

A Caver Journals

January 1904

Tue. 1. The New Year begins with a beautiful day. Our youths and children go to Pittsfield and enjoy a fine sleigh ride.

Sat. 2. House cleaning is again being performed by the sisters. Emma & Carrie have been quite sick with a heavy cold, are now some better.

Sat. 3. No meeting today. I write in my Journal. Eldress Jelic is confined to her

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very much. She took supper  
with us, sitting at the South  
Table with me. 17 below zero!

Tue 5 For Xmas gift I had  
a "Brooks", I meant to say  
"A Phillips Brooks" calendar  
with quotations from his sermons  
for each day thro' the year. This  
morning it reads thus;  
"The noble value of human life  
is the first truth of religion"  
20 below zero!

Wed 6 Yesterday after ironing I  
saw around a silk lined cape  
for a silk lined cloak. Today  
finish it off.  
3 above zero.

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room under the Doctors  
care. She fell a few days  
ago and injured her ankle  
on the left leg. She has been  
troubled with varicose veins  
for many years on both legs  
now it has been necessary for  
the Dr. to lance the left one.  
We hope she will speedily  
recover for we miss her so  
much everywhere.

Mon 4 I forgot to note that  
on Friday last sister Catharine  
Allen made me a long visit  
coming at 5 o'clock & leaving  
at 7-30. We enjoyed the  
social opportunity together

calls in my shop and makes  
me a little visit before returning  
to the Infirmary after dinner.

Sat 9 I spend the afternoon  
writing the yearly accounts  
in my Journal. Do not  
perform much in the line  
of house cleaning. Mail a  
letter to Emma Blough.

Wash a pair of Currier Mittens  
for James G. which I shall  
mend next week.

4-30 p.m. I have just rec<sup>d</sup>  
a Telegram that my brother  
Peter died this morning very  
suddenly & that the funeral  
would be held in Elmira  
on Tue 12<sup>th</sup>. How sad &

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Thurs 7 I mail a "New Thought" to Emma J. Blough. My sewing will soon be here. The children look very gay and happy as I see them winding their way to the school house.

"Look at your mercies with both eyes; at your trials and troubles with only one."

Fri 8 Mild and cloudy. One week has passed in the new year. It is a pleasure to be usefully employed. I met George after dinner and he gave me a dozen wedges for my room windows. Work on a White Cloak. Lura Lane

all. ... show and makes

remain to keep house.  
We were pleased to see sister  
Emmina and Carrie at the dinner  
table again, they have been  
absent four weeks. are now much  
better but yet look frail.

Feb 12 From some after-breakfast  
leave the main part for Garry,  
wash a pair of mittens which I  
have changed with Eldress Julia  
for a larger pair. We have just  
heard that the Ministry sisters are  
at the North Family making a  
brief call and will come here  
this p.m. We have been expecting  
them for several weeks. Having  
two more families to call on their  
visit will be much limited.

Warm and cloudy.



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con - January 1904  
Sudden this news is to me!  
Sadie brought the word and  
the shock quite over-powered  
me. I will write immediately  
and ascertain the particulars.

Sab 10 We have a quiet meeting  
I see my brother Charles  
and tell him of bro. Peters  
death. Try to finish writing  
the yearly accounts in my  
journal.

Mon 11 Mail a letter to Buffalo  
and hope they will be able  
to get it before leaving for  
Elmira some of them may

Fri 15 Each day brings its  
duties to perform. Sister Anika  
has given me some sugared  
Orange peel, which is very nice.  
Elder Arthur Bruce is  
here to spend the Sabbath. The  
Sisters visit him this p.m.

Sat 16 I have been waiting a  
week to receive further word  
about my brother's death, but  
no letter comes to me.

Sat 17 We enjoy a pleasant  
meeting this morning our  
visitors from Canterbury being  
present. The day is somewhat stormy  
but the Community meet in  
our beautiful home chapel. ⑨

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Wed 13 We have a regular snow storm, strong east wind. Our last girl taken into the family, <sup>44</sup>Fanny Wheeler, is returned to his relatives in North Adams.

"I must have some notion in general of what I am alive for, or I cannot live rightly from hour to hour this evening and tomorrow morning."

Phillips Brooks.

Thur 14 The air is mild, no wind the sun is shining brightly. What a change from yesterday. I busy myself in various ways through the day.

were present but Eldress  
Harriet. We met at the Office,  
Sister Amelia Sadie and  
the writer went from their  
family with Office team.  
Elder Daniel and two sisters  
from the North J. four from  
Second J. and one from the  
South J. Making a company  
of ten sisters and one brother.  
We also called at the Dwelling  
House and had a short visit  
with Eldress Caroline and  
her nice little family.

All arrived safe home again  
at Mt. Lebanon about 5 o'clock.  
Met Eldress Harriet at the  
dwelling house.

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Mon 18 I have a fine sleigh  
- ride this p. m. with a  
large company of sisters  
who go to Hancock. The  
object is to meet Elder  
Joseph who will arrive  
on the 1 o'clock train. Since  
we last saw him, which  
is some months ago, he  
has had an operation on  
one of his eyes to remove a  
cataract which has been a  
success so far. He was pleased  
to meet us all. A new song  
of Eldress Anna's was played  
on the organ and sung by  
the singers. All the Ministry

All night the wind blew -  
rain and sleet beat against  
the windows, and this morning  
the snow has a crust of ice  
on top making it dangerous  
to walk anywhere.

11-1/2 A.M. The raging  
storm is increasing. No  
Mail today. I spend the  
fore-noon in looking over  
my letter Box. Destroy many  
that I can dispense with.  
Starch & caps in the p.m.  
Will soon begin to iron caps.

Sat 23 It is as warm as  
April - rained all night  
and today it is raining.  
3-30 it stops. The walking

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Tue 19 I iron the towels alone to day. See on blocks in the p.m. Write a letter to my nephew Harry.

Wed 20. Spend the day in repairing an old debrage frock for James Grass.

Thur 21 See on blocks. The day is cloudy. A few letters come to me for perusal. they were sent to B.D. Slonzo.

Fri 22 We are having a regular south west blizzard. it blows in every direction. drifts are ten feet high.

all left all

"You cannot whitewash  
yourself by blackening  
others."

Tues 26 The first work I  
do is to iron the towels.  
Expect a Cloak to finish,  
which does not come today.  
I draw up and fit a cap  
on Louisa. Do a little  
ironing in my shop.  
4 o'clock p.m. Another east  
storm begins with a fierce  
blow.

Wed 27 Finish a white Cloak  
strong wind & bright sunshine.

"An evil temper embitters  
life."



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is thro snow slush.

I have waited two weeks to get a letter from my brother's family since I got the Telegram of his sudden death, but none comes to me.

Jan 24. Write to Annie Sears ask her to get me Frank's address to Elmira. Br. S. Eldir Timothy & Robert call in my room.

Mon 25. I got another slip of my "Impatient Satan" throw away my other slip.

9-30 a.m. I have done lots of chores this morning.

"11" assistant white wash

① I finish my cap starching  
and knit on a pair of  
fur <sup>Mittens</sup> gloves which Sadie  
has given me yarn for.  
They are for my own hands

Jan 30 The Mittens are done  
and on my hands. They  
fit and nicely.

Yesterday Bro' Charles  
came & made me a nice  
visit. He brought Harry's  
letter to me. I sent it to the  
North Family to him that  
he might hear the partic-  
ulars of Bro' Peters death.

Jan 31 I have just received a  
Telegram that my brother Peter's  
wife is dead. The shock was too  
much for her. My brother's death.

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Thur 28 No letter from Bro Peters family. I know they are heart broken to part so suddenly with the head of the family. How I pity them!

Fri 29 I have received a nice long letter from my nephew Harry giving me desired information concerning my brothers death. This releases me from much anxiety, and gives me a little idea how to meet their feelings. In the next letter I shall write which will be soon.

① I finished my capitulation

took supper in the Restaurant.  
How pleasant these little  
social chats with dear friends  
are.

Thur 4 The Mail brings me a  
letter from Ethel, my  
Aephie Harry's wife. And  
a clipping from a Buffalo  
Paper. It seems that poor  
Frankie was so despondent  
and heart broken over my  
brother's sudden death that  
she took a dose of <sup>laudanum</sup> and  
ended her sad life. This  
event adds double gloom to  
their stricken home. I will  
write and send a letter to them  
in the morning. They are young  
people and need a friend.

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Mon 1 Begin to iron early,  
and continue to iron  
till night. Lay on my  
couch a few moments to  
rest about 6 o'ck. My dear  
girl Flossie brings me  
up a little supper.

Tue 2 Finish ironing 17  
caps and begin to draw  
up. It is a queer wearing  
piece of work.

Wed 3 Continue to draw up  
caps. Sister Fanny Tyson  
came and made us a nice  
visit. I enjoyed my time  
with her very much. She

took a letter with her. Rested most

which with the help of broom  
and elbow grease makes  
them much cleaner.

Sab 7 No meetings. The  
public rooms being painted.  
Write to Henry Clough -  
an answer to a letter.  
Finish reading the Book  
on "Esoteric Thought" by  
Hiram Butler. Borrowed from  
sister Catherine Allen.

Mon 8" The sun is shining  
brightly. I am expecting my  
nephew Harry by evening train.  
Unexpectably takes an early  
train & is here 4-30 p.m.  
I am invited to supper with

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Lis & I finish drawing up  
my caps at 2 o'clock P.M.

Sister Amelia spends an  
hour with me in the P.M.  
bringing her work.

Press off the caps  
which took me nearly  
an hour. I then put them  
away for the present.

At 4 o'clock go to the Infirmary  
and spend a short time  
with Br. Howze who  
is there doctoring for some  
ill flesh is heir to.

Sat 6 Perform some house  
cleaning. Put snow on  
room carpets which

11 o'clock at 11 o'clock

sadly about the death of his  
parents so suddenly and  
unexpectedly. Poor Harry!  
my heart sorrows for him.  
I mended my old flannel  
knit work. Have a letter  
from my old friend L.W.

Thur 11 10 below zero. ~~has~~  
been below for a week.  
saw on cloaks. The sun  
shines clear and I have the  
full blaze in my shop.  
mend my fur Socks.

Fri 12 Thur. say 14 above  
at noon. I sew on cloaks,  
and mend my red dress once  
more. It is almost used up.



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him; and then he comes to the dwelling house and we visit till 8-30. Elder Timothy accompanies him back to the Office.

Tue 9 We have a day of visiting and looking around.

Bro. Charles comes in the p.m. and spends an hour with us. In the evening we have calls from brothers and sisters in my room to see him.

Wed 10 He takes early train - feeling anxious to get back to Buffalo. He feels

and he about the death of his

Mon 15 Have the day to work  
for my self. I plan fifty  
things to do first. Decide to  
make a summer skirt that  
I have been waiting two years  
to find time to make. &

A little snow & much  
wind with some bright sun-  
- shine fills the day.

Tue 16 The washing & ironing  
is done by the brave Jess.  
Continue to work on caps.  
add a few more stitches  
on the skirt. Bro Benjamin  
is not much better. Cornelia  
is gaining slowly.

Mrs. says I believe.  
What a steady cold winter.

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Sat 13 Shake, close & carpet  
and give it a good cleaning  
sweep and mop.

I fix pieces on some of  
the Sisters caps.

Write in my Journal. How  
much there is to fill up our time.

Sab 14 We enjoy, as soul inspiring  
meeting this morning.

Singing and bible class  
held at the South House  
this p.m. I give Sarah  
Cutler some caps that I  
have ironed & drawn up  
for her. She expresses satis-  
faction and I feel rewarded  
for all I have done.

World rejoicing.

