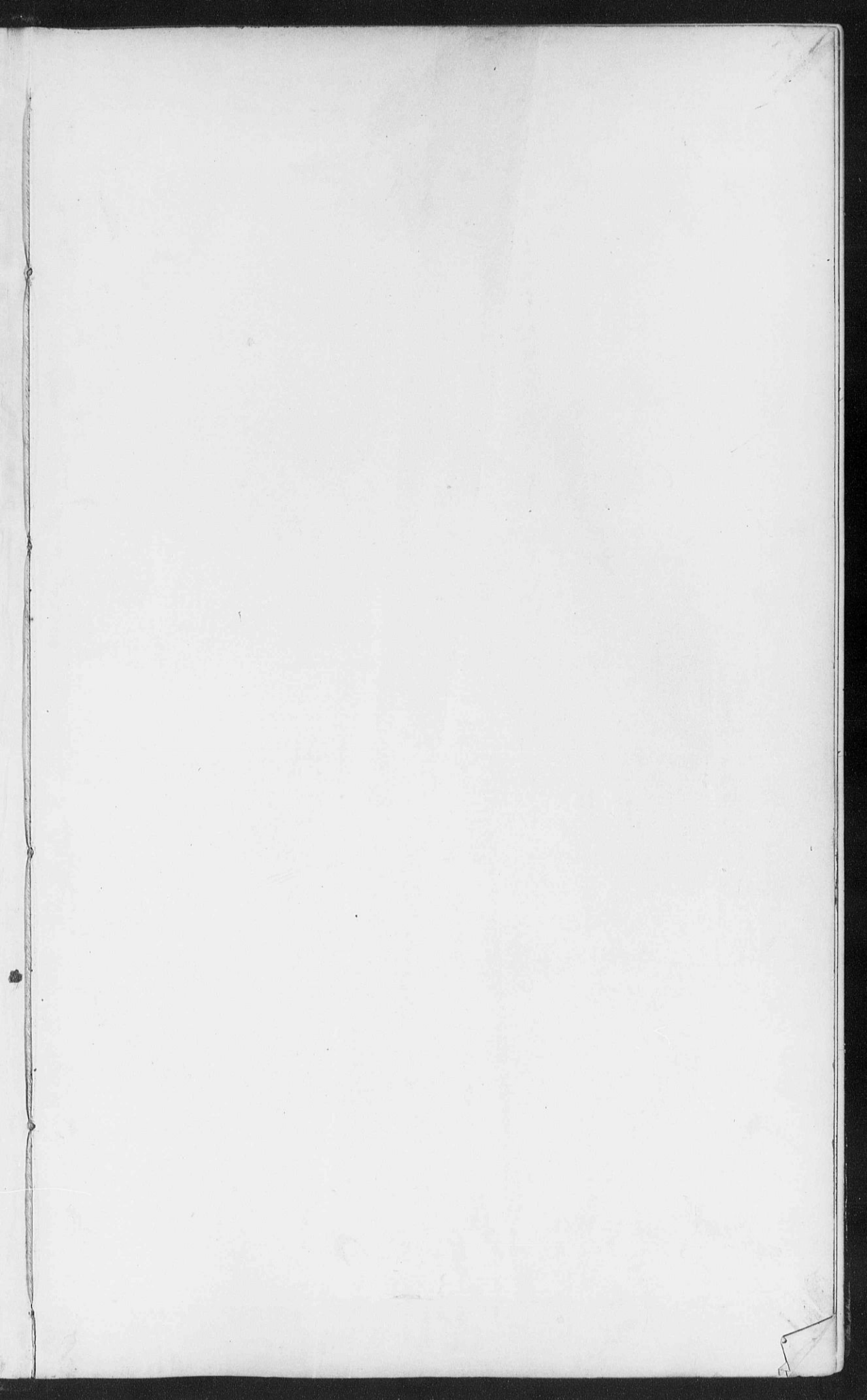


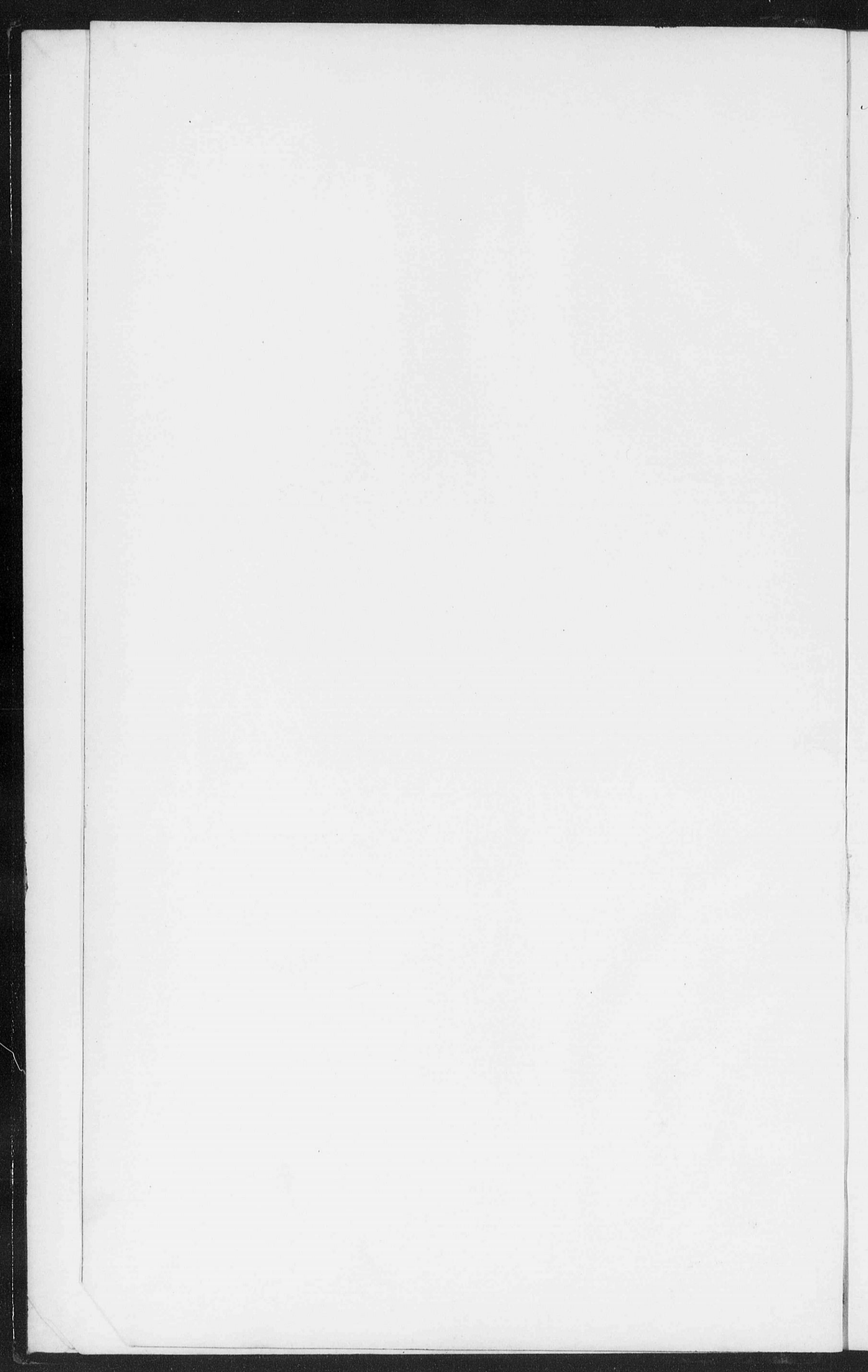
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May

Garden Diary

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- 1st Set the White Onions in the Rock Garden. Fine day
- 2nd Set the Danvers Onions in the North Garden West side
- 3rd Setting Turnips in North Garden above the Onions cool day.
- 4th Sabbath. Brethren & Sisters from Canaan attend meeting with us in the morning. Beautiful day.
- 5th Transplanted the Turnips. East side North Garden very nice weather Levi goes to Hudson & returns
- 6th Finished setting Turnips in North Garden commenced on the Bristol Cabbage, set them in Rock Garden
- 7th Finished setting out the Cabbages, nice weather Set Long Blood Beet in Rock & Blood Turnip in North Garden east side. Egyptian Beet west side Rock Garden
- 8th Set out Bassano Beet west side of upper Cabin lot. Commenced drawing Coal 80 Tons. Carrots in Rock Garden
- 9th Drawing Coal. Sodding the terraces in door yard and west side of new Wash House, Blk W. Patrick R. Garden
- 10th Continue drawing Coal and sodding Terraces in door yard. very warm day.
- 11th Sabbath weather very fine but somewhat dry. Edress Antoinette goes to Canaan N.C. with her.
- 12th Set the White Sugar Beet on East side 1st Garden. Planted 1 Blk. Early Pink & Weeks Potatoes in West side Rock Garden planted flax seed in the hills to prevent ravages of Potato bugs.
- 13th Digging up an old covered drain in the lot back of Blk. house. very warm weather
- 14th Plowing Spring Garden, and Upper and Lower Cabin lots. Cleaned and recovered the old drain.
- 15th Cool and clear morning, The wind which has been in the South for about a week continues in the same direction. Levi goes to Conklingville.
- 16th Rain! Rain! at last the long desired blessing has come. Brethren plowing for Potatoes & drawing Coal
- 17th Finished drawing Coal Cleaned the Brick Shop Cellar continue the plowing.
- 18th Sabbath. Rainy morning, Meetings at the usual time
- 19th Rainy, M. Cantrell to Pittsfield Nalson mining the ante rooms to the Sewing Room.

- 20th Doing a little more at sodding
- 21st Helping the Farmers prepare ground for Potatoes. weather quite cool. Levi returns from Keonklingville.
- 22nd Commenced planting Potatoes, planted something over an acre of Pearl's on the lower side of the field.
- 23rd Weather very cool, Farmers finished planting potatoes preparing ground for Cucumbers.
- 24th Planted Long Green Cucumbers north end of Spring Garden, Levi goes to Tyringham.
- 25th Sabbath. Beautiful day, the Brethren and Sisters had their annual walk in the Orchards & Garden and met the Chh Families in the Meeting House yard.
- 26th Emil Bretzner returned from Sweden after absence of nearly 4 months very much recruited in health.
- 27th Put up 14 Bbls Apples and sent them to New York, cool morning Dr Jones here.
- 28th Sowed 3 Rows Bristol Cabbage east side of 1st Garden next to White Sugar Beet. Planting Cluster Cuc. in the North Garden next above Turnips, east side.
- 29th Planted about 1/4 acre of Long Yellow 6 Weeks Beans in Rock Garden north west corner
- 30th Planted 6 Rows Scallop Squash in Upper Cabin lot. Splended weather Farmers planting Corn
- 31st Plowing 1st Garden, Planted 16 rows Valentine Beans next to Squashes in Cabin lot. Brethren go to Canaan for a bath, had a nice time sowed 11 rows L. P. Beet.
- Since 1st Sabbath, Canaan families come to singing meetings
- 2nd Plowing in 1st Garden, Sowed 10 rows Veg. Cyster alternating with 8 rows Egyptian Beet and then follows 10 rows Bassano, 8 rows White Sugar Beet.
- 3rd Rained pretty much all night, leveling the cellar bottom to Wash House Teams drawing gravel.
- 4th Commenced cementing the floors for Soap, & dye rooms Teams drawing gravel weather quite cool.
- 5th Transplanted the Tomatoes on Monday Trophys in 1st Garden, Genl Grants in Upper Cabin lot.
- 6th Tying up around the door yard; Raining; Levi returned from Pa.
- 7th Sowed 28 rows Carrot, 10 rows Parsnip 8 rows Golden W. Beans

- 8th Sabbath Cool morning, Singers go to Canaan in the afternoon have singing meeting at Lower Family
- 9th Replanting Cucumbers, that were killed in not having enough dirt on the manure. hoeing Cabbage in Cabin lot
- 10th Finished Long Green Cucumbers and commenced on early Cluster's in North Garden which are in a similar condition to the Long Green. more rain.
- 10th Planted half Bushel Mohawk Beans west side of Cabin lot. had a slight shower of rain.
- 11th Planted quarter Bushel Blk Wax Beans east side of Cabin lot. Hoeing Turnips in North Garden. White Washing New Wash house & sodding along side of gravel walk. Rain
- 13th Commenced shearing sheep yesterday Hoed Turnips and Parsnips in North Garden Hoed Onions yesterday.
- 14th Hoeing in 1st Garden Tomatoes & Peppers. finished the Sheep shearing had over 3,000 lbs
- 15th Sabbath, no Public Meeting, Lower Family attend our meeting in the forenoon,
- 16th Rain! Rain! Painting over head in the new Tomato, Dye & Soap rooms
- 17th Hoeing in the 1st Garden in the afternoon, set some Tomato plants towards evening, sold the Wool @ 35
- 18th Cool morning, nearly a frost; Hoeing.
- 19th Levi to Albany, hoeing Beans Cabbages & Beets, cool weather transplanted some Tomatoes.
- 20th Finished hoeing the Beans in Cabin lot, Staking and lining Onions; Levi returns; fine day.
- 21st Hoeing in the 1st Garden
- 22 Sabbath, Public Meeting, not many spectators. address by Elder Frederick.
- 23rd Hoeing in the 1st Garden Beets & Carrots and weeding the same staking Beets & Cabbages in Rock Garden
- 24th Hoeing Beans, Squashes, & Potatoes in the Rock Garden: warm weather.
- 25th Hoeing & Weeding in the 1st Garden very warm.
- 26 Tying Beets and Cabbages in North & Rock Gardens.
- 27 Hoeing Beans in Lower Cabin lot, Tying Beets &c.
- 28 Hoeing Beans, but driven off by a heavy storm
- 29 Rain! Rain! Rain! nothing doing in the Gardens.

- 30th Sabbath, Meetings at home on account of rain, Canaan Families attend our meetings.
- July Weeding in 1st Garden, another heavy rain
- 2nd Weeding, finished hoeing Beans in the Lower Cabin lot
Sacked the Wool in the morning, Levi goes to Windsor.
- 3rd Weeding Parsnips, Beets & Carrots. Warm day, got in about 7 loads hay from Square meadow.
- 4th Finished weeding the Parsnips & hoeing among the small plants, picked some cherries. Levi home
- 5th Hoed the Onions in Rock Garden, very nice weather
Farmers working at the potatoes.
- 6th Sabbath Public Meeting, A goodly number of auditors present. Second Family singers here in the afternoon
- 7th Cloudy morning, weeding Carrots rainy afternoon
- 8th Rained all night, and continues; moving the soft soap up to new soap room.
- 9th Transplanting Bristol Cabbages in lower Cabin lot.
Commenced mowing on the mountain.
- 10th Cloudy morning Finished setting out the Cabbages.
between 4,000 and 5,000 plants put out. drew in some hay.
- 11th Washing seeds boxes in consequence of rain in afternoon
drew home 7 loads of hay from the mt.
- 12th Rained all night. we moved things from the old to the new wash house
- 13th Sabbath, Public and Home Meetings James Peebles addressed the spectators.
- 14th Hoeing Cucumbers in Spring Garden. nice day
- 15th Haying on the Mt. finished yesterday. finished hoeing Cucumbers. Very warm day.
- 16th Finished hoeing Cuc. in the North Garden
- 17th Hoeing Squashes Beets Etc. in Rock Garden. Had a tremendous heavy wind storm yesterday with rain. the storm was wide-spread and very disastrous unroofing & demolishing buildings & killing quite a number of persons in different sections of the country.
- 18th Still working in the rock Garden. in the afternoon helping at the hay
- 19th Set a few Cabbages in 1st Garden. very fine weather working at hay till after 8 O'clock in the evening.

