

**JANUARY 1878****Tuesday, January 1**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to the woods A.M.  
P.M. jobbing at the door  
Joe Richards commenced chopping for father today  
Evening went to the dance at Billing's Hall Carried Lilly Drinkwater to supper  
Large company present  
Queen Mab. was quite willing to explain the past and ask me to excuse her conduct towards me  
Said if I had given her the chance would have explained before Altogether she was pretty sweet  
after coming round

**Wednesday, January 2**

Got home at 4.30 this morning  
Cutting wood at the door  
Repairing Henhouse fixing nests etc.  
Evening Snowing remained at home

**Thursday, January 3**

Clear and cold  
Chopping in the Upper Woods  
J. Richards helping me chop today  
Wm. Commenced clearing the Swamp on Cushion Lot  
Remained at home this evening

**Friday, January 4**

Snowing all day  
Went to the woods  
J. Richards quit work today noon  
Evening remained at home  
Wrote to E.F.G. and Frank Clark

**Saturday, January 5**

Squally  
Shovelling snow A.M.  
P.M. went to the corner  
Called at Stetsons'  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Declaimed a piece made out Critics report etc.

**Sunday, January 6**

Clear and cool but pleasant  
Writing A.M.  
P.M. Sorting pieces for Scrap Book  
Evening went to the corner

**Monday, January 7**

Thermometer 10 degrees below zero  
Hauled a couple loads of wood from Cushion lot  
Evening went to the corner

**Tuesday, January 8**

Thermometer 18 Degrees below zero 24 degrees at the Centre  
Hauled a load of wood Carried the Harness to Page for repairs Chopping at door etc.  
Evening remained at home writing

**Wednesday, January 9**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauling firewood from Cushion lot  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Talked upon the Resolve That public amusements are beneficial to society  
Flora Parker and Georgia Drake spent the evening with sister Fannie

**Thursday, January 10**

Looks like a storm  
Hauling firewood  
Evening H. Heal and myself played euchre at Stetsons  
Commenced to Rain this evening  
Mrs. Cora Fowler Died today

**Friday, January 11**

Rainy all day  
Writing and reading  
Evening went to the corner  
Called at Stetsons' residence  
Ella Pottle was present

**Saturday, January 12**

Partially clear and pleasant  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Talked upon the Negative of the Resolve  
That all men are created equal as the Declaration of Independence asserts  
Ned Coose and John Payson stopped with me tonight

**Sunday, January 13**

Clear and very pleasant  
Remained at home all day  
Ave and Win were over today  
Carried Win home this evening and then went up to see Olive, Alice, and Lilly  
The latter two intend to start for Framingham tomorrow  
Had quite a pleasant time The former expressed some surprise to see me

**Monday, January 14**

Rainy all day  
Reading and studying also wrote a Poem for the Lyceum Paper  
Evening Remained at home

**Tuesday, January 15**

Clear warm and windy  
Chopping on Cushion lot  
Evening went to the corner Singing School commenced tonight at the corner

Recd. of Ave \$8.00 more on the colt  
Making \$18.00 received for a half interest in him

**Wednesday, January 16**

Clear and windy growing cold rapidly  
Chopping on Cushion lot  
Remained at home this eve  
Writing

**Thursday, January 17**

Thermometer 6 degrees below zero  
Chopping on Cushion Lot  
Evening went to the corner  
Called upon Fannie Rankin gave her a poem for the Lyceum Paper

**Friday, January 18**

Clear and pleasant  
Chopping on the Cushion lot  
Wm. Is clearing the swamp today  
Evening went up to singing School

**Saturday, January 19**

Clear and lovely and warm as spring  
Chopping on Cushion Lot A.M. P.M. Cut at the door  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Spoke "Lochiels Warning" with Wm. H. Hodges  
Took part in the debate on the question that True Friendship exists only in name  
An immense crowd present

**Sunday, January 20**

Clear and springlike  
Wrote in Ella Pottles Album  
Evening went up to see my haughty Queen Mab. Stopped till the "Wee sma hours"  
"Told me I gave her no credit for favors received and would not appreciate any sacrifice or true devotion on her part"  
Oh my! What an ungrateful, unfeeling wretch I must be!  
What a stony hearted monster! To be thus indifferent to the innocent affections bestowed upon me by tender hearted and affectionate maidens!  
Oh selfish wretch that I am! To withhold my confidence and trust from these angels of devotion and live in all their innocence and constancy! All this fidelity to be rewarded by distrust, and doubts!

**Monday, January 21**

Rainy  
Writing and studying  
Evening went to the corner  
Recd. a letter from E.F. Gould

**Tuesday, January 22**

Warm and cloudy  
Trimming apple trees A.M.

P.M. writing articles for the Lyceum  
Evening went up to Singing School

**Wednesday, January 23**

Snowing  
Writing for the Lyceum  
P.M. Called upon Cousin Nancie  
Evening Remained at home

**Thursday, January 24**

Thermometer 8 degrees below zero  
Hauled a load of wood and cut at the door  
Evening called upon Fannie Rankin  
Flora Parker present also called upon A.E.S. Ella Pottle present

**Friday, January 25**

Clear and pleasant cloudy P.M.  
Hauled a load of wood and cut at the door  
Evening went up to Singing School also called upon A.E.S. Ella Pottle was present

**Saturday, January 26**

Sat. 26<sup>th</sup>  
Raining  
Hauled a load of firewood  
Rained so hard I quit work and went to writing for the Lyceum and sorting scraps for a Scrap Book  
Evening called upon Fannie Rankin  
Bell Parker was present

**Sunday, January 27**

Clear warm and springlike  
Ave and Winnie were over and spent the day  
Went to the corner a few minutes  
Evening Went to see my proud Queen Mab. Again Took her on a short ride  
Remained with her till the "Wee Sma Hours"  
Said she granted me favors accorded to no one else, that she would not ask to be treated better than I treated her that she never cared for anyone as much as she did for me But other things should be thought of wealth should be an important element with love and true regard

**Monday, January 28**

Stormy A.M. Writing  
P.M. went to the corner Called upon Cousin Nancie  
Cleared up cool and windy  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Took the affirmative upon the resolve That more men are enabled by study than by nature

**Tuesday, January 29**

Clear and cool  
Went to Camden with sister Fannie  
Stopped at the residence of G. Tower  
Evening went up to Singing School a few minutes

**Wednesday, January 30**

Cold morning moderated slightly during day  
 Recd. a letter from Alpheus also an article for the paper from Horace Gilkey  
 Evening went up to the Lodge  
 Election of officers  
 A.W. Knight F.J. Wilson and Austin Marriner  
 Comm. For nominating Officers  
 Carried Queen Mab. Home Invited me to call upon her Sunday night

**Thursday, January 31**

Clear and cool  
 Writing for Lyceum paper most of the day  
 Cut a little firewood at the door Fannie Rankin was here today assisting Fannie  
 Went to the corner a few minutes this evening Came back and wrote for the Lyceum paper till 12 O'Clock

**FEBRUARY 1878****Friday, February 1**

Cold N.E. storm  
 Writing for Lyceum paper  
 Evening went over to J. Lambs thence to the corner  
 Called upon A.E.S.

**Saturday, February 2**

Clear and cold  
 Reading and writing  
 Evening went to the Lyceum  
 Took no part in the debate That a Republic is the strongest form of Government  
 Read the Paper  
 Was loudly applauded  
 An immense crowd present Avans bled till he fainted today Mather and Emma went over and staid all night

**Sunday, February 3**

Clear and springlike  
 Ave and Mrs. Lamb were over awhile today  
 Evening called upon Queen Mab.  
 Of the past she simply said forgive I know I have not done right but do not care a snap of my finger for any one else  
 Then I asked is it not unselfish for me to trust in you I cannot allow any further confidence or deeper regard without evidence and assurance on your part then is it not useless for me to trust in you I do not think it is she answered  
 Because it would be better for me to drop everything now  
 I do not care to trust only to have my trust betrayed  
 If it is only farce between you and me I must crush every sentiment and feeling of regard for you  
 Even at the sacrifice of my own happiness I will not waste the purest affection of the heart upon one who is indifferent to me

**Monday, February 4**

Clear and pleasant

Carried Fannie and Georgia to Camden to take the Boat for Boston enroute for Franklin Mass. Got home about 6.30 this evening  
Evening went to the corner

**Tuesday, February 5**

Cloudy and warm  
Starting wood A.M.  
P.M. Cut at the door  
Evening went to Singing School

**Wednesday, February 6**

Warm and springlike  
Cutting wood on the Cushion lot Evening went to the Lodge Installation Declaimed a piece  
Danced after the Installation  
Another win where I so oft have met defeat  
Professions of regard are given me Explanations and apologies follow slight and insult till I am hoaxed and flattered into the hope that I am the favorite Fool that I am! to trust again where so many acts give the lie to all professions Am I such a weak minded fool as to be unable to break such fetters  
No though the very effort is torture to one I will not be bound in such ignoble bondage

**Thursday, February 7**

Clear warm and springlike  
Chopping A.M. on Cushion lot broke axe handle and came home P.M. writing  
Sent for a Diary by E. Parker Got it this evening  
Oh God why must we be endowed with feelings and longings that only cause us misery and torture, that quenches all the light and beauty of earth that envelopes us in dark despair and takes away even the desire of life  
Resolved to break the fetters That have made of me a pliant fool  
"But I know the wound must rankle Ere the healing touch will come  
And I know the bleeding tendrils miss the presses to which they clung  
It is hard to bear the taking Of our childhoods planted trust And I know the hours of waking Bows the spirit to the dust"

**Friday, February 8**

Clear and warm as April  
Starting wood from the Hill to the road  
Evening called upon Cousin Nancie also by special request upon Mrs. Neal Drake  
Went up to Singing School a few minutes  
Restless and gloomy  
Oh God! Why must I live but to suffer Why am I not devoid of heart and feeling since they but cause me misery  
"Brief is the work of death  
But life! The spirit shrinks to see How full ere heaven recalls the breath The cup of woe may be"  
How much one can endure and live even when life is a burden

**Saturday, February 9**

Snowstorm  
Cutting wood at door  
P.M. Went to the corner Cleared up about 4 P.M.  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Took a part in the Debate That the Pen is mightier than the Sword Talked upon the Negative

Was Elected Vice President of the Lyceum tonight  
Made the Critics report etc.

**Sunday, February 10**

Snowstorm raging all day  
Ave was over awhile today  
Copying in my Diary P.M. from Fools cap on which I have kept the present year up to this date  
Went to the corner Called on A.E.S.  
Came home and wrote a letter to A.A. Knight  
Retired at 12 O'Clock  
Supposed to be married today Geo. Rankins and Cora Rackliffe

**Monday, February 11**

Clear cool but pleasant  
Hauling firewood  
Evening went to the corner  
Came home and wrote a confidential letter to E.F. Gould in which I revealed some of my feelings  
in regard to my life and trials  
Retired at 12.30 O'Clock

**Tuesday, February 12**

Hauling firewood  
Clear and cool but pleasant  
Evening went up to Singing School  
Feeling bitter and gloomy  
Rode up with Llewellyn and Sister

**Wednesday, February 13**

Partially cloudy  
Southerly wind  
Cutting wood at the door A.M.  
P.M. Hauled about 9 feet of cord wood to Stephen Page  
Cooler and squally  
Intended to go to Belmont to the dance and take Miss Nettie R. but concluded to go up to the  
Lodge first  
Queen Mab. Came to me and excused herself in such a way that I was persuaded to remain and go  
home with her Allowed her to coax me out of my resentment although I had resolved not to do so  
as I was firm in the conviction her actions proved her preference on last Wed. evening although  
she tried to convince me to the contrary  
But I do not wish to prove unjust nor unforgiving God knows I am far from perfect and have need  
of forgiveness  
And though our confidence and trust may be betrayed through heartless pride, and selfish  
motives may sway those whom we feign would believe were good and true though doubts and  
bitterness sweep across the heart that sees lifes cherished hopes and golden dreams fade one by  
one away. Time will surely bring its retributions and regrets to every transgressor of another  
and it were better to suffer and be betrayed than ruin by injustice the happiness of one true  
heart.