Sat 20 Giv'g my shop a good  
cleaning; with soap and  
scrub rag, find lots of dirt.

Sat 21 The fore-noon and  
after-noon meetings are  
held in our meeting room.

Mon 22 A rainy, dismal  
day. I finish Buff Caps.  
I mail a letter this morning  
to Julia A. Seabed.

11 "Each one has his heartache,  
Keep your own ache hid,  
Box it up and stamp it  
With a smile upon the lid."

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Wed. 17 Worked on air caps  
saw on skirt. Received  
a letter from Mrs. Chaffield.

Thur 18 Continue to work  
on skirt. The weather is  
not quite as cold today.  
15° above zero.

Fri 19 I spent the day fixing  
a two pair of denim drawers,  
pick off the ends of the slivers  
two inches & fasten ends.

"No Robin but may thrill some  
heart, His dawn-like gladness  
voicing; Love gives us all some  
small sweet way, To set the  
World rejoicing."

Fri 26 The <sup>sisters</sup> come to my  
shop and visit Mattie  
Williamson who is guest  
of the North Family, and is  
spending a few hours with  
us this p.m.

I put a top to a knit blue  
skirt, and mend some on  
my clothes.

Sat 27 Work at house clean-  
ing till 10-30 a.m. then  
clean & mend J. G. woolen  
every day coat which is  
dirty enough to need soap  
and water.

Sat 28 A stormy day.

Sun 29 Begin to finish poplar  
fancy work for the store.

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Tues 23 Go to the Wash-house  
and help Eldress Julia  
iron the pillow cases.

Leandrea is much better  
but the Dr. says she must  
keep her room a few days  
longer.

Thur 25 This day is sunny  
and quite warm. see  
some on a small cloak.

A letter from Anne Sears.  
Br. Benjamin does not get  
much better. He is now a  
poor broken down old man,  
like other aged people.

and comfort and to bless  
us. My work this week  
is on sale articles.

Wed 2 We feel that Spring  
is very near now. The  
snow is softly melting -  
the air balmy and pleasant.  
I walk out about noon and  
inhale its freshness. Go  
up stairs and look over  
some things in my Chest  
after dinner.

Thur 3 The day is stormy  
only 4° above zero. The day  
before it was up to 60°.  
We take two more little girls  
ages 7 and 5.



March 1904

Tue 1 Last evening, a meeting  
 is held at the North Family,  
 in commemoration of the  
 Anniversary of Mother Ann.  
 A sleigh was sent to take  
 us over there. The families ~~was~~  
 all invited to attend. Meeting  
 begun at 7 o'clock, closed at 9 o'clock.  
 The various discourses of the  
 hour ~~are~~ centered on Mother  
 and her mission. The songs  
 sung were all manifestations  
 of love and ministrations  
 received from her spirit  
 during the past 50 years.  
 We felt the presence of many  
 departed brethren & sisters  
 who came to bring us cheer

Mon 7. Rainy day. It has  
been observed for some  
time that Monday & Tuesday  
were stormy days. I am  
finishing sale articles. Sister  
Katherine Allen has given  
me a book which I am much  
interested in reading. "Joy and  
Power" Three messages with one  
meaning by Henry Van Dyke.

Tue 8 My birth day 71.  
Carrie has sent me a  
delicious cake with some  
Oranges & lemons. I lack  
for no good thing which the  
Office Sisters have to give.

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Fri 4 Sun shine but cold. Bro. Benjamin is improving.

Sat 5 Give my room a good cleaning also Tea Hall.

The Sisters are doing a great deal of house cleaning because tomorrow they change in the kitchen.

Sat. 6 Write to Sarah Winton. Sister Emma J. has just returned from a business trip of a few days absence and is quite sick having taken a heavy cold.

Sat 12. Say in the morning, that  
- I will not do much clean-  
- ing to day - and when I get  
at it do about as usual.

Sat 13. A beautiful cold  
day, just like the middle  
of winter. Br. Mouzo who  
is under some affliction  
with a bruised arm come  
in to make me a little  
visit. He fell about two weeks  
ago on the ice near his place  
of business. His wound is  
healing nicely with the doctors  
and Anna's care. Our dear  
sisters Emma & Cary are not  
feeling well, we wish them  
from meeting and other places.

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Wed 7 After my days work is done I write in the Family Journal.

"We reduce life to the pettiness of our daily living; we should exalt our living to the grandeur of life"

Phillips Brooks

Thurs 10 Have the day for myself. write to Emma Clough.

Begin to knit on a pair of fur gloves that I set up last October. Sadie has just received her Order for gloves from Budd. Jew.,

Fri 11 finish sales work.

of fur yarn. knit on a  
pair of Lady's gloves that  
I feel in a hurry to get done.

Thur 17 Finish off an old  
repaired clock. The  
day is fine but very cold.

Fri 18 A snow storm in the  
air. Work on trimming  
sale articles. Boxes.

Sat 19 Sweep snow over my  
room carpets which I  
cleanses them nicely.

Sat 30 Spring has come  
and O how we welcome  
it with all our hearts  
Good by dreary winter snow.  
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Mon 14 Sister Amelia goes  
to Pittsfield to buy some  
needed things for her girls.  
Sew on a Cloak to day.

I spend an hour visiting  
Sister Hannah Ann at the  
Infirmary in the pm., fix a  
curtain for her window.

Tue 15 Begin to iron the towels  
again. Finish the day in  
repairing my clothes. Dear  
Kate visited my night gown  
and brought it to me.

Wed 16 sew on Cloaks half  
a day. Wind a skin  
of fur yarn. Knit on a

Sister Dorothy takes a little

walk around the house  
keeping on the path. I  
walk out twice the weather  
is so warm and pleasant.

Fri 25 A dark rainy day -  
great contrast from yester-  
day. It is all good, the  
storm and the sunshine  
bespeak God's love and  
care. Saw on a red cloak.

Sat 26 The usual house-  
cleaning is being done  
by a few sisters and little  
girls. The Robins are singing  
to us this morning to cheer  
and delight our long chilled  
wintry feelings. Sing on!



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Mon. 21 Oh how lovely and pleasant the air is. I go to the wash-house and sprinkle the towels, and walk slow so as to enjoy it.

Tue 22 After dinner Emma Jane comes and brings me 8 octagon Bopes to finish-trim with ribbon.

Wed. 23 The air is lovely and spring-like. Walk out in the p.m. Trim Bopes.

Thurs 24 Sew on a blank. Knit on my fair gloves. Sister Dorothy takes a little

walk around the house.

Tue 29 Our good deacon-  
ess Cornelia is 64 to day.  
now sewing on cloaks.  
Get a letter from E. Clough.

Wed 30 The sisters are just  
as busy today as they were  
yesterday. And I am in  
union with them.

Thur 31 The last of the  
month. We are having  
a mid-winter snow and  
blow. I see piece around  
a cloak for Annie B.  
she has ironed the towels  
for me this week. And  
she is always kind to me.

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Feb 27 "From New Thought"

"Back of every sad face is the cry for love. Love, love, more love! Back of every sad face is the cry for love. In the lonely, dark corners of each heart is the same yearning. Prisons and sanatic asylums would be empty if there was more love in the world."

Nov 28 I mail a letter to Minty this morning.

Carrie brings me some boxes to ribbon.

Finish a re-lined cloak.

between times.

the hall at the entrance

of the meeting room  
which claim our admira-  
-tion. Two pieces are played  
on the Organ and sung  
by the choir.

Nov 4 The busy Bees are all  
flying around in earnest  
this bright cold morning.

Dec 8 My dear kind sister  
sent us the towel  
for me again. I begin  
to clean the Ministry's  
kitchen.

"Not to him who rashly dares,  
But to him who nobly bears  
Is the victor's garland's sure."

April 1904

Feb 1 The storm continues with an increase of wind, rain, snow and sleet. The men stop working at the wood.

Feb 2 Weather medium. renewed efforts are made to finish the wood. My weeks work has been sewing on Cloaks and finishing Octagon Boxes.

Feb 3. Easter! A pleasant day dawns upon us. An artistically arranged table of flowers are placed in the hall at the entrance.

greening with care and love  
of sweets. She is doing well,  
and I hope for a continuance  
of the same good fruit.

Y<sup>e</sup> Finnish Boxes for the store  
Mail as I've thought to my  
Stephen Harry.

Y<sup>e</sup> 8 Give my room and  
Shop closets a good cleaning.  
Retire early. I find that  
I am growing old when I  
begin Springs cleaning.

The Mail brings me  
a nice letter from my  
Stephen Harry.

Sal? Continue to clean  
house. Mend holders in  
the after-noon.

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Wed 6 My little friend  
Aris Chaffield sent me  
a pretty little bird for  
Easter. All the sisters had  
a bird, or a chicken, sent  
in one Box to sister Amelia.

I clean the Ministry's  
Kitchen. Address Julia &  
Yann Yason from the  
Hath Family, clean the  
Ministry's shop. We are  
expecting them to return  
home soon.

Thur 7 My girl <sup>Lucy</sup> Lottie is  
16 today. I write her  
a letter & give her a Birthday  
greeting with card and Box.

day to help Sister Annela  
about dresses for the girls -  
they are bought but need  
some changing and finishing.  
She is working in my shop  
and I am much pleased  
with her company.

<sup>4</sup> Fri 15 We arise this morning  
to find the ground covered  
with snow. Ther. at 26°  
I make 4 shirts for J. G.  
finish a pair of fur gloves  
and pick them. Enjoy the  
day with Eldress Augusta.

Sat 16 We have a great snow  
storm. Drifts 14 inches 5  
inches on a hill. Spend the  
p.m. with Eldress A.



April 1907

Sat 10. So many are sick  
in the Village that our  
gathering for meeting is  
quite small.

Sun 11. Trim fancy  
Boxes for the store.

Tue 12 Learn & finish a  
cloak.

Wed 13 Finish the Octagon  
Boxes & clean my room  
window blinds.

Thur 14 Eldress Augusta  
has come home for a few  
days to help sister Ancher

Saw James Glass in the p.m.  
Thur 21 Sister Amelie takes  
the train for Albany and  
then on to Catsaraugus  
to spend a few weeks with  
her relatives there.

I give the upper Ice Hall  
a spring cleaning and  
mend the seats. Get done  
at dinner time.

Fri 22 Sew at my trade in  
the fore noon. Knit on  
a pair of fur gloves. Prepare  
a large quantity of tissue  
paper for the wardrobe-closet  
that Anna B. brought from  
the Office Barn rabbit. It  
took me nearly two hours.  
Saves bought paper.

April 1904

Sab 17 Eldress A. leaves for  
Lancok this p.m.

I write a letter to C. W.

Mon 18 Begin the usual  
weeks work sewing on  
cloaks.

Tue 19 The Ministry return  
to Lebanon, or rather El's  
Harriet. Eldress A. is  
called to Enfield Lane  
to spend a few weeks.

Wed 20 see at my trade.  
face the heels of two pair  
of coarse winter footings  
for James Glass in the p.m.

Mon 25- see on cloaks  
walk out and enjoy  
the fresh air.

Tue 26 iron towels, lay  
18 little basket foundations,  
cut some large sheets  
of tissue paper that came  
around goods from the  
store to put in the  
Sisters water-closet. Call  
on sister Hannah then  
after supper.

Wed 27 Chores all day.

"Duty leads to piety, and no  
piety is true which has  
not the vigor of duty."  
in it. Phillips Brooke?

April 1904

Sat 23. It seems as though I had to make quite an effort to finish my Saturday house cleaning today. Wash two pair of Barn Mittens for J. G. In the p.m. do little of nothing for lack of rain.