July

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- 20th Sabbath. Public Meeting in the morning. Canaan singers here in the afternoon and laboring in the evening. Splendid weather.
- 21st Cool morning, raising Onion lines, getting in hay, &
- 22nd Haying; continue the raising of lines, Elder Frederick & and Daniel Fraser go to see a plantation of Raspberries up at Berlin. Brethren at the hay till after dark.
- 23rd Rainy day. Levi and two Sisters go up to the Factory Gardeners do some hoeing.
- 24th Brethren mostly engaged at the hay nice weather for the business John Shaw now over 86 years of age works in the garden.
- 25th Gardeners all at the hay and grain; more rain in the evening a very windy day. A friend of Josie Johnson comes to see him
- 26th Hoeing Tomatoes, Beans, and Squashes in Upper Cabin lot. Cutting Parsnip Seed, more rain quite a heavy shower.
- 27th Sabbath. Rained most of the night Public Meeting, not many Believers or Spectators no one from Canaan.
- 28th Brethren drew in some hay in the afternoon, Levi, ^{from} Home Cut some Parsnip Seed.
- 29th Haying and Gardening, cut some Cabbage Seed and pulled the Black Winter Radish.
- 30th Hoed the Carrots in Rock Garden, fine weather.
- 31st Eldress Antoinette, Brothers D. Afford & J. Greaves & Sisters Cecelia De Vor, Ann Afford M. Cleveland & C. Allen leave this morning for Endfield Ct. on a visit.
- Aug. 1 Haying, and harvesting the Barley, the weather warm & sultry hoed the young Cabbage.
- 2nd Finished on the home farm, in the afternoon Brethren go to Whittings pond for bathing and Boating purposes.
- 3rd Sabbath. Public and home Meetings, delightful weather
- 4th Hoeing Onions in North Garden in the morning afternoon all turn to the haying.
- 5th Hoeing Onions in Rock Garden & Beans in Cabin lot, Haying in the afternoon splendid weather.
- 6th Drew in Black Winter Radish. Finished hoeing the Onions in Rock Garden and Beans in the Cabin lot.
- 7th Working at the Radish seed and haying; fine day.
- 8th Rained a good share of the night, washing seed boxes. Eldress Antoinette and company return.
- 9th Haying on the flats. Cut Cabbage seed, fine day.

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- 10th Sabbath Public and home Meetings, Beautiful day but cool.
- 11th Continue at the hay making; Do a little Gardening; fine day.
- 12th Finished haying and cutting the Parsnip Seed. Richard Van-Dusen of Endfield Corn made a short visit here.
- 13th Warm weather, worked on the roads made a good job. finished cutting the Cabbage Seed.
- 14th Rainy morning, Six Brethren go to a raising at the Second Order, weather finally cleared very fine.
- 15th Hoeing Beans in Rock Garden, trimmed some of the Squash Vines; fine day.
- 16th Elder Frederick and Emil go to Endfield Ct. Rainy day. Brethren in Seed Shop and sorting potatoes.
- 17th Sabbath Public Meeting as usual home meeting in the evening; Quite a dull day.
- 18th Rain! Rain! Rain! Brethren working in the Seed Shop and at thrashing Wheat. Clark Hayden made a short visit his health is very poor.
- 19th More rain, Brethren working in Seed Shop. Dr White a celebrated Doctor for curing dyspepsia
- 20th Levi goes to Troy and Waterlot; Brethren commenced plowing on the lower King lot West hill
- 21st Continue at the plowing; Gardeners working in the Seed Shop farmers digging a large ditch in the North Orchard to lead in the garden drain
- 22nd Elder Frederick, & Emil returns from Lake pleasant camp meeting; Levi returns from Waterlot.
- 23rd Brethren still at the plowing on the west hill; Brother Isaac Anstatt from Waterlot made a short call
- 24th Sabbath, Public & home meetings; Had the largest number of spectators ever known to assemble in the house
- 25th Hoeing Cabbages in Cabin lot in the morning rainy afternoon worked in the shop.
- 26th Had our annual gathering at the Canaan Grove, very time with the exception of a cool day.
- 27th Commenced cutting Onion Seed; Farmers plowing for Rye
2 Levi left home for Mich. & Chicago.
- 28th Out the Long Blood Beet & Blood Turnip in Rock Garden
- 29th Elder Frederick Timothy R. George C. Fla. Annie White Martha J. Anderson, Elvah F. Collins & F. J. Baughen go to

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Salt Point Dutchess Co. Peace Convention,

- 20th Drew in and thrashed Long Blood & Turnip Root, very warm,
finished getting in Rye at the King lot west hill.
- 31st Sabbath, Public Meeting very large attendance supposed to be
nearly as many as last Sabbath and that estimated at about 1000

September

- 1st Elder Frederick and company return from Salt Point, very
warm day, Thrashed Root Seed.
- 2nd Cleaning Parsnip Seed, weather continues warm
and dry, farmers plowing for Rye.
- 3rd Cleaning Seeds, plowing etc had a heavy rain in the
night.
- 4th Still at the Seed Cleaning, more rain; farmers plowing
- 5th Plowing for Wheat continue the Seed Cleaning
- 6th Thrashed and cleaned up some Beans, some of the have been
digging for a covered drain in the North Orchard
- 7th Sabbath, Public Meeting had a very large audience fine day.
- 8th Getting in Beans, plowing, and working in the Seed Shop
- 9th Louis Darting starts out on the Hartford Seed Route to pick
up the Seeds, we intend to discontinue it.
- 10th Timothy goes on the Elmira Route to close that up also.
weather fine but cool. Timothy started yesterday afternoon
- 11th Elder Frederick goes to Cincinnati Ohio to attend a liberal
League Convention.
- 14 Sabbath, Meetings at home, Rained most of the day.
Louis returned yesterday
- 17th Timothy returned from Elmira route; fine weather
- 18th Working in the Seed Shop sorting Seeds, plowing the Root
Garden, Raking up the weeds mowed in the Cow pasture.
- 19th Sorting Seeds and preparing the same. Timothy out looking
for White Onions but failed of finding any.
- 20th Brethren plowing for Oats and drilling in Rye Beautiful
weather,
- 21st Sabbath, Beautiful day but cool, Public Meetings
for the last time, Levi returns Dr. Jones comes with
him
- 22 Brethren plowing the Cow pasture on the corner of the
road leading to the East Farm;
- 23 Elder Frederick returns from Cincinnati; fine day.

September

- 24th Levi goes to New York and Windsor, Pulling up Seeds Brethren picked the Tomatoes Beautiful weather.
- 25th Plowing in the swamp meadow for Onions Gardens are mostly plowed: Timothy, Daniel F. William H. and two boys working in.
- 26th Rained very hard yesterday morning; Brethren digging potatoes cool nights and warm thro' the day.

November

- 2^d Very cold weather for the time of year, Brethren sorting Potatoes and working in the Seeds shops
- 2.3rd Sabbath Three Meetings in the Meeting room one reading and 2 laboring; weather clear & cold.
- 24th Levi returned from Windsor on Saturday. Working in Seed shop, some of the Brethren Grinding and some sorting Potatoes. Cold morning
- 25th Louis returned from Southern Route yesterday evening. Put the Onions from Jos. Royce in the lower Cellar of the Deacons shop.
- 26th Finished sorting Potatoes, working in the Seed shop the weather has moderated somewhat.
- 27th Meeting in the forenoon, as is usual on this the annual Thanksgiving day; Afternoon Brethren saw and split wood. Levi goes to Albany, Troy & Boston.
- 28th Sorting Beans & working at other things in the Seed shop, Rainy afternoon.
- 29th Picking over Beans; very mild weather. Levi returned from Boston, Troy & Albany.
- 30th Sabbath Meetings abundant. laboring in morning and evening singing in the afternoon; Cold day
Canaan Singers here.

December

- 1st Cold morning; seed shop folks picking over Beans
- 2^d Henry Cantrell & Louis go to Pittsfield.
- 2nd Weather clear and cold: Bean picking is the order of the day.
- 3rd Very mild weather. Sorting Beans & old Seeds; Levi go to Albany, and returned.
- 4th Henry, Bro. Daniel and one of the youth go with M. Sackett to survey the Dupuy place at Canaan
- 5th The weather has turned a little colder. D.F. picking over Beans. Brethren plowing

December

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- 6th Stormy day. Working in Seed shop at Beans; Had to change the Carrots in Bbls with holes bored in them.
- 7th Sabbath one laboring and two reading Meetings; weather not very pleasant. Bro. Charles here from Canaan.
- 8th Levi goes to Michigan about lumber; continue the Bean picking and sorting of seeds. weather a little cooler.
- 9th Moderate weather; picking over Beans. George Clark commenced working in the Brooms shop yesterday.
- 10th Putting up Orders of Bulk Seeds. Still at the Bean picking
- 11th Rainy in the morning Making a covered drain in the North Orchard
- 12th Sorting Beans; opening old Pkgs etc. Fine weather.
- 13th The weather is gradually growing colder. And Clearer
- 14th Sabbath Stormy day. reading in the morning, laboring in the afternoon and Union in the evening
- 15th Continue the Bean sorting; Boys go to school L. Clark at the Broom business; weather moderate.
- 16th Picking over Beans; sorting old seeds, Thrashing etc; etc.
- 17th Sorting Beans; Not much doing in the shops weather colder; Brethren Thrashing grain.
- 18th Continue the Bean sorting. very cold morning boys to school
- 19th Levi returns from Mich. Brethren working in Brooms & Seeds
- 20th Picking over Beans; Weather a little more mild.
- 21st Sabbath no Meeting till evening Mercury 3 deg. below zero, and kept at zero all day.
- 22nd Terrible gale raged all day, nothing doing out doors. Finished picking over the white Beans.
- 23rd Labeling Rows, drew two loads of Broom Corn
- 24th Finished drawing the Broom Corn.
- 25th Christmas very cold day. Meeting as usual in the morning; practicing meeting in the afternoon
- 26th Levi go to New York and to Honedale Scranton and Hawley. The weather has moderated some.
- 27th William Neosper goes away Levi accompanies him to Hudson
- 28th Boxing the Seeds to finisher the Southern Route
- 29th Sabbath Meeting in morning. Singers to Canaan
- 29th Boxing Seeds, and Broom business progressing
- 30th Continue at the Seeds and Brooms; cold day.
- 31st The old year dies very hard a fierce storm rages all day.

January 1880

- 1st Last night we performed the Christian office of sheltering a colored Family and gave them some food & clothing to carry home. Brethren at the Broom-making &c. &c.
- 2nd Mild morning Working at the Seeds and Brooms Bro. Daniel Fraser making seed bags.
- 3rd Making Seed bags and Brooms; Fine weather. Brethren drawing out wood on the Mt. Cutting willows around the pond Sizing Broom Corn.
- 4th Sabbath reading in the morning Canaan people up to Meeting in the afternoon went home in the rain.
- 5th Clear and cool morning Seed & Broom making progressing Farmers drawing wood on the Mountain
- 6th Stormy day, Cutting Seed bags; Breth. in the Shops.
- 7th Oliver goes to Albany also Elder F. Elds A. & Eliza
- 8th Finished Cutting Bags yesterday; Very fine day. Levi returned from Pa. company returned from Albany
- 9th Livingston and boys sizing Broom Corn. D.F. making bags; G. Clark and Company making Brooms.
- 10th Changeable weather, Brethren sawing wood. T. R. Printing
- 11th Sabbath Meetings in the morning as usual; T. Wicks now a resident of Phila here on a visit.
- 12th Rain in the night; Making and printing bags
- 13th Making and printing bags, Fine weather; Brethren sawing wood.
- 14th Snowed last night about 6 inches; Broom making and seed bag making going on.
- 15th Drawing wood from the mountain. Working in the Broom and Seed shops.
- 16th Making, printing and folding Seed bags. Elder Frederick to Canaan; Nice winter weather.
- 17th Printing and folding bags; Brethren drawing wood from the Mountain
- 18th Sabbath The Ministry attend meeting with us in the morning, afternoon visit the family, Singers from Canaan
- 19th Folding and printing bags. Very mild weather;
- 20th Printing seed bags, Chopping willows, south of the Brick shop. Stormy day;
- 21st Weather not settled yet Broommaking and sizing progressing seed business rather dull.

January

- 22nd Levi and Louis Basting go to Troy with Brooms, cold morning Bro. D. Offord to Canaan Corners with freight.
- 23rd Folding and printing Seed bags; Elder Frederick goes to Pittsfield with Bro Thomas Smith, Louis returns from Troy.
- 24th Fine weather; Levi returns from Troy, Albany and Hudson Printing Seeds bags; G. C. & Co. making Brooms right lively.
- 25th Sabbath, Meeting in the morning as usual, in the afternoon the Singers go to Canaan lower Family
- 26th The weather has become colder, but quite moderate. work in the Seed shop progresses slowly.
- 27th Levi goes to Albany and Waterliet; commenced raining about nine o'clock and continued the remainder of the day.
- 28th A very heavy fog and mist this morning; Seed shop work makes slow progress. A man here from Brooklyn.
- 29th Levi returned from Albany and Troy, cold day picking over Beans, putting up boxes with Pkgs.
- 30th Very cold morning, about the coldest of the season working in the various shops moderately.
- 31st Rainy morning; Filling the Pkg. orders; Beautiful day, after the rain.

February

- 1st Sabbath, A very cold day, Meetings, reading laboring and reading again in the evening.
- 2nd The coldest morning of the winter thus far Mercury at half 6 o'clock A. M. 30° below zero, Folding bags putting up Pkgs. Levi goes to Tyringham.
- 3rd Another cold morning, with snow; Printing bags & putting up Packages; boys go to school, and Size Broom Corn.
- 4th Folding bags, labeling pkgs etc. cold day; G. Clark, Lina Wilson and Isaac Nolen working in the Broom shop; Levi returned.
- 5^d Cold morning, putting up packages and filling orders; Sizing Corn and making Brooms.
- 6th Beautiful winter's morning, mild and pleasant; Brethren all engaged in their various occupations.
- 7th Fine weather; All are at home pursuing their usual avocations some at Brooms others at the Seeds.
- 8th Sabbath three Meetings, afternoon meeting with Elders from Canaan; cold day.
- 9th Levi goes to Windsor; stormy morning putting up Pkgs.