**Thursday, February 14**

Clear and pleasant, but quite cool  
Hauling firewood  
Evening went to the dance at Billings Hall

Carried Queen Mab  
Had a very good time

**Friday, February 15**

Clear and pleasant  
Got home at 5,30 this morning  
Went to the Cushion Woods  
Hauling firewood  
Took the Steers with the oxen first time they were ever yoked  
Evening went to the Greenback lecture at Union Hall  
Met George Rankin and wife  
Recently married  
Dance after lecture did not stop Lam foot

**Saturday, February 16**

Clear warm and lovely  
Hauled up with a lame foot  
Made out the Lyceum Programme and reading and writing most all day  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
About 500 people present  
Lovely evening

**Sunday, February 17**

Clear and warm  
Went to the corner a little while Father and Mother went down to Sylvanus'  
Evening went to see Queen Mab  
Recd a cordial reception from her Royal Highness  
Affairs of state in a deplorable condition requiring the secret council and communion to solve the plan for future action  
Decided to fight it out on that line if it takes all summer  
Nous Verrons  
Got home wouldn't you like to know when

**Monday, February 18**

Clear and cool  
Hauling firewood  
Father Mother and Mr Robinson and family went over to Mr Lambs this evening  
Went to the corner a few minutes and came back and retired quite early to sleep the sleep of the virtuous and just

**Tuesday, February 19**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauling firewood  
Evening went to the corner Called at Stetsons' residence Ella P. was present, thence to singing school  
Conversing with Fannie E. Am averse to flirting as I might have escorted her home as I have done in days gone by under less favorable circumstances

**Wednesday, February 20**

Clear and pleasant A.M.  
Hauling firewood  
P.M. looks stormy Cutting wood at the door



Evening went up to the Lodge  
 Talked in the negative upon the resolve that  
 "Legal is preferable to Moral Suasion"  
 Carried Queen Mab home  
 Snowing slightly

#### Thursday, February 21

Clear and pleasant  
 Hauling firewood  
 Evening went to the Greenback Meeting at Union Hall  
 Quite a large crowd present  
 B.P. asked me to write a piece for her to read at the Lyceum Sat. eve  
 Gave me a favorable opportunity to act as her escort but as I said before I am averse to flirting  
 and do not avail myself of such chances as I used to think it fun to do What an old foggy the girls  
 must think I am getting to be  
 The little fools they think it smart but it is all vanity and vexation of spirit  
 The time will come when they will appreciate the regard of one true heart more than all the  
 demeaning flattery of those who trifle with true affection for pastime and present gratification of  
 self and selfish pleasures who are as indifferent to their happiness and welfare and are as  
 shallow and devoid of truth and fervor and nobleness as the empty mockery of their professions

#### Friday, February 22

Cold N.E. Wind  
 Cloudy  
 Went to the woods A.M.  
 P.M. Reading and writing  
 Commenced Snowing tonight  
 Wrote a piece on Womans Rights for Bell Parker

#### Saturday, February 23

Rainy A.M.  
 Reading  
 Alpheus got home today  
 P.M. went to the corner Foggy  
 Evening Alpheus came in and I remained at home

#### Sunday, February 24

Clear and very warm  
 Remained at home all day Ave and Win were over also Mr. Robinson and family Copied my  
 compositions on Womens Rights for Bell Parker  
 Carried it down to her this evening  
 Went up to see Queen Mab  
 Enjoy myself in her society and yet tis a pleasure that may cause regret and suffering  
 The deeper the regard the harder the parting  
 Which will surely come  
 An idle dream of happiness | poverty what a dangerous combination to wreck that will end in  
 tears and sorrow | Love Ambition and duty at the sacrifice of our happiness and fondest hopes  
 and inclinations makes our resolutions weak to follow | shrink from such a sacrifice to much  
 Human weakness hold most dear. Tis asking at the sacrifice of all my life for the good of others  
 my to grasp to consecrate all claim when it is within win till now to renounce devotion I have  
 sought to check the seeming trust and hope of love and happiness  
 Ought I to fling aside all the happiness of man

**Monday, February 25**

Clear and quite warm  
 Hauling firewood A.M.  
 P.M. Cut wood at the door  
 Evening went to the Lyceum Took a part in the debate upon the Womans Rights questions Small company present and a poor time  
 Started to go to the Concert to the Beach and carry Ave and Win but they concluded not to go So I gave it up  
 Eva Thomas is 20 today

**Tuesday, February 26**

Clear and windy with an occasional squall A.M. went over to the Woods Hauled a load of firewood  
 P.M. Cut wood at the door S. Coose and family were present  
 Evening went up to Singing School a few minutes  
 Small company present

**Wednesday, February 27**

Clear and windy but not cold  
 Iron Clad Reformers had a great meeting at the Methodist house tonight House was crowded got over 50 to sign the pledge Great excitement did not sign myself although urged hard to do so  
 Rode up with Ernest D. and sister

**Thursday, February 28**

Clear and warm  
 Hauled a load of firewood A.M.  
 P.M. Learned a declamation for the Lodge  
 Evening went up to the Lodge but a few present so I induced Queen Mab to come to the corner to the lecture by Wm. Rust of Belfast upon the currency  
 Danced a few times after the lecture Enjoyed myself pretty well  
 Large crowd present at the lecture  
 Nat Clark bantered me to buy his farm today

**MARCH 1878****Friday, March 1**

Clear and quite cool this morning  
 Feel pretty flat today Headache and lassitude of spirits  
 Did not do much of anything but read and poke round  
 Evening went to the corner  
 Called upon A.E.S. a few minutes and then went up to singing school

**Saturday, March 2**

Clear and pleasant A.M.  
 Cutting wood at the door  
 P.M. Hazy  
 Preparing for the Lyceum this evening Learning a piece to declaim also wrote a short piece upon the question for discussion  
 Evening went to the Lyceum  
 Debated upon the negative of the resolve that Tact accomplishes more than Talent

Declaimed Granelatte, Womens Rights – Are you going to see me home  
Accepted a novel invitation  
Gallantry a la mode

**Sunday, March 3**

Rainy  
Went to the corner  
Made several calls to get some exhibition books  
Evening remained at home studying

**Monday, March 4**

Cloudy showery day  
Reading and selecting pieces from The Standard Reader Cut a little wood etc.  
Evening went to the corner  
Won a decided advantage with scarce an effort on my part, that may terminate in victory  
About time to unfathom the mysteries that passeth the understanding of the uninitiated  
Innocence personified by greenness of course

**Tuesday, March 5**

Clear and pleasant  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening went to the corner  
Attended the Singing School  
Greenbackers held their Caucus tonight

**Wednesday, March 6**

Warm and foggy  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Carried Olive over and back  
Ave is having a bad time with his hand  
Mother went over to J. Lambs

**Thursday, March 7**

Cloudy and warm with a few sprinkles A.M.  
P.M. went to the corner  
Called to see Flo and Bell in regard to going to the exhibition tonight  
Recd. a letter from E.F. Gould  
Evening went up to Cilleys Hall to an Exhibition and dance Took a part in both  
Carried Flo Parker and Sister Nellie  
Did not enjoy myself very much  
Mab was unfathomable and exasperating She seems inclined to ride to many horses at once  
Perchance she may find herself unable to keep them all under her control I for one do not  
propose to play second or fill in lieu of a better at present  
First or nothing is my choice and it shall be hers

**Friday, March 8**

Clear and warm but somewhat windy  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening went to the Concert at the Centre  
Playing the agreeable to Nettie R. who was quite affable and pleasant  
Mab. Was present

Was seemingly unconscious of her presence

**Saturday, March 9**

Clear and warm  
Cutting wood at the door A.M.  
P.M. went to the Democratic Caucus  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Presided over the meeting before Intermission afterwards conversing with Nettie R.  
Making my company as agreeable as possible to her  
She was charmingly sweet and entertaining  
Married this evening Charles H. Billings and Miss Ida Heal

**Sunday, March 10**

Clear warm and lovely  
Went to the corner A.M.  
Am strangely restless, dissatisfied and exasperated  
Circumstances goad me to madness, Ambition makes me restless and miserable and my prospects for the future make me desperate while they discourage and depress. If I were content to do nothing to be nothing and have nothing life might be all reckless enjoyment and pleasure but the ambitious desire without opportunities or means is maddening torture  
P.M. Writing, wrote a note for Mab  
Evening went up to the Meeting House Singing in the Choir

**Monday, March 11**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to Town Meeting today  
Geo. Young F. Levenseller and Ellis Freeman elected selectmen over R.W. Perry A.A. Knight and H. Leadbetter  
J. Mathews Clerk  
Helen Dickey Joe Crehore and Wm. Bragg S.S. Committee  
Evening went to the corner Felt in rather a reckless mood  
I am bayed whichever way I turn So much is there to hamper my movements and plans I get desperate

**Tuesday, March 12**

Cloudy  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening went to the corner Uneasy and restless  
Called upon Fannie Rankin also upon A.E.S.  
Came home and retired quite early

**Wednesday, March 13**

Cold Rain and sleet storm  
Writing all day  
Wrote several articles for the Lyceum Paper a letter to Eph. Knight and an acrostic upon the name of Queen Mab.  
Evening Remained at home

**Thursday, March 14**

Clear and pleasant  
Cutting wood at the door  
Mailed a letter to Eph. Knight

Evening went to the corner  
 Came home and retired quite early  
 To sink to oblivious forgetfulness of the cares and woes of life and dream of rest and joy

### Friday, March 15

Cutting wood at the door  
 Evening went to the corner  
 I and Ave called upon Emma Bell and played a game or two of Euchre After which I went up to Cilleys to a dance Small company present Danced a few times with Olive, gave her a note in which I expressed a few plain facts and which will doubtless terminate our intimacy Was quite affable and invited me to call up and see her Did not tell her whether I would or not  
 Staid P.M. and evening  
 A lovely evening  
 Emma Bell gave me her card

### Saturday, March 16

Clear and pleasant  
 Cutting wood at the door  
 Evening went to the Lyceum  
 Debated upon the affirmative of the resolve that Capital Punishment should be abolished in all the States  
 Contributed to the Paper etc.  
 Buzzing Nettie R. at intermission and after Lyceum  
 Why not flirt a little with fickle beauties? They have no compunctions about trifling with the feelings of those who are true and devoted to them. Why should we hesitate to repay in their own coin of empty nothings, unmeaning flattery, and false devotion?  
 He's a poor fool who cannot teach some of them a lesson in their own game

### Sunday, March 17

Clear and pleasant  
 Went to the corner  
 Called upon Cousin Nancie and A.E.S.  
 Flirting may destroy the purest and noblest feelings the truest impulses and most innocent perceptions of heart and mind and leave in their stead coarser feelings the hypocritical deceptions the cold distrust the unmeaning professions and the crafty semblance of true regard  
 And yet we must substitute this mocking delusion counterfeit for genuine feeling or else be duped by those innocent Angels who teach us the lesson and call heartless deception and fickle falseness rare sport  
 What ideas of womanly purity and true nobility

### Monday, March 18

Sun. Continued  
 Ave and Win were over this evening  
 Went to the corner  
 Bell P. was present  
 Mon. 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Stormy Heaviest snowstorm of the winter  
 Writing all day Evening went to the corner Called upon A.E.S.

### Tuesday, March 19

Clear and pleasant A.M.  
 Breaking the steers I and Alpheus put the whole team together

P.M. Squally  
Emma Bell was up this afternoon spent the evening  
Escorted her home

**Wednesday, March 20**

Clear cool and windy  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening went to a party and dance at J. Mathews Hall  
Good time or rather a reckless one  
Flirted desperately  
Escorted Emma Bell home  
Had a confidential talk with Mother about going to Nevada She objects to having me go  
Talked over my future prospects  
With Motherly love she strove to encourage and trusted I was created for some good purpose Oh,  
if I only could meet her expectations and become of some use in the world  
What matters if I suffer?

**Thursday, March 21**

Clear cool and windy  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening met at Union Hall and made out the Programme for the final meeting of the Lyceum  
Association  
I and Bell P. called at F.R.'s after the meeting  
Fan wrote off my part of a Dialogue  
Recd. letter from Fan yesterday

**Friday, March 22**

Clear cool and windy  
Coldest morning since March came in  
Cutting wood at the door  
Mrs. Lamb was over P.M.  
Shaved my moustache off  
Called upon A.E.S. also at the residence of Fannie R. Bell P. was present Escorted her home  
Nothing like going it while your young  
Guess I've played old fogey long enough  
Sincerity meets with a poor response, fickle flattery and false devotion wins the Palm

**Saturday, March 23**

Clear and pleasant  
Cutting wood at the door  
Evening went to the Lyceum Mr. Hodge was not present and I acted as president  
Conversing with Nettie R. at intermission  
Recd. a compliment from Judge Miller as the smartest member of the Lyceum not even excepting  
Wm. H. Hodge  
Not flirting tonight although I had plenty of chances

**Sunday, March 24**

Clear and pleasant  
Very Springlike  
Went to the corner  
Called upon Emma Bell also upon Fan R.  
Bell P. was present

P.M. Writing a Poem for Lyceum

Evening went to the corner dark and foggy Called upon A.E.S.

What does it amount to – this seeming devotion and marked attention to every good looking girl of ones acquaintance Still if one does not do it and confines his attention to the lady of his choice She seems to think it is because he cannot meet with fancy elsewhere or that he is an old foggy that don't dare to have anything to do with any other girl

It is well enough therefore to be attentive enough to another to convince them that you could firt if you were so disposed and to show that others are not averse to your society

Still I would not go to that extent to raise false hopes nor profess regard above a friendly interest in their welfare and happiness in this there is no deception While flirting is deceiving and this may have the appearance of a flirtation while it is very far from it With but one would I profess a true devotion and that one should be the lady of my choice

This shallow pretense is insipid and flat compared with the pure love of one true heart

But it may be necessary to pretend sometimes to make them realize this fact

Yet I would be content with her society alone if she were content to accept me as present in her affection

### Monday, March 25

Clear cool and windy

Cutting wood at the door

Evening went to the corner

Called upon Emma Bell

### Tuesday, March 26

Clear and cool

Cutting wood at the door A.M.