Sat 24 We have a pleasant morning meeting. Our dear Address, Harriet is present. Her words of encouragement are felt by all.

"An effort made for the happiness of others lifts us above ourselves."

May 1904

Sab 1<sup>st</sup> We have showers  
and sun shine.

I write to sister Amelia.

Mon 2 sew on a Cloak  
Weather lovely.

Tue 3 Iron towels and  
sew on Cloaks.

clean out James glasses  
drawers and look over

his things. Set up a pair  
of Lure gloves. Have just  
finished a pair.

Wed 4 Give the sisters water -  
closet a thorough cleaning.

and the old dog it also

April 1914

Thurs 28 Give the Sisters  
Bath room a Springs -  
cleaning.

Fri 29 A very busy day!  
Give bedsteads a thorough  
cleaning. Flossie helps me.  
She washes the room and  
shop windows, also the two  
in my hall. I clean out  
drawers & c. & c. Take the  
braid off the mats in  
the Sisters Bath room.

Sat 30 Thunder Showers  
during the day. We now  
say good bye to April which  
has been a very cold month.

away - and much is  
being done in the mean  
time to make our home  
beautiful with-out and  
with-in.

Sat 18 How sweet and balmy  
the air feels this morning.  
All is quiet around -  
- 5-30 a.m. We have a  
very short meeting.

I write to Ethel, my  
Nephew's wife.

Mon 19 Fill cushion Baskets,  
clean up James' winter  
coat. George has re-packed  
my shop cold water faucet.



May 1904

Thurs. A beautiful  
 morning dawns upon us.  
 My next door neighbor,  
 Kate, called in this a.m.  
 and gave me a lovely  
 bunch of "fracking arthritis".  
 Spend the day knitting  
 on Lur gloves and sewing  
 on my own work.

Live's Work in my room  
 till dinner time. Mend  
 my sateen apron -  
 knit on my gloves.  
 An Order for gloves must  
 be filled by July.

Sat. 7 The weeks speed

Fri 13 The Ministry leave  
for Hancock. Will take  
early train for Canterbury  
in the morning. I finish  
a beautiful cloak.  
The weather is perfect!

Sat 14 A strong east wind  
tells us of a coming rain.  
Do not feel like house-  
cleaning to-day. Repair  
my winter drawers  
which are a Union suit.

Sat 15 A rainy day. meeting  
in the A.M. We find  
delicious bananas by the  
side of our plate at the  
breakfast table.

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May 1909

Tue 10 Perform the regular ironing. Wash flannel night gown & underwear. Sew a short drab cloak. Emma & Carrie go to Pittsfield.

Wed 11 The Canterbury Mini-Sisters come to see the Lebanon Ministry. We visit them this p.m. Only the sisters come. Eldress Caroline and Eldress Susan.

Thur 12 Sew to day. I write a short letter to Asenath Stebbins and send by the Ministry.

is cleaned the

lower <sup>hall</sup> and making  
ready for ceiling. Br  
Martin is adding beauty  
to the lawn every day.

Thurs 19 Showers thro the  
day. I heard a Robin  
sing sweetly this morning.

Fri 20 How swiftly the  
days and weeks glide  
away. My eyes feel weary  
with constant fine sewing.

Sat 21 I bind a coat for J. J.  
after house cleaning.

Sat 22 The day is lovely.  
all nature is smiling.

May, 1904

Mon 16 a cloudy rainy day.  
 Ther. fell 5° deg. the last  
 few days. a fire is made  
 in the furnace again.  
 I see on cloaks, also  
 knit on gloves. Write in  
 family journal.

Tue 17. The sisters are all  
 as busy as a "Beehive".  
 We look with some anxiety  
 on the early fruit trees they  
 are in full bloom. Orders  
 for cloaks come in. Sew  
 after ironing.

Wed 18 Sister Caroline  
 is cleaning the

warm. Mary gave me

a few lemons & oranges  
when I carried my cloak  
to the office. We have  
a heavy thunder storm  
about 5-30.

Thur 16 I finish a white  
cloak in the a.m. By  
special invitation from  
Eldress Julia, friend John  
C. Kimborth, Sister Adair's  
niece, & a relative of  
Sarah Cutler's who are  
all guests of the A.S. are  
invited to spend the p.m.  
and take tea, which is  
served at 5 o'clock in our  
dining room. We are  
entertained by them with music  
and singing. (61)

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May 1904

Mon 23 sew on cloaks -  
also oil the sisters  
bath-tubs and my room  
window screens.

Tue 24 Iron towels wash  
Jami's old barn rock  
and two woolen rubbers.  
The Ministry sisters  
return home. Sister  
Annie arrives home  
also about 5-30 p.m.  
O how glad we are to  
see her. Sew on cloaks.  
We are having many  
Orders this month.

Wed. 25 This day is very  
warm. Cary gave me

given by J. S. Kenworthy.

Now as the usual hurry  
of the week begins  
and I find myself in  
the gift.

Dec 31. I iron and put  
my things in order.  
The evening Mail  
brings me a nice letter  
from my dear sister  
Hornath Stickney.

The duty of physical health, and  
the duty of spiritual purity &  
loftiness are not two duties; they  
are two parts of one duty, which  
is living the ~~complete~~  
life which it is possible for man  
to live. Phillips Brooks.



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Fri 27 May 1904  
We attend a school  
entertainment this p.m.

The pupils performed well  
their hand recitations  
and the organ with  
singing.

Sat 28 The usual rounds  
of duty.

Sat 29 The day affords  
me pleasant hours  
for reading, after  
our morning meeting.  
In the evening we are  
invited to the A.S. to  
a lecture on "Liberty"  
given by J. L. Kenworthy.

in New York. She will  
see a Specialist in regard  
to her eyes.

Fri 3 A company from  
Kentisbury come to visit.  
They are the "old quartette"  
and we anticipate hearing  
some good singing. Elder  
Arthur, Sister Fannie Fish-  
Josephine Wilson, Helma, Charles  
& Jessie Evans.

They go to the Second & South  
Family's this p.m.

Sat 4 Visitors spend the day  
with the A.P. enjoy the time  
very much. They are  
able to entertain us with their  
bright conversation. (65)

Jan 1904

Wed 1 Sister Dorothy,  
has given me a dress of  
Yakety's to make into  
a skirt. I spent a good  
deal of time in mending  
moth holes! It is a Debye  
gown and quite good  
and worth a much.

"No beauty is really beautiful  
which in any way hinders  
righteousness or weakens  
spiritual life."

Thurs 2 Our little sister Kate  
starts for Washington this  
morning. Will meet Daisy

Wed 8 See as usual.

Thurs 9 Work on a new dark  
outing outside skirt. and  
mend some underwear.

Fri 10 Finish the skirt

"Men will talk of little  
things & great things, as if  
they knew what things were  
little & what things were great

Sat 11 I enjoy a splendid ride  
through Lebanon Valley and  
the country around this p.m.  
with Br. George Duncan and  
little Ruth for company. Start  
at 1-30 arrive home 5 o'clk.

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June 1904

Sub 5 - We omit exercise this morning. In the p.m. the Society meet in our Chapel at 3 o'clock and listen to the music & singing of the quartette. A heavy thunder shower at the beginning delays the time some. It is hot, hot!!

Don't the company leave for Water-oliet. We have enjoyed a lovely visit with them and been charmed with the singing.

June 7 iron and finish a cloak.

ness room a few moments  
and his spirit was so cheerful  
and bright it did me good.  
And so I take up my needle  
and enjoy the pure sweet  
influence that came to me  
by intercourse even a little  
while, with our lovely sister.

Wed 15 I have an agreeable  
visit with Polly Langford  
& Iris Platt. They are stopping  
at the Office a few days.

Thur 16 Rise early and hull  
strawberries for breakfast.  
We have Strawberry short cake  
for dinner. While I was  
busily sewing on a Plunk

June 1904

Sab 12 Sister Rosetta Cummings and Mera Green from Enfield N.H. spend the Sabbath with us, they have been at the Factory in Hancock working up some fur. Take the train for home this p.m.

Mon 13 sun all day, call on sister Hannah Brown in the p.m.

Tues 14 From the towels, sister Martha Burger was passing in a hurry through the hall and I chanced to meet her, we sat down in the deacons

Saturday's house cleaning  
I have a good bye visit  
this fore noon with Mary  
and Izzy who finish their  
visit and return home to  
Albany by the 11 o'clock train.  
I pick a pair of fur gloves  
in the p.m.

Feb 19 In the p.m. I fit  
four caps on to Edress  
Augusta. Will see them  
off tomorrow.

Monday Very warm. work  
on the caps. The family  
are invited to take supper on  
the lawn. Have salad, sand-  
-wiches, tea cake, & ice cream.  
also a beautiful bouquet is



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June 1904

Sister Annika sent an invitation to me to attend the "Honey Patch" Electro-Photo-Moving pictures display which is to be held at the Baptist Church Lebanon Springs. I went and enjoyed the novelty very much. returned at 10:30 p.m.

Th 17 feel sleepy this morning, but rise with Annie the kitchen maid and finish a light tan cloak before breakfast.

Sat 18 While engaged in

afternoon I was at

the middle of the day.

Wed 22. I resume my  
sewing on cloaks.  
Sarah Cuthb returns from  
her visit to New York.

Thurs 23 A busy day in  
sewing. Weather fine.

Fri 24. I have a pretty  
light drab cloak to finish -  
hood lined with white satin.  
I also write to sisters beneath  
Stickney and Jane Crooker.

Sat 25. Oh how hot it is! 100  
in the shade. The sisters  
have had a busy week  
and we will be glad to  
rest over the morrow.

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June 1904

placed on the center of each table. The weather is lovely, the birds in the trees around sing sweetly to us as we partake of our delicious fare prepared by sister Amelia, Cornelia, and the girls to help.

June 21 From the towels the day begins extremely warm. I saw east a hawk. In the after-noon go to the wash-house and help Eunice see an old washed carpet together that belongs in No 5. We have showers in the middle of the day.

To my nephew Harry.

Help Eldress Julia clean  
Louisa's shop. Susan also  
assists. At 10 o'clock a cook  
comes for and to finish. Later  
in the p.m. I walk up to  
the Center family's house  
where the sisters are cleaning.  
It looks so nice that I  
would like to live there my-  
self.

Yer 28 We attend the funeral  
service of sister Holahine  
Dunn of the second family  
who has been slowly wearing  
out with consumption.

Wed 29 Cool & rainy.

Thur 30 No unusual events.

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June 1904

Sat. 26 We have a friend  
 from the West, Ohio, in  
 our meeting this morning.  
 John MacLean. He spoke  
 at the close about the  
 Shaker societies in Ohio,  
 dwelt largely on the pioneers  
 that left Lebanon and went  
 out there in 1805 and the  
 great work they performed.

In the evening we met  
 at the North Family and  
 he continues the subject  
 making a very interesting  
 discourse.

Mon 27 I mailed a letter  
 to my nephew Harry.

a ride in the covered

Carriage in her place.  
About Dock we start  
Sadie, Carrie, and the  
writer. We ride north, pass  
through the Village of  
Stephen town & Garfield.  
The weather is lovely.  
Ride about 16 miles.  
arrive home 6-30 and feel  
a good appetite for supper.

Nov 4 The great Independence  
Day! We pursue our  
various duties as  
usual. I sew on a  
white child's cloak till  
dinner time. knit on  
a pair of fur gloves  
the rest of the day.

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July 1904

Yri & the sisters clean the lower part of the wash house. I assist some until my clock comes to finish. Cut my corns and mend an old skirt.

Sat. 2 Our friend from the West, John MacLean makes the Church family a visit today. takes dinner at the Office. We have a thunder shower, have had several in the past few days.