February

- 10th Commenced getting ice, Stinging cold morning. D. Traver working in the Seed shop making bags. 9 deg: Below Zero
- 11th Getting in Ice weather has very much moderated since yesterday thaws considerable in the afternoon.
- 12th Rained in the night. Elder Frederick and Louis go to Pittsfield doing a little printing
- 13th Weather very mild; but disagreeable under foot H. Cantrell goes to Canaan Depot John Greaves to Pittsfield.
- 14th Foggy disagreeable weather, some rain. putting up Pkgs. boys sizing Broom Corn. G.C. & Co. making brooms
- 15th Sabbath Reading, Laboring & Union Meetings, rainy and disagreeable day.
- 16th Freezing weather again, Brethren busy in the different shops
- 17th Putting up Pkgs; smoking etc etc. Broom making going steadily and quietly. fine day.
- 18th Louis goes to Pittsfield for Kerosin Oil Rainy after dark
- 19th Another freeze up supping cold day. Broom and Seed business progressing moderately. John Shumway here building or rather making doors for horse barn cellar
- 20th Mercury 10 degrees above zero with sharp biting wind picking over the Apples and selling them to Pittsfield man they rot very bad
- 21st The wind shifted during the night, Mercury has gone up since yesterday morning 12°. Brethren at Broom and Seed business
- 22nd Sabbath Three meetings, reading, laboring & again in the evening another reading, read a lecture by J.R. Buchanan
- 23rd Cold and snowy, Levi returns from Windsor,
- 24th Fine winter's morning Seed business progressing slowly
- 25th Another fine day, Brothers Daniel C, John Greaves and Sisters Rachel Webb Mary B. and Grace Powers go to Pittsfield
- 26th Finished getting in Ice filled the house, quite a warm day.
- 27th A beautiful frosty morning, Send Seeds to Mich. & Pe.
- 28th Busy at the Seeds and Brooms, Mrs. D. Offord took 8 Bbls Apples to Pittsfield
- 29th Sabbath, Rained during last night Brethren & Sisters from Canaan attend meeting with us. fine afternoon

- 1st Frosty morning, Levi goes to Albany, New York, Hancock
Narrowsburgh, Depord, Windsor & other places on the
Southern Seed Route to finish the unsettled business
- 2nd Working in the Seed and Brooms Shops very mild and
soft weather it looks as if spring was right upon us.
- 3rd Louis starts on the Senatoga Seed Route pleasant day.
- 4th Putting up Seed orders of Keg's and loose Seeds another
nice day overhead but rather muddy under foot.
- 5th Continue at the Seeds orders for Pa. nearly done all that
we have on hand. The weather continues fine
- 6th Change in the weather, it is growing colder, roads are better
- 7th Sabbath three Meetings in the meeting room, in the even-
ing the Elders from families Canaan attend with us.
- 8th Had snow last night but not enough to do any good, other
Seed orders come in
- 9th Very severe weather, mercury down about 20°
- 10th Working in the Seed and Broom Shops; some of the
Brethren working at the wood, cold & stormy
- 11th Had something of a snow storm to day but not
enough to make sleighing.
- 12th Weather holds quite cold and wintry Seed & Broom
Brethren busy in the shops, Louis returned
- 13th Timothy went to Troy yesterday with the intention of
meeting Louis but was one day too late.
- 14th Sabbath Meetings as usual in the meeting room
Levi and Timothy got home yesterday; fine day.
- 15th Fine morning, we had an Episcopal Minister here
yesterday spending the day he leaves this morning.
- 16th Had considerable snow last night, it looks more like winter
now than for some time back.
- 17th Weather is very wintry at present, Wood business is pretty
much suspend for the present; some of the teams have
been hauling manure
- 18th Putting up Seed orders in Bulk; cold weather, Brethren
continue at the manure hauling, Levi to Albany & Troy
- 19 Still at the orders, Levi returns from Albany etc.
- 20 The weather has moderated very much; A man arrives from
Kansas by the name of Fields, with the intention of joining.

March

- 21st Sabbath Meetings as usual reading, laboring & sitting fine day; Oliver P. is quite unwell with bad cold.
- 22nd Beautiful morning, bright & sun-shiny, Sorting old Seeds making Brooms
- 23 Very cold weather again, sorting over the Seed Carrots, they have kept splendidly in barrels that are bored so as to afford ventilation, but the rats got at them and destroyed about half of them.
- 24th Finished sorting the Carrots, removed to the Granary cellar Louis sorting old Seeds; very cold weather. Broom business is going on nicely
- 25th Continue at the Seed sorting, Levi & Timothy putting Beans for market, some that Henry Cantrelle ruined Broom makers keep doing the square thing Daniel Fraser picking over Beans for Seed.
- 26th Picking over Beans; Sawing wood, Levi goes to Canaan, Bro. Thomas & Elder Sisters from lower family up here awhile. very nice weather this afternoon.
- 27 Another cold morning, Brethren continue at the wood sawing, Daniel F. picking over Beans, Geo. Clark and company driving the Broom making.
- 28th Sabbath, Three Meetings one to practice laboring; laboring and sitting in the afternoon & evening the weather has been rather wintery.
- 29th Levi goes from home to Albany, Hudson and Windsor Brethren engaged at the Wood business broom making and Seed shop work, cold wintery weather.
- 30th Brethren and boys mostly at the wood, George Clark & company are pushing along the broom making and are expecting to pretty nearly finish this week: very fine day, the most like spring of any we've had in some time.
- 31st Brethren Continue at the wood with a fair prospect of finishing this week, Frosty morning but fine through the day. Sorting Seeds and filling orders

- 1st Broom making nearly done will finish Friday or Saturday Wood business near to and end: doing a little in the Seed Shop fine day Daniel Fraser goes to Canaan.
- 2nd Working in the Shops Broom makers nearly done Timothy Rhoda H. Eliza R. & Olive Walker go to Pittsfield Beautiful day, but the roads are very very bad.
- 3rd Dull and rainy, Broom makers finished up the Brooms
- 4th Sabbath Meetings as usual morning, afternoon & evening Bro. Thomas Smith attended afternoon meeting.
- 5th Dull weather, sorting and tearing open old Seeds Breth. white washing Apple Trees.
- 6th Commenced the springs work of house cleaning & white washing cleaned the Dairy.
- 7th Claning house and white-washing, Timothy out of the business the 1st time in 25 years. Cold disagreeable weather.
- 8th House cleaning goes on briskly. G. Clark, Louis, J. Crawford and Isaac Nolan are the white washers.
- 9th Busy filling orders for Bulk Seeds. House cleaning continues very fine weather. Louisa Sherman moves to Canaan L.F.
- 10th Continue the House cleaning, Emil and a party have been white washing the Apple trees. Made Hot bed this afternoon beautiful day.
- 11th Sabbath, no afternoon meeting, Elder John Whiteley of Harvard and Shirley made a short visit here.
- 12th White washing in the Second house. Cool chilly day.
- 13th Sowing the Hot bed commenced on the side 3 Rows Squash Pepper, 16 Rows Trophy Tomato in the West Hot bed sowed 14 Rows Genl Grant: nice day.
- 14th Emil sowed Lettuce, Radish and Spinach in the Kitchen Garden. Farmers dragging, Very warm Summers day.
- 15th Brethren dragging in Oats, Beautiful day. Sisters at the house cleaning, Timothy made the Sisters a hot bed
- 16th Change in the weather cooler again. Kalsomining the Sisters East Chamber.
- 17th There was a tremendous rain last night accompanied with very high wind and thunder & lightning. Levi got home
- 18th Sabbath two Meetings, in the morning Canaan Upper Family met with us Elders go to Lower Family and attend meeting.

April

- 19th More rain in the night, disagreeable day Brethren working on the oat field. Elders return from Canaan.
- 20th Sisters continue the house cleaning at Sisters Shop. Farmers putting in Oats, fine growing weather.
- 21st Cleaned and white washed the dwelling house & the Brethren at the Oats. Beautiful day. Plowing in
- 22nd the North Garden for Onions
- 22nd Commenced setting out the White Onions the first of the season in the Cabin Lot west side south end. Setting Yellow Danvers North Garden Beautiful weather.
- 23rd Continue at the Yellow Onions. Splendid weather. Farmers finish sowing Oats on the hill side corner lot above the road & North of the Grove.
- 24th Rained very hard in the night, Brethren drawing slate to Barn at the foot of the hill and when put on will make the 3rd roof in about 12 years so much for folly
- 25th Sabbath Morning Meeting as usual in the afternoon had a visit from the Second Family Elders the weather was just Spended.
- 26th Chilly, dull morning setting Yellow Onions in North Garden also what few Cabbages we have
- 27 Another Chilly morning; Bro. James Peebles here for a short call staid over at the Chk. last night. H. C. takes him to Sheker Depot.
- 28th Finished setting Onion in the North Garden yesterday and commenced on the Red in the Rock Garden. Set out the Parsnips west of Red Onion South side. Fine day
- 29th Cloudy and chilly morning with prospect of rain; Sowed 34 Rows White Onion & Globe, 41 Yellow Danvers, " Dutch 69 Rows Large Red Wethersfield and 12 Rows White Globe.
- 30th Finished setting the Onions set the Flat Dutch in the Spring Garden west side

May

- 1st Finished the Onion Setting; heavy frost last night. fine afternoon.
- 2nd Sabbath Meetings at home, Rainy morning; afternoon pleasant
- 3rd Pleasant sunshiny morning, Finished sowing the Onion Setting out White Sugar Beet 16 Rows Rock Garden North end next to Red Onions 19 rows Parsnip South end
- 4th below Red Onions then 32 " Carrots & 17 rows Egyptian Beet Splended Weather
- 5th Setting Blood Beet in Spring Garden 9 rows in all next above Yellow Dutch Onion. Setting Bassans in Upper Cabin lot South End next the White Onions fine day
- 6th Splended morning, air as balmy as a June morning. had a visit last evening with Alex. Cochrane & Nicholas Briggs both of Chh. Canterbury N. H.
- 7th Finished setting out Bassans Beets 19 rows yesterday and commenced planting Potatoes.
- 8th Finished planting the potatoes field west of Upper Cabin lot except across the ends, quite a warm day.
- 9th Sabbath. Singers go to Canaan attend Singing Meeting at Upper Family. exceedingly warm day. meetings in afternoon and evening Table tipping in the evening.
- 10th Drawing and planing lumber for the Barn roof at the foot of the hill. very warm day
- 11th Setting out Peach trees South of the Old lumber house and in the new yard north of hen houses. Beautiful day. Brother Thomas Smith here Elder Frederick & Thomas get the peach trees at auction on the flats.
- 12th Sowed 2 rows Bristol Cabbage below Veg. Oyster 1st Garden and 1 row Flat Dutch from L. C. Brainard to see if it is like the Bristol. Finished setting the trees the hen yard.
- 13th Team plowing the lower Cabin lot for Squash, Beans & Corn, Farmers preparing ground to plant Corn on. cool weather almost a frost
- 14th Another very cool morning, slight shower of rain last night. Planted 9 rows Lum. Chh. N. Squash and 9 rows Crosby Corn north end of Spring Garden east of Dutch Onions 1st row Squash Swift S. 2nd mixture of Pacific Guano S & S. L. 3rd row S. G. 4th row mixture 5 row Pacific
- 15th Sharp frost this morning Planted 8 rows Hubbard Squash Lower Cabin lot alternated the rows with P. G. & S. L. commenced with P. G.

May 1880

- 16th Sabbath, Singing meeting with Second Family in the morning Had our usual walk thro the orchards in the afternoon; cool but pleasant afternoon.
- 17th Planted 21 rows Refugee Beans next to Hubbard Squash then 6 rows Hubbard with compost manure in the hills and 12 rows Minnesota Sweet Corn and Re
- 18th Slight shower of rain; cleaned the Seed Shop, Levi & boys measuring lumber, Eldon Fredrick goes to Kansas Stapsall night, a woman and boy here from
- 19 Finished planting the Refugee Beans in lower Cabin lot
commenced planting the White Marrows in the lot beyond old horse pasture
- 20th Mending roads; Levi goes to Tyringham. very hot day Oliver Prentiss returns from a short tour.
- 21st Finished the road mending planted more Beans Levi returns. unusually warm weather for the season
- 22nd Planting Golden Wax Beans in Upper Cabin lot north end next to Evergreen Sweet Corn; Leveling and planting a strip of ground over the covered drain north end of 1st Garden
- 23rd Sabbath Public and Meetings, very few spectators at the Meeting house in being the 1st meeting this season. hot day.
- 24th Finished planting the Golden Wax Beans Planted 6 rows Evergreen Sweet Corn west side of the North end
- 25 Planted nearly an acre of Yellow 6 Weeks Beans North west corner of Rock Garden. excessively warm day.
- 25 Planted about 10 rows of Early China Beans south west corner of Rock Garden, 18 rows of Black Wax next to the Yellow Onions south end of Spring Garden.
- 26th Plowed raked and sowed in 1st Garden as follows beginning at west side 10 rows Parsnip, 20 Carrot, 10 Long Blood Red 6 White, 8 Blood Turnip, 4 Yellow Globe, 6 Egyptian and 2 rows Parsley, Set a lot of Trophy Tomato in North Orchard
- 27th Hoing in Spencer Lot, finished setting Trophy Tomatoes
- 28 Plowed, raked, and sowed 8 rows Veg. Oyster, 6 rows Peppergrass 10 rows Spinach & planted 2 rows Tom Thumb Sweet Corn above the Seed Oyster Bed
- 29 Hoed Peas in Orchard also Hubbard Squash in Cabin lot

- the 30th Sabbath An all day rain Meetings at home. An English visitor here to see the workings of the institution, has a stormy time in the afternoon Meeting with spirits operating through a new Brother who came from Kansas.
- 31st Had a very heavy rain about getting ^{up} time this morning Levi goes to Windsor, Timothy to Pittsfield with Apples The English visitor leaves this morning

June

- 1st Cool and pleasant morning Hoeing Carrots, Beets and Onions in the Rock Garden, Set the Grant Tomatoes
- 2nd north East corner of upper Cabin lot.
- 2nd Finished Beets, Carrots + Parsnips in rock Garden Pleasant weather
- 3rd Hoed Onions & Beets in Cabin lot, & finished Onions in rock Garden, commenced hoeing Beans in lot beyond horse pasture & Corn and Squashes in Spring Garden.
- 4th Henry washed the sheep yesterday & day before; John Shumway and Son came on yesterday to frame timber for steep roof on the barn at the foot of the hill.
- 5th Washing & drying the dried Apples they being infested with millers
- 6th Sabbath, another rainy one, Meetings at home Brother Daniel Sizer for many years Elder at the Upper Family has passed away he was a lovable and loving man.
- 7th John Greaves to Pittsfield Timothy hoeing small Onions in the Swamp Meadow. fine weather.
- 8th Elder Frederick, Eldress Antionette and large company of Brethren & Sisters from our Family attend the funeral of Brother Daniel Sizer which lasted about 3 hours
- 9th Beautiful day hoeing & weeding the Kitchen Garden Cleaning out the Barn yards
- 10th Commenced shearing the Sheep Timothy Rayson and Pletus Fields do up the wool, delightful weather. Elder Frederick, Cecelia, Charlot B. & Margarette C. go to Pittsfield have a nice time.
- 11th Brethren cultivating and hoeing the different crops Sheep shearing continues, fine day.
- 12th Hoeing and weeding, Finished the shearing. 607 sheep Quite a number of Breth, go to the pond for a swim

June 1880

- 13th Sabbath Public & Home Meetings as usual Public Meeting was dismissed ~~very~~ abruptly on ^{account} of rain, we had 2 or 3 very heavy showers during the afternoon
- 14th The weather is quite unsettled, we have had abundant showers for the past 2 weeks or more. watching the Veg Oyster. Weeding the young Onions in Swamp meadow.
- 15th Haking, Onions & Beets yesterday, Elder Frederick, Elds Antoinette & Olive Holden started for New York yesterday; pleasant day; boys watching birds & cutting Oyster seed.
- 16th Hoed and weeded the Onion bed at the foot of the hill Henry, Sister Annie & Eliza got to Pittsfield; fine day George and Louis plowing in clover.
- 17th Brethren hoeing and weeding in the 1st Garden the finished the plowing; Elder Frederick and the Sisters returned, Levi also got home.
- 18th Hoeing in the Spring Garden, Watching the Veg. Oyster, Putting ashes on the young Onions.
- 19th Putting ashes on the young onions, Pletus Field's son here from Kansas Brethren hoeing. Beautiful weather.
- 20th Public Meeting as usual, Chas Sizer of the Church Family here on a visit. warm day.
- 21st Brethren hoeing Potatoes, The visitor we had here last week left this morning, fine weather, watching birds
- 22nd Hoeing and weeding Potatoes, watching & cutting Veg. Oyster Seed, very fine weather.
- 23rd Sacked and sent off the wool having sold it Monday Levi goes from home again. Lining the Onions; fine day.
- 24th Weeding Parsnips after having finished the Onion lining. A very hot & sultry afternoon.
- 25th Weeding Carrots, watching birds & cutting Oyster seed.
- 26th Watching birds, cutting seed & weeding young beets Very warm weather
- 27th Sabbath Public and home Meetings. hot day
- 28th Finished weeding the beets, Elder Frederick goes to Windsor to meet & confer with Levi on property matters.
- 29th Hoeing Onions in North Garden very warm day hoed the little onions on the flats.
- 30th Hoed Onions, Beets, Squashes and Corn in Spring Garden & began on the Beans fine weather.