P.M. went to the chopping bee at A.M. Drakes

Evening went to the Dance at Phillips Hall

Pretty fair time

Plenty of girls present Escorted Emma Bell home

### Wednesday, March 27

Cloudy

Chilly South wind

Cutting wood at the door A.M. P.M. went after the curtain at Cilleys Hall

Called upon Mab. a few minutes

Gave me a spiteful little note in reply to one previously received from me Wished to know my reasons for expressing myself as I did which I gave and reaffirmed my determination to do as I stated

She acknowledged the right and justice of the principles and professed to be willing to be governed by the same herself That is not to exact or require any right she would be unwilling to grant to me And as I stated I would not exact any allegiance or privilege that I would not be willing to grant her Rehearsed our Dialogue this eve.

Escorted Bell P. home

Recd. a letter from Fred Burditt

### Thursday, March 28

Showery

Studying my parts for the Lyceum Exhibition tomorrow night

Rained this eve

Went to the corner

Rehearsed our Dialogue at F. Rankins residence

**Friday, March 29**

Cloudy and windy  
Preparing for this evening A.M. Exhibition  
Preparing stage and rehearsing P.M.  
Evening had our Lyceum exhibition  
Had a part in two Dialogues, an original poem, a declamation and a part in Medley  
Collected the bills for dancing I and Geo. Heal appointed to take up the Collection Got \$6.02  
Dance bills got 3.25  
Did not dance much  
Queen Mab. Invited me to come up and see her Sun. night

**Saturday, March 30**

Clear and cool  
Went to the corner  
Delivered the money Recd. last night to the Treasurers of the Lyceum  
Evening I and sister Nell called upon Emma Bell

**Sunday, March 31**

Squally  
Wrote to E.F. Gould  
Went to the corner  
Intended to call upon my proud and beauteous Queen but was obliged to relinquish the idea as it rained  
Called upon E.B.F. a little while  
Volunteered some information in regard to what Bell P. said of me in connection with herself  
Come back I want to tell you something

**APRIL 1878****Monday, April 1**

Cloudy and squally  
Cut a little wood at the door  
Wrote to Sister Fan etc.  
Evening went to the corner Got A.E.S. pretty mad about Lincolnville and Boston Society  
Lots of fun!

**Tuesday, April 2**

Cloudy  
Split a few logs at the door  
Stowed away the Sleds  
Cleaned the Henhouse  
Drained the yard etc.  
Evening went to the corner  
Mailed a letter to Sister Fan, also mailed one to E.F. Gould  
Called upon Bell F. also Bell P. and A.E.S. Came home a little past 8 Ida D. was up on a visit P.M.  
Nellie had company Alice Mahoney Callie Robinson and Jennie Lamb

**Wednesday, April 3**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished cutting firewood at the door A.M. also took a stroll in the Cushion Lot  
P.M. went to the corner



Evening went up to the Lodge

Left my horse on the way and went across with Mab. Went in and had a confidential talk with her after the Lodge Said I did not know how much she had thought of me for the past 3 weeks since she supposed I had given her up Did not think she would be a pull-back to any man and that I was mistaken in thinking her aspirations were so high Thought I wanted strong evidence of a girls love, and did not put confidence in them even after they expressed it in actions and words that it took a good deal to satisfy me of their sincerity etc. More deeply involved than ever. But what can I do? Must I give her up or could I meet her expectation make any sacrifice for my sake? Could I make her happy with my present situation?

#### **Thursday, April 4**

Cold rain

Went to the corner A.M. and got the horse shod

P.M. Revising some of my Poems

Evening called upon Cousins Nancie and Ida

Got home this morning at day-break Thurs 4<sup>th</sup>

#### **Friday, April 5**

Cold drizzling rain

Wrote to Fred Burditt

Revising some of my original Poems

Got up about 3 O'Clock to carry Ave to Belfast but he concluded not to go today

Evening went to the corner a few minutes

Called upon A.E.S.

Cold and rainy

#### **Saturday, April 6**

Got up about 2,30 A.M.

Carried Ave over to Belfast to take the cars for Hallowell

Got back about 1, O'Clock P.M.

Bought a Composition Book

Went to the corner Called upon Cousins Nancie and Ida also Emma Bell

Evening remained at home

Writing my compositions

Mailed a letter to Fred Burditt

#### **Sunday, April 7**

Cold and rainy

Remained at home all day

Writing reading overhauling old letters, Compositions etc.

Evening called upon E. Bell Thomas

#### **Monday, April 8**

Cloudy and windy

Took away the Banking front of house

Trimming apple trees and clearing up things generally

Went to the corner a few minutes this evening E. Bell T. was up to see Nellie this eve Escorted her home after I returned from the corner

#### **Tuesday, April 9**

Clear and pleasant

Wrote in Florence Towers Album

Original Lines  
Evening Remained at home  
Mrs. H.E. Dickey called this evening folks all away but I and Nellie  
Writing in my Composition Book  
Copying Mss. Original

**Wednesday, April 10**

Clear and pleasant  
Burning brush in the orchards and clearing up generally A.M.  
P.M. Laying Wall  
Ruth and Aubrey were up today Sprinkled some  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Went across with Mab.  
Escorted her home and held a secret night session terminating at the first sweet dawn of light  
Said she loved me well enough to be true and constant to me and was willing to make any reasonable sacrifice for my sake That she cared more for me than anyone else and could be happy with me as far as I was concerned but there might be obstacles beyond my control to mar the happiness of each  
That there was a good deal to be thought of Did not like the idea of going into a family thought by so doing there was often trouble when these might have been happiness alone once aspired to a home of her own but did not insist upon it That I misjudged her in thinking her aspirations high only cared for comfortable circumstances or would be content with as much as she could have at home

**Thursday, April 11**

Showery  
Went up to J. Lambs A.M.  
Winnie sung several new songs  
P.M. Sylvane got a load of hay moved a load to the other barn etc. Emma Bell was present to see Nellie  
Evening went to the corner  
Returned Florence Towers Album  
Called upon A.E.S. a few minutes also upon E. Bell A.A. was present Retired quite early

**Friday, April 12**

Heavy Rainstorm  
Copying and revising some of my compositions  
Evening went to the corner  
Called upon E.B. Thomas

**Saturday, April 13**

Showery  
Laying wall A.M.  
P.M. Went to the corner played Bull  
Went to School Meeting Was elected Agent  
Evening went to the corner  
Called upon A.E.S. a few minutes

**Sunday, April 14**

Writing Mss. Part of the day  
P.M. Called on E.B.T.  
Evening went up to see Queen Mab.

Explained to her the necessity of our parting with the views she entertained, although there was nothing unreasonable in the request

Threw off all reserve and clung to me with a fondness that proclaimed a depth of affection pure and true My God, no wonder I am exasperated and maddened to desperation when I must sacrifice every bright dream of happiness and love and cast aside the tender love of one who is dearer to me than all the world beside a true and lovely woman whose devotion would lead her to brave the uncertainties and hardships of a frontier life with me would I permit her so to do Told her how impossible it was for me to hazard her happiness and drag her down with my misfortunes should prove unfortunate for myself perhaps it matters not if I must relinquish every blessing that tantalizes by being placed within my reach only to know that I have not the power to take nor right to blast it by transplanting to less congenial surroundings if I must submit in utter helplessness to unwelcome facts I must try and bear with manly fortitude the hard realities of adverse circumstances Yet I am thought selfish and unfeeling for the noblest promptings of my nature and my high conceptions of a noble unselfish life and the requirements... of my nature which will not allow me to seek for pleasure nor find happiness in lower standard that satisfy a less aspiring and less noble nature Misery often causes me act as to seemingly belie my feeling and professions even when they do not if the act and nature were fully understood How deeply my feelings and noblest impulses were stirred my words could not express and Mab. turned away in speechless agony as we parted

### Monday, April 15

Cloudy

Laying Wall

Miserable and dejected

Expressed the bitterness of my feelings to Mother

Evening went up to Wins with Nellie and E.B.T.

Actions belie my feelings tonight What a contrast in every respect to last night without wishing to do so caused a certain person to [??] a regard for me

### Tuesday, April 16

Laying Wall

Cloudy and warm

Went to the corner Called upon E.B.T. to bid her goodbye

### Wednesday, April 17

Pleasant

Laying Wall

E.B.T. went home today

Dance at the Centre tonight did not go

Went up to the Lodge Escorted Mab. over and back Went in and had a long talk with her Was willing to wait for me two years but did not encourage her to do so

### Thursday, April 18

Clear and pleasant

Uncovered the strawberry vines A.M. P.M. took away the banking back side of the house

Evening went to the corner

Recd. a letter from Sister Fan inclosing one from her friend Lu. Berry

Called upon A.E.S. a few minutes

### Friday, April 19

Clear and pleasant

Fencing A.M.

P.M. working on the apple trees  
Evening went to the corner

**Saturday, April 20**

Clear warm and pleasant  
Fencing A.M.  
P.M. Went to the corner  
Played ball  
Recd. a letter from E.E. Lamb applying for the summer school  
Evening went to the corner  
Getting a list of the scholars and ages of each in District No. 4

**Sunday, April 21**

Sun and clouds  
Went to the corner a few minutes A.M.  
P.M. Writing  
Evening went up to see Mab.  
Who said she would wait two years or longer for me if I wished her to do so  
Warned her not to bind herself by any engagement that she might regret that she might wait in vain for me to better my condition and by waiting for me might lose many eligible chances but as she was confident she should not regret her choice and resolution especially as she thought she should not love anyone else as well as myself and considered a single life preferable to marriage without love she preferred to wait for me I accepted her proposition and promised every effort to prove worthy of success and her love

**Monday, April 22**

Pleasant  
Laying Wall  
Evening went to the corner  
Albert Knight and Del Hall had a fight

**Tuesday, April 23**

Clear and pleasant  
Fencing  
Evening went down to Braggs to see if I could get Nell to teach the Summer School

**Wednesday, April 24**

Foggy  
Fencing  
P.M. Went to the corner  
Evening went up to Cilleys Hall  
Carried Mab over no Lodge Danced a few times and went in with Mab. awhile after carrying her home

**Thursday, April 25**

Cloudy but pleasant  
Fencing  
Evening went to the Iron Clad meeting and organization at the Methodist House  
Large company from Union, Appleton, Searsmont, Belmont and other places

**Friday, April 26**

Showery

Made out the School Agents Census Returns A.M. Fencing a little etc. P.M. and evening went to the corner

**Saturday, April 27**

Rainy

Writing and copying Mss.

**Sunday, April 28**

Foggy

Went to the corner awhile P.M.

Evening went up to Church but the minister did not come

**Monday, April 29**

Foggy and rainy

Reading and writing all day

**Tuesday, April 30**

Foggy and rainy

Laid wall awhile A.M.

P.M. went to the corner also a few minutes in the evening

Nellie Bragg agreed to keep the school at \$5.50 per week and board

**MAY 1878****Wednesday, May 1**

Foggy

Driving round about all day on business

Called upon Olive P.M.

Evening went to the dance at Phillips Hall

Carried Olive D. to Supper

Pretty fair time

But a small company present

**Thursday, May 2**

Clear and warm

First clear day since April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Fencing

Evening pretty tired but went to the corner a few minutes

Flo. Parker got home today

**Friday, May 3**

Thermometer 82.0 in the shade

Fencing A.M.