Sat. 3 After dinner Emma came and offered me a ride in the covered

arrives on the back train.  
 She has been visiting  
 some of the Societies since  
 her return North from  
 Florida. Has been absent  
 nine years.

Sat 9 I clean all my  
 rooms and hall extra  
 nice today. Sew on  
 a light drab cloak in  
 the p.m.

Sat 10 The morning meeting  
 is postponed until 2.30 p.m.  
 In the evening we attend a  
 discourse by our friend J. C. McLean  
 on the Missionary Spirit of  
 the Older Believers.



July 1904

Tue 5. iron and finish a  
cloak.

Wed 6 My dear brother  
Peter's birth day had  
he been living. Sew on  
the white cloak. Our kind  
sister Anna Lane has  
cleaned and painted one  
of the sisters bath tubs  
and will paint the other  
one next week. Our  
dear little Kate returns  
from Washington and  
her sister Paisy comes  
with her to spend a few  
weeks.

Thu 8 Sister Minerva

Dorothy, owner and wife

also from New Jersey arrive  
on 12 o'clock train. This gives  
us much company this  
week.

Thur 14 The day begins fine.

We spend some leisure  
in conversing with our  
company. They all are  
very good visitors. Cherris  
are being picked, some  
cannot and many sent  
to market.

Fri 15 Our Catskill Com-  
pany leave for home.

Sat 16 Sister Dorothy's  
relatives finish their visit  
and take train for New York.

July 1904

Mon 11 Mail a letter to  
J. L. Winters. When I carried  
my cloak Emma gave  
me three delicious peaches.  
Emma cleans the large  
bath-tub to day ready for  
painting.

Tue 12 Sew on cloaks after  
ironing. Knit on an  
order for fur gloves in  
the afternoon.

Wed 13 Eldress Julia has  
some friends come to see  
her. Margaret Pedell and  
Marion Hauins. Sister  
Dorothy's brother and wife

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Most a lovely day.  
The air is cool and  
bracing. I enjoy my  
sewing more on the  
leaves when the weather  
is not so hot!

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> A jolly company  
start for the Mountain  
to pick huckle berries.  
After my days work I write  
a long letter to Sarah Winton.

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Mail the letter, morning  
cool and pleasant.

Another company of 5 ascend  
the Mountain for berries. They go  
to the Shastig Lot.

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Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> The day is very pleasant. I write in my Journal.

Son 18 Sew on cloaks. Finish a pair of gloves and pick them. Begin to piece down James Glass's old luxuriose frock, the sleeves.

Sun 19<sup>th</sup> iron and finish a black cloak. It was as black as a crow!

" Never look upon your work as a refuge from thought, but express your thought in your work."

Phillips Brooks.

Wed 27 Saw as usual -  
and having a little  
time between knit on  
fur gloves.

It is a great blessing to  
one in this life to be busy  
doing something useful  
day by day. I pity those  
who spend their time in  
idleness.

Thur 28 B Company of sisters  
and girls go with Martine  
to the Hasting Lot again for  
berries.

Fri 29 Raspberries and more  
blueberries picked.  
Weather fine.

July 1904

Sat 23 A very busy day  
for all the Sisters.

Sat 24 The day is cloudy  
with showers. Peace and  
stillness prevails in our  
quiet Village.

Mon 25 My sewing does not  
come until after dinner  
Knit on fur gloves in  
the a. m.

Tue 26 Iron the nicest  
towels. Our girl Florence  
finishes the sewing  
and I sew on the Cloaks.

August 1904

Mon 1st Go to the wash house  
after breakfast and do  
some washing. Finish  
a real block. Sew on  
four gloves in the p. m.

4-30 as thunder storm is  
approaching)

Tue 2nd This morning I  
mail a letter to my  
sister Ethel, which she  
will receive on her Birth-  
day. Sew on a beautiful  
light drab block lined  
with white silk. Iron a  
portion of the towels, the  
nicer room & hall towels.



July 1904

Sat 30 Every Sister that is able to stir is going with the speed of an eagle on the wing to get their weeks work done. I am hurrying with the others.

Sat 31 about 30 spectators attended our meeting this morning. Exercises were omitted much to the disappointment of those who came to see R Shaker meeting. Our esteemed friend Dr. Winters spent the Sabbath with us. I write to Emma J. Clough. the day is extremely warm.

had 29 years. (It was given to me in the time of our "Great Fire" Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> 1875.

Sat 6 the 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the landing of Mother Ann in America 1774 - 1904. On the morning we hold special meeting in commemoration of the event.

Sat 7 the meeting began at the usual hour, and closed at 4-30 many of the world were present. dinner at 1/2 past 3 o'clk. In the <sup>ev</sup> Mr. McLean gave us a very interesting discourse on the M<sup>o</sup>ving builders of Ohio

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August 1904

Wed 3 The air is lovely, &  
 as I sit in my shop, see-  
 -ing, I see loads of sweet  
 new hay drawn to the  
 barn by the farmers. What  
 a clean healthy place our  
 Mountain home is.

Thur 4 When I carried my  
 looks to the Office on  
 way back, I called at the  
 Infirmary to see sister  
 Minnie who is growing worse  
 instead of better.

Fri 5 I had the misfor-  
 -tune to break a mug  
 after dinner, that I have

March Garrison a few moments  
and in the interval I had  
the nice little ride. Lillian  
was in the carriage also.

Wed 10 The rain is pouring  
in torrents 10 o'clock a.m. /  
a dark gloomy day. find  
lots of work to do with my  
needle.

Thur 11 much cooler. I sew  
my under ware in the a.m.  
sew on a small red clock  
the rest of the day.

Fri 12 Sister Ann Offord  
spends the day with us.  
takes dinner and supper  
in our Restaurant.

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~~Some~~ dating back 3,000 years.

Mon 8. We visit the Waterwheel Company who attend the Anniversary meeting yesterday.

Tue 9 After supper I have a pleasant little ride as far as the North Family in the Second Family's carriage. Anna was driving an old span of horses, 30 years old, but looking quite well yet, like some old folks. She had been giving the English visitors a day's ride, and they were calling on the

are the real facts of our existence."

Phillips Brooks

Mon 15 I see the brethren  
have begun to make  
ready to crown the ash  
shower! What will Orat happen  
next! The Ministry have  
Lebanon today. Will not  
return again until Oct.

Tue 16 I rise early and iron.  
finish a gray Cloak lined  
all through with silk.

Wed 17 My dear girl Gessie  
is taken to her Mother in  
Vermont. She shed bitter tears  
at the last as she bid me  
good bye. Oh how foolish young  
people are to forsake this good  
home. My heart is sad.

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August 1974

Sat 13 This week, I have done my mid summer window washing. I was 9: Flossie helps me & washes 7 inside and outside. pick a pair of fur gloves and write my Family Journal

Sat 14 the day begins with rain. it clears off and we meet for worship and feel refreshed with a purified gifts.

"Not the ~~things~~ <sup>things</sup> that happen to us, but the meaning <sup>which</sup> of the things that happen to us have for us are the real facts of our existence."

Phillips Ranch

Water-closet door knob.

I feel very lonely without my girl Blossie. She was a crooked stick that Love could straighten when applied in a Motherly kind way.

Feb 1st Write in my book of select quotations. Our Evening service is made interesting by much good speaking.

Nov 22. Begin my days work by finishing a red cloud. Finish two today. Oh dear! Anna came in to see me & while conversing she saw a bed bug! on my couch



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August 1904

Thurs 18 The sisters are busy this week taking care of the fruit Peaches, Plums & pears.

"We must answer for our actions, God will answer for our powers."

Fri 19 Elder Timothy, brother Thomas & daughter, also his sister Mary spent the day with us. I finish a lovely light blue cloak - hood lined with flowered white silk.

Sat 20 A rainy day. I get Joseph to fix the sisters water closet door knob.

she had one for each

Season of the year.

Wed 24 Our family began to attend the Salvation Army meetings at Lebanon Grove.

Frankie Dalton with two Alices & a son takes dinner and spends a few hours with us. She is boarding near Quincey Lake a few weeks.

Thurs 25 I put two caps on Amy and finish them off. Also put one on Louise. We are having cool mornings, very warm in the middle of the day. My work is light that today.

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I began to take the things off as soon as I put down my needle and look it over thoroughly. moved the lot out and cleared the floor. To my surprise I did not find one Bug! Glad was I.

Tue 23 The usual ironing is accomplished, then I take up my needle. I frequently meet our boarder at "Mr Bell Hall" when I cross the street to go to the Office with my work. Today I met a woman with four pretty little children, she said she had one for each

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attend the Salvation Army  
meeting in the Grove this  
evening.

Mon 29 The Cadets with their  
Captain march thro' the  
Village about 9-30 this a.m.  
with song and drums. At  
1/2 past 10 they hold a little  
meeting on the Lawn at the  
A. G. All are invited to attend.  
Every family was represented  
also our boarders were  
there. I went and was deeply  
touched by their sincerity &  
simplicity. There was about  
30 of them in all.

Tue 30 With all the other  
events at 3 o'clock I sit for  
a picture in the cloak room  
with the Officer sisters. (99)

August 1914

Fri 26 I finish a ten  
block & begin to knit  
fur wists for Cornelia  
so that she can sooner  
get her gloves done. The  
Orders are nearly ready  
to send to Budd in New  
York who gave orders in  
March for about 90 pairs.

Sat 27 the usual house  
cleaning occupies the  
forenoon, I write in the  
family journal, and knit  
some in the pm.

Sat 28 A very warm day.  
Fourteen of our family  
attend the Salvation Army  
meeting in the Grove. It is

and marching.

Fri 2 plenty of Cloak Order  
now. The weather makes one  
feel as tho they would like  
to live outdoors. It is lovely!

Sat 3 South wind and a  
little rain. In the p.m.  
I run another small  
trunk in my new drab  
dress it is a half inch  
too long. Set up a pair  
of fur twists to knit  
for Sadie. Susan kindly  
washes the window at the  
head of stairs in hall.

Sat 4 A lovely day. I answer  
Florence's letter and read  
in "Harbinger of Light."

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Aug 1904

Wed 31 I receive a letter from my girl Tessie. She regrets the step she has taken and begs to be taken back. Poor girl!

September 1904

Thurs 1 Our faithful sister Cornelia takes the Bock train for Albany. Will spend a week with her Cousins. In the evening we enjoy an informal meeting with our boarders in the meeting room. We have music singing and marching.

ants to pick and make

a lively time for the Sister  
Block orders coming in  
as fast as we can fill  
the orders.

Thurs 9 cold and rainy. Our  
boarders are returning  
to the city. Dr & Mrs. Kettle  
with their four children leave  
this morning. They gave us  
a good bye call around the  
house last evening.

Sat 9 the last four leave  
this morning. They have  
made our Village seem  
more cheery & bright.  
Sister Cornelia returns  
this p.m. Reports good visit.



September 1904.

Mon 3 - Emma goes to New York on business. I stay at home and sew on Cloak.

Tue 5 - iron trousers and a skirt, finish a cloak and knit a ~~pair~~ wrist for Sadie, this finishes the last pair of fur gloves and makes out the Order.

Wed 7 The sisters have a large amount of Tomatoes to prepare for Canning.

Thur 8 Peas & Plums added to the Tomatoes, also ants to pick and make

cloak and see around  
a large cape lined with  
white satin. A pouring  
rain begins at 3 o'clock and  
continues into the night.

Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> sun on cloaks.

Our agreeable visitor,  
Mary, spends a few hours  
with me.

Get finished a white silk  
lined cloak. I was  
glad when it was done.

Sat 17, I wash the wood  
work in my hall and  
mop the floor. I have  
a delicious lunch of cake  
and ice cream.