July

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- 1st Brethren hoeing, picking cherries etc Timothy goes to Pitts field with some which he sold @ 10[¢] per quart.
- 2nd Picking cherries, hoeing in the Rock Garden had a very fine shower of rain this afternoon.
- 3rd Had a heavy rain during the night, Elder Frederick returned ~~on~~ ^{Thursday}, from Windsor. fine day
- 4th Sabbath, Public and home Meetings morning and evening; Beautiful weather. Canaan attend singing.
- 5th Commence haying; Hoeing Beets and Onions in the Cabin lot, in the afternoon transplanted Cabbages in the Spring Garden & Rock Garden, Lowery weather.
- 6th Hoeing again in the Cabin Garden finished the Onions and Beets, Fine day. Men from Albany Slating the barn at the foot of the hill.
- 7th Thinning & weeding Onions at the foot of the hill. drew in 5 loads hay in the afternoon; nice day.
- 8th Hoeing young Cabbages, Got hay from the 1st & 2nd meadows north, a slight rain in the evening.
- 9th Drawing in hay most of the day, from pasturest lot north; very warm weather, Levi returned from Windsor yesterday evening.
- 10th Cut and bound the Rye; very hot day, lining the Carrots in Rock Garden; D. F. thinning small Onions.
- 11th Sabbath Meetings, Public, Singing at Canaan and home in the evening; fine day.
- 12th Got in the Rye, cutting and binding wheat in the ^{same} field, fine day, Levi leaves home.
- 13th There was a heavy rain during the night; H. Muhler a German who had lived here a year leaves; lowery day.
- 14th Cutting and binding wheat, on the lower Sing lot west-hill, very fine day; Levi at home again.
- 15th We had a delightful rain this morning which lasted about 2¹/₂ to 3 hours; In the afternoon worked at the hay and wheat. Very fine weather.
- 16th Beautiful morning, another heavy rain, Sisters go on the after Huckleberries working in the hay.
- 17th Drawing Lumber from Depot, a lovely morning
- 18th in the afternoon most of the Brethren at the Wheat drew it all home from west hill.

July 1880

- 18th Sabbath, Public Meeting as usual, home meeting in the evening, weather just lovely all that we could wish
- 19th Raising lines on the Onions & commenced hoeing them for the third time; all hands at the hay and wheat in the afternoon, Beautiful weather
- 20th Raining day, fixing some shelves in the jug room Brother Thomas up here in the afternoon.
- 21st Hoeing Beans upper leavin lot. cutting the barley and getting in hay. A man, woman & boy came to visit beautiful weather.
- 22nd Raising Onion lines, hoeing beans & training Squash vines; working at the and barley in the afternoon but were driven off by rain without doing much.
- 23rd Pulling weeds from among the beans, Done a little thrashing; We have so much rain that we can't finish the haying or harvesting
- 24th Hoeing young Cabbages, Raising lines & pulling weeds in the afternoon got in hay and barley; fine day. very short Meeting so many of family not in.
- 25th Sabbath, Public Meeting as usual; in the afternoon singing meeting with the Canaan families in the evening laboring meeting. Beautiful day.
- 26th Levi goes to Windsor, Promised land & New York Elder Frederick M. Barnum; S. J. Burger; Lydia Slape and Lucy Powers go on a short excursion to Albany
- 27th Elder Frederick & Sisters return from Albany via Hudson they had nice weather for the trip finished haying about home; a slight sprinkle of rain.
- 28th Cool morning hoeing and weeding the Seed Onions in North Garden harvesting Oats on the side hill beautiful day.
- 29th Sisters go on the ^{mt.} after huckleberries; cutting Oats and hoeing Onions.
- 30th Cutting Parsnip Seed clean and pulling the stalks, binding and getting in Oats from the corner pasture opposite the young orchard; very warm day.
- 31st Sisters went on the mountain yesterday after berries continue at the Oats. Elder Frederick returned from Endfield having attended the funeral of Eld. Thos. Damon

- 1st Sabbath A large gathering at the Public meeting to day, subject Spiritualism. a very warm day; in evening had an out door meeting on wash house lawn.
- 2nd Binding and drawing Oats; Very warm day.
- 3rd Rain. Rain Rain 2 1/2 inches fell last night, Thrashing.
- 4th Rainy day, thrashing wheat and Shelling Corn Eld, Frederick goes to Cassan takes Elizabeth Post with him.
- 5th Cloudy morning, Thrashing & cleaning grain, cleared.
- 6th Binding and getting in Oats, Levi to Tyringham, fine day.
- 7th Beautiful morning, Helping Henry on the East Farm.
- 8th Sabbath Public meeting as usual, Singing & union meetings in the afternoon and evening.
- 9th Delightful morning, Sisters go on the mountain after huckleberries; Breth. at the Oats on the hill.
- 10th Another fine day: Cutting Beet Seed, haying on the mountain Sisters up there picking huckleberries.
- 11th Finished haying and picking berries on the Mt.
- 12th Drew in and thrashed Cassan's Beet seed; had rain.
- 13th Haying in the meadow on the flat thrashed Blood Beet.
- 14th Drizzling day; thrashed ^{10 1/2} wheat.
- 15th Sabbath, Public and ^{home} Meetings, fine day; Ford, an Editor on the Tribune was here with his family and took dinner and spent about 2 hours in visiting.
- 16th Fine morning. breth. haying on the flats.
- 17th Elder Frederick & 11 Brethren & Sisters go to Lake Pleasant to attend a Spiritualistic Camp meeting.
- 18th Brethren digging potatoes pulling beans etc, etc fine day.
- 19th Digging potatoes etc Beautiful weather.
- 20th The company returned from Lake Pleasant yesterday, fine day.
- 21st Timothy went to Troy yesterday with brooms & gathered up seeds.
- 22 Sabbath Public & home Meetings, T. R. returned yst day.
- 23rd Cutting Beet seed, & also Yellow Onion: warm weather.
- 24th Cutting Onion seed, drew in & thrashed Beet Seed.
- 25th Cleaning up Beet Seed, picked Tomatoes; drying Apples.
- 26th Great change in the weather very cool this morning.
- 27 Redrying Apples, finished cutting Red & Yellow Onion.
- 28th Pulling Beans and cutting Carrot seed very warm day.
- 29th Sabbath. Public meeting, in the evening union meeting.
- 30th Rainy day, working in the shop putting up seeds cleaning boxes.
- 31st cut White Sugar Beet & finished cutting Onion Seed.

September 1880

- 1st Getting in Beet Seed & pulling Onions, lowery day.
- 2nd Pulling Onions & cleaning beet seed, cutting Carrot;
- 3rd Cleaning Beet Seed; Fine day; picking early Apples.
- 4th Rainy morning. cleaning seeds, cutting carrot seed
- 5th Sabbath Public Meeting, 5 Enfield Sisters in attendance
- 6th Warm, very warm weather for the time of year.
- 7th Cutting Carrot seed and pulling beans, warm day.
- 8th Getting in Corn fodder and Beans, cool day.
- 9th Thrashing and cleaning beans; cutting up corn, fine day
- 10th Rainy morning working in the seed shop, cutting hay.
- 11th Cool morning, cutting up corn, team to Pittsfield with apples which sell at 30¢ per Bush.
- 12th Sabbath, Public Meeting as usual union in the evening, a company of 14 Breth. & Sisters attend the opening of the Episcopalian Church at the Murdock place site of which we gave them
- 13th Levi returned home on Saturday, he goes to Canaan, another team to Pittsfield with apples, fine day
- 14th Finished cutting carrot seed commenced cutting sweet corn; Fine day
- 15th Raining day, Brethren working in the seed shop
- 16th Working in the seed shop, E. Rayson goes to Phila to visit
- 17th Finished pulling the Onions, commenced on the Refugee beans
- 18th Thrashing beans, getting in corn fodder, pulling beans.
- 19th Sabbath, Public and home meetings beautiful day.
- 20th Thrashing beans, getting corn fodder in also beans.
- 21st Picked Tomatoes, working in the seed shop; fine day.
- 22nd Working in the seed shop; drawing in Onion nice day.
- 23rd Digging Potatoes, putting up seeds fine weather
- 24th Got in the Hubbard Squash, working in the shop. Eliza Rayson returned from a visit to Germantown & Phila among her relatives had a good time.
- 25th Working in the shop, Digging Potatoes, quite warm
- 26th Sabbath, Public & home Meetings: Beautiful day.
- 27th Digging Potatoes; thrashing in the afternoon because of rain.
- 28th Putting up seeds for Southern Route. Raining day, cleaning seeds
- 29th Digging potatoes, picking up apples & working at seeds.
- 30th Drawing Onions, digging Potatoes, picking up apples putting up seeds etc, etc.

October

- 1st Commenced picking apples and digging potatoes.
- 2nd Picking apples & digging potatoes, beautiful weather.
- 3rd Sabbath, Public Meeting only one hour, Singers go to Canaan in the evening union meeting, beautiful day.
- 4th Weather continues very nice, sorting the apples we've picked
- 5th Levi returned, by way of Tyringham, Jones came with him last evening, Picking apples & digging potatoes
- 6th Picking apples and digging potatoes; cool & windy weather.
- 7th Continue the apple business, Elder Sisters & Ann Offord leave home with Levi. Windy cool day.
- 8th Apple picking goes bravely on, getting in buckwheat.
- 9th Sisters returned from Albany yesterday, Levi returned to day
- 10th Sabbath, Public Meeting, unusual union in the evening.
- 11th Picking apples, drawing buckwheat & Corn; fine day, drew in the Beets, poor crop.
- 12th At the apples again likewise the buckwheat.
- 13th Picking apples continued, gathering the garden crops.
- 14th Getting out squash seed, and drawing in pumpkins
- 15th Continue at the apples, beautiful weather to do fall work
- 16th Still picking apples, rain! cleaning Beans, drawing lumber
- 17th Sabbath, Rain! Meeting at home with Canaan people
- 18th Picking the apples is the order of the day. cool weather.
- 19th Apple picking progressing. frosty morning 4 degrees Fark.
- 20th Sisters out picking up apples. One team plowing, fine.
- 21st Finished picking the apples & cleared lower & North Orchards, drew two loads of Onions from West Hill; fine day
- 22nd Gathering apples and gleaming the potatoe field, Rainy afternoon. commenced boxing up the Southern Seeds.
- 23rd Rainy night. Draw a load of Onions from P. Hollands
- 24th Sabbath Meetings at home Public meetings discontinued snow this morning and quite cold, wind north west.
- 25th Levi returned from the West whither he had been gone since the 13th inst. Cleaning up beans, Boxing up seeds, &c.
- 26th Cold frosty morning, farmers plowing, Boys go nutting
- 27th Rainy night, boxing up seeds for Southern Route.
- 28th Plowing potatoe field, gleaming apples, cold weather.
- 29th Very hard frost last night. Levi to Pittsfield also J. Greaves
- 30th Cleaning up Beans, drawing Corn & washing boxes
- 31st Sabbath, Rainy morning, home meetings as usual.

November

- 1st Labeling boxes, husking corn, & sorting & paring apples
- 2nd Finished drawing in corn, husking etc, etc. fine day.
Levi leaves home for Albany & Troy.
- 3rd Plowing the in swamp meadow also Onion bed
- 4th Topping Onions, husking, Corn, & sorting apples
- 5th Rainy morning, topping Onions & Carrots.
- 6th Clearing beans, & finished topping Onions, husking Corn.
- 7th Sabbath Meetings as usual at home. rainy. day.
- 8th Drawing broom Corn and fertilizer from the depot, fine.
- 9th Husking Corn and getting in the Cabbages. Beautiful day
- 10th Timothy starts on the Saratoga Seed Route, Louis on the Southern Route as far as Warlotno.
- 11th Cold day. Brethren husking corn, plowing &c.
- 12th Picking over Beans. Plowing, husking Corn and getting
1st ready for winter weather generally.
- 13th The weather has moderated again. Quite a heavy rain on Thursday.
- 14th Sabbath Meeting in the forenoon afternoon the singers go to Canaan and attend singing meeting.
- 15th Picking over Beans, husking corn and plowing
- 16th Husking Corn picking over beans & plowing
- 17th Beautiful weather, continue plowing & husking
- 18th Timothy & Louis return from their respective trips.
stormy day
- 19th Very cold weather Brethren husking & drawing manure
- 20th Change in weather again, rainy day. Cleaning Seeds.
- 21st Sabbath Meetings at home, cold day, mercury sinking.
- 22nd Cleaning Onion Seed, Thermo. 5° above zero.
- 23rd Continue the Seed cleaning.
- 24th Very cold morning 4 degrees above zero picking over beans, getting in coal. cleaning Seeds.
- 25th Thanksgiving day Meeting for worship in the morning, in the afternoon had a visit Nelson Chase & 2 Sisters of Endfield.
- 26th Cold morning Thermo. about 4° or 5° above zero, husking. Finished cleaning Seeds & husking corn if fine day.
- 27th Sabbath Meetings at home. Levi went to Pa Friday
- 28th Sabbath Meetings at home
- 29th Picking over Beans, sizing Corn
- 30th Working in the Seed shop, H.C. goes to Waterlotto