P.M. Went to Camden after a Dr. for Father as he was taken very sick last night and continues to grow worse today Got Dr. Huse

Went to the corner a few minutes this evening

**Saturday, May 4**

Clear and very warm  
Fencing  
Went to the corner this evening

**Sunday, May 5**

Partially clear and quite pleasant  
Showery P.M.  
Went down to see Nellie Bragg about commencing school  
Thence to see Queen Mab.  
Evening remained at home or rather went to the corner and mailed a letter to Fannie and came home

**Monday, May 6**

Clear warm and pleasant  
Fencing and hauling fencing material  
Went down to Sylvanes after I was done work this evening  
Was very tired  
Ironclads meet again tonight  
F. Russ was down this morning to see my colt

**Tuesday, May 7**

Clear and warm  
Done our first Ploughing and planting today  
S. Coose helped me  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes

**Wednesday, May 8**

Cloudy A.M.  
P.M. Clear and warm  
Planting potatoes Sowed Peas etc. S. Coose helped me today  
Evening went up to the installation Carried Olive over and back Came home and found Father much worse and quite crazy Went immediately for Dr. Neal Found him at Dave Crosses residence

**Thursday, May 9**

Partially clear and quite pleasant  
A.M. made a pen for a couple of pigs which I got of Frank Rankins this morning and jobbing generally  
Father very sick P.M.  
Sat up with Father again tonight making two nights in succession  
Retired about 4 O'Clock this morning

**Friday, May 10**

Clear and pleasant  
Planted a few hills of corn  
Worked on my strawberry beds and jobbing on the farm  
Feel pretty well fagged today  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes

**Saturday, May 11**

Cooler and partially cloudy

Planting corn and potatoes and ploughing  
S. Coose worked for me today  
Father seems a little better today  
By the strong spirit's discipline  
By the fierce wrong forgiven, By all that wrings the heart of sin  
Is woman won to Heaven  
N.P. Willis

**Sunday, May 12**

Partially clear and quite pleasant  
Almasia Drake wife of Albion Drake Died today  
Went to the corner Called upon A.E.S. also upon Carrie Thomas

**Monday, May 13**

Plowing and hauling off rocks all day  
Evening remained at home and burnt my brush  
Father seems a little better

**Tuesday, May 14**

Cold and cloudy  
Planting Sweet corn Squashes Cranberry Beans etc. A.M.  
P.M. Planting potatoes  
S. Coose helped me today  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Phillips was to have a dance tonight  
Mostly strangers present Did not go  
Worked hard and late and was pretty tired

**Wednesday, May 15**

Olive Drinkwater 23 today  
Froze ice last night  
Clear and quite pleasant  
Plowing and planting potatoes  
Ruth helped me all day  
Evening went up to see Queen Mab. Found her as charming and loving as ever Said it seemed weeks since she had seen me  
Spoke of the note I gave her two months ago and said she didn't sleep much that night

**Thursday, May 16**

Got home at daybreak  
Showery all day  
A.M. Sowed some grass seed and jobbing in general  
P.M. Fencing  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Ernest D. came down and got some seed corn

**Friday, May 17**

Clear and warm  
Sowed a piece of Oats and picked up and hauled off the rocks from the ground also plowed and planted some  
Evening went to the corner

**Saturday, May 18**

Plowing planting and hauling dressing  
S. Coose helped me today  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Called upon Carrie Thomas  
Fannie A. Knight 23 today  
Mother is 59  
He is but a poor fool who trusts with blind implicit confidence the fickle changing love of a woman

**Sunday, May 19**

Clear and quite pleasant  
Went to the funeral of Bennie Richards Carried Sister Nellie  
Called at Widow D's a few minutes previous to the funeral  
Evening went to the Ironclad Meeting Escorted A.E.S. home  
Poor rule that won't work both ways  
Those who bestow particular favors upon every admirer cannot claim my undivided attention If they care for that they must grant what they exact

**Monday, May 20**

Hauling dressing and plowing  
Also went to Camden after Dr. Paine for Father  
Went to the corner a few minutes this eve  
Came home and sat up with father  
What a mysterious problem is life!  
What thrice mocked fools are we (as the poet Willis says) if there is nothing beyond earths feverish dreams for the aspirations of man  
How selfishly thoughtless of the sickness, suffering and afflictions of our fellow man we are all inclined to be as long as we ourselves escape their trials and their misery

**Tuesday, May 21**

Rainy day  
Sowed some grass-seed and chaff A.M.

**Wednesday, May 22**

Rainy foggy day  
Fencing in the Swamp  
Evening went to the corner  
Called upon A.E.S.  
Ella Pottle was present  
Elvira Morrill Died today aged 21 years

**Thursday, May 23**

Foggy and showery  
Fencing in the Swamp today  
Avans got home was over P.M. but I did not see him

**Friday, May 24**

Clear and cool A.M.  
P.M. Warm  
Hauling dressing and plowing



Evening went to the corner

**Saturday, May 25**

Warm and cloudy  
Fannie came home today  
Sowed a piece of Oats and planting corn  
Ave helped me today  
Evening remained at home

**Sunday, May 26**

Foggy A.M.  
P.M. Warm and pleasant  
Evening went to see Mab.

**Monday, May 27**

Planting garden  
Ave helped me today

**Tuesday, May 28**

Planting today  
Corn and Beans

**Wednesday, May 29**

Clear and pleasant  
About finished planting today  
Evening went to the Lodge  
Carried Mab did not stop after lodge

**Thursday, May 30**

Clear and pleasant  
Working on the Highway  
Went to the corner a few minutes this evening

**Friday, May 31**

Clear and pleasant  
Working on the Highway 10 ½ hours  
Evening remained at home

**JUNE 1878**

**Saturday, June 1**

Clear and warm  
Working on the Highway  
Evening went to the corner with Fan and Nell  
Called on Nancie and Ida also upon Fan R.  
Mamy Annie and Georgia Drake present also Bell P.

**Sunday, June 2**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to the corner awhile A.M. and P.M.

Ave and Win went down to Sylvanes

Evening went to see Mab took her on a ride came back and stopped till the wee Sma' hours  
Dissolved all past arrangements and cancelled all pledges by mutual agreement for reasons best known to ourselves Oh the inconsistency of womans nature! Mab wept and showed a deep emotion which proclaimed the depth of her affection and the bitterness of the parting when she knew one word from her might make a change yet she talked with deep feeling earnestness and wished me to consider her a friend and thanked me for the treatment and respect I had showed her Said if I left her as I threatened I would be married before 6 months and if I wasn't she would remain single as long as I did

### **Monday, June 3**

Clear and warm

Finished our garden and planted a few beans which finishes our planting unless we break up a piece

P.M. Mowed the front yard sprouted potatoes and jobbing generally

Went to the corner in the evening

### **Tuesday, June 4**

Foggy most of the day

Working on the highway 10 hours

Evening went to the corner

### **Wednesday, June 5**

Clear and Hot

Thermometer at 90 in the shade

Laying Wall A.M. Avans worked for Alpheus

P.M. Sprouting Potatoes Sold 5 bushels at 40 cts per bushel \$2.00

Went over the apple trees and killed the Caterpillars Evening went up to L. Knights thence to the Lodge Danced after the Lodge

Carried Mab home Talked to her in a better way and accused her of a shallow love for me if it could not stand the test of poverty or make any sacrifices for my sake

Warned her that I should not have anything more to do with her nor come to see her any more Said did not wish me to stay away wanted me to come when-ever I could Was willing to make sacrifices for my sake and would renew our former position towards each other and if I came to her if it wasn't for ten years I would find her single for she cared for me alone and would not marry where she did not love nor would poverty interfere all she asks is a home of her own where she would be no more off them at present

### **Thursday, June 6**

Clear cool and windy

Broke up about a third of an acre and sowed to fodder corn today also set out some cabbage plants and planted a few potatoes

### **Friday, June 7**

Cleaned out the cellar

Hauled some gravel for the barn doors cleaned out the drain back of the House hauled some rock of from the garden watered the garden etc.

Evening remained at home

### **Saturday, June 8**

Laying wall all day

Avans went to Camden A.M. Worked P.M.

Evening commenced to rain  
 Rained all night  
 Remained at home this evening

### **Sunday, June 9**

Cool and cloudy  
 P.M. Went to the Ironclad Meeting  
 Evening Took Mab on a ride Had a strong womans freak which she refused to explain and I could not understand Parted with cool indifference on her part and proud resentment on mine after mainly endeavoring to persuade her to explain Bade her good bye forever and told her all concessions hereafter must come from her, that I never should seek any explanation again nor even speak till she made the first advances  
 Oh the strange inconsistencies of human nature where false professions seek to hide the selfish unfeeling motives that sway the heart Well may we ask Oh God! Is there anything true and noble in this fair world of false delusions  
 Wrote a line or two to E.B. Thomas in Nell's letter

### **Monday, June 10**

F.B. Duntons store was burnt this morning  
 Jumped out of bed and rushed to the fire  
 Worked hard for about an hour  
 Burnt my face some while standing on the barn throwing water  
 Ave worked for B. Robinson  
 Laying wall A.M.

### **Tuesday, June 11**

Rainy A.M.  
 Working in the Shop made out some Post etc.  
 P.M. Laying Wall  
 Ave assisted me  
 Evening called upon A.E.S.  
 Ella P. present  
 Lots of fun

### **Wednesday, June 12**

Showery A.M.  
 Laying Wall  
 P.M. Hoeing corn and mowing round the house  
 Evening went to the corner  
 Called upon A.E.S.  
 Flat as a pancake

### **Thursday, June 13**

Cloudy with a little sunshine  
 Shower just at night  
 Hoeing Corn  
 Avans worked for Alpheus  
 Went to the corner this evening  
 Calm and beautiful  
 One of those rarely lovely nights that like the tranquil happy days of life so seldom gleams across the stormy sky of human existence

**Friday, June 14**

Clear and very pleasant  
Hoeing corn and Potatoes  
Avans worked for Alpheus  
Barnums Great Circus at Belfast today  
Would liked to have went but must sacrifice my own wishes and pleasure for the sake of others  
If it were or would be of any avail it would seem more encouraging

**Saturday, June 15**

Clear and pleasant  
Hoeing Potatoes  
Ave worked for Alpheus  
Evening went to the corner  
Got my Shoes of E. Parker Done some trading with B. Robinson etc.  
I am impatient and dissatisfied and my proud spirit frets and chafes under its fetters like a caged lion in angry fury  
And yet if I am to be estimated for wealth rather than worth I can fling aside such love and esteem with proud disdain and contempt not perhaps with regret but thank God my conscience is clear in this respect for I have tried to do my duty and prove worthy of the esteem of those for whom I care and if I have failed through lack of wealth or whatever the cause my conscience does not upbraid me with falseness nor deceit  
Distrust embitters and falseness rankles in the heart where it is betrayed by our fair ideal of purity and honor

**Sunday, June 16**

Clear and warm  
Writing A.M. for Austin Marriners lodge paper  
Chas Moody and Mr Thomas of Rockland were present  
P.M. Went to the Ironclad meeting Had quite a talk with Nettie Evening went to the corner

**Monday, June 17**

Cloudy and rainy  
Shelling corn A.M.  
P.M. Picking up and cutting wood  
Evening

**Tuesday, June 18**

Hoeing Potatoes and planting Beans as I hoed  
Ave worked for Alpheus  
Evening Carried Sister Nellie to Stanley Musicians and Menagerie

**Wednesday, June 19**

Clear and hot  
Nice hay day  
Mowed about 2 hours below the barn this morning  
Hoeing Corn  
P.M. Went to the Raising of Wm. McKinneys Barn  
Evening Remained at home Clipped the front yard and roadside

**Thursday, June 20**

Clear and very Hot

Mowed below the barn this morning about 2 hours  
Hoeing Corn  
Hauled in some Hay etc.  
Evening Nellie Bragg Came up and played Croquette  
Escorted her home Was introduced to Nellie Snow this evening  
Bugging Abbie etc.

**Friday, June 21**

Clear and pleasant  
Hoeing Potatoes  
Avans worked for Alpheus  
Hauled in about 2 tons of hay  
Remained at home this evening working till about 9 O'Clock

**Saturday, June 22**

Ave went to Rockland  
Mowed by the roadside this morning after which I Hoed Potatoes and planted Beans  
Evening went to the Corner  
Phillips had a Dance Did not take any part or even go into the Hall

**Sunday, June 23**

Dreary Rainy day  
Wrote a temperance Essay  
Reading etc.  
Evening went to the corner  
Called upon A.E.S.

**Monday, June 24**

Mowing in the orchard P.M.  
A.M. Worked in the garden  
Ave got back from Rockland  
Evening went to the corner  
Dick Marty had a show  
Did not go although invited by a young lady to carry her

**Tuesday, June 25**

Showery  
Carried the girls down to Youngtown Mountain strawberrying  
Came back and went to the corner and help reset the old Liberty Pole  
P.M. fixed the underpinning of the Barn put the Hay Rack together etc. Evening went to the corner Called upon A.E.S. Ella P. and Villa were present  
Went to a Universalist lecture with them

**Wednesday, June 26**

Clear and cool  
Hoeing Potatoes  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Carried Eva Miller  
Mab. made advances enough to come and speak Had nothing to say or do with her except to answer her salutation  
Conversed a few moments with Lilly D. E.L. and others

Such freaks are to whimsical and frequent to be agreeable and bespeaks a fickle Capricious nature that would be hardly desirable for a constant companion  
 And so the silken cord is severed forever and I am free from a bondage that was none the less galling because the bitter mere willingness around

#### Thursday, June 27

Clear and warm  
 Mowed a little in the orchard after which we finished hoeing our Potatoes and recultivated our first piece of Corn  
 Evening Nellie Bragg came up and played Croquette  
 Escorted her home and made arrangements for a Croquette party at Rackcliffes Sat evening 29<sup>th</sup> inst.  
 Spoke to her about Winter School etc.  
 Recd. a note from E.B.T.

#### Friday, June 28

Showery  
 Hoeing Corn and Beans  
 Evening went to the corner  
 Called upon A.E.S.