September 1904

Sat. 11 A very calm quiet  
in our Village. Our  
boarders all gone, we  
miss them.

Thou Mary Realer comes  
to spend a few weeks. She  
makes me a long visit  
this p.m.

Tues 13 When I take my  
cloak to the Office this  
afternoon about 3 o'clock, Laine  
gives me a lovely dish of  
Ice cream. I love the Fourth  
as usual.

Wed 14 Finish a black

leaves and sew up some

has been very pleasant.

Y<sup>est</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Finish a brook & rip  
up an old one for re-  
pairing. Wm. at 110.

Fri 23 Cold! Wm 26 0  
We have delicious grapes  
& musk melon all  
we can eat. Elder Smith  
has brought from the  
garden 200 lbs the best  
Hubbard Squash ever  
raised there

Sat 24 A rainy gloomy day.  
I finish off a brook in the  
afternoon.

Sat 25 Bright sunshine  
again. I attend meeting

September 1904

Sat 18 I write to Flossie  
she is expecting to return  
in a few weeks. I hope  
the dear girl will succeed.  
The day is so pleasant  
a number of the sisters  
take a ride in the p.m.

Sun 19 A busy day. Finish  
two blocks around the  
creek.

Tue 20<sup>th</sup>  
Iron the towels, over cast  
a block & finish one.

Wed 21 Mary Calver takes  
the train for Buffalo  
this morning. Her visit  
has been very pleasant.

Thurs 22

the fresh air. She is slowly failing.

After ironing sew on Cloaks.  
Wed 28 Rather cloudy all day,  
this makes it unpleasant to  
sew on such dark work.

Thur 29 Showers! in torrents  
in the p.m. Sew all day.

Fri 30 Continued Showers!  
Weather changeable. Very  
warm & then cold. I have  
done a good deal of house cleaning  
to day. Cloak Orders are  
coming in as many as we  
can finish and keep up  
with. We need more laborers  
in the Vineyard. Where shall  
we go to find them? I begin  
to make a shade toward  
when I sew. Eyes wear. (119)

com Sep. 1904

enjoy, as nice little visit  
with Br. Alway, after  
dinner and then write in  
my Journal. Read in a  
book entitled "Was Abraham  
Lincoln a Spiritualist."

Mon 26 Bright and fair  
in the morning. it rains  
all after noon. I find  
plenty of sewing on Cloaks  
to be done.

Tue 27 I receive a long letter  
from Emma Clough. Anna  
Prings sister Minnie over to her  
shop for a little walk, to inhale  
the fresh air. She is slowly failing.

After ironing sew on Cloaks.

driving us early and late

The St. Family do not feel able to sew the skirts any longer, & this gives us more to do.

Thur ~~5~~ Cool and pleasant  
I finish off two beautiful  
drab cloaks. Now I feel like  
giving my eyes a long rest.

Fri ~~6~~ Sew, sew, sew! till  
the last rays of light dis-  
appears.

Sat ~~7~~ We hear two letters from  
our absent Sisters. Good report  
safe arrival, hearty welcome  
good health & enjoying it all.  
I report my "Impatient Sattana."  
& fix over a pair of fine white  
drawers for James. Two small.



October 1904

Sat 1 Work on some black lace under caps for Army and Louisa in the p.m.

Sat 2 Cool, but pleasant. Our leading singers were absent from meeting, but the other singers acted their part well.

Sat 3 Iron towels, and also iron a shirt waist. See the rest of the day.

Two sisters Eunice & Sadie start for the West, will visit the Societies in Ohio & Kentucky and may be see the Fair.

Wed 5 Orders for Cloaks are driving us early and late

4th to 4th I do not feel able

Wed 12 We have wind, rain  
and sleet. a dark day.  
a few sisters are trying to  
cut a Kiln of apples. I ought  
to be there but I must see.

Thur 13 Clouds continue to  
shade the sun. My nerves  
are growing tired with the  
one motion of using the needle.  
I for a change of some kind  
finish a Cloak. and write  
to Emma Clough.

Fri 14 I finish a beautiful  
blue cloak, hood lined with white  
silk. also turned a woollen  
sheet which took me several  
hours.

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October 1904

Sat. 9 All is well. Hear some letters from the company who are attending a "Peace Congress" in Boston, write to Frances Parker and Miss Chaffield.

Sun 10 Hear some interesting letters from the sisters who are visiting our people in Ohio. See as usual.

Sun 11 Iron in the dark before breakfast so as to have more time to sew on the cloaks! O dear! what a busy world this is.

at West Pittsfield. Go to the  
silk factory do some  
shopping take a luncheon  
and in the p.m. go to see  
the New Museum. Wonderful  
wonderful! indeed! Arrive  
home 5-15 weary and retire  
about 8 o'clock. Over-sleep, the  
next morning find myself  
in bed at 6 o'clock! hurry to get  
dressed. Amelia gave me  
a cup of tea and a piece of  
bread and butter with a slice  
of delicious honey cut from the  
cake. I see on Clocks.

Thur 20 Another lovely day.

Fri 21 A pouring rain all  
day. Cornelia Cousin & pupils  
the home. with one. (115)

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Sat. 15 Do not work after I finish my chores. Rest on the lounge most of the time. Feel one third sick.

Sat. 16. After meeting rest! read & lie on the lounge again.

Mon 17 Begin to work in earnest weather pleasant. Shrink a piece of flannel for make drawers for James.

Tue 18 Iron the towels and finish a cloak.

Wed 19 I go to Pittsfield with Bessie. We take the trolley

at West Pittsfield. Go to the

to hear her relate some  
experiences in her missions.

Nov 24 I finish a lovely  
light drab cloak. In the  
evening we go to the N.Y.  
and hear another discourse  
from our friend Amanda  
on the same subject varied  
by different experiences. We  
were all deeply interested. She  
leaves in the morning for her  
home in Penn.

Tue 25<sup>th</sup> Sew and change James'  
summer suits for winter

Wed 26 Sew on cloaks.  
a dark day.

Thur 27 the same. While waiting  
cut out a pair of flannel drawers.  
for J. G.

October 1904

Sat 22 A great change in the weather - no fire in the furnace as yet 1-30 p.m. friend Emma is with me again this afternoon. I finish a book besides chores. Emma J. is not feeling well - is suffering with neuralgia - has to keep quiet in bed a few days.

Sat 23 We have in our meeting this morning our friend and sister Amanda Deys. a great worker in the National "Peace Congress" held in Boston. In the evening the society meet again in our meeting room and we listen with interest to hear her relate some

interesting in her mission

Now I see the business of the day  
is sewing at my trade.

November 1904

Just iron towels, blinged  
stitch a white cloak which  
is for the late George Pullman's  
daughter. Emma is much  
better - but has not left the  
Infirmary yet. Address August  
is a needed help at the Office.

Wed 2 Washington Jones comes  
to see his old home & friends.  
Sarah Butler has begun to  
see on the cloaks, and is  
doing first best. Emma  
goes to the Office to spend a  
little time every day.

O we hope she will be well  
soon!



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October 1904

Fri 28 Address Augusta  
makes me a nice long  
visit this evening.

Sat 29 Our interesting visitor,  
Emma Swain Stokes  
the p.m. train for Albany.  
She had spent some pleasant  
hours in the shop with me,  
and I shall miss her social,  
winning, cheerful spirit.

Sat 30 We have our usual  
meetings. Br. Snows comes  
to pay me a short visit brings  
me three papers of the "Banner  
of Light" which I enjoy reading.

Mon 31 The business of the day  
is sewing at my trade.

also bring my small one.

Sat 6 Meetings at the usual  
time. I write in the fam-  
ily Journal and read  
the remainder of the day  
in the "Banner of Light".

Mon 7 Cloudy. I sew on the  
cloaks.

Tues 8 Dron, finish a cloak.  
In the p.m. visit Angelina  
Lot, who is here for a few days.

Wed 9 The day is dark and  
cloudy, but I finish two  
cloaks.

Thur 10 A girl from Troy is taken  
into the family. 16 years old.  
Lurina Smith.

November 1904

Thur 3 Our sister Eunice & Sadie who have been absent four weeks return this morn. in good health and spirits

Fri 4 Eunice comes and gives me a little account of her visit this a.m. I was very much interested for over an hour.

Washington goes to Hancock where he will spend the Sat.

Sat 5 I finish washing my 18 windows, began Thursday to wash them. I re-pot & trim my "Impatient Sattam<sup>us</sup>" also trim my small one.

Jan 15 After ironing the  
boots, iron a shirt and  
shirt waist.

Wed 16 Sew on the cloaks  
The air is lovely.

Thur 17 A change, growing  
colder only 10.° above zero.

Important events take place,  
Eldress Harriet returns from  
Waterbury to Lebanon. Henry  
George starts for England.

Flossie returns to her Shaker  
home. Elder Timothy meets her  
at Pittsfield and conveys her  
over the mountain.

Emma J. comes to my shop in  
the p.m. to make me a little  
visit. She is much better.

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November 1904

Fri 11 No blocks. I begin to make three pairs of flannel thin drawers for James.

Sat 12 Give my room a good cleaning. work on the flannel drawers in the afternoon.

Sat 13 We have our first real snow storm. It does not hinder the families meeting with us in worship.

Sun 14 In the morning we find 14 inches of snow on the ground! And it looks as tho' it would stay on.

Mon 21 Gowns are dressed  
I sit in my shop and sew.

Tue 22 The young sisters help  
me iron. Go to the Office  
Larrie gave me a nice  
cup of clam broth. Finish  
a beautiful Green cloak.

Wed 23 Finish a lovely white  
cloak about 1/2 past 3 o'clock  
feel quite weary.

Thur 24 Thanksgiving Day.  
Dr J. P. McLean is here again  
and spoke at the close of the  
meeting. I do not have any  
cloak today.

November 1904.

Fri 18 Finish a cloak and  
work on flannel drawers.

Sat 19 Flossie cleans my hall  
we shake room closet car-  
pet and mop it. I take  
my bath in the fore-noon  
and sew on flannels in  
the p.m. O dear! what an  
amount of work there is on  
three pairs of flannel drawers.

Sat 20 Write to my stephen  
and Alice. Our meeting  
is filled with testimony  
against the fashions of the  
world.

Jul 29 iron the boards, sew  
on cloaks the rest of the  
day. Elder Arthur Bruce  
comes for a day. Sister Minnie's  
daughter Myrae from Harvard  
and her three sons who are  
living near that Society come  
to attend the funeral.

Wed 30 the funeral begins  
at 2 o'clk p.m. the society  
attend, also her relatives.  
It was a meeting long to be  
remembered. Our dear sister  
was highly honored by the  
testimony of many of her life  
long sisters <sup>& brothers</sup> in gospel relations.  
How beautiful & consoling at the  
close of life to have such a palatation.



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Nov. 1904

Fri 25 - Sew on cloaks.

Sat 26. Finish the three pair of drawers that I have been making for James.

Sat 27 Soon after supper Anna came into my room and asked me to assist her in caring for Sister Minerva thro' the night. quite unexpectedly she passed to spirit life at 9-30 p.m. I remain with Anna & help lay her out. She came back with me to the dwelling house 11-30.

wrote to our -

Sunday Winton.

Mon 5 - Myra takes the train for Enfield Corner. We have had a pleasant visit with her.

Tue 6 iron - the girls kept me so that I can work on Sale Books.

Wed 7 Cloudy with a light fall of snow. I can hardly see to sew on my dark work.

Thurs 8 sew from 5 o'clock am to 4-30 p.m. Now I must rest my eyes.

Fri 9 continue to hurry, we must fill our "Christmas" Orders.