- 1st Putting up Seeds in bulk, Quite a fall of Snow last night
- 2nd Picking over beans continues; George Clark sizing broom-corn
- 3rd Brethren commenced thrashing their grain sorting beans; cold day.
Ministry returned yesterday from Waterloo
- 4th Commenced thrashing, ^{Yesterday, also} H. Cantrell returned from Waterloo.
Sizing corn and picking over beans; Cold winter weather.
- 5th Sabbath, Meetings at home, Ministry here in the afternoon to see
the Elders, Raining day
- 6th Washing Squash and Pumpkin seed took all the afternoon
- 7th Snowy morning Brethren thrashing grain.
- 8th Thrashing grain, Elijah Myrick was here yesterday from Harwood
- 9th Sorting Seeds, washing wheat etc. H. Cantrell, F. T. E. C.
O. Walker & Annie Stevens go to Canaan stay all night
- 10th Cold morning; Brethren thrashing grain. Levi returned.
- 11th Thrashing Oats. Very cold day. Sorting Seeds etc.
- 12th Sabbath. Meetings as usual, The weather has moderated some.
- 13th Stormy morning, Making brooms and sorting seeds.
- 14th Mild and pleasant morning, sorting seeds and making brooms.
- 15th Sorting Seeds, making & getting in Ice, sloppy work.
- 16th Sister Jane Knight aged about 75 years died last
night about 10 o'clock a very fine woman and a genuine
Christian, peace to the manes of Sister Jane.
- 17th Funeral at 1.30 o'clock P.M. cold day, sorting seeds.
- 18th Continue sorting seeds, White washing in the 2nd house.
- 19th Sabbath. Meetings at home; Yearly sacrifice day.
- 20th Levi goes to Troy and Hudson, drawing wood, sorting seeds etc.
- 21st Picking over beans, making brooms and drawing wood.
- 22nd Teams hauling muck; fine winter weather, sorting seeds.
- 23rd Timothy goes to Troy with a load of Brooms; fine day
- 24th Sorting beans, Timothy returns home weather moderating
- 25th Christmas kept as usual meeting in the morning; fine.
- 26th Sabbath, Canaan people up to meeting, two men came
to enquire into the faith, one yesterday the other to day.
- 27th Picking over beans, putting up seeds in bulk, fine.
- 28th Levi left home yesterday morning; sorting beans.
- 29th Cold morning, Levi returned yesterday, Picking over beans.
- 30th Thermo. 9° below Zero. Sorting beans, making brooms &c.
- 31st Mercury 8° below Zero. Levi started for Windsor yesterday,
Picking over beans, and making brooms

January 1881

- 1st The new year greets us with Mercury at 14° below zero.
- 2nd Sabbath Meetings about as usual. cold winter weather.
- 3rd Mercury & degrees above zero. Picking over beans.
- 4th Continue the bean picking, The weather has moderated.
- 5th Bean picking continues; Fine winter weather; Louis Basting washing boxes. Broom making progresses nicely.
- 6th Cleaning boxes, picking over beans & making brooms.
- 7th The team horses Tom & Dick are being transferred to Windsor to work around our saw mill. J. G. to Pittsfield T. R. with him.
- 8th Picking over beans, putting up seeds, and making brooms.
- 9th Sabbath Meetings as usual; cold day.
- 10th Stormy day, Brethren all in doors to day. sorting beans
- 11th Picking over beans, making brooms & sizing Corn, cold day
- 12th Putting up boxes for Southern Route; sorting beans. Three males have united since Christmas, names as follows James Walker, David Harper & Gilbert Mershon.
- 13th Boxing up Southern Route seeds, and picking over beans
- 14th Sorting beans, boxing seeds for Southern Route. snow. Levi returned yesterday from Windsor
- 15th Mercury 6 degrees below zero. Picking over beans & boxing up
- 16th Sabbath cold day, Canaan Families attend meeting here.
- 17th Levi to New York Oliver to Albany & Waterbury. cold day.
- 18th Boxing up seeds for Southern Route finished the beans last Saturday, washing & Labeling boxes.
- 19th Henry C. & John Greaves to Pittsfield, cleaning boxes
- 20th T. Rayson and Louis Basting take 2 other Breth. & 10 Hittis High riding to West Stockbridge via Canaan.
- 21st Cleaning boxes & crating them, sorting packages.
- 22nd Severe Storm of wind and snow yesterday; fine to day.
- 23rd Sabbath Meetings at home; Beautiful day.
- 24th Mercury about zero. clear & cold. working in the seed shop.
- 25th Cold morning; Henry goes to after's Sisters he took down yesterday.
- 26th Another cold morning boxing Southern Route.
- 27th Putting up seeds and boxing them up cold day.
- 28th Mercury at zero. Drew about 12 Tons of Coal yesterday & today.
- 29th Very cold weather. Many of the Families have bad colds.
- 30th Sabbath. Meetings as usual. cold day.
- 31st Brethren Charles Greaves & Mrs Smith here awhile. quite a bad time for colds.

- 1st This month commenced with severe cold weather. Brethren busy in the Seed and Broom Shops.
- 8th Louis Basting starts on the Southern Seed Route by Rail to do the business of collecting & distributing seeds.
- 9th Levi goes West to Mich. & Chicago Ill. to settle some lumber business. Brother Daniel Offord has been confined to sick room about 2 weeks, cold on the lungs in the head has been the difficulty.
- 10th Seed business progresses very slowly, all hands pretty much are under the weather. Cold weather.
- 11th Timothy is confined to the sick room with cold in the head and on the lungs. Broom makers are moving on moderately, quite a number of Sisters have been down with colds.
- 12 Cold and stormy, we've had quite a break up for 2 or 3 days back with rain and thaw.
- 13th Sabbath Meetings about as usual, not much change
- 14th Seed and Broom business progressing moderately, had a slight fall of snow yesterday.
- 15th More cold weather. Picking over beans and papering seeds
- 15th Emil Bretzner goes to New York on business. Bro Daniel and John Greaves go after lumber or timber.
- 17th Working in the various shops
- 18th Putting seeds up for the Southern Route, cool day.
- 19th A little more snow this morning. Brethren busy in their several shops, fine winter weather now.
- 20th Sabbath, Meeting about as usual, Singers to Canaan
- 21st Work in the Seed & Broom shops progressing quietly
- 22nd Very nice winter weather. Putting up Pkgs.
- 23 Putting up packages. Yesterday Elders Frederick & Antoinette + Jane Cuttler went to Pittsfield
- 24th Levi returned last evening. Mercury 8 Deg. below zero. Putting up Pkgs. &c
- 25th Continue at the Seed shop business & Broom making snowy morning, Carpenters have been lowering the floor to the middle shed of the Cow barn
- 26th Seed and Broom business progressing slowly.
- 27 Sabbath. Great excitement last night a young man ^{here} had been living about 3 months, came back from Chatham & stole about \$800.⁰⁰ in bills, and large pile of Bonds & mortgages & ^{5 watches.}
- 28th Have recovered pretty much all the property stolen Saturday ^{night}

- 1st Stormy day about 8 inches of snow has fallen during the day
Levi recovered \$430.00 in bills & 4 watches of the stolen goods.
yesterday on his way to Albany, he started this morning for Windsor
- 2nd Brother Thomas up from Canaan he goes to Chatham to
settle all bill contracted in trying to catch the robber.
- 3rd Cold morning, working in the Seed & broom shops
- 4th Working the Seed and Brooms shops. Stormy morning.
- 5th In the shops business is progressing about as usual; sorting
Beans in the Seed department.
- 6th Sabbath Singing Meeting in the morning; Brethren &
Sisters from Canaan attend meeting in the afternoon.
- 7th Elder F. St. Annie to Canaan Mrs. Thomas up here; fine day.
- 8th Beautiful day. Elder Frederick Bro. D. Linna Welton &
Daniel Ray, go to Lee to see cattle & a Silo.
- 9th Another fine day. working in the different Shop at Seeds etc.
- 10th Putting up Pkgs. picking over Beans & Peas; warm day.
- 11th Snowy morning & lower temperature. sorting Beans
- 12th Working in the shops at Brooms & Seeds.
- 13th Sabbath Meetings at home.
- 14th Shop work progressing slowly putting up orders.
- 15th Continue in the seed Shop filling orders for the South-
ern Route fine weather
- 16th In the seed shop putting up Seeds for Southern Route
- 17th Timothy Rayson goes to Troy with Seeds; fine day.
- 18th Disagreeable weather; sorting seeds in seed shop.
- 19th Levi returns from Windsor, Timothy from Troy.
- 20th Sabbath, Meetings as usual; Cloudy day.
- 21st Continue in the seed shop,
- 22nd Levi goes to Pa. to finish the business left undone by
Louis B. cloudy & disagreeable day.
- 23rd Beautiful morning sunshiny & bright putting up seed.
- 24th Putting up Seed in Bulk. cold weather, seed business goes
on slowly. Broom business closed up. Brethren at the wood.
- 25th Timothy Rayson goes to Troy with Brooms.
- 26th Fine day; Timothy returns from Troy. Breth. at the wood
- 27th Sabbath, Meetings as usual.
- 28th Working at the wood, low disagreeable weather.
- 29th Putting up Pkgs. and sending of seed on Southern Route
- 30 & 31st Continue putting up and sending of Seeds.

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- 1st Putting up Pkts of sending off Seed on Southern Route
- 2nd Putting up Seed and assorting Apples
- 3rd Sabbath. Meetings as usual. Brother Daniel & two sisters went to Canaan in the afternoon
- 4th Sending off seed & packing Apples. Brothers & sisters returned ^{from} ^{Canaan}
- 5th Cold & stormy. Snowing at Intervals during the day. Assorting Seeds
- 6th Assorting Seeds, Shipping Seeds. Heavy Snow storm during the night.
- 7th Cold & Windy. Assorting Seeds. Packing & shipping Apples. Work ^{progressing} ^{slowly}
- 8th Fine day. Assorting & shipping Seeds.
- 9th Beautiful day. Assorting seeds & doing other work in the seed shop.
- 10th Sabbath. Meetings at home. Warm pleasant day
- 11th Pleasant day. Sorting Beans & working in the seed ^{shop}. Charles boys sawing wood.
- 12th disagreeable stoppy day, snowing at Intervals. sorting Beans in seed shop. Bros. Timothy & David washing seed boxes in wash house
- 13th Snowing during the day. Sorting Beans & working in the seed shop.
- 14th Snowing this morning. sorting seeds & doing other work in seed shop
- 15th Cold unpleasant day, sending off seeds, working as usual in S. Shop.
- 16th Pleasant day, shipping & sorting seeds & doing other work in the seed shop. Bro. Levi arrived home this morning
- 17th Sabbath. Meetings as usual. pleasant day
- 18th Warm pleasant day. Shipping & sorting seeds. Elder Friedrich goes to Pittsfield returns in the Evening
- 19th Sending off Seeds. Working in the S. Shop. Levi went away this morning. Bro. Timothy & Charles Whitewashing in the kitchen. Warm day
- 20th Warm pleasant day. Whitewashing in the dining Room. Pickling over beans in the seed Shop
- 21st Beautiful day. Shipping Seeds Working in Seed Shop. Sowing Seed in Hot-bed. 11 Rows Aerie West side 10 Rows Turkey nest & Grant not in the large box & sowed a row Dwarf Incomparable White Celery ^{in small box}
- 22nd Light Rain this morning. pleasant during day working in seed Shop
- 23 Pleasant day sending off seeds
- 24 Sabbath. Meetings as usual warm day
- 25 Beautiful day. sorting & doing other work. Emil planting in Kitch garden
- 26 Warm day. Working in S. Shop. Timothy Whitewashing
- 27 Cloudy. Sorting & Shipping Seeds. Bethens Working in garden
- 28 Warm day. Setting out Onions
- 29 Cloudy. Putting up orders & working in seed shop
- 30 Pleasant day. Setting out onions in the forenoon. Planted Pot. in the afternoon

May

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- 29th Sabbath day meetings at home. Singers from Canaan
- 30 Planting Corn finished the lot north of Cabbie lot. Planting
Corn Rows in lot north of Rock Garden Planted 3 Rows
Seymour Beard, ^{in same lot} Thunder Storm with Rain ^{of} Sabbath 5 P.M.
- 31 Transplanted 3 Rows Trophy Tomatoes & 10 Rows Refugee
Beans in upper Cabbie lot. Drilled 1 acre yellow Corn
in lot north of Rock Garden also planted $\frac{3}{4}$ acre white
Beans in same lot. Bro. Levi left this morning, "Fine day"

June

1881

- 1st Cultivating & hoeing Onions in north Garden lower side
Elder Friedrich & Sisters arrived home last evening
2. Set out Trophy Tomatoes upper Cabbie lot, Cultivating Onions
3. Taking the old Water Wheel down in brick shop. Rainy day
4. Laying down water pipe in aqueduct
5. Sabbath day meetings at home, Brethren & sisters from Canaan
6. Laying down water pipe in aqueduct
7. Cultivating & hoeing Onions, Beans, Corn &c. Brethren & Sisters
from Canaan
on a visit. left
8. Rainy day. Re-laying & making sidewalks, for Canaan to day
9. Hoeing Strawberries. Corn & Peas. reset Tomato plants, commenced
sheering sheep. Bro. John Rees & Geo. Clark went to Diltsville
10. Raining all day. Sheering sheep. Working in seed shops.
11. Rainy day. Finished sheering sheep. Working in S. Shops.
12. Warm day. Sabbath. Public ^{and} from meetings morning & evening.
Singers went to Canaan in the afternoon
13. Laying down water pipe
14. Rainy weather continues. very unfavorable for all
kinds of business
- 15th Laying pipe again nearly done.
- 16 Olive Holden, Rhoda Hollister, Maria Blow & Jane Cutler
go on a visit to Harvard, Shirley & Endfield Ct.
- 17 At the pipe again.
- 18 Finished laying the pipe from the pond to the brick shop
- 19 Righting up the walk from the dwelling to Sisters shop.
- 19 Sabbath had a slight shower of rain which prevented our
going to Meeting House. Reading Meeting instead
20. Levi came home Saturday evening and leaves again
tomorrow for Windsor via Troy & New York
21. Hoeing and weeding Onions in the swamp, ground
very wet hired men hoeing potatoes.