#### Saturday, June 29

99 in the shade  
 Rehoeing our corn  
 Hauled in 2 loads of hay  
 Evening Carried Nellie Bragg home and we went over to Rackcliffes and played Croquette after which Nettie played upon the organ  
 Got home at 11,30

#### Sunday, June 30

100 in the shade  
 Went down to the pond this morning  
 A.M. Went up on the upper road  
 Called at E. Knights and R. Moody  
 P.M. Remained at home Ave Win and the Baby were over  
 Evening Called upon A.E.S.

### JULY 1878

#### Monday, July 1

100 in the shade  
 Mowing A.M.  
 P.M. finished Hoeing  
 Raked the hay etc.  
 Remained at home this evening Feel so discouraged that I lack life and resolution to strive  
 Past efforts have seemed so useless and the future looks so hopeless

#### Tuesday, July 2

104 in the shade  
 Finished mowing upper orchard and mowed quite a piece in the little field  
 Hauled in 2 loads of hay

Remained at home this evening pretty well exhausted with work and heat

**Wednesday, July 3**

Haying  
104 in the shade  
Finished mowing the little field and hauled in 2 loads of hay  
Phillips had a dance this evening Did not attend  
Fan and Nell went Went to the corner a few minutes  
Went into the Hall to see who was present  
Queen Mab was present although I did not see her

**Thursday, July 4**

Thermometer nearly 100 in the shade  
Working part of A.M.  
Washed the wagon and reprimed about the Barns  
P.M. went to the corner  
Evening went down to Rackcliffes and invited Nettie to go to Bracketts grove with me which invitation she accepted  
Got home at 4,30 July 5<sup>th</sup>  
Fair time What matters if not satisfied One may find a reckless pleasure in the follies of the world when higher and purer desires are denied  
Why regret the falseness of hopes bright dreams Time obliterates the sting of regret and the memories of pleasure  
Life is not altogether as we make we are all dependent on one another for happiness Yet somethings are within our control as it least seem to be and of those things conducive to our happiness provided they do not infringe upon the happiness of others

**Friday, July 5**

Haying  
Mowed Piper field and part of lower orchard  
Hauled in 1 load  
Evening called upon Nellie Bragg in regard to School business  
Concluded to close tomorrow 6<sup>th</sup> Did not care for the Winter school at \$25,00 per month and I engaged G.E. McCarthy of Camden for that sum

**Saturday, July 6**

Clear and windy  
Haying  
Hauled 1 load  
Finished mowing lower orchard and mowed some in further field  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Made out an order for Nellie Bragg  
Hosmer got a load of hay  
1060 lbs

**Sunday, July 7**

Clear and pleasant  
Working most of the A.M.  
Destroying Potato Beetles  
P.M. Went to the corner  
Called at Stetsons Lots of company while I was present  
Capt Noyes Celia Nicholls Ella P and E. Pottle and wife

Evening went to the Ironclad meeting Made a few remarks when [illegible]

**Monday, July 8**

Thermometer 101 in the shade  
Haying  
Hauled 2 loads  
Tried the machine again today Broke after using about an hour

**Tuesday, July 9**

Clear and hot thermometer 102 in the shade  
Finished mowing the orchard field  
Hauled in 2 loads of hay

**Wednesday, July 10**

Clear and hot  
Thermometer near 100 in the shade  
Mowed this side of the run  
Cleared out the orchard field above the road  
Hauled in two loads  
Cleared up cooler tonight  
Worked till about 9 o'clock  
Frye got a load of old hay today at \$12 per ton

**Thursday, July 11**

Clear and cooler quite pleasant  
Mowed with Alpheus' machine P.M.  
Hauled in 2 loads  
Worked till 9,30 this evening  
Frye got another load of hay

**Friday, July 12**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished mowing the further field which finishes our mowing above the road  
Hauled in 3 loads  
Worked till 9 O'Clock this evening

**Saturday, July 13**

Foggy A.M.  
Weeding the Garden  
P.M. Clear and warm  
Killing Potato Bugs  
Mowed thistles by the roadside

**Sunday, July 14**

Clear and warm  
Remained at home most of the day  
Reading  
Went to the corner a few minutes P.M. and evening  
Quite a crowd at the Ironclad but no meeting as the officers were absent



**Monday, July 15**

Clear cool and windy  
Commenced mowing A.M. in the lower field  
Hauled in 2 loads from further field which finished our haying above the road  
P.M. Had Alpheus's mowing machine and mowed quite a piece

**Tuesday, July 16**

Cloudy and cool  
Mowed awhile this morning  
Repaired the Piggery went over the Potatoes destroying Beetles etc.  
P.M. Went over to the Cushion Lot Raspberrying  
Cocked the hay etc. Evening remained at home  
Commenced to rain

**Wednesday, July 17**

Rainy  
Writing  
Revised the Poem or Acrostic upon Queen Mab  
Reading Whittier, Lowell, and Longfellow

**Thursday, July 18**

Foggy morning  
Cleared up A.M.  
Sowed some English Turnip seeds  
P.M. Working upon the hay  
Sold our oxen to Packard today to go when we get through haying Price \$125  
Nellie Varnished the Wagon

**Friday, July 19**

Good hay day  
Hauled in 5 loads  
S. Coose helped us P.M.  
First help we have had in haying  
But one heart lies beneath, and that is good,  
As are all hearts when we explore their depths  
Therefore, great heart bear up! thou art but type Of what all lofty spirits endure that fain Would  
win men back to strength and peace through love  
Each hath his lonely peak and on each heart Envy, or scorn, or hatred, tears lifelong With vulture  
beak; yet the high soul is left  
And faith which is but hope grown wise, and love  
And patience, which at last shall overcome

**Saturday, July 20**

Poor hay day  
Fog came in P.M.  
Hauled in 2 loads of hay  
Commenced mowing on the Western Intervale Left a piece of upland for machine mowing  
S. Coose helped today

**Sunday, July 21**

Foggy day

Remained at home A.M.  
P.M. Went to Church  
Elder Boynton of Searsmont Preached  
Evening Called upon A.E.S.  
Remarkably sweet  
Thinks perhaps I am playing lover  
Why not deceive since all are false and the most heartless the most successful in life  
Truth and honor, and human feelings for another misfortunes but augments our own and purest  
love a dupe to false deceit  
Saw Alice and Olive had a brief former invited me to come up and see them  
Lucius and Nettie were riding out this eve

**Monday, July 22**

Clear and pleasant A.M.  
Mowing on the Intervale  
Also had Alpheus's machine to finish mowing the upland  
P.M. Hauled in one load when a shower came up and caught the rest all flat  
Rained all the afternoon  
Writing and reading

**Tuesday, July 23**

Cloudy A.M.  
Working in the garden  
P.M. Cleared up and we went to haying  
Finished mowing upland with Alpheus machine  
Got the hay raked and Hauled in 1 load Showered again Got the load a little wet

**Wednesday, July 24**

Smoky and thick A.M.  
P.M. Clear good hay weather  
Hauled in 3 loads which finished our upland haying  
Worked till near 10 O'Clock tonight  
S. Coose worked today Sent him home though about sunset  
Work is relief from misery and a weary body a balm for a weary spirit

**Thursday, July 25**

Clear and fair hay day  
Hauled in 3 loads  
Finished mowing Western Intervale and mowed a little on the Eastern side  
Worked till about 9 O'Clock  
S. Coose worked today

**Friday, July 26**

Rainy  
Showery day  
Reading and trying to pluck up courage enough to study but felt so spleeny failed miserably  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes

**Saturday, July 27**

Rained and blowed hard last night  
Cloudy A.M.  
P.M. Cleared away

Spread out part of the hay  
Evening went to the corner  
Called upon A.E.S.

**Sunday, July 28**

Clear and pleasant  
Haying most all day  
Hauled in 3 loads  
Bell T. Called this morning  
Came up with Eva last night  
Went down and buzzed her a little after got the hay in  
Evening called upon Eva  
Thence to Parkers residence  
Got Flo to sing

**Monday, July 29**

Clear and pleasant  
Mowing most of the day  
First days mowing in the Eastern side  
Hauled in 1 load  
Worked till about 9,30 (Tired)  
Come unto me  
All ye that are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest

**Tuesday, July 30**

Cloudy with a few sprinkles  
Hauled 1 load of hay and stowing away in the barn  
Grinding scythes etc.

**Wednesday, July 31**

Cleared away again  
Mowed A.M.  
P.M. Raked up the hay and Hauled 1 load down to Sylvanes  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Writing today  
Rained some  
Ave Alpheus Fan and Wm. Went blueberrying

**AUGUST 1878****Thursday, August 1**

Cleared away today  
It was today instead of yesterday that we mowed and raked A.M. and hauled a load to Sylvane  
who helped us  
Rained this evening

**Friday, August 2**

Rainy  
Writing and reading  
Went to the corner P.M. and evening a few minutes

**Saturday, August 3**

Foggy but Cleared away about 11 O'Clock  
Went to Camden with Alpheus  
Thence up round by the Beach to the Democratic Caucus was Elected a delegate to the County Convention  
Evening went to the corner

**Sunday, August 4**

Cleared away about 10 O'Clock  
And we went to haying  
Hauled in 4 loads  
Wm. Helped us after supper  
Alpheus finished haying today  
Worked late and was pretty tired But not so tired in body of work, as in mind of poverty and misfortunes of doubts and discontent

**Monday, August 5**

Foggy  
Broke away P.M.  
Mowed a little A.M.  
Evening went to the corner  
Called upon Carrie and Eva Thomas

**Tuesday, August 6**

Foggy misty day  
Finished mowing our meadow A.M.  
S. Coose helped us 2 or 3 hours  
P.M. Lila Adams was present also C. Moody and John Wiley  
Evening went to the corner  
Avans is 25 today

**Wednesday, August 7**

Foggy  
Broke away just before noon  
Spread out our hay and raked it up etc.  
Evening went up to the Installation  
Ave went up with me  
Had a dance  
Reconciliation between I and Mab Carried her home invited me come and see her etc.

**Thursday, August 8**

Clear cool nice hay day  
Finished Haying or Hauled in 3 loads besides hauling an up load and horse load to Sylvane  
Mowed the Oats Sylvane helped us today  
Ave mowed on his meadow A.M.  
Evening went to the corner

**Friday, August 9**

Cloudy foggy day with a few sprinkles of rain  
Hauled in a load of Aves hay and a load of Oats  
P.M. Breaking up in the lower field

Ave was digging a drain just below the Lower Orchard  
Evening went to the corner

**Saturday, August 10**

Clear and pleasant  
Helped Ave mow his meadow  
Hauled up 1 load

**Sunday, August 11**

Clear and pleasant  
P.M. Went to Church  
Boynton of Searsmont presiding  
Evening went to see Mab.  
Resumed our former understanding

**Monday, August 12**

Clear and pleasant  
Mowed the Oats A.M.  
P.M. Hauled a few rocks and laid up some wall also got the last load of Aves hay  
Evening went to a Political discussion at the Centre between Wilder Perry and Thomas Nichols  
large Audience

**Tuesday, August 13**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to Belfast as a delegate to the Waldo Co. Democratic Convention  
Also attended the Democratic Congressional Convention  
Alpheus and Wm. Went over with me  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Ave Hauled in the Oats

**Wednesday, August 14**

Clear and hot Thermometer 94 in the shade  
Mowed a little Aftermath  
Cutting bushes in the swamp etc.  
Ave worked on the Highway 6 ½ hours  
Evening went up to the Lodge Took part in the discussion upon the resolve that intemperance is  
a sin of ignorance only  
Carried Mab. home  
Said she did not care to flirt anymore that she could see the folly of it and it was insipid

**Thursday, August 15**

Foggy  
Ave helped Alpheus mow part of his wheat  
Mowed a little more rowan and out bushes in the swamp rest of A.M.  
P.M. Plowed the knoll below the barnyard and hauling the rocks for the stone road on the  
meadow  
Evening went to the corner

**Friday, August 16**

Foggy and warm  
Hauling rocks in the meadow for a road and the loam for rough places in the field

Evening went to the corner

**Saturday, August 17**

Rained last night and pouring right down this morning

Broke away A.M.

P.M. C. Moody called upon me went to the corner and we called upon Carrie and Eva

Evening Dance at Phillips Hall Went down a few minutes but did not dance A.E.S. invited me to escort her home

**Sunday, August 18**

Raining hard all day

Wrote a few scraps for the Lodge Paper in reply to M.F. Stevens

Remained at home all day Reading and writing

Evening went to the corner a few minutes

**Monday, August 19**

Squally A.M.

Hauled some fencing over to the Sheep Pasture

P.M. Ave started for Owlshead

Mowing weeds also a little rowan and pulling weeds out of the Potato patch

Evening went to the corner a few minutes

**Tuesday, August 20**

Clear and pleasant with one or two slight squalls

Setting over fence in the sheep pasture

**Wednesday, August 21**

Hauling rocks for a wall in the Sheep pasture

Evening went to a political lecture at the Centre

**Thursday, August 22**

Clear and pleasant

Hauling rocks and laying wall in the Sheep pasture

Evening went to the corner

**Friday, August 23**

Clear and pleasant

Mowing Rowan A.M.