December 1904

Thurs 1 The sons return to their homes. Myra stays a few days to visit the families. I resume my sewing.

Fri 2 Finish a silk lined cloak. The weather is fine. Between times I sew several patches on an old skirt.

Sat 3 Perform the usual house cleaning. Continue to mend my clothes.

Sat 4 Attend the morning meeting read in the "Banner of Light" and write to our esteemed friend

Sarah Winton

Yer 13 Snow, and hurry  
to the shop to sew on the  
Cloaks. The day is lovely!

Wed 14 How just alike all these  
days do seem. I sew, sew,  
sew, and think, think, think,  
and some of my thoughts chur  
pne and Pointe depress me!

Thur 15 O, who could wish a  
more perfect winter day. The  
snow lies quietly on the ground  
& the green boughs of the ever-  
green trees are loaded with  
snow, the contrast is beautiful.  
I find time between the hours  
of 7 o'clock a.m. to 4 o'clock p.m. to  
finish two Cloaks.

Dec 1914

Sat 10 After the chores are done I begin to make a set of flannel shirts for James.

Sat 11 It is six below zero this morning. It does not prevent a large number attending our <sup>meeting</sup>. This p.m. Sister Dorothy is carried to the Infirmary she is slowly, but surely nearing the close of life.

Mon 12 Begin the week with abundance of sewing. A dark cloudy day.

shop, sewing as rapidly as I  
can to keep up with the  
bloom orders.

Tue 20 Finished a beautiful  
white silk lined cloak  
after the usual ironing.

Wed 21 We are having many  
Orders just at present.

Thur 22 Three cloaks are  
Ordered for Xmas, but  
they must wait.

Fri 23 It looks like being  
a stormy day. Elder Kimbly  
takes Flossie and Lavinia  
to Pittsfield. We hope they  
may have a fine sleigh ride.  
They are both just 16 years old.

December 1904

Fri 16 My work on cloaks  
only continues till 9 o'clk

Sat 17 After house cleaning  
see on the flannel shirts.  
The sisters have been watching  
with Dorothy this week.  
I take my turn to night.

Sat 18 Attend morning service  
feel the effects of my loss  
of sleep. Take a good nap  
in the p.m.

Mon 19 Elder Timothy is 76 to  
day, and Elizabeth C. is 72. &  
she is doing the family washing  
with Eunice. I am in my  
shop sewing as rapidly as I

can to keep up with the

Families are invited to  
an entertainment by the  
second family. Supper is  
omitted. Exercises begin at  
six o'clock. A hired man  
takes us in a sleigh.

We enjoy three hours of music  
speaking and various exercises.  
refreshments were served.

The sleigh bells jingle again  
and we are on our way home  
at 9-30.

Nov 26 O dears! I wake up  
with a terrible head-ach -  
no cloak work for me today.  
My girl Blossie is very kind  
to me.

Dec 27 The dear girls iron  
my towels and I sew on the  
cloaks in the a.m. I write  
some letters in the afternoon.



December 1904

Sat 24 Do up my house  
cleaning and finish a cloak  
that I began yesterday.

Write some in the p.m.

Prepare to go to the Infirmary  
and to night, watch with  
Dorothy.

Sab 25 "Christmas" Morning!  
many pleasant greetings  
I hear around. I receive  
four valuable presents  
and some of smaller  
note. Our meeting is soul  
cheering and inspiring. My  
poor ears do not catch  
but little of what is spoken.  
In the evening all the  
families are invited to  
an entertainment by the

January 1905  
Sat 1st I was very sorry  
not to be able to attend  
meeting this morning. a  
heavy cold holds me tight.

Mon 2 Mail a letter to Emma  
y. Swan.

Wed 4 I go to the Infirmary at  
Hock and stay with Dorothy  
while Anna is engaged doing  
other duties in the House. She  
lived till about 5-40 and then  
passed quietly away. We are  
rejoicing with her that her  
sufferings are ended. Had she  
lived till May 4th she would  
have been 83.

Dec 1904

Wed 28 Do not get any work until about noon write to my Stephen, & to Minty while waiting.

Thur 29 No blocks to day. I feel down sick with a cold, and take a dose of \_\_\_\_\_ to see if I wont feel better.

Fri 30 finish the last block for this year. Give Benjamin and Louisa some Oranges and Bananas for a "New Year's present"

Sat 31 Good bye dear old year we have enjoyed life harmoniously together.

Commemorate the longer  
service of our sister Hannah A.  
at 9 o'clock p.m. The meeting  
was well filled with tributes  
of love and respect from  
brothers and sisters who have known  
her true, consecrated life.

Wed 11 The Ministry leave us  
today and go to Hancock.  
We shall miss them so much  
they have helped us in spiritual  
ministrations and in busy  
temporal employ.

Sat 14 The week has pass-  
ed swiftly on and each  
day has been filled with  
useful employment.  
The. down to zero.

January 1905

Sat 7 Our agist sister Hannah Ann Agnew passed to her spirit home this pm. at 11-30 o'ck. She has suffered many years with many infirmities that flesh is heir to.

Sister Dorothy's funeral this pm. at 8 o'ck. Her brother and wife come from New Jersey to attend the funeral. Much good speaking and commendation of the virtues and consecrated life of our sister. Her relatives leave immediately after the meeting is closed. Taking evening train for New York.

Jan 10 We meet again to  
~~commemorate~~

commemorate the deceased

Wed 25 - I finish starching  
16 caps ready for ironing.

Thur 26 Iron 6 caps.

Fri 27. The painter Joe, comes  
and washes & calcimines 2  
rooms & 2 closets. I finish  
a cloak in the a.m. and clean  
in my room in the p.m.

The rooms are No. 6 & No. 4.

\* I change my shop Table and  
take one not quite so nice.  
Emma has been trying to get  
two Tables for the South Family  
Elders, and my Table with an  
other one were selected for them.  
Joe also calcimined a room  
and closet at the Infirmary.

January 1905

Mon 16. Corinne starts to  
White Plains to spend a  
few weeks with her relatives.

Fri 20. Br. Robert H.  
has given me a very  
interesting book to read  
by James H. Boss. He  
defends the theory of pre-  
-existence, has a marvelous  
experience through life.

Mon 23 George & Anna help  
me move the things out of  
my room to make ready  
for calceining & painting.  
We work till dinner time.

care  
I.e. remembering to us of  
that terrible day!!

I finish drawing up  
21 Laps. Glad am I that  
the job is done once more.

Wed 8 Joe comes and finishes  
the painting in my room.  
He has been hindered several  
days on account of sickness  
in his family. He will  
come another day and finish  
the room opposite mine and  
a room at the Infirmary.

Fri 10 George & Anna kindly  
put down the new carpet  
for me, and we move the  
largest furniture back in  
the room.

Sat 11 I finish moving my



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Sat 28 The week has been well filled with employment. Mon 30 I finish ironing this a.m. Have 20 caps this year (I hope the number will be less next year). 1906.

February 1905

Wed 1 A cold, bright day. I begin to dress up caps.

Fri 3 The week is employed on the caps.

Sat 4 I oil some in the room.

Mon 6 Thirty years ago to day we were burned out of house and home, seeking a refuge thro' the Village! What painful memories cling to us of that terrible day!

Wed 21. Washington's birth day

Kate and all the youth girls including the little girls, making eight beside herself, go out for a sleigh ride this p.m. Thur 23 Lorraine returns to day has been absent some over five weeks.

Jan 28 This last day of Feb. Two months of the New Year already gone!

March 1905-

Thur 2 Mary Dukes comes with two women, they <sup>were</sup> are acquainted as Missionaries in Japan. She is visiting at the Nath's family.

Sat 5 I answer a letter to Nancy Calver. The day is a cold winter day.

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things and sleep there to night. I have been sleeping in my shop. Flossie in sister Matilda's shop. We have been out of the room three weeks lacking one day.

I feel very thankful for a nice clean room to live in and for the beautiful new carpets that Emma has bought for me.

Sat 18 Have spent one happy week in my nice new room. How I would like to have all the sisters rooms done likewise.

Wed 22. "Washington's birth day

Woke and all the country

companions of many long years.  
Kato waited on us gliding in  
and out like a fairy adding  
beauty and pleasure to the occa-  
sion, the while chatting in  
gay and lively mood.

Sat 11 Have a busy day after  
house cleaning. Repairing &  
fixing over my old <sup>longer</sup> moose  
skirt to wear get a little <sup>longer</sup> for  
and under skirt. How we do  
cling to the old clothes.

Fri 17 I mail a letter and  
send a paper to Emma C.  
Sat 18 I clean house thoroughly  
and when I get done I dispose  
of my old red dress, which is  
worn out. Has been worn 25 years.

Wed 8 March 1905

Jan 7 I mail a "Birth Day" greeting to Minty which she will get on the job, her birth day.

Today is my birthday & I just think of it! Where have all the years flown to? At 5.45 a company are invited to take tea with me in the Ministry's dining room. Com. Eldress Julia, Elizabeth Eunice & Adaline Cantrell. This is sister Amelia's gift, and also she prepared the feast which was delicious! We shall long remember the sweet hour we spend together, we, dear companions of many long years.

flowers placed on the table and

is at the door.

Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> I go to the N.Y. in company with Sarah Luther to attend the funeral of Grace Bowers. Four of our brethren went. The other sisters were too full of business to stop and spend the time.

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> I continue to ribbon octagon Box is for the store.

Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> April 1905

Another month has passed away and we continue on in our usual way of being very busy from morning till night.

Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Annie Keale passed to spirit life soon after 12 o'clock a.m. she has been staying at the Office a few months.

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March 1904

Mon 20 I Mail a letter to Daisy this morning.

Bro Alonzo has given me "The Soul of Things" by Prof. William C. Denton, it takes the reader back thousands of years. Before the life of man and before history. Sister Amelia and Anna Lane have begun to pick up and clean Louise's shop. Bed Bugs! bed bugs! Millions!!!

Tue 21 I begin to trim fancy work for the store.

Sat 25 The day begins calm and bright. The Robins tell us to be patient and joyfully sing with them, that spring

is at the door.

& brethren & sisters go from the

family. Return at 5 o'clock  
Many outside people were  
present. Sewing societies were  
represented in the meeting.

Sat 15 Sister Amelia has  
made me a pattern skirt  
and waist this week and  
I wear it to supper to  
night the first time I have  
put it on. It is a perfect  
fit and I am very thankful  
to her for making it for me.  
Sew on a cloak all the week.  
Finish one this afternoon.

Sat 16 In the p.m. Elder  
Timothy, Sister Amelia and  
the writer ride over the snow-  
drift to Hancock to see the Miss-  
istry. Find them improved in  
health. Weather rather cold.



con. April 1905

- When she came she expected to return home in a few weeks but her illness proved fatal - and she must succumb to the fell destroyer, Death.

<sup>Wed</sup> Tue 4 A memorial service was held at the Office. The body was taken to Salem for burial where in the family plot lie her father and mother.

<sup>Wed</sup> Wed 5 - Yet another dear one is taken from us. Elmer Lee passes to spirit life at 3 o'clock this morning. He took the grip, pneumonia set in and death soon closed his valuable life.

Fri 7 the funeral service is held this p.m. beginning at 8 o'clock & brethren & sisters go from this

furniture. Return at 3 o'clock

a day, and so the time goes.

May 1905

Wed 3 I finish a cloak  
in the a.m. and in the  
p.m. go to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Family  
and see sister Claressa who  
is quite sick with compli-  
cated ailments which may prove  
fatal. Eldress Augusta  
& Elder Levi return to Belmon.  
Eldress Harriet to Waterbit  
to stay a few weeks at South  
Family. Eldress Rosette and  
sister Ann are to take a trip  
West visiting the several Societies  
of Belmon in that section of  
the country.