- 22- Hoeing and weeding small Onions, hired men at the Corn.
- 23- Finished hoeing the small Onions hoed & weeded the Carrots along side the Onions. Fine day.
- 24- Hoeing Beans in lower Cabin lot; finished weeding the Onions.
- 25- Continued at the beans in Cabin lot and hoe Squashes
- 26 Sabbath. Public Meeting, fine day.
- 27 Finished hoeing the Squashes, cultivating the Onions
- 28 Heavy rain last night Brethren working about the barn
- 29 Rain again in the night Hoeing & lining Onions
- 30 A Comet on Monday night in the North about the size of Cappella made its appearance and is still to be seen.
- July
- 1st Commenced working on the ^{road} yesterday, Hoeing Onions. The Sisters returned from their eastern visit
- 2nd President Garfield was assassinated this morning at Washington as he was about to ^{take} a train going North
- 3rd Sabbath. Public Meeting as usual, in the afternoon Singers go to Canaan. A friend of R. Webb and his wife came yesterday to see Rachel.
- 4th Reports from Washington indicate hopes of the recovery of the President that wounds are not fatal. Edward C. Colton & wife, Rachel's friends leave.
- 5th Yesterday afternoon we transplanted Celery below the Parsnip Seed 1st Garden. Levi came home Friday from Windsor went back again yesterday.
- 6th Drew 6 small loads of hay the first of the season ^{yesterday} in the morning transplanted remainder of the Celery.
- 7th Packed and shipped the Wool @ 50¢ per lb to Wm J. Smith yesterday, lining Onions in Rock & North Gardens.
- 8th Raining morning, Drew in 9 load hay yesterday. Eldress Antoinette Sisters Annie & Martha go to Albany
- 9 Getting in hay from the side hill Elder J. go to New York very warm day Mercury about 90 Degrees F.
- 10th Sabbath, Public Meeting R. Thomas Smith addressed the Spectators about 30 min. home meeting in the evening.
- 11th Another warm day, Commenced haying on the Mt. Cultivating & hoeing cabbages, Heavy thunder shower
- 12th Emil & boys hoeing in Rock Garden J.R. & Nelson picking cherries. P.M. drew in hay from the mountain

13. Finished mowing on the mountain. Emil + Rays hoeing
14. Elder Frederick returns from New York. An aged woman by the name of Seely who had lived here when came + had a short interview with Elders Antoinette.
15. Finished the mountain. Hoeing Onions in the North Garden, weeding in the 1st Garden: fine day.
16. Haying in the flat Meadows, hoeing Onions in the morning; Dr. Daniel + hired men Paris Green potatoes
17. Sabbath Public Meeting as usual, Home meeting in the evening. Cool but pleasant day.
18. W^m Eddy the Materializing medium for spirits came this afternoon, had a seance in the evening, rainy afternoon.
19. Cloudy + cool morning, haying at a stand still. Cut + bound the Rye on the West hill E.V. Smalley is here investigating the Materializations in the interest of the New York Tribune. Cutting Parsnip Seed.
20. Had slight shower this morning; Cultivating + hoeing Beans, Sisters on the mountain after berries.
21. Still continue at the beans, Cutting Grass in the Swamp meadow; fine day
22. Had the last seance last evening, 10 or 11 spirits in all came out 5 of which were Indian + one a Persian.
23. W^m Eddy and the young man went to Canaan yesterday morning; Elder Frederick + the Tribune correspondent went down in the afternoon; Fine day.
24. Sabbath, Public and Home Meetings; Levi returned yesterday from Windsor, fine day, singers to Canaan.
25. Sisters go on the mountain for berries, were caught in a heavy thunder shower; Brother Cutting Wheat.
26. Cutting and binding Wheat; Hoeing Cucumbers Etc.
27. Hoeing Beans, cucumbers + berries. Cutting Parsnip
28. Levi goes to Windsor via New York; Timothy + 5 Sisters go on the Mt. get 82 qts Whortleberries; fine day.
29. Draw in the Rye and part of the Wheat. Cut Parsnip Seed in the morning. Fine day.
30. Draw in all the Wheat and Rye; Cut Parsnip Seed. Very fine day
31. Sabbath, Public Meeting as usual; in the afternoon Singers from Canaan here; warm day; Union in the evening.

- 1 Rainy, Cutting Parsnip Seed, drew in Wheat from No. lot
- 2 Cloudy, hoeing Beans and Tomatoes & pulling weeds in Onion bed, in the afternoon drew in hay, fine hay day.
- 3 Mowing in the Swamp Meadow; Cutting Parsnip seed.
- 4 Hoeing & Weeding Beans & Onions; getting in Barley & Oats.
- 5 Louis Basting returned from Kansas, very hot day.
Finished haying in the swamp meadow; cutting Parsnip.
- 6 Harvesting and haying in the North lots; hot day.
Had a good thunder ^{storm} this evening; the ground had become ^{very} dry
- 7 Sabbath Rainy morning; singing, laboring & reading meetings in the morning afternoon & evening respectively
- 8 Cloudy, dull morning, Drew in 20 load hay & 5 loads Oats and Barley; cut Parsnip Seed in the morning. Fine day.
- 9 Cloudy again; Finished cutting the Parsnip Seed and getting in Grain: Beautiful weather; Sisters on the Mountain after Huckleberries get 81 qts.
- 10 Finished getting in Grain, not done yesterday. fine
- 11 Continue the hay making; hoeing Onions & berries.
- 12 At hay again, pulling weeds on the Onion bed; fine day.
- 13- Hoeing Tomatoes Finished haying & harvesting; fine day.
- 14 Sabbath, Meetings both Public & home Jonathan P. Sheldon & daughter Elmer, friends from Salt Point here.
- 15 The friends from Salt Point left yesterday afternoon much pleased with their visit, trimmed Tomato vines, & weeded Onions.
- 16 Levi returned from Windsor Saturday evening, ^{last} Cool morning:
- 17 One Bro. & 7 Sisters go on the Mt. for berries; plowing Parsnip ground
- 18 Getting in Oats, Pulling Onions &c very warm in the afternoon.
- 19 Heavy rain, Levi went West yesterday morning; Thrashing
- 20 Cloudy & cool, continue thrashing parsnip Seed.
- 21 Sabbath Public Meeting largest concourse of the year, Fine day.
- 22 Getting in Oats on the hill; Trimming Squash Vines, Fine day
- 23 Reaping, binding & getting in Oats, transplanting Strawberries
- 24 Pulled the Yellow & White Beans; Finished drawing in Henry's Oats; fine day.
- 25 Weeding the Veg. Oysters & Parsnips, Cleaning Parsnip Seed.
- 26 Elder Frederick Br. Daniel, Timothy, S. C. Martha, Margaret, M. A. Burgher & Cloak start for Salt Point to attend a peace convention; Business of the family goes on as usual; warm day.
- 28 & 29 Sabbath no Public Meeting, Brother & Sisters returned, very warm
- 30 & 31 Cutting Onion Seed; Picked the Bartlett Pears

- 1 Picking pears, Farmers plowing upper Perry meadow for Rye; warm
dew in the Yellow to Weeks Beans & began thrashing them.
- 2 Heavy thunder shower about ^{2 o'clock} this morning finished the Beans.
- 3 Cloudy & cool G. Clark's Sister & daughter here on a visit; Cleaning Sud.
- 4 Sabbath Public Meeting, Amanda Deys from Salt Point and
a lady friend from Penn. both in attendance & addressed the
meeting on the subjects of temperance & Peace; Cloudy day.
- 5 Amanda Deys & all the other company leave this morning
- 6 Rained Sunday afternoon, Deys cleaning bot house; Cleaning Parsnip Seed.
- 7 Beautiful morning picked plumes yesterday; Cutting Onion Seed.
- 8 Cutting Onion Seed, Very warm, D. F. goes on a short trip
- 9 Getting in Beet Seed, & drawing Coal; Daniel returns home.
- 10 Cutting Onion Seed; Levi & Timothy buying Onions.
- 11 Sabbath Public Meeting; quite smart shower on our way.
- 12 Warm and pleasant weather, Cleaning Seeds, Farmers plowing.
- 13 Levi started for Windsor yesterday, J. Boardman of Bennington
here on a visit, Dr. H. D. Wright buried last Friday.
- 14 Picking pears; farmers plowing; Fine day.
- 15 Windy and cloudy morning; James Boardman returns to his home
- 16 Gathering Fruit, another windy day.
- 17 Elder Frederick and Oliver go to Waterlot; Warm day.
- 18 Sabbath. Public Meeting as usual, Dr. Thomas addressed the meeting.
in the afternoon the Singers go to Canaan.
- 19 Digging Potatoes, Fine weather
- 20 Continue at the Potatoes; Eld. Frederick from Waterlot yester
day and Oliver this evening.
- 21 Still digging potatoes. Cleaning Seed putting up Tomatoes.
- 22 Cool and cloudy; Finished cleaning Parsnip Seed.
- 23 Rain in the night. Warm morning; Topping Onions.
- 24 Topping Onions & Cleaning up Beans.
- 25 Sabbath; Meeting as usual. Very warm day. Two men &
Two women gave us a call in the afternoon.
- 26 The whole country are this day observing the funeral services of
the Martyr President, James A. Garfield.
- 27 Beautiful morning, husking sweet Corn & topping Onions.
- 28 Plowing, cleaning seeds, topping Onions & husking Corn.
- 29 Husking Corn; Beautiful autumn weather.
- 30 Plowing for Rye. Cleaning Beet Seed and sweet Corn
Alfred Bresslau an Austrian of Vienna here on a visit.

- 1st Finished cleaning Beet Seed. Warm day. Finished husking sweet corn.
- 2 Sabbath, Meetings at home; Raining day.
- 3 Picking over Beans getting in the crops
- 4 The Austrian leaves this afternoon not being prepared to be a Shaker. Levi returns from Windsor, and the Elder Sisters from New York.
- 5 Commenced picking apples, digging Carrots & getting Turnips, cold day.
- 6 Picking apples, drawing corn fodder and Turnips
- 7 Another cold frosty morning which makes the 3rd one in succession. picking apples and getting in the crops.
- 8 Sister Marcia Bullard and Eldress Sophia Niles of Harvard come to make us a visit; picking apples; very fine day.
- 9 Public Meetings discontinued. visited the Sisters at 2 O'clock in the afternoon; cloudy day.
- 10 Picking apples continues; Levi goes to Windsor J. G. with him.
- 11 Continue at the apples, plowed kitchen Garden.
- 12 Still at the apples, drawing in corn fodder; slight rain.
- 13 Picking apples; Fine autumn weather.
- 14 John Greaves returns from Windsor. A man named Russell of East New York brings a boy & girl ages 9 & 12 years.
- 15 Very windy and stormy day.
- 16 Sabbath. Public ^{Meetings} are closed for the season. Elder Frederick and a company of Breth. and Sisters attend Meeting at Canaan.
- 17 Union Village Ministry make us a visit stay all night with us.
- 18 Raining day, visitors go to Canaan to visit the families there.
- 19 Finished picking apples, teams drawing coal, cool day.
- 20 Cold morning. sorting beans.
- 21 Drawing out manure. Putting away Onions; fine day.
- 22 Eldress Harriet Bullard & Rosetta Hendrickson of Waterviet here.
- 23 Sabbath, Society Meeting at 9 O'clock lasting till after 12 M. Beautiful day Eldress Harriet & Rosetta returned to their home yesterday.
- 24 Another fine morning sorting Beans, & drawing out manure.
- 25 Sorting Onions, doing a little Painting, Fine day.
- 26 Cold and frosty, Levi returned home this evening; sorting Beans.
- 27 Picking over Beans and sorting Onions.
- 28 Finished the Onions John Greaves takes a lot to Pittsfield
- 29 Thrashing and cleaning Onion Seed. Fine weather.
- 30 Sabbath, Meetings at home warm day.
- 31 Thrashing & cleaning Onion Seed, pull away all our Onions, Levi goes to Windsor via New York. rainy day.

- 1st Bro. Daniel, Mr. Anna, Eliza & Ann Offord go to Albany; a boy by the name of Frank Westington runs or walks away taking French leave.
- 2 Finished thrashing Onion Seed. Bro Daniel & Sisters returns from Albany.
- 3 Brethren enlarging the Reservoir on the hill side; cleaning seeds.
- 4 Thrashing Grain, Rainy.
- 5 Cleaning Onion Seed, Painting fence above the Dwelling.
- 6 Sabbath Meetings at home, Fine day.
- 7th Thrashing Oats, more rain.
- 8 Continue the thrashing, lowery weather.
- 9 Stormy weather, cleaning seed
- 10 Painting fence above the dwelling, working at the reservoir.
- 11 Sinking Onion Seed, Beautiful weather.
- 12 Picking over Beans.
- 13 Sabbath, Meetings at home Brethren & Sisters from Canaan meet with us in the morning, Spendid weather.
- 14 Working at the reservoir, washing wheat sorting beans.
- 15 Snowy morning, working on the reservoir & sorting beans.
- 16 Continue at the reservoir, picking over beans: Fine day.
Painting fence in front of dwelling house.
- 17 Windy morning still working on the reservoir & painting fence
- 18 Rainy and stormy day. sorting beans, and broom corn.
- 19 Very stormy day. Elder Galen Richmond & Jas. McFarland of South Family Waterlot are here to see our laundry.
- 20 Sabbath, Meetings as usual, Elders go to Canaan & hold meeting and return again, pretty fair day.
- 21 Working on the reservoir; fine day. Benjamin M. goes to his home.
- 22 Continue at work on the reservoir, fine & cold: sorting beans.
- 23 Very cold day. Danking the cellars & making ready for winter
- 24 Thanksgiving day comes in with 4 or 5 inches of snow
Meeting at 9 O'clock. Levi returned this evening at 8. 15
- 25 Thrashing Oats & Barley, cold day, Picking over Beans
- 26 Eldress Polly Reed second sister in the Ministry died last night; Thrashing grain; cold day.
- 27 Sabbath Meeting in the afternoon. H. George of Waterlot attends with us.
- 28 Thrashing Oats & Barley, fine day.
- 29 Levi goes to Windsor, Quite a number of the Breth & Sisters attended the funeral of Elds Polly Reed. Fine day.
- 30 Finished thrashing the Oats & Barley. Warm day.

December

- 1st John Greaves goes to Pittsfield with poultry. Breth. thrashing Rye a very stormy day.
- 2 Continue the thrashing, D. Fraser sorting Beans.
- 3 Finished the thrashing. Commenced storming in the evening.
- 4 Sabbath Quiet day, Order of Meetings, A.M. reading P.M. laboring, evening Union; Another stormy day.
- 5 Sorting Beans, Carried Brooms & Sweet Corn to Canaan
- 6 Making a winter road to the reservoir on the hill.
- 7 Cleaning Onion Seed; stormy day; sorting Beans.
- 8 Emil commenced keeping school on
- 9 Broom making progressing slowly, Seed shop business progressing moderately, quite a warm day.
- 10 Another cold snap, Mercury 13° frost
- 11 Sabbath Meetings as usual; Very cold day.
- 12 Picking over Onion Seed, cold.
- 13 Putting up Seeds for a Troy Seed House.
- 14 Louis Basting and Nelson go to Pittsfield Stormy day.
- 15 Ministry came from Watavlet yesterday, Ministry Sisters here this morning; Snow last night
- 16 Sorting Seeds. Emil and the boys sizing Broom Corn.
- 17 Broom making getting along slowly. Walter L. painting fence.
- 18 Sabbath, Meetings as usual; Fine day.
- 19 Tearing off the gravel roof from the Cap, south side of Brick Shop and replacing with Tin. Beautiful day.
- 20 Another mild day; Tinsmiths putting on the cap roof Levi returns from Windsor;
- 21 Elders, go to Canaan to hold meeting; Timmers finished the roof Walter Lockwood finished painting it - he commenced it yesterday
- 22 Stormy day. Two Machinists here from Pittsfield mending a boiler for heating water for bathing purposes.
- 23 Continue at the boiler repairing, Rainy day.
- 24 Finished the boiler and the men go home to Pittsfield
- 25 Christmas or Feast of Sacrifices, Beautiful day.
- 26 Levi goes to Windsor via Albany. Elders from Canaan here.
- 27 Stormy night and morning. Sorting old Seeds, making Brooms.
- 28 Cloudy weather, Walter confined to his room.
- 29 The weather continues cloudy;
- 30 Sorting Seeds; Picking over Onion Seed.
- 31 Sorting Seeds, Labelling Boxes; Slight snow fall.