P.M. Helped Alpheus Haul in his Wheat

Evening went to the corner

**Saturday, August 24**

Clear and pleasant

Southerly wind

Mowing Rowan A.M.

Pulling Peas, Weeds etc.

P.M. Helped Alpheus haul in his Wheat

**Sunday, August 25**

Rainy

Writing and revising some of my Poems  
Remained at home all day  
Evening took a walk down to the Hub

**Monday, August 26**

High School commenced today  
Mowing Rowen A.M.  
P.M. gathering apples  
Robinson got 10 bushels of Jenetins  
Evening went to the corner  
Ave got home tonight

**Tuesday, August 27**

Clear and pleasant  
Got our Oats threshed  
Hauled them up to James Mahoney Had 4 ½ bushels  
Laying wall part of P.M. below the Lower orchard Bell Stetson got home today  
Eva Thomas was present on a visit P.M.  
Evening went to the corner

**Wednesday, August 28**

Cloudy and foggy  
Laying Wall and hauling rocks in the Sheep Pasture  
Hauled in the Rowen  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Carried Mab, home and stopped with her awhile

**Thursday, August 29**

Clear and pleasant  
Laying Wall and hauling rocks in the sheep pasture  
Had the Steers on  
Evening went out to Bracketts Grove to a dance Carried Mab. Had a heavy shower which made rather a failure of the dance

**Friday, August 30**

Clear and warm  
Commenced Hauling Kiln-wood for E. Parker at 70 cts per cord  
Hauled 3 horse loads  
Evening went to a Greenback lecture at the Centre  
Gertie Adams was present today and went to the lecture with Fannie

**Saturday, August 31**

Clear and hot  
Thermometer at 90 in shade  
Hauled 4 horse loads of wood for Emery today  
Evening went to the corner  
Called upon Bell and Abbie a few minutes  
Packard took the oxen this morning paying \$125.00  
Married this evening Dave and Eva Thomas by F.B. Dunton

**SEPTEMBER 1878****Sunday, September 1**

Rainy  
Copying and rewriting some of my Mss.  
Went to the corner a few minutes this evening

**Monday, September 2**

Hauling Kiln wood for E. Parker  
Warm sultry cloudy day  
Shower at night  
Evening went to a political meeting at the Centre Lecture by Leo Miller of New York  
Quite a company present

**Tuesday, September 3**

Cloudy Warm and sultry  
Laying Wall A.M. P.M. Cutting bushes  
Chas. Moody was up to see me  
Evening went to a political lecture at the Centre by Gen James Hall of Damariscotta  
Ave went to Union

**Wednesday, September 4**

Foggy misty weather  
Laying Wall  
Went to the corner a few minutes P.M.  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Called at Mrs. D's  
E. Whitney and F. Russ present  
Carried Olive over to the Lodge

**Thursday, September 5**

Foggy misty weather  
Sawed a little wood at the door  
Layed up a little wall in the Lower Orchard etc.  
Evening went to the corner

**Friday, September 6**

Foggy misty A.M.  
P.M. Cleared up hot  
Made 27 gallons of Cider  
Warren R. took 11 galls also 5 bushels of apples  
P.M. went round the fences  
Shower just at night  
Went to the corner

**Saturday, September 7**

Clear and cool  
Pulling Beans Weeds etc.  
Recd a Postal from G.E. McCarthy



Cousin Nancie and Aunt Ruth were up this P.M. also Uncle Alvin  
Evening went to the corner

**Sunday, September 8**

Clear and pleasant  
Remained at home all day  
Had lots of company  
Uncle Alvin came up again brought Fannie Dunton with him Ave, Win, Mr. Lamb and wife and  
Lucy Sumner were also present  
Evening went up to see Mab.

**Monday, September 9**

Townmeeting day for State and County Officers  
Laying Wall A.M.  
P.M. Went to townmeeting  
Evening went to the dance at Phillips Hall  
Not a very great time Felt rather dissatisfied Bah! to much in love and perhaps too exacting

**Tuesday, September 10**

Partially clear and hot  
Went to Camden with Alpheus  
Paid Dr. Huse \$3.00 for Medical attendance upon father last spring  
Went to the corner this eve

**Wednesday, September 11**

Warm and Hazy  
Digging drain A.M. below the Lower Orchard  
P.M. Hauled in some beans  
Evening went up to the Lodge Large company up from the Trap  
Carried Mab over  
Rained slightly coming home  
Read an essay upon Temperance

**Thursday, September 12**

Rainy  
Revising and copying original Mss. A.M.  
P.M. and evening went to the corner  
H. Heal and I played Euchre with Belle and Abbie this eve

**Friday, September 13**

Foggy rainy day  
Writing and revising some of my original Mss. all day  
Evening went to the corner

**Saturday, September 14**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished digging the underdrain below the Lower orchard and Laying wall  
Ave picking up apples  
Evening Carried Mab down to the Trap Lodge  
Went in and had a long talk in regard to our future plans and prospects  
Reiterated her former assertions of remaining single if she did not marry me

**Sunday, September 15**

Clear and pleasant  
A.R. and Fannie Dunton present today  
Remained home all day  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes

**Monday, September 16**

Monday  
A.M. Pulling Beans  
Digging Potatoes P.M.  
Clear and pleasant  
Evening went to the corner

**Tuesday, September 17**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished digging the Potato patch by the maple tree 15 bushels on the piece of about 2/3 of an acre  
Evening went to the corner

**Wednesday, September 18**

Clear and warm  
Cutting Corn stalks A.M.  
P.M. Laying wall below Lower Orchard  
Ave worked for Mrs. Lamb A.M.  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Carried Mab  
Went in and stopped to the "wee sma' hours"  
Took part in the debate upon License and prohibition

**Thursday, September 19**

Clear and hot  
Cutting Corn stalks A.M. P.M.  
Ave and Alpheus went to the Greenback Clambake  
Laying wall  
Evening went to the corner

**Friday, September 20**

Foggy and cool  
Ave went to Camden  
Laying Wall below the lower orchard burning brush etc.  
Bought some fish barrels of E. Clark  
Evening went to the corner

**Saturday, September 21**

Warm and sultry  
Hauling E. Parkers Kilnwood A.M.  
13 Horse loads in all  
P.M. Hauling in Beans, Cornstalks and also hauled a load of Alders  
Evening went down to the dance at Phillips Hall quite a crowd present Did not dance  
Bell S. went upon the Boat tonight

**Sunday, September 22**

Clear cool and windy  
Writing a little for Lodge paper A.M.  
P.M. Went to Church  
Boynton of Searsmont Preacher  
Evening went up to see Mab  
"Thought our prospects but little better than a year ago  
Well I must admit it looks discouraging  
Shall I give her up and cease to struggle against fate?  
(Not yet)

**Monday, September 23**

Clear and cool  
Pulling Beans A.M.  
Ave worked for J. Lamb  
P.M. Cut some Alders at the door cut some fodder corn etc.  
Evening went to the corner

**Tuesday, September 24**

Clear and pleasant  
Gathered our Pinballs Had  $16 \frac{1}{2}$  bushels, also  $5 \frac{1}{2}$  bushels of Nordheads  
 $8 \frac{1}{2}$  bushels of Pippins and Limbertops and  $3 \frac{3}{4}$  bushels of New York apples  
Evening went to the corner  
Borrowed some Waverleys of A.E.S. and B. Robinson

**Wednesday, September 25**

Clear and pleasant  
Digging potatoes  
Dug  $10 \frac{1}{2}$  bushels  
5 of which were small size  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Let the Drinkwater girls ride over with my team and I went across  
Carried Alice, and Olive, home  
Declaimed a piece and took part in the debate upon was being against the teachings of nature  
and Spirit of the Bible  
Abbie Gave me her Autograph Album to write in

**Thursday, September 26**

Foggy misty day  
Digging potatoes  
Dug 8 bushels  
4 of which were small size  
Evening rained hard  
Remained at home paring apples

**Friday, September 27**

Clear and pleasant  
Put up the Big Apple Bin and commenced to pick our Baldwins  
Picked 43 bushels today and 2 bushels of New York apples  
Wm. Helped pick P.M.  
Evening went to the corner  
Called upon A.E.S.

Asked me if I did not consider her a friend, told her I did not Said I had little confidence in her sex with the exception of a particular one

**Saturday, September 28**

Clear and cool  
Gathering apples Wm. Helped pick today  
Picked 79 bushels today  
Evening remained at home writing for lodge paper and reading  
Mrs. B. Robinson was present

**Sunday, September 29**

Clear and pleasant  
Wrote some for paper  
Evening went to the corner a short time

**Monday, September 30**

Clear and pleasant  
Picking apples  
Remained at home this eve writing for paper

**OCTOBER 1878****Tuesday, October 1**

Foggy morning  
Husking corn awhile  
Ave did not pick much today Helped Uncle Samson and Joshua Thresh their grain  
Sold Tim Brown 20 bushels of apples at     and Brewster 1 bus at 53 cts  
Picked     bushels today  
Wm. Picked P.M.  
Evening writing for paper

**Wednesday, October 2**

Foggy morning  
Cleared away warm and pleasant  
Hauled 10 bushels of apples to mill for Dr. Neal which we sold him at 16 2/3 cts per bushel  
Wm. Helped us today  
Picked 45 bushels of Baldwins in Lower Orchard  
Hauled 3 loads of Beans and 2 loads of corn Went up to the Lodge  
Carried Alice and Olive over  
Had the Paper received lots of compliments upon my paper

**Thursday, October 3**

Clear and very warm  
I and Ave Picked 48 bushels of Baldwins today with Ally's help also hauled in one load of corn  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Came home and read the Journal

**Friday, October 4**

Clear and pleasant

Picked 38 bushels in lower orchard  
Evening went to the Ironclad meeting

**Saturday, October 5**

Clear and pleasant  
Picked 31 bushels of Baldwins  
Evening went to the Dance at Phillips Hall  
Mab was present  
Dance but little Fair time  
Miles Fuller Died tonight

**Sunday, October 6**

Partially clear and quite cool  
Carried Fan up to see Abbie Moody Went over to Robert Moody myself Took dinner after which I  
and Charles took a ride made a call etc.  
Evening went up to see Mab  
Was about to retire But was so anxious for me to stop I did not care to resist  
Unusually demonstrative and affectionate

**Monday, October 7**

Clear and pleasant  
Finished gathering Baldwins in Lower Orchard  
Had 115 bushels picked  
Gathered 3 ½ bush of Tolman Sweets  
2 of red sweets  
1 of N.Y. Greenings  
1 of Pumkin Sweet and 6 ½ White Bold  
Evening went to the corner called at Stetsons to return Abbie's paper Capt Noyes and Ella  
present also Lucius and Herb

**Tuesday, October 8**

Cloudy with a few sprinkles  
Husking corn A.M.  
P.M. Gathered the Beets  
Evening went to the corner  
Composed a dedication for Clara Gilkeys Album

**Wednesday, October 9**

Cloudy and misty part of the day  
Hauled in some corn and Pumpkins and picked 30 bushels of Baldwins  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Came home and wrote in Abbie Wadlins' Album  
Also dedicated Clara Gilkeys'  
Miles Fuller buried today

**Thursday, October 10**

Cool and windy  
Picked 38 bushels of Baldwins besides 3 ½ bushels of Greenings 3 ½ of Russets and 3 of  
Baldwins and one of natural fruit which we sold to Carver of the Trap at 40, 25, 42, and 15 cts per  
bushel amounting to \$3.56  
Evening remained at home

**Friday, October 11**

Clear and pleasant  
Picked bushels of Baldwins  
Sold Gus Fletcher 3 bushels of Russets at 25 cts for 75 cts  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Called upon A.E.S. a few minutes  
Robinson took bushels at 33 1/3 cts per bushel

**Saturday, October 12**

Cloudy  
Gathered the Carrots and Turnips and Hauled in some corn A.M.  
P.M. Picked 5 bushels of Baldwins when it commenced to rain  
Husked corn remainder of afternoon  
Evening remained at home reading papers

**Sunday, October 13**

Clear cool and windy  
Went to the corner part of the day  
Evening went up to see Mab.  
Minot C. present to see his affinity  
"Trifles light as air may assume gigantic proportions  
I will not take less than a fervent response to thoughts and acts that burn with truth and ardor

**Monday, October 14**

Picking up and sorting the windfalls  
Picked up 38 bushels of Baldwins and put in the cellar

**Tuesday, October 15**

Gathered our Roxbury Russets  
Had bushels  
Finished hauling in our corn  
Evening went to the corner

**Wednesday, October 16**

Foggy morning  
Cleared up warm and pleasant  
Finished gathering our Russets and small lots of different varieties  
Sold 6 bushels of Baldwins and 5 bushels of Russets to Lucius and Frank Duncan for \$3.77  
Evening went to the Lodge Took the affirmative upon the Resolve that a good natured lazy woman is preferable to a smart scold  
Carried Mab and Lilly D. home  
The same demonstrations once caused a coldness between myself and Stella a coldness that led to indifference on my part Will History again repeat itself under different circumstances  
It certainly will on my part A like cause will produce a like result  
I can exact nothing less

**Thursday, October 17**

Foggy A.M.  
Husking corn  
P.M. Warm and pleasant  
Sold 4 bushels of bruised Russets and 2 gallons of Vinegar for \$1.22

Evening went to the corner a few minutes returned the papers borrowed of B. Robinson and A.E. Stetson  
Put 23 bushels of Baldwins in the cellar P.M.