Fri 9 I begin to take care of J's  
winter clothes.

April 1905

Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> "Easter Sunday", a lovely day it is, the birds are singing and flowers are decorating the hall and meeting room. Flowers can never make me happy while there is a sad heart near me.

Thur 27 I clean the Ministry's kitchen, and wash some windows.

Sat 30 Besides my usual cleaning, I give the "paste room" a spring cleaning. Yesterday I gave the sister's water closet a thorough cleaning. I mended an old pair of mittens which took me more than a day, and so the time goes.

Suavest in the Ministry's

appurtenances up stairs.  
Refreshments of cookies  
with hot & cold lemonade  
are served by the Office sisters  
Fri 26 I see a ~~clock~~ the  
whofe of it in nine hours.  
Is that not well for one who  
is in her 73 years! This means  
all the hand sewing on the skirt.

June 1905

Fri 2 This morning we hear  
the sad news that sister Charissa  
passed to spirit life about 11 o'clock  
last night. How we shall miss  
her, dear, loyal true sister.

Sab. 4 the memorial service  
is held in our meeting room.  
about fifty from our side were

May 1905

Sat. 14 I do not attend service to day. Rain and chilly air makes it uncomfortable to sit & read or write without a fire.

Sat 20 We have had a cold week - rain and some hail. Ther. down to 34 to day and growing colder - frost last night.

Mon 22 Busy on cloaks.

Wed 23 Martin Bronzed my Radiator <sup>in the room</sup> this a.m. also my radiator in the shop.

Thurs 25 The Meeting house is cleaned. Fifteen sisters & five brethren are employed in the job. I work with Elbert Swartz in the Ministry's

department up stairs

Barrie will return when

rested a little.

Wed 14 I walk over to the  
North Family and have a  
nice visit with Eldress Anna  
Start about 8 o'clock a.m. return  
11 o'clock. Just a sweet little visit.  
Sew on Cloaks this p.m.

Thu 16 I mail a letter to Sara  
she is at Ocean Grove N.J.

I received a Photo card from  
her Wed. 14th. Weather extremely  
warm for June. Ther 89° in  
the shade.

Sat 17. I give my head a  
good washing.

Sat 18 Write to my nephew.

Mon 19 Eldress Augusta gave me  
a hood to wear in cold weather.

Tue 23 I return my Cat bed to  
the Infirmary. - have had the  
use of it 30 years!

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present. Flowers covered  
the casket. beautiful tokens  
of love and affection. They  
were mostly from outside  
friends. The day was pleasant  
and the sisters accompanied  
the brethren to the grave.

Miss Elizabeth Santrell and  
the writer had a splendid  
ride this p.m. around Lebanon  
Glats. called at the Depot to  
meet Kate on the 3:00 train,  
she did not come. she will  
be in later.

Emma J. and Carrie took  
the train Wed. 7th for New York

June  
Aug 13 Emma returns -  
Carrie will return when

rested a letter.

visiting Sister Hannah

at 4 o'clock they go to the school house.

Nov 10. I Mail a long letter to Cousin Katie Pulling this morning.

We hear at the breakfast hour that George Baggs is dead!

Wed 12 Two brethren and three Sisters go to attend the funeral in Pittsfield.

Nov 17. Some fine showers in the morning, clears off at 7-30 I go with Emma to Dr. have my glasses changed in the boys. Have a new set of teeth, as the old ones were worn out. paid for them with the money Br. Peter left for me. The day was hot hot! 85°



June 1905

Fri 29 Sister Anna and the  
 writers go to Pittsfield and  
 enjoy a very pleasant day.  
 Rides to "Bee" and back in  
 a trolley car 30 miles there  
 and back, it was splendid!

July 1905

Thur 6 A company of sisters  
 from the North Family -  
 Waterlot come to make a  
 visit sister Ella E. Whisnup  
 age 47 Jennie M. Wells 27.  
 Agnes W. Stebbins 23.

Fri 7 They visit this family.  
 Enjoy a sweet little visit  
 in the p.m. with the two  
 girls. Sister Ella was  
 visiting sister Amelia.

Wed 14 when they go to the school

Aug 30. I go to Pittsfield  
to the dentist to have some  
taken off on lower teeth  
they have troubled me some.  
Anna Lane has business  
in town, Elder Timothy  
takes us both.

Aug 31<sup>st</sup> The month closed. I  
have sewed on cloaks as usual.

## August 1905

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> The day is lovely. A com.  
of 12 go to Pittsfield to witness  
the fireman's parade with  
15 bands of music. Return  
about 5-30 o'clock feeling that  
they had a pleasant time.  
The weather is splendid!  
It does old and young good  
to go out and spend a day.  
for fun. (161)

July 1905

Thur 20 Elder Levi and the  
Ministry sister go to Enfield  
will spend a few weeks there.

Sat 22 Floile washes my  
room and hall windows.  
She has cleaned my hall  
for me the last six weeks.  
Now she goes in the kitchen.  
Anna Lane helps me pick  
on my oven on the  
shelf in the room. I also  
begin to use my lounge cover.  
Our esteemed friend Harry  
Calver comes to rest & see  
her relatives.

Fri 25 I mail a letter to  
Eldress Elizabeth Sears  
today.

re-hearsal. Once I was  
in the singing but now I  
stay at home and read my  
books. I am now reading  
"The Life of the Soul" an  
inspired address from the  
spirit of John Pierpont.  
(medium, Mrs. Mary J. Longley.  
I also have another from the  
same source "The Spirit World."

Sat 12 Our friend Lucia  
Langford from Albany  
and another lady a Miss  
Adams from Utica, comes  
with her.

Mon 14 Miss Adams leaves  
this morning. Lucia will  
spend a few days with us.

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August 1905-

Got a great many Rapp  
- berries are being picked  
by the sisters - Got to this  
p.m.

The Clock Orders come  
in as fast as we can  
fill them. I continue to  
finish off or see around  
the neck, which is nearly  
the last finishing stroke and  
a very particular part of  
the hand sewing.

year  
On 10 the sisters are in the  
fruit room today cutting  
and canning early apples.  
The singers have gone to  
the North Family tree this

week to attend a conference

be a good day and then

success may make every  
heart glad.

Thurs 31. The Convention  
proves to be a success with  
good attendance. The speakers  
were prompt and mostly first  
class, prominent among  
leaders of progression. In  
different lines of thought -  
but all centered to the one  
absorbing theme Universal  
Peace

This closes the month  
which has been one of much  
labor with our hands in many  
directions. Daisy Wells has been  
spending a few weeks with us and  
has been very helpful. (165)

August 1905

Wed 16 We have had two days of almost constant heavy rain.

Wed 30 another rainy day. There is a total eclipse of the sun today which would be two thirds visible here were it not so cloudy. Visitors <sup>are</sup> beginning to come to the Convention.

The Meeting House looks quite attractive in its conventional dress. a platform is erected for the speakers. a singing rehearsal is attend these evenings. We hope and trust tomorrow may be a good day and that

tomatoes.

11th  
Charlotte Gordon and  
her son William start  
for Canada. Community  
life has no charms for her.  
She has tried it a few months  
and decides to return to out-  
side life. Thus we have  
parted with three who were  
able and willing to help in  
the common work.

It is raining hard 5-30 pm.  
I have finished two cloaks  
to day, and ironed towels till  
breakfast time  $3/4$  of an hour.  
Sep 18 I find myself in the  
shop as usual.  $10 \frac{1}{2}$  have  
just finished a beautiful light  
drab cloak. It has rained hard  
all the morning. Now the sun is  
trying to peep out of the clouds.



September 1905

Sep 11 Anna Langford has spent three weeks with us. She was a guest of the Office sisters. I have enjoyed several very pleasant social chats with her in my my shop.

Sep. 11 ch.

" Daisy takes train for New York this morning. She has been with us through the summer and assisted in the fruit room, picking out the nuts - and in various ways was one with the family. Emeline Kaim has also been here a few weeks - helped the Office Sisters and in the family about the fruit and tomatoes.

is. Is, through in food of  
a small ant with fruit.

How easy this would be for the  
Kitchen Sisters!

Tue 28 Henry Cantrell who  
has been here a few days  
on a visit spends an hour  
with me after dinner.

The Ministry from the West  
leave this morning.

Fri 29 Kate gets some Impa-  
tient-Satana slips for me.

The day is lovely.

at 5-30 I go with a com<sup>o</sup>  
to see the swolbes in east  
summers circle around a tree  
with a large hole in it, they  
enter after a lively exercise  
in this way. We watched them  
till they all passed into the hole  
in the tree. We estimated them to  
be 1000 in number. (169)

Sep. 1905

19 Finish a cloak and  
see a white baby cloak.  
enjoy a long visit with  
Mary Calver.

Thur 24 The Calver sisters  
leave. The Winters Ministry  
come to make a visit.  
Henry Lantrell arrives in  
the p.m.

Sat 23 We go to the A. G. to see  
the famous Will Carleton and  
hear him repeat some of his  
poems. are highly entertained  
and delighted. get home 9-30.

Sat 24 In the evening we go to  
the A. G. again and hear a  
discourse from Dr. Burrows  
and how to keep well and avoid  
sickness. For strength in favor of  
a milk diet with fruit.

We are having many stock

and some of them  
many minutes in daylight  
to be idle.

17 The weather continues lovely.  
I mail a letter to my  
Stephens.

Wed 18 I have just finished a long  
White cloak - how glad I am  
that it is done 10-30 @ m.

Wed 18 Sister Catherine Allen  
makes me an hours visit  
in the p.m.

Fri 21 have finished off 10 c. k  
this week feel weary. 4 p.m.

William Hart is here visiting  
a week.

Mon 23 - I mail two letters  
one to Anna Longfoot the other  
to Anna Shattuck who is absent  
for health near Saranac Lake.

October 1905

Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> In the p.m. Sadie invites me to a ride in the Office Carriage in her place with Emma & Carrie. Start at 2<sup>o</sup>4 get back at 5-30. We had a most delightful ride.

I have been reading "Natural Laws in the Spiritual World" by Drummond. I found it both attractive and instructive.

Tue 10. Two sisters from City are here for a few days visit. Sister Lucy Ann Shepherd & Sister Mary Louisa Wilson. We have a nice visit with them.

Henry Cantrell has been here visiting a few weeks leaves Wed. to Day.

We are having many black

How many days and how many  
have all been.

Thurs 2. Our agreeable visitor  
Emma Swan, spends the  
a.m. with me.

The week closes with a white  
silk cape to be made to a  
white cloake. I mean it is  
lined with white silk. so after  
house cleaning, I go to work  
on it. I re put my running  
cords over the sink with new  
dirt and also put a slip of  
amaranth.

Sat 5. Two sisters from the North  
family take dinner and spend  
the afternoon visiting. Felicia  
Taylor & Marilla Gallop. They  
visit me after dinner.

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October 1905

Fri 27 This week I shall finish off <sup>several</sup> ~~the~~ cloaks!

Sister Jane Butler spends a half hour with me this p.m. is making the Church Family a visit. She and Eldress Julia take dinner together in the Ministry's dining room. Sister Amelia the Cook.

Sat 28 Emma Swan, Larnelia's Cousin comes for a few days having business in Albany.

Wed 1st November 1905

Here we are rapidly approaching the close of the year! How full of care and busy

June 21 I have been  
reading a Book sent  
to me by Annie Langford  
"Priests and People in  
Ireland." It tells a pitiful  
story of the condition of  
the poor Catholics in  
that Country. Author J. G.  
McCarthy.