January

- 1 Sabbath. The Ministry attend Meeting and visit the family
Cold day. the visit was quite satisfactory.
- 2 Stormy last night. Sorting Seeds, & barrelling up Beans.
- 3 Yesterday was a very cold day. Work in the Shops progressing slowly.
- 4 Commenced boxing seeds for Southern Route. Cold day.
Elder Sisters returned from Albany whither they went yesterday.
- 5 Boxing up Seeds for Southern Route. very cold.
- 6 Stormy day. continue the boxing.
- 7 Still at the Seeds. Weather more moderate.
- 8 Sabbath: Meeting in the morning for drill, laboring meeting P.M.
- 9 Rainy disagreeable day yesterday. Cleaning Seed in the shop.
- 10th Elder Frederick Bro. Daniel, Emil, and Daniel Ray go to Pittsfield
to a farmers meeting for discussing the Enslavement question.
- 11 Daniel Fraser and Timothy working in the Seed Shop.
- 12 Working in the Seed and Broom Shops. fine day.
- 13 In the Seed Shop putting up Seeds in Boxes.
- 14 Boxing up Seeds for Southern Route. Levi returned home.
- 15 Sabbath laboring, singing and laboring meetings this the day.
- 16 Mild weather, working in the various shops.
- 17 Levi goes to Windsor via New York, Timothy goes to Troy
cold day D.F. working at the Onion Seed.
- 18 Cold morning; Brethren working in the various shops
Timothy returned from Troy.
- 19 Henry C. & Walter L. go to Pittsfield to sell a pair of
Cattle: fine day.
- 20 Labeling Boxes for Southern Route: Beautiful weather.
- 21 Elder Frederick Henry C. the Deaconesses and two other
Sisters go to Pittsfield: another fine day.
- 22 Sabbath laboring Meeting, ⁱⁿ the afternoon; stormy day.
- 23 Broom business progressing slowly, cold day Mercury rose.
- 24 Mercury 23 degrees below Zero before sunrise.
- 25 Brethren sawing Ice preparatory to filling the Ice House
- 26 Getting Ice, the Mercury has gone up several degrees above
the freezing point making about deg. change in 48 hours.
- 27 Thawing very fast, had to quit the Ice business, Levi home.
- 28 Henry C, Timothy R. and Nelson P. go to Pittsfield
- 29 Sabbath Meetings about as usual; Stormy day.
- 30 Working at the Ice. very good for the business
- 31 Levi left for Windsor yesterday. Finished getting in Ice.

February 1882

- 1st Fine winter morning Mercury about 22° above zero.
- 2 Brethren working in the different shops.
- 3 Nothing doing of moment. fine winter day
- 4 Sorting old Seeds; Elders go to Canaan.
- 5 Sabbath; Elders still at Canaan a new thing for them to be at on a Saturday night.
- 6th Boxing Seeds for Southern Route. Beautiful weather
- 7 Sorting Seeds and putting up Boxes for Southern Route
- 8th Timothy goes to Troy with Seeds and Brooms; fine day.
- 9 Sorting old Seeds, & Cleaning Boxes. Cold morning.
- 10 Cleaning boxes; Timothy returns from Troy; fine day.
- 11 Filling boxes for Southern Route.
- 12 Sabbath Meetings at home Brethren & Sisters of Canaan attend. our morning meeting; Beautiful day.
- 13 Boxing Seeds for Southern Route.
- 14 Sorting and putting up Seeds. quite a warm day.
- 15th Sorting Seeds, warm day.
- 16 Continue the sorting of Seeds quite warm weather. An inquirer here from New York.
- 17 The visitor that came yesterday left this morning Levi returns from Windsor. Two Ladies here from New York.
- 18 The Lady visitors came to see a little ^{gold} that we have whose name is Mable Evans. they return to New York or rather Brooklyn
- 19 Sabbath, Meetings at home as usual.
- 20 Levi starts for Windsor again. Putting up Orders.
- 21 Stormy day. Putting up orders. Broom making goes on rather slowly; D. F. is rustivating
- 22 Getting Seeds ready to send on Southern Route. Beautiful day, a very severe storm yesterday.
- 23 Putting up Seeds for the Southern Route; fine day
- 24 Sent off the last of the seeds. Brethren drawing logs.
- 25 Cleaning the shop; Beautiful weather; no meeting.
- 26 Sabbath No Meeting; ~~this~~ morning; an unprecedented occurrence to go without meeting on Saturday eve & Sunday morn.
- 27 John Robe or Shaker is sick unto death, fine day.
- 28 Timothy leaves home to go on seed route. John Robe died yesterday evening. Beautiful mild weather. Howard Phillips of Canaan leaves goes to Bath Steuben Co. N.Y.

March

- 1st Raining day. Brethren working in Broom & Seeds shops.
- 2 John Robe was buried to day. at the burial ground of the East Family Elder Calvin Reed officiated; and gave marked satisfaction quite a number of Brethren & Sisters from the 1st & 2nd Order of the Church families attended the funeral, peace to the ashes of our misguided Bro.
- 14 Timothy arrived home this evening about 8 1/4 O'clock. nice day.
- 15 Putting up seeds. to go on Southern Route. Geo. Clark and Walter Lockwood working in the Broom Shop.
- 16 Daniel Treasler sorting old seeds, sent seeds to Moscow.
- 17th Sorting old seeds. Beautiful weather.
- 24 Daniel continues sorting old seeds. cold stormy day. Timothy goes to Pittsfield very disagreeable day.
- 25 Timothy helping Emil get stone to the masons who are building foundation wall in front of the dwelling to enlarge Bakery & fuel accommodations etc. cold freezing weather. Levi came home last Saturday and went to Windsor via New York on Tuesday.
- 26 Sabbath. Meetings as usual morning & evening.
- 27 Masons are busy building wall front of the house making brooms and sorting old seeds.
- 28 Continue the mason work on the house enlargement. boys working at the wood.
- 29 Sorting old seeds and making brooms. fine day.
- 30 Still at the wall: plastering the Chimney in the rooms. cold and disagreeable weather.
- 31st Very cold weather but nothing daunted the workmen continue on the wall.

April

- 1st Timothy & Louis Basting move a tenant from the East Farm to the North Cottage.
- 2 Sabbath, morning singing meeting Elder Frederick goes to Canaan; Raining day.
- 3 Progressing with the mason work front of the house. cold weather
- 4th Sorting old seeds: cutting up wood at the buzz saw. Levi arrived this evening about 8 O'clock.
- 5 Drawing lumber from the Depot. beautiful day.

- 6 Drawing lumber and Timber from the depot: sawing wood.
- 8 Stormy morning trees filled with icicles. An aged man from England & Canada an acquaintance of Elder John Whiteley here on a visit. Still at the wood, fine day sowed hot bed to day beginning at the East side 10 Rows Acme thin 11 Rows Trophy & 9 Rows Genl Grant Tomatoes 1 Row Henderson's Inmoball Cauliflower 1 row Fother's Brunswick Cabbage and 1 row Henderson's Golden Heart Celery crosswise of the other sowings.
- 9th Sabbath Singers go to Canaan lower family and attend singing meeting. Beautiful weather Eldess Antonette stays there overnight
- 10th Levi leaves for Windsor the English visitor also leaves for Philadelphia lovely day.
- 11 Making Brooms, splitting wood, sorting seeds &c &c. The Masons tearing the plastering off in the kitchen.
- 12 Emil goes to New York on business, Masons plastering the kitchen; stormy day, hired men splitting wood.
- 13 Working up the wood, instead of piling it as usual in the wood house we are having it thrown in.
- 14 John Greaves and a hired man run the saw Mill. Still at the wood sawing splitting & putting it into the wood house.
- 15 Sawing wood, Making Brooms, sorting seeds & fixing the water pipe that comes from the spring on the mountain.
- 16 Sabbath, Meetings as usual. Beautiful day.
- 17 Counting running the saw Mill and working up the wood.
- 18 Sowed a small bed of Red Onions east side of 1st Garden alternated with 1 row Veg. Cysta to every two of Onion, Also sowed patch Little Gem Peas in Kitchen Garden east side.
- 19 White-washing & cleaning the Verandahs & clearing out the rubbish from the kitchen; dug the Parsnips
- 20 Heavy thunder storm during the night, wet morning
- 21 Stormy day, sorting old seeds; George Clark working at Brooms. Masons tearing down the chimney to the Bake room.
- 22 Cold unsettled weather, Masons and Carpenters are pretty much done in the kitchen the floor is laid & oiled & will be ready for use on Monday. Elder Frederick to Pittsfield.
- 23 Sabbath Meetings as usual in the morning singing, afternoon laboring, and in the evening Union. Cool but pleasant day. The Martins came on Thursday very early in the season for them

- 24 Frosty morning but the sun is shining brightly and we have a fair promise of a good day.
- 25 Plowing the first Garden. Cleaning brick & getting rubbish out of the Bakery. Fine day after having 9 degrees frost.
- 26 Clearing away rubbish from front of the house; Emil composting hen manure under the Garden House shed. Planting potatoes in the Keen yard cold day. Set two rows White Globe O. in 1st Garden.
- 27 Commenced setting the Danvers Onion in the North Garden. Set 6 Rows next to the East Wall. driven off by the rain.
- 28 Sawing Wood. Sowed some more rows of Veg. Oyster in the 1st Garden on Wednesday 26th inst.
- 29 Sawed wood in the morning. Set out a few more rows Danvers Onion in the North Garden. Cool day.
- 30 Sabbath; Beautiful day Canaan Brethren & Sister attend meeting with us in the afternoon.

May

- 1st Setting Danvers Onions in North Garden. Beautiful day. Masons & Carpenters going on with the alterations in the house.
- 2 Windy morning, Elder Frederick to Pittsfield, send the boy Andrew Shorter away.
- 3 Setting out Onions in the North Garden; yesterday the Brethren went on the mountain for pea bush.
- 4 Finished setting Onions in the North Garden; fine day. Set 11 rows Red Globe Onions in the Lower Cabin lot east end and 6 or 7 Yellow Dutch west end.
- 5 Set out small patch Carrots next to the Yellow Dutch Onion; then 10 rows Champion Peas east of Carrots. sowed a patch L. White Marrowfats in the lot below.
- 6 Setting Danvers Onions upper Cabin lot also 7 rows Parsnips cool frosty morning. Levi came home on Wednesday evening & went away again yesterday morning to Canaan.
- 7 Sabbath, laboring meeting in the morning. Singers go to Canaan, attend singing meeting at Upper House Beautiful day.
- 8 Cool morning Theodore Wicks Father ^{to Annie} is here, from Hills. Levi goes to Windsor. Setting Red Onions in Rock Garden.
- 9 Rain, in the night we had a nice shower. Sowed some Beet & Parsnip Seed in Kitchen Garden last evening.

May 1882

- 10 Setting Red Onions in Rock Garden; Beautiful day.
- 11 Rainy, cold, & disagreeable day. Theodore Wicks goes this morning. George Clark to Pittsfield also Louis B.
- 12 Rainy & cold;
- 13 The weather continues cold & raining. drying Corn.
- 14 Sabbath fine day. Elder Frederick & a company of Brethren & Sisters go to Canaan have meeting at the lower Family.
- 15 More rain; drying Corn, Digging ditch on upper side of road in front of dwelling. Two Sisters from Canaan make us a visit Ann L. Walker & Ellen Green.
- 16 Finished setting out Onions, finally. Nice warm day.
- 17 Sowed 8 Rows Parsnip in addition to others previously sown in 1st Garden also several more rows Salsify commenced hoeing Veg. Cyster in 1st Garden.
- 18 Planted Squash in Lower Cabin lot 10 Rows with Swift Sure as the only fertilizer sowed 3 short rows of Bedmans Improved Blue Imperial in upper Cabin lot along side of Onions
- 19 Finished hoeing Salsify; making furrows for Potatoes in the Square Meadow above the Eld. Fredericks Union Grove.
- 20 Furrowing the Potatoe field. Had a visit from the Canterbury Ministry, Elds. H. Blinn Jr. Fairme & H. Shepherd
- 21 Sabbath. Beautiful day, Meetings as usual. Had a fire last night at the 2nd Order burnt a small building having been started by a young fellow a professed member
- 22 Planting potatoes in the square Meadow. Beautiful day
- 23 Rainy morning; Finished sawing the cord wood. tearing the roof of the Corn house attached to the barn.
- 24 Covering potatoes; Putting tin roof on the Corn house Sisters Annie White, Maria Blow & Grace Powers go to Albany to have a little surgical operation on the feet.
- 25 Finished covering the potatoes; Raining day
- 26 Frosty morning; Moving saw dust from the mill.
- 27 Planted 2 rows sweet Corn for kitchen use in North Orchard
- 28 Sabbath, Meetings as usual; Raining afternoon.
- 29 Drawing Coal from the depot. Fine day.
- 30 Finished drawing the Coal. Beautiful weather at last
- 31 Planted about $\frac{1}{3}$ of an Acre of White M. Beans in the lower cabin lot yesterday. Cultivating Onions in Rock Garden.

- 1 Commenced Plowing for Corn; Raised the old building known as the Kettle house.
- 2 Plowing and dragging for Corn. Cultivating & hoeing Onions
- 3 Hoeing Onions in the North Garden; Planted an acre of Corn in the Sand Knoll lot. Levi returns from Windsor.
- 4 Sabbath; Meetings at the usual time. Rainy morning; The Apple trees are now in full bloom.
- 5 Levi goes to Canaan on his way to Windsor. Rainy morning; Drawing manure. A horse belonging to the Chh. Family goes away throwing a little boy from the wagon & injuring him seriously.
- 6 Another gloomy morning; Moving a man from the Cottage at the foot of the hill. Plowing & dragging for Corn
- 7 Cool morning; Marking the Corn ground; weeding. Finished planting Corn, fine. Visit with Eld. William Wetherbee & Company from Shirley out in the Orchard
- 8 Commenced shearing sheep, warm day; heavy rain. Brethren & boys weeding in first Garden.
- 9 Shearing Sheep, Getting out manure; Weeding
- 10 Finished shearing Sheep; continue at the weeding and getting out manure
- 11 Sabbath First Public Meeting of the season about 60 auditors present. Beautiful day.
- 12 Hoeing Onions in Rock Garden & North garden Transplanted about 300 Trophy Tomatoes in Lower Cabin lot next to Red Globe Onions. Beautiful day.
- 13 Hoeing Danvers Onions North Garden; Transplanted Genl Grant Tomatoes North end Upper Cabin lot. warm day
- 14 Eld. Frederick & Timothy go to Pittsfield; warm day. Transplanted Acorn Tomatoes in Upper Cabin lot
- 15 Hoeing Onions, Beans etc. Warm weather.
- 16 Hoeing and weeding in the 1st Garden.
- 17 Transplanting in the Rock Garden, very ^{warm} day; Emil, Louis B. and the boys go to the Canaan pond for a swim.
- 18 Sabbath. Rainy day No Public Meeting.
- 19 More rain, sawing wood at the Brick Shop. warm day; Bro Thomas Smith here from Canaan.
- 20 Plowing down the road in front of the Dwelling house undoing the work of former years; boys weeding.
- 21 Working on the road front of the house; warm.

