup>	Perfumery		.60
31 <sup>st</sup>	Dancing expenses		1.05

**CASH ACCOUNT SEPTEMBER**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
4 <sup>th</sup>	Pleasure excursion		2.80
5 <sup>th</sup>			.38
11 <sup>th</sup>	Dancing		.50
12 <sup>th</sup>	Medicine		.50
13 <sup>th</sup>	To Monterey Lodge		.50
21 <sup>st</sup>	To Stationary		.50
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Recd of Father	1.00	
29 <sup>th</sup>	To Dancing		.55

**CASH ACCOUNT OCTOBER**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
10	Of Father	10.00	
10	For Shirts Hat 1 pair		
	of pants Gloves		
	Necktie etc		11.50
10	Stabling the Horse		.50
19	To Stationary		.10
30	To Dancing expenses		1.00

**CASH ACCOUNT NOVEMBER**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
1 <sup>st</sup>	To Ministers Wife		
	for contribution		.25
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cuffs and candy		.15
9 <sup>th</sup>	Postage		.07
15 <sup>th</sup>	To <u>Pass Word</u>		.15
17 <sup>th</sup>	Dancing expenses		.30
21 <sup>st</sup>	To Troches		.10

30 <sup>th</sup>	Dance & Supper	1.50
30 <sup>th</sup>	Blacking brush & Blacking	.25
30 <sup>th</sup>	Candy etc	.18

**CASH ACCOUNT DECEMBER**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
2 <sup>nd</sup>	To Repairing boots		.25
13	Stabling Horse		.25
14	To <u>Paying</u> Rent		.15
20	To 1 bottle Hair oil		.25
23	To Troches		.10
25	To Dancing		.25

**AGES OF ACQUAINTANCES**

## January 1876

Date	Name	Years
6	Jennie Jones	16
14	John E. Watson	31
14	Herbert Heal	28
14	Ella Cudworth	24
16	Ella Watson	23
17	Emma Knight	26
25	Charles Drake	29
25	Dora Cobb	27
28	Augustine Hahn	29
29	Ephraim Knight	31
31	Nellie Heal	17

## February 1876

Date	Name	Years
2	James Pottle	15
2	Charles Moody	22
16	Annie Drake	14
20	Wm. H. Knight	35
20	Israel W. Miller	35
22	Charles H. Billings	23
28	Sylvanus Coose	47

## March 1876

Date	Name	Years
4	Elmer Gould	20
15	Samson Knight	66
15	Jennie Lamb	12
17	Mrs. Ruth Coose	28
27	Ruth S. Drake	62
29	Florence E. Cross	18
31	John C. Drake	20

## April 1876

Date	Name	Years
2	Benson Noyes	40
4	Mattie Rankins	28
7	Mrs. Alice Abbott	23
10	Emma Lunt	18

10	Mattie Fernald	26
11	Nettie Rackliffe	20
11	George F. Knight	28
14	Caro J Billings	18
17	Joseph F. Lamb	35
19	Mrs. Rose Jane Mills	25
23	Nellie M. Knight	14
25	Nellie E. Cross	20
27	Mrs. Tamson Scruton	20

## May 1876

Date	Name	Years
4	Abbie E. Stetson	26
5	Lily D. Knight	5
15	Olive T. Drinkwater	21
12	James Hoffses	36
14	Aubry Coose	6
18	Delania Knight	57
18	Fannie A. Knight	21
21	Ezra B. Knight	36
25	George Stetson	31
27	Albert G. Knight	18

## June 1876

Date	Name	Years
5	Louisa Blood	14
8	C.C. Shepherd	31
10	Adella Pitcher	32
11	Winnie L. Tolman	17
16	Ida E. Drake	21
17	Ella M. Pattersen	24
20	Frank Calderwood	24
24	A.A. Knight	29
29	Mellissa Knight	35

## July 1876

Date	Name	Years
2	Carrie E. Thomas	24
5	Mrs. Emma Maddox	27
8	Etta M. Mathews	20
9	Ella Pottle	26
13	May Quinn	18
18	Mrs. Emma Knight	26
22	Minnie Fuller	13
23	Evelyn O. Cross	22
28	Gertie Adams	19
31	Mary J. Bartlett	29

## August 1876

Date	Name	Years
1	Bell Parker	16
1	Jesse Billings	26
2	Mary E. Drake	19
5	Riley Mathews	31

6	Avans Knight	23
21	Mary E. Macy	25
27	Lusannah Irish	24
15	Annie B. Lamb	11

## Sept 1876

Date	Name	Years
10	Mrs. Georgia Lamb	31
14	Alice Bailey	19
22	Annie Adams	17
25	Frank W. Knight	26
28	Nancie A. Drake	27

## October 1876

Date	Name	Years
15	Freddie Burditt	15
24	Arno W. Knight	25
28	Annie Hoffses	33

## Nov 1876

Date	Name	Years
1	Lilly Drinkwater	19
3	Rufus Knight	70
13	Lucius Knight	25
17	N.F. Knight	38

## Dec 1876

Date	Name	Years
6	Georgia Drake	19
10	Walter Knight	7
12	Sarah Cleveland	24
23	Flora Parker	18
29	Joanna Knight	59
30	Carrie Adams	13