June 24<sup>th</sup> Eldress Miriam  
Offord has some business  
with the Ministry, so runs  
around and speaks to the  
Sisters after dinner. eats with  
the Ministry.

Our sister Elizabeth is with  
us again. spent some over  
three weeks with <sup>Mr. D.</sup> Annie Bell  
in Westfield. (Wealthy Warming)



November 1905

Mon 6 My brother Charles having  
some business with Concha  
pays me a little visit in  
my shop which was very pleasant.

It is a dark rainy day. I  
have a black block to finish.  
Wed 15 Beckies and one of his  
men come to repair the  
sisters Water-closet once more.  
It is seven years this month  
since I took the burden  
of caring for it. Well, I  
do not think that any strength  
will hold out to clean it seven  
years longer, for there is a  
good deal of hard labor  
in keeping it as clean  
as it should be kept.

Wed 6 A photo comes to  
me through the Mail  
that I am quite puzzled  
about - it looks like my  
brother Peter who passed  
to spirit life about two  
years ago. And it also  
resembles my nephew  
Harry, his son. I must write  
and find out what it means.

Sat. 10 Six inches of snow  
covers the ground. Winter  
is here in earnest. I have  
had the basest luck to get  
a severe cold. hope it will  
not hinder me from sew-  
ing to morrow.

Nov. 1905

26.2  
 Sat. Elder Seth Bruce from  
 Canterbury arrives this a.m.  
 in the p.m. I enjoy a visit  
 with him in my shop. Elder  
 Timothy is his escort.

Thur 30 Thanksgiving Day

We have a meeting in the  
 a.m. Sister Martha A. Burger  
 is present - has been absent  
 a ~~few~~ <sup>four</sup> months with the people  
 in Union Village Ohio for her  
 health. Finish a clock  
 in the afternoon.

Sat 3 We have a home meeting  
 to day. a very good one.  
 nearly all spoke or sang  
 a song, & some did both.

Dec 22 This morning I  
mail a letter & Christmas  
Box to my nephew and  
niece in Buffalo.

Also I mail a letter and  
Christ<sup>m</sup> box to Mintz & Henry  
New Jersey.

Mon 25 "Christmases" We  
have meeting in the a.m.  
The Society attending. In  
the evening at 7-30 The young  
people got an entertainment  
which was very interesting. It  
was held in the meeting room  
Two "Xmas" trees were decorated  
with some special gifts for  
each brother & sister in the family.

December 1915-

Con - As I sit by my window looking out and thinking of the past and present, the many changes that come to us in this life, and how many that I knew and loved in early days have gone to the other sphere of existence, in advance of this ~~our~~ hope. I seem to see them in my mental vision - all around in the house - in the kitchen in the shop, busy as they were in life. What a joyful time it will be when we can see them all again.

Mary Baker E. Cddy. The

Teacher of the New Science.

It is quite interesting, and takes one off from the old on-to a new track in the religious world. Their healing gifts are marvelous! and draws many people to them. Their principles certainly are elevating physically, morally and spiritually. They firmly believe that <sup>religion</sup> Christendom will triumph over every other religion now in existence. As far as I have read in the book, I think all people would be benefitted by joining their "Church" in spirit and in truth, and daily practicing the strict life that they live.

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December 1905

- refreshments were served  
cake ice-cream ~~con-~~  
mits - confectionery, raisins,  
which were of the best quality.  
Oranges were by our plates at  
breakfast. Oysters for dinner!

Sun. 31 the last day of the  
old year. We are having a  
week of spring weather. No snow  
on the ground - air soft and  
balmy. What can it mean?  
are the seasons changing?  
Well, we shall soon find  
out.

I am reading a book  
on "Christian Science" by  
Mary Baker G. Eddy. The

salary to <sup>D</sup>over one hundred thousand."

## Christmas presents 1903

1. Louisa Pillsbury from Office
2. Knit Shawl " "
3. Silk gloves from Amelia
4. A beautiful hairbrush M. S.
5. a calendar from Harriet
6. " calendar " Mrs
7. a bottle of Sarsaparilla, Carrie
8. Perfumery " Lorraine
9. a glass dish full - Eliza R.
10. cup & saucer " Jessie
11. letter with card " Emma C.
12. Scott's Poems from Harry & Ethel.
13. A book from Margaret Bedell
14. Card & needle cushion Betty John  
my - age 7 1/2.



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The Emperor of Russia  
was born May 18th.

The first "Peace Convention"  
was held on that day 1899.

Twenty six <sup>nations</sup> were represented  
including all the leading powers.

Henry Clews, of the firm of Henry  
Clews & Co. Bankers, says, "I would  
not accept a salary of one hundred  
thousand dollars, because I think  
I am worth more than that, but  
I think that the salary of the President  
of the United States, fifty thousand dollars,  
should be the highest paid in this country  
for service, and serve as a basis  
for all others." There is a notice in  
the paper of raising the President's  
salary to one hundred thousand."

by as we wake or sleep, we  
grow and wax strong, we  
grow and wax weak, and at  
last some crisis shows us  
what we have become.

Cannon Wescott.

"Forkarance is often mis-  
taken for timidity, and tact  
for weakness.

"True happiness consists  
not in the multitude of friends,  
But in the worth and choice.

B. Johnson.

"It would be better to suffer  
a great deal of inconvenience,  
than to have disunion.

Mother Lucy Wright.

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The motto, "I serve," has been associated for many centuries with princely rank, and has thereby emphasized a truth of rare significance.

"Over the gateway of a famous temple there is written this inscription: "That only is important which is eternal." The same words may well be written over the gateway of character."

Growth of Character  
Great occasions do not make heroes or cowards; they simply unveil them to the eyes of the world. Silently and impercepti-

mind and in consequence

no transference of mortal  
thought and will power.

4 There never was, and never  
will be an immortal spirit.

(false) Theodore Parker  
the very periodical containing  
this sentence repeats weekly  
the assertion - "that spirit com-  
-munications are our only  
proof of immortality."

5 In a world of sin and sens-  
-uality, hastening to a greater  
development of power, it is wise  
to earnestly consider whether it  
is the human mind or the  
divine mind which is influ-  
-encing you.

good!

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over

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Extracts from "Christian Science".

- 1 The term Christian Science was introduced by the Author to designate the scientific system of divine healing.
- 2 "The chief stones in the temple of Christian Science are to be found in the following postulates; That life is God, good, and not evil, that soul is sinless, not to be found in the body; that spirit is not and cannot be materialized, that life is not subject to death, that the spiritual real man has no consciousness of material life or death"
- 3 In reality there is no mortal mind and in consequence

laws of life, and named it

"Christian Science" in 1866.

She has no faith in Spiritualism.

God has not given us vast learning to solve all the problems, or unfeeling wisdom to direct all the wanderings of our brothers' lives, but He has given to every one of us the power to be spiritual, and by our spirituality to lift and enlarge and enlighten the lives that we touch.

Phillips Brooks.

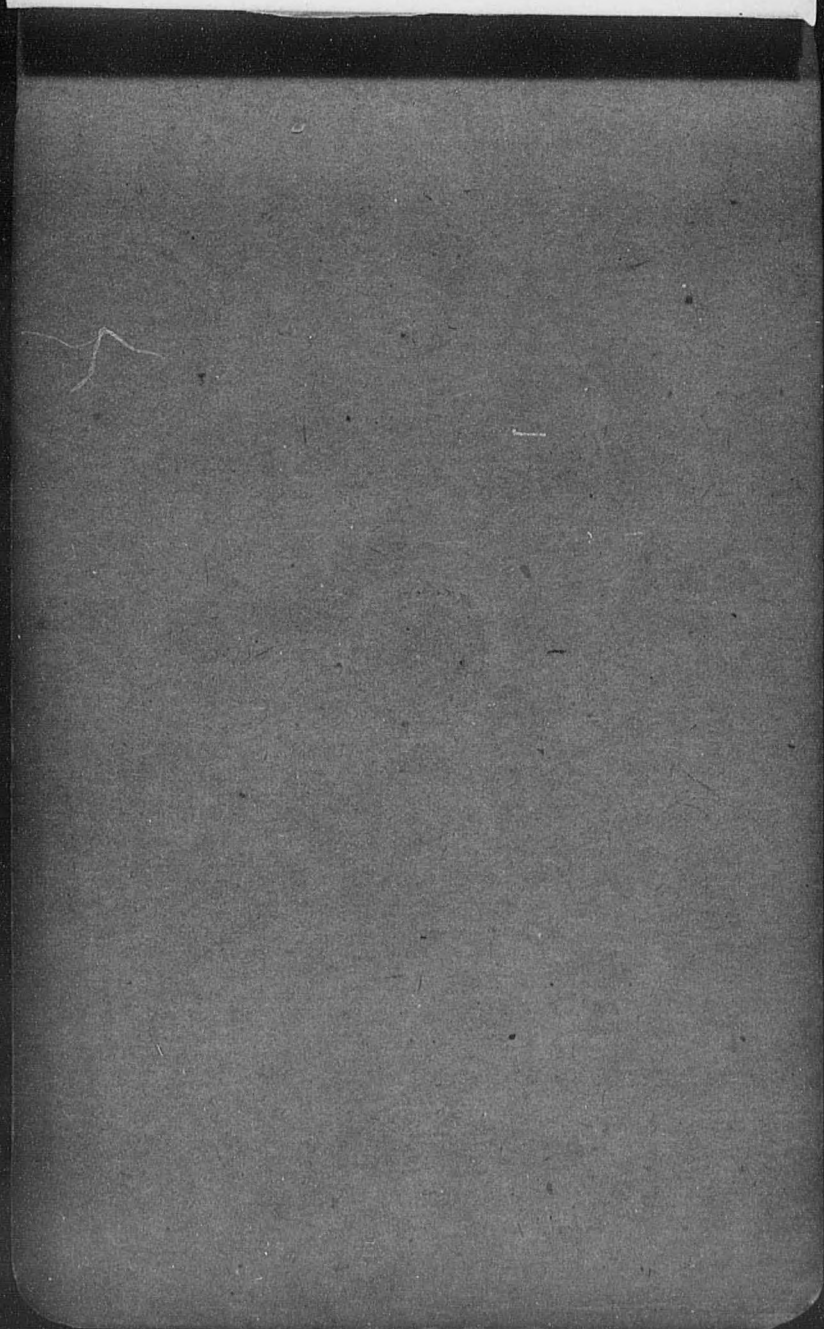
"O guiding Love divine, O wondrous power,  
Which conquers <sup>time</sup> space & over leaps all space,  
Thou vital Principle of star & flower,  
Hold all thy children in thy close embrace."

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6 All we correctly know of spirit comes from God, divine Principle, and is learned through Christ and Christian Science.

6 The truths of immortal mind sustain man, and they annihilate the fables of mortal mind, whose flimsy and gaudy pretensions like silly moths, singe their own wings and fall into dust. There is no mortal mind. Rightly understood, instead of possessing a sentient form, man has a sensationless body.

Mrs. <sup>May</sup> Baker G. Eddy discovered the Christ science, or, divine laws of life, and named it





## My Prayer

- 1 O Master let me walk with Thee  
 In lowly paths of service free;  
 Tell me Thy secret, help me bear  
 The strain of toil, the fret of cares.
- 2 Help me the slow of heart to move  
 By some clear, winning word of love,  
 Teach me the wayward feet to stay,  
 And guide them in the home-ward <sup>way.</sup>
- 3 Teach me Thy patience; still with Thee  
 In closer, dearer company,  
 In work that keeps faith sweet & strong,  
 In trust that triumphs over wrong,
- 4 In hope that sends a shining ray  
 Far down the future's broadening way,  
 In peace that only Thou canst give,  
 With Thee, O Master, let me live. //