**Friday, October 18**

Partially clear  
Southerly wind  
Husking corn A.M.  
P.M. Finished gathering our apples  
Had 582 bushels of Baldwins Hand picked  
Whole No. of bushels raised

**Saturday, October 19**

Rainy A.M.  
Ave did not work today  
Finished Husking our Corn today  
P.M. Cleared up cool and windy  
Evening went over to the Cheese factory  
Organized a Lyceum association and chose a board of Officers

**Sunday, October 20**

Cold and windy  
Went to the Ironclad Meeting P.M.  
Evening went to the corner  
No divisive society this evening After all there is more of animated life in a jolly crowd of old associates  
More of animation but less of devotion than in the society of intelligent virtuous women

**Monday, October 21**

Clear and pleasant  
Digging potatoes  
Ave did not work today  
Carried a load of Apples up home for Billy Sold him 23 ½ bushels of Natural fruit 1 barrel of Baldwins and 1 barrel of Russets for \$4.60 Took payment in labor  
Had a family Paring Bee  
A.A.K. and S. Coose and family present

**Tuesday, October 22**

Clear warm and very pleasant  
Digging potatoes  
Mother and girls went to Camden  
Finished potatoes in the Piper field  
Ave not at work today  
Went to the corner a few minutes

**Wednesday, October 23**

Cool S.E. Wind  
Commenced Hauling dressing  
Hauled 10 loads  
Ave not at work today  
Evening went to corner a few minutes  
Rained and blowed like fury all night

Callie R. staid all night

**Thursday, October 24**

Wonder what this Birthday will bring forth

"Take no thought for the morrow for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth"

Well it has brought a rainstorm

Jobbing A.M.

P.M. Went to the corner also a few minutes this eve. Came home and read the Journal

**Friday, October 25**

Partially clear and cool

Cutting up firewood in the orchards and jobbing in general

Cut my thumb with an axe

Evening went to a dance at Phillips Hall

Indifferent time

Quite a company present

**Saturday, October 26**

Cloudy and warm

Digging potatoes A.M.

P.M. Took a short drive on business in regard to the Lyceum Called upon Mab. a few minutes

Evening went to the Lyceum

Opened the debate upon the resolve "That wealthy people enjoy life more than the common class of people" also had a Dec. and a part in a Dia. Then went up to Cilley's to a dance took sister Fan

Carried Mab home

Renewed her former manifestations of affection

Relinquished her whim as oddity without any coaxing from me

**Sunday, October 27**

Cloudy

P.M. Went to the corner

Called at Aunt Ruths'

Ella and Nate were present

Evening remained at home this eve

"Oh woman! That in our hours of ease

Uncertain coy, and hard to please

And variable as the shade By the light quivering aspen made; When pain and anguish wring the brow A ministering angel thou" (Scott)

**Monday, October 28**

Clear and pleasant

Ave helped me today

Stowed away the Rack and Horse Rack

P.M. Threshing Beans

Evening Got my beets topped

Wadlins twins present this eve, on a visit

**Tuesday, October 29**

Clear and pleasant

Got the Horse shod A.M.

P.M. Hauling dressing

Evening went to the corner



**Wednesday, October 30**

Cloudy A.M.  
Hauling dressing  
P.M. Rained  
Threshing Beans  
Evening went to the corner  
Looking over Town books

**Thursday, October 31**

Cloudy  
Finished threshing Beans and Peas  
Went round the fences etc.  
Evening went to the corner  
Show and gift enterprise tonight Did not go  
A.E. Stetson got Prize as handsomest woman present out of 7

**NOVEMBER 1878****Friday, November 1**

Cleared up quite pleasant  
Last day of High School  
Commenced making cider with A.A.K's Press  
Evening went to corner

**Saturday, November 2**

Clear and pleasant  
Making cider  
Made 52 galls  
Used about 18 or 20 bushels of apples  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Conversed awhile Nettie R and Nellie B

**Sunday, November 3**

Clear and cool  
Went to the corner A.M.  
P.M. Went to the Ironclad meeting  
Evening went up to see Mab Minot C. was present  
Went to the Hills Schoolhouse to a meeting  
Subject of Sermon (by Woods of Rockland) Heaven

**Monday, November 4**

Pleasant morning  
Came up Squally and cold  
First Snow of the Season this P.M.  
Hauling dressing and jobbing  
Evening went to the corner

**Tuesday, November 5**

Clear cold and windy Snow Squall in the morning

Hauling dressing A.M.  
P.M. Carrying apples from shop to Cellar  
Evening went to the corner

**Wednesday, November 6**

Clear and cold  
Hauling dressing  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Election of Officers  
Carried Mab home

**Thursday, November 7**

Warmer today  
Hauling dressing  
Evening went to the corner  
Disgusted and rebellious at the monotonous tediousness and obscurity of my existence With no visibly honorable means of rising therefrom

**Friday, November 8**

Snow Squalls  
Cool and windy  
Sorting apples and putting them in the Cellar  
Evening remained at home  
Bad headache and nearly sick

**Saturday, November 9**

Cold and windy with Snow squalls  
Finished sorting apples in shop to carry to the cellar  
P.M. Commenced to bank the House  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Debated upon the Resolve that the Negroes more cause of complaint than the Indian  
Dance at Phillips Hall Girls stopped to the dance but I came home after escorting Nellie to the Hall

**Sunday, November 10**

Squally and windy  
Went down to Aunt Ruths A.M.  
P.M. Went to Church  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Splendid eve. but I am restless, miserable, unhappy; A weary hopeless desolation stretches like a barren waste across the life path I seemed doomed for aye to tread  
Strive as I may to meet with manly fortitude the sacrifice of every ambitious hope, and cherished dream, the spirit shrinks from the rayless gloom and my proud heart rebels at the thought

**Monday, November 11**

Clear or Partially clear some squalls  
Banking the House

**Tuesday, November 12**

Rained A.M.  
P.M. Cleared away

Hauling gravel to bank the house  
Evening went to the corner  
Wrote a Postal to G.E. McCarthy

**Wednesday, November 13**

Pleasant  
Stormed and cleared away three times today  
Finished banking house and commenced to haul dressing rained so I gave it up  
Got ready to go to installation but came up a squall and I gave it up  
Went to the corner a few minutes Felt downhearted tonight  
Pleasant evening

**Thursday, November 14**

Clear and windy  
Scraping the yard and hauling dressing  
Evening went to the corner

**Friday, November 15**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauling dressing and laying drain A.M.  
P.M. Worked on Highway  
Evening remained at home  
Restless wokeful night

**Saturday, November 16**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauling dressing  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Took part in the Resolve "That Conscience is an innate principle and not the result of Education  
Restless sleepless night  
Perplexing thought drives "balmy sleep" away  
Many a slip etc. (One step further towards the Victory referred to previously)

**Sunday, November 17**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to the corner a few minutes  
Annie Adams and Georgia D. were present first of evening  
I and Ave had a little business talk in regard to our plans in future  
Emma went over to J. Lambs went over with her  
Came home and retired quite early  
Restless, wokeful, gloomy feelings oppress me and I cannot sleep

**Monday, November 18**

Rainy  
Hauling dressing A.M.  
P.M. Choring about the barn and fixing turnouts etc.  
Remained at home  
A.A.K. was over spent the eve

**Tuesday, November 19**

Cloudy Rained A.M.

Hauling dressing  
Wilbur Gould and John Dean called upon us P.M.  
Evening went to the corner

**Wednesday, November 20**

Cloudy N.E. weather  
Hauling dressing on the Orchard A.M.  
P.M. Hauling boughs to put round the house  
Evening remained at home  
Studying on the Resolve that Philosophy a better guide than Religion

**Thursday, November 21**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauling boughs and placing them round the house  
Wm. Calderwood called P.M.  
Went to the corner a few minutes this evening

**Friday, November 22**

Rainy Foggy day  
Went to Mill with 3 ½ bushels of corn A.M.  
John Dean was present this afternoon  
Went to the corner this eve  
Poured right down and was one of the darkest nights I ever saw

**Saturday, November 23**

Cloudy and foggy with some rain  
Reading  
P.M. went to the corner  
Also went down a few minutes this evening  
No Lyceum

**Sunday, November 24**

Clear and pleasant  
Went to the corner awhile  
Evening went to see Mab

**Monday, November 25**

Clear and pleasant morning  
I and Alpheus went to Belfast  
Commenced to storm before we got home  
Went to the corner evening  
Freeman S. and son and Rollins were present when I got back

**Tuesday, November 26**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauled about 27 bushels of apples to Mill for cider  
Warren R. took 6 bushels of Pinballs  
Went to the corner a few minutes  
Freeman and Rollins left this morning

**Wednesday, November 27**

Clear and pleasant  
Hauled a couple of loads of firewood and cut a part of it for the Stove  
Had a talk with Father about going to Missouri  
Evening went to the Lodge  
Rained when I came home  
Carried Lillian D. and Sarah Colman home

**Thursday, November 28**

Rainy Thanksgiving  
Went to the corner awhile P.M.  
Ave's baby died tonight

**Friday, November 29**

Clear and pleasant  
Jobbing a little today  
Evening went to the Dance at the Centre  
Carried Olive Drinkwater  
Fair time  
Large company present

**Saturday, November 30**

Clear and pleasant  
Got home at 6 O'Clock this morning  
P.M. Worked at the School-house  
Setting up the Stove fitting wood and general repairs  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Took part in the debate upon the Resolve that Philosophy is a better guide than Religion

**DECEMBER 1878****Sunday, December 1**

Clear and pleasant  
Called on F.E.K. at E. Towers  
Went to the funeral of Ave's baby this noon  
Prayer and remarks by G. Sanford  
Evening McCarthy came up Went down and introduced him to J. Calderwood and wife  
Lovely evening  
A.A.K. was over spent the eve  
(Vic-)

**Monday, December 2**

Cloudy  
Hauling dressing  
Evening remained at home Studying Grammar  
Heavy rain and blow tonight  
Winter School commenced today

**Tuesday, December 3**

Rainy  
P.M. Writing and revising Original Poems  
Evening went to the corner conversing with B. Robinson  
Cleared off pleasant

**Wednesday, December 4**

Rainy turned to Snow  
Robinson moved today  
Got the Cider Home  
Sold Dr. Neal 14 galls  
P.M. Winnowed the beans Had 15 bushels  
Wm. Helped me P.M.  
Evening remained at home  
Writing

**Thursday, December 5**

Rainy Carried James Mahoneys' Machine home Writing and revising Original poems  
Went to the corner this eve

**Friday, December 6**

A.M. Putting our Stove wood under cover  
P.M. Went up to mill also went over to the woods and cut some Hoop-poles  
Evening went to a religious meeting at the Schoolhouse Got my boots repaired  
Lettie McKenney and Alice Mahoney were down visiting this eve

**Saturday, December 7**

Clear and cold  
A.M. Writing and studying upon the Question for debate this evening  
P.M. Fitting wood at the School-house  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Took the Neg. upon the Resolve "That Machinery does not rob the laborer"  
Very good Lyceum  
First night we've had an Organ  
Buzzing Olly D...

**Sunday, December 8**

Clear and cold  
Went to the corner a few minutes A.M.  
P.M. Writing and revising original compositions Glorius Evening  
Went up to see Mab Wilbur G. and wife were present  
Mab said she had had the blues of late  
That she still had confidence in me and thought she could trust me  
(Loving true and womanly)  
Warren took barrels No. 1s and 5 ½ bushels of No. 2s  
Queen of the fairies

**Monday, December 9**

Clear and pleasant A.M.  
Butchered our pigs S. Page and Wm. helped  
McCarthy called at my request this morning

Instructed him to be more severe in discipline  
Had some talk in regard to the School this evening  
Told some of the parties interested what I thought in regard to their talk and the course I should take  
Sold Watts of Rockland 8 ½ bushels of Apples for \$2, 38 cts  
Warren R. and Mr. Carleton came up tonight

**Tuesday, December 10**

Snowstorm turned to rain today  
Sorted and out up some apples for Warren R. and a Mr. Carleton A.M.  
P.M. Writing and revising original compositions  
Evening remained at home writing

**Wednesday, December 11**

Cleared up today  
Warren Took 5 barrels 13 ¾ bushels of No. 1 apples and 2 ½ bushels No. 2s at 25 cts per bushel and 10 gallons of Cider at 8 cts. per gallon And a Pig of 254 lbs. of weight at 5 cts per lb. Recd for Pig \$12.51  
Cut up the Pig and worked on the Highway about 2 hours  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
For Apples \$11.33

**Thursday, December 12**

Clear and cooler  
Replaced the Watering Trough  
Digging ditches etc. A.M.  
P.M. Setting Posts and boarded up the Shed  
Uncle Abner came over on a visit  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Came home and read the Journal

**Friday, December 13**

Clear and growing colder  
Watts of Rockland got 2 barrels of No. 1 Baldwins at \$1.00 per barrel  
3 bushels Russets 75 cts and 2 bushels Nordheads 60 cts  
Total \$3.35  
Putting Stove-wood under cover  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes  
Came home and went to writing

**Saturday, December 14**

Went to the Cushion Lot  
Commenced chopping Evening went to the Lyceum Opened the debate upon Home influence Vs. Public training Warren and Carleton Came up tonight  
Warren Got 7 barrels of No. 1s at \$1.00 per barrel 11 ¼ at 25 cts per bushel 2.81  
Total \$9.81  
Dance at Phillips tonight  
Did not attend

**Sunday, December 15**

Snowy  
Wm. Patched the Barns A.M.

P.M. and Evening went to the corner

**Monday, December 16**

Clear and cool  
Went to the Cushion Lot  
Chopping  
Evening

**Tuesday, December 17**

Chopping in the Cushion lot  
Evening went up to Cilleys to a dance Carried Fan and Nell  
Went over and got Olive D....  
Nettie R. quizzed me in regard to my absence

**Wednesday, December 18**

Clear and cool  
Chopping in the Cushion lot  
Wm. Commenced Chopping for me today  
Georgia D. and Fannie R present P.M. and eve  
Evening Rehearsing our Dialogue  
Robinson Got 4 barrels of No 1s and 6 3/11 bushels of 2s  
Recd. \$5,69 cts

**Thursday, December 19**

Clear and cool  
Chopping in the Cushion lot  
Mrs. Robinson, Mr and Mrs Page were present P.M. and eve  
Robinson & Carlton came up tonight  
Stopped over night

**Friday, December 20**

Clear and pleasant  
Robinson took 10 barrels and 1 bushels of No. 1 baldwins  
Recd. for the same \$10, 38 cts.  
Evening went down to A.M. Drakes' and rehearsed our Dialogue  
Serenade at John Woods' tonight

**Saturday, December 21**

Cloudy  
Cutting Alders A.M.  
Wm. Did not work for me today  
P.M. went to the Cheese-factory Fixed up the Stage and Rehearsed our Dialogue  
Evening went to the Lyceum  
Snowed turned to rain during the night  
Dick Marty gave an exhibition at Phillips Hall tonight  
Did not go

**Sunday, December 22**

Clear and windy  
Sloppy underfoot  
Went to the corner



Carlton stopped with us tonight  
Evening went to the corner  
Spent the most of the evening with A.M. Drake and wife  
Drilled Len. Upon his declamation

**Monday, December 23**

Clear and pleasant  
Robinson got 6 barrels of No. 1 apples at \$1.00 per barrel  
Wm. Cut Alders on the landing  
P.M. Page helped us butcher the Cow  
Watts bought 3 barrels of No 1 apples and 2 ½ bushels of No. 2s  
Recd for the same \$3.63  
Went to the corner this evening

**Tuesday, December 24**

Clear and cool  
Cutting Alders on the Landing  
Robinson and Carlton came up tonight  
Evening Put up 30 bushels of Apples for Robinson  
Pretty tired and a headache

**Wednesday, December 25**

Christmas  
Clear and pleasant  
Robinson and Carlton left this morning  
Bought 4 barrels of No. 1s and 19 bushels of No. 2s and 20 lbs. of Beef at 6 cts. per lb.  
(Total \$9.95)  
Recd. Payment  
Wm. Not at work today  
Got Horse Shod P.M. Evening went up to Cilleys Dance Carried Mab. Fair time

**Thursday, December 26**

Clear and pleasant  
Cut up the Beef A.M.  
P.M. Loaded Watts with 3 barrels of No. 1s and 2 ¾ bushels of Russets Recd. Payment \$3.70  
Hauled a load of firewood  
Evening went to the corner a few minutes

**Friday, December 27**

Clear and pleasant  
Wrote a few minutes upon question  
Cut up a load of firewood  
Evening went up to the Lodge  
Carried Mab over  
Learned Lil was offended with me  
Innocent as a fool or I might have seen it Mab out of sorts  
Dissatisfied I presume with things in general and probably with myself and my treatment of her  
Doubtless tis trying to her proud spirit to be kept in doubt of my intentions or my abilities to do  
But I cannot help it  
I cannot see myself unless I relinquish all rights all claims and God alone knows how hard it is for  
me to do it Yet if she is indifferent I must do it I can claim no hand without the heart as given

What, then fling away my honor and manhood and turn where selfish interest points to a heart  
 freely given with wealth thrown in  
 Even if I have no love to give  
 Tis the way of the world

### **Saturday, December 28**

Clear and pleasant  
 Loaded Warren with 6 barrels of No 1s Also loaded Watts with 3 barrels of No. 1s and 2  $\frac{3}{4}$   
 bushels of Russets  
 Recd. for the above \$9.70  
 Sold F.M. Dunton 2 gallons Cider 18 cts  
 Eph Knight called to see me  
 Evening went to the Lyceum  
 Talked upon Neg. of Resolve "that public opinion should be regarded as the standard of right"  
 Ella P. present P.M.  
 Conversed with Nettie a few moments

### **Sunday, December 29**

Clear and pleasant  
 Went to the corner awhile  
 Evening went to Church at the Centre Schoolhouse  
 How I long and struggle for a different life and how weary and discouraged I get in striving  
 So restless – so dissatisfied! I yearn for What is it a faith in a higher power upon which to feel my  
 burden may be cast with feelings of peace and rest  
 Is it the proud spirit of rebellion that the path of duty seems to point to a lowly sphere that  
 makes me dissatisfied with life? My faith and doubts in man and God My aspirations and hoped  
 my ideas of right and duty My passions sting my feelings intense my nature sensitive My  
 knowledge so limited My vision so narrow all so strangely blended I hardly know myself my duty  
 or my faith Best I know I am miserable wretchedly miserable and unhappy It may be my  
priorities and doubts it may be I am unreconciled to Gods decrees it may be lack of sympathy and  
 love as the means and ability of doing good and ministering to the happiness of others or it may  
 be the selfish desire to gratify my own wishes and pleasures  
 Warren R. and Carlton came up tonight

### **Monday, December 30**

Snowing  
 Robinson Got 8 barrels of No 1s and 8 bushels of No 2s  
 \$10.00 Recd for same  
 Evening cleared up  
 Rehearsed our dialogue at Duntons

### **Tuesday, December 31**

Clear and pleasant  
 Watts got 3 barrels of No 1s 1 barrel of 2s and 1 bushel Greenings  
 Paid \$3.81 for same Evening Rehearsed at Duntons  
 Cut wood at School house P.M.  
 Went to the corner P.M.  
 Trading Hauled a load of firewood

### **MEMORANDA**

Marriages for the year of acquaintances  
 Geo Rankins and Cora Rackliffe Feb. 10

Chas. Billings and Ida Heal Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>  
 Dave Thomas and Eva Thomas Aug 31st

**MEMORANDA**

## Deaths

Mrs. Cora Fowler Jan. 10  
 Miss Elvira Morrill May 22  
 Mrs. Almacia Drake May 12  
 Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> Miles Fuller

Capital punishment abolished in Maine by an act approved March 24<sup>th</sup> 1876

## Improvements

Wm. Mc Kenney erected a Barn  
 Phillips repaired the Hotel  
 Allen Parker finished Barn and House  
 J. Gordon erected a workshop

**CASH ACCOUNT JANUARY**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
1 <sup>st</sup>	To Dancing		1.60
4 <sup>th</sup>	Postage		.06
23 <sup>rd</sup>	To S. Page on Calf Boots		2.00
29 <sup>th</sup>	Of Father	\$1.00	
29 <sup>th</sup>	To Barber		.25
29 <sup>th</sup>	To Repairing Boots		.65
31 <sup>st</sup>	To Fools cap Paper		.05
			<u>\$ 4.61</u>

**CASH ACCOUNT FEBRUARY**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
4 <sup>th</sup>	Of Father	1.00	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Pass Word		.15
6 <sup>th</sup>	To Dancing		1.15
7 <sup>th</sup>	To Diary		.65
12 <sup>th</sup>	To Candy		.06
14 <sup>th</sup>	Dancing expenses		\$1.36
28 <sup>th</sup>	To Dancing		.15
			<u>\$2.62</u>

**CASH ACCOUNT MARCH**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
5 <sup>th</sup>	Contribution		.10
7 <sup>th</sup>	Dance & Exhibition		.45
8 <sup>th</sup>	Contribution		.05
20 <sup>th</sup>	Contribution		.10

**CASH ACCOUNT APRIL**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
6 <sup>th</sup>	To 1 Composition Book		.90
6 <sup>th</sup>	To Barber		.25

26 <sup>th</sup>	½ bushel Potatoes	.50	
		.20	

**CASH ACCOUNT MAY**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
1 <sup>st</sup>	Recd. of Father	\$2.00	
1 <sup>st</sup>	To Dancing expenses		\$1.37
6 <sup>th</sup>	To F. Russ		\$2.00
	Actually paid out one dollar instead of two The other was really a loan \$1.00 of which Ave paid as his part of the bill		
14 <sup>th</sup>	To 1 Straw Hat		.25
14 <sup>th</sup>	Of Father	.25	
19 <sup>th</sup>	Collars and Cuffs		.16
	Contributions		.10
29 <sup>th</sup>	Pass Word		<u>.15</u>
	Which makes total paid		\$3.03

**CASH ACCOUNT JUNE**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Candy		.05
7 <sup>th</sup>	Of Ave on F. Rupes Colt bill \$1.00		
	Not really recd. Actually payment of a loan which Makes total recd this month nothing		
18 <sup>th</sup>	To Museum		.40

**CASH ACCOUNT JULY**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
3 <sup>rd</sup>	To 1 pr. Braces		.35
4 <sup>th</sup>	Dancing Expenses		\$1.20
21 <sup>st</sup>	Of J. McKenney for hay	\$1.50	
26 <sup>th</sup>	To Collars		.10

**CASH ACCOUNT AUGUST**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
3 <sup>rd</sup>	To Barber		.50
7 <sup>th</sup>	Dancing		.10
13 <sup>th</sup>	Refreshments		.35
14 <sup>th</sup>	Pass Word		.15
29 <sup>th</sup>	To Dance		.40

**CASH ACCOUNT SEPTEMBER**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
8 <sup>th</sup>	To dancing expenses		.30
9 <sup>th</sup>	1 pr Overalls Suspenders and undershirt		\$1.70
9 <sup>th</sup>	Of Father	\$2.00	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	To Collars & Cuffs		.18

**CASH ACCOUNT OCTOBER**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
5 <sup>th</sup>	To Dancing		.25
25 <sup>th</sup>	To Dancing		.25
26 <sup>th</sup>	To Dancing		.10
28 <sup>th</sup>	To Collars		.10
30	To Dancing expenses		.08

**CASH ACCOUNT NOVEMBER**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
25 <sup>th</sup>	Of Father	\$11.45	
25 <sup>th</sup>	To Shirts		\$4.00
25 <sup>th</sup>	To Barber		.25
25 <sup>th</sup>	To Dentist		.75
25 <sup>th</sup>	Gloves & Tie		.65
25 <sup>th</sup>	Dinner		.50
29 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Expenses		<u>\$1.65</u>
			\$7.80

**CASH ACCOUNT DECEMBER**

Date	Description	Received	Paid
11 <sup>th</sup>	On credit to Wm.		.31
25 <sup>th</sup>	Of Father	\$6.00	
25 <sup>th</sup>	To Horse Shoeing		.60
25 <sup>th</sup>	Dancing Expenses		.40

**AGES OF ACQUAINTANCES**

## Jan. 1878

Date	Name
10	Ella B. Mansfield

## Feb. 1878

Date	Name	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Chas. Moody	24
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Chas Briggs	24
7 <sup>th</sup>	Willie Thomas	13
25 <sup>th</sup>	Eva H Thomas	20

## May 1878

Date	Name	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Abbie E. Stetson	28
5 <sup>th</sup>	Lilly D. Knight	7
12 <sup>th</sup>	James Hoffses	38
14 <sup>th</sup>	Aubry Coose	8
15	Olive T. Drinkwater	23
14	Aubry Coose	6
18	Delania Knight	59
18	Fannie A. Knight	23

## August 1878

Date	Name	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Bell Parker	18
1 <sup>st</sup>	Jesse Billings	28

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mary E. Drake	21
5 <sup>th</sup>	Riley Mathews	33
6 <sup>th</sup>	Avans P. Knight	25
13 <sup>th</sup>	Emma Bell Thomas	17

## Nov. 1878

Date	Name	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Lillian Drinkwater	21