June

1882

- 22 Continue on road making. J. Doolittle and wife, of
Balston, brother^{to} Edeess Antoinette made a call
we were much pleased with their visit.
- 23 Cultivating Corn Onions & Potatoes. fine day.
- 24 At the Potatoes & Corn, four horses cultivating very warm day.
A woman from Syracuse with 4 Children came to day
for the purpose of joining.
- 25 Sabbath, Public Meeting as usual Elder Frederick
addressed the spectators for about 30 minutes. very
warm day, Mercury up among ninties
- 26 Weing Onions, watching Veg. Oyster seed to keep off the
birds, they are very troublesome little customers.
- 27 Cool morning, Watching the birds, Emil and boys
hoeing Onions etc.
- 28 Louis Basting hilling the Potatoes above the Maple
Grove. fine growing weather
- 29 Bro. Daniel Timothy & two others sacked the wool
cool morning. Emil and boys hoeing.
- 30 Watching birds and cutting the Oyster Seed: D.F.
weeding small Onions and Veg. Oysters
- 31 Rained a good share of the night and it is still
stormy:

July

1882

1. Elder Frederick returned from Windsor whither he went
on Wednesday. Levi returned also.
- 2 Sabbath, Public Meeting usual time; Singers go to
Canaan Lower family; cool day.
- 3 Clear and sun shincy; Brethren working on the road
Picking Oyster Seed.
- 4 Watching the birds, picking seeds and weeding
- 5 Levi goes to Windsor via Albany & New York Eldress
Antoinette & Olive H. go to Albany with Levi & return again.
- 6 Rain! Rain! Rain! boys splitting wood; Picking Seed.
- 7 Commenced mowing for hay; Gathering Seed fine
day; Laying Cement in front of the house.
- 8 Brethren & hired men drew in about 8 loads of hay warm
day. Gathering Veg Oyster Seed.
- 9 Sabbath, Public Meeting, pretty fair attendance
very fine day; Gathering Seed.

July 1882

- 10 Warm morning. Gathering Veg. Oyster Seed. Transplanted some Cabbages amongst the Carrots & Tomatoes. Drew in hay in the afternoon.
- 11 Very warm night. Eld. Frederick & John G. to Pittsfield Timothy Lottie Byrdsall & Celestia Vines go Strawberrying on the mountain done pretty well.
- 12 Gathering Veg. Oyster and getting in hay: warm weather.
- 13 Heavy rain during the night. Gathering Seed. Sawing timber for East Shed. Cloudy & wet.
- 14 Getting in hay and gathering Veg. Oyster Seed, fine day.
- 15 Continue gathering Oyster Seed; drawing in hay, very beautiful hay weather.
- 16 Sabbath Public Meeting as usual; Warm day. Reading meeting in the evening.
- 17 Windy morning, Emil and boys hoeing in the Garden. Gathering Veg. Oyster Seed.
- 18 Getting in hay; Daniel Fraser weeding small Onions and Veg. Oysters.
- 19 Gathering Oyster Seed, Getting in hay & weeding.
- 20 Weeding and hoeing in the Gardens; haying.
- 21 Getting in hay; slight shower in the evening, warm day.
- 22 Cloudy and dull morning, finished the Veg Oyster Seed.
- 23 Sabbath, Public Meetings in morning Union meeting in the evening very fine weather.
- 24 Beautiful day. Haying continues some work in Garden.
- 25 Splendid hay day, drew in 14 or 15 loads L. Fraser weeding among the young Onions & Veg. Oysters.
- 26 Another fine day, drew in several loads of hay. Cut & bound the wheat & Rye in the Rock Garden.
- 27 Mowing the Upper Perry lot and reaping the Wheat in the next lot this side very warm day.
- 28 Continue haying at the Perry lot. Heavy thunder storm.
- 29 Haying at the Perry Meadow. Beautiful weather. Emil and the boys working in the Garden.
- 30 Sabbath Public Meeting. Bro. Thomas Smith addressed the audience.
- 31 Haying and harvesting at the Perry lots on the west hill, warm weather.

August 1882

- 1st Finished cutting wheat on the west hill.
- 2 Cutting the Rye in the North Meadow bound and shocked what was cut.
- 3 Finished the cutting the Rye & cut a piece of Oats and Barley, done some haying in the swamp meadow.
- 4 Elvah F. Collings's Father here on a visit. Finished getting the grain from West hill; Drew in some Rye
- 5 Warm morning Drawing in Grain.
- 6 Sabbath, Public Meeting. Reading meeting in the evening an extremely warm day.
- 7 Another hot day; Commenced haying on the Mountain Cutting Parsnip Seed & Veg. Oyster.
- 8 Haying on the Mountain; The heat is very oppressive. thrashing Veg Oyster Heavy thunder shower yesterday
- 9 Finished the Oyster both thrashing & Clearing; More rain driven home from the Mountain.
- 10 Beautiful morning the air is cool clear & crisp. Nearly finished haying on the Mountain
- 11 Sisters go on the mountain after Whortleberries also Emil and the boys, Cutting Parsnip Seed.
- 12 Drawing Oats and hay; Warm day; No Meeting
- 13 Sabbath, had the largest congregation to day of the season; fine weather
- 14 Haying in Swamp Meadow, fine weather
- 15 Cutting Parsnip Seed; Emil B. Sister Annie White, Rhoda H. & Charlotte Byrdall go to Albany.
- 16 Haying in the swamp Meadow. Trimming Squash, and Tomatoe vines; Emil & Sisters return.
- 17 Finished haying and harvesting. Fine weather.
- 18 Daniel Fraser and Timothy go to Pittsfield, Cool.
- 19 Cool morning Digging Potatoes in the hen-yard, Had a visit with a Bro. William Wilson & 3 Sisters from Endfield N. H. The Chh. & 2nd Family charter a car & go to Saratoga
- 20 Sabbath Public Meeting as usual; Cool day.
- 21 The weather is some what warmer than yesterday.
- 22 Eight Sisters & Six Brethren go out for a ride had a splendid time; drove to West and old Stockbridge from to Lenox where they took dinner on the Lawn in front of D. Dudley Fields mansion.

- 23 The weather is very dry and quite cool, yesterday we cut all the Parsnip dug some potatoes.
- 24 Storing lumber, digging Potatoes, fine day. Levi was home on Sabbath day & left for Windsor on Tuesday. Had a slight shower of rain last night we're having very dry weather at present.
- 25 Elder Frederick, Eldress Antoinette, 5 other Sisters & 4 Breth, leave home Salt Point Dutchess Co. Peace convention
- 26 Emil and the boys go to the Canaan pond, very warm day, teams plowing on the west hill.
- 27 Sabbath, Rainy day; Public Meeting conducted by our Family and Second Family.
- 28 The delegation to Salt Point returned this evening. teams plowing D. F. weeding.
- 29 Plowing on the west hill; weeding in first Garden, putting things to rights.
- 30 Cleaned the parsnip seed, small crop. Daniel F. weeding among the Strawberries.
- 31 Drew in and thrashed M. F. Peas, fine day.

September 1882

- 1 Getting in Clover rowen; very warm weather Cleaned the peas.
- 2 Finished getting in the clover, warm day.
- 3 Sabbath Public Meeting as usual.
- 4 Plowing on the west hill. Pulling Beans and cutting Carrot Seed.
- 5th Finished pulling Beans, and commenced cutting Onion Seed. plowing on the west hill.
- 6 Cutting Onion in North Garden; very dry weather.
- 7 Continue the cutting in North Garden and began on the Red in the Rock Garden
- 8 Finished North Garden yesterday, & Rock Garden to day. cut the Onion in Cabin Lot; warm day.
- 9 Warm morning; Winding lines, picking Tomatoes etc.
- 10 Sabbath, Public Meeting as usual; fine day.
- 11 Topping Onions: had a steady all day rain
- 12 Continue topping Onions, Sawing wood. George C. and Daniel Ray go to Pittsfield.

September 1882

- 13 Finished cutting Onion Seed, Topping Onions and Sawing wood and working on the road.
- 14 Cool morning, Labeling Brooms; fine weather. Walter Lockwood painting blinds.
- 15 Getting out stuff for Onion bins in the Wood House Cellar. Eld. Frederick goes to Albany.
- 16 Setting up posts in the Cellar for the bins Timothy out buying Onions; Levi home from Windsor. fine day.
- 17 Sabbath Public Meeting as usual; Had the Danish Minister at Meeting he was much pleased; heavy wind storm yesterday and day before.
- 18 Levi goes back to Windsor, Timothy after more Onions. Breth. plowing and doing up fall work. warm day
- 19 Fixing bins in the wood house cellar.
- 21 Continue work on the Onion bins; Raining disagreeable weather. Dug Potatoes yesterday.
- 22 Rain! Rain! Rain! working on the Onion bins Eld. Frederick & Elvah Collins Father got Pittsfield herd men splitting wood.
- 23 Still at work in the Cellar
- 24 Sabbath No Public Meeting on account of rain beautiful afternoon Mr. Anna White Charlot B & Isabell McLeod go to Canaan
- 25 Working at the bins for Onions, teams drawing gravel for silo that we are building.
- 26 Still at the bins and drawing gravel fine day. picking Tomatoes &c. &c.
- 27 Daniel Fouser & Timothy go to Albany & Troy take out a load of Brooms & pick up the Old seeds.
- 28 Finished the bins yesterday pretty nice day. Teams drawing gravel.
- 29 Daniel & Timothy return from Troy. rainy morning continue at the gravel drawing.
- 30 Got in the Hubbard Squash, and Bassano Beets from the first Garden Had a visit last evening with Elder Harvey Cads of South Union Kentucky

- 1st Sabbath Public Meeting for the last time this season
Beautiful day.
- 2 Fine morning picking Tomatoes. Commenced picking Apples picked 88 Bushels
- 3 Picking Apples in plaster Mill lot and along the road side towards the North Cottage. fine day.
- 4 Building a silo in the Cow barn; Drawing out manure on to the North Garden East side.
- 5 Picking Apples in North Orchard also picked up Cider Apples in plaster Mill lot.
- 6 Elder Frederick & Bro. Daniel go to Pittsfield with Apples; Bought an Organ and placed in the Meeting Room, so we have instrumental music finally introduced into the Family
- 7 Picked Apples in the nursery & Lower Orchard yesterday; fine day Emil & boys picked Cranberries
- 8 Sabbath. Meeting at home with the Canaan families in the afternoon Elders and Deacons attend an official Meeting at the Chh. to hear read a revision of the Covenant
- 9 Picking Apples in the lower Orchard. fine day.
- 10 Continue at the Apples. Hauling out Manure.
- 11 Had a visit last Saturday with Elder Abraham Perkins & the Elder Sisters of his family Endfield N.H.
- 12 Levi returned home on Tuesday; he has gone to Springham today to see Dr. Jones; windy day.
Raining slabs in the forenoon; picking apples afterwards—
- † Fri. 13th. Beautiful day. Picking apples, almost finished; hired men drawing in the corn; horse teams drawing gravel for the silo, that had been begun the 29th of Sept.
- † Sat. 14th. Raining morning. Sorting little potatoes; hired men husking corn; finished sawing the slabs; drawing gravel &c.
- † Sun. 15th. Beautiful day. Meetings at home; learning to labor, laboring & union meetings.
- † Mon. 16th. Warm day. Finished gleaming the orchards; splitting wood & drawing it into the woodhouse; also drawing long wood into the boiler cellar. The Lower Family Brethren picked 16 bus. of tomatoes; they had picked 23 bus. before, and the Church Brethren had gathered 26 bus. of ripe ones and as many green; our own people had put up 600 gall. besides what they had used fresh. All the teams drawing sand & gravel for the silo. Timothy started on seed route.
- † Tue 17th. Another warm day. Finished sorting the small potatoes in the cellar, & began with the large ones under the garden house shed. Teams drawing sand.

October 1882.

- Wed. 18th. Warm & cloudy. Finished soring the potatoes under the garden house shed & put them in the granary cellar. The crop had been very good, about 250 bus. from the pond lot, & enough from the gardens & henyard to bring the total up to nearly 1000 bus. The teams were drawing sand & gravel in the forenoon, & brought up a car load of broom corn, about 50 bales, from the depot in the afternoon.
- Thu. 19th. Cloudy; growing cooler. Husking corn; drawing wood into the boiler cellar; getting in the turnips from the Lower Cabin lot. Teams plowing; we were squaring the different gardens, & intending to plow up additional lands in the Upper Cabin lot, the Spencer lot, & the Second meadow, about 5 acres in all, to be used for potatoes next year.
- Fri. 20th. Clear day. Husked corn; topped the turnips, about 4 bbls; got in all the cabbages, about 400 good heads & 4 loads for the hens. Teams plowing in the forenoon; drawing gravel & one load of onions in the afternoon.
- Sat. 21st. Two degrees below freezing; the first heavy frost for the season; one or two very light ones had occurred before. Every thing was in from the gardens & fields. The last tomatoes had been picked the day before, & about 15 bus. were in the ice house; the crop had been unusual good, about 300 bus. in all had been picked. — The day was very fine. Husking corn; mulching the strawberry beds with corn stalks; splitting & drawing in some wood, both short & long. Elder Frederick & co. trimming trees. George Clark went into the shop to clean up & prepare for broom business. Horse teams drawing gravel; oxen plowing.
- Sun. 22nd. Fine day; no frost. Practising meeting to labor in the forenoon; laboring meeting after noon; singing with organ accompaniment (at night).
- Mon. 23rd. Cloudy & damp. The whole company of boys went ruttin' on the south mountain & the west hill, but did not get much; the horse teams finished drawing gravel for the silo; oxen plowing.
- Tue. 24th. Cloudy again. George Clark & Thomas Alsop working regularly in the broom shop; started Charles Tomet & four boys in the sizing shop; the other boys drawing up wood into the woodhouse; all the teams plowing & harrowing; Elder Frederick & conf. trimming trees.
- Wed. 25th. +35° F. in the morning; fine day. Drawing stones from the gardens & other plowed lands; teams plowing; working in the broom shop & sizing shop; trimming trees; grinding feed, &c.
- Thu. 26th. +44° F. in the morning; pleasant day; cooler at night. Drawing stones; getting in a lot of boiler wood in the cellar & the woodhouse; teams plowing; trimming trees with a vengeance; broom business & sizing, &c. Began plastering the walls of the silo. The carpenters were fixing the barn.

October 1862.

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- Fri. 27th. +30° F. in the morning; pleasant day. Drawing stones; clearing the cow yards of gravel, lumber, & other rubbish; teams plowing. Trimming trees, & shop work as usual. — First meal of celery, which was very nice.
- Sat. 28th. Another beautiful day. Kept on drawing stones & plowing. Drew some manure around the apple trees in the North Orchard. Trimming. Shop work.
- Sun. 29th. Very windy, cloudy, damp, & disagreeable. Practising making for singing & laboring in the morning; good laboring & union meetings afterwards.
- Mon. 30th. A beautiful, mild day. Blasting & drawing stones; plowing; trimming trees; working in the shops, &c. Laid out work on the pond, & prepared for thrashing. Reading meeting as usual; the boys practised singing.
- Tue. 31st. Another mild, pleasant day. Thrashing wheat; got 165 bus. of grain & 8 loads of straw; trimming trees, sizing corn, & making brooms, as usual.

November 1862.

- Wed. 1st. Beautiful summer day again. Kept on thrashing; got 79 bus. of wheat & 7 loads of straw, also 14 bus. of rye & 2 loads of straw; the machine worked splendidly, but the water was used up. Gave some more celery. Continued the trimming & the shop work, also the silo which is nearing its completion. Had a grand singing meeting in the evening; a company of Canaan singers were up to listen to the music of voices & organ. They bore it bravely for an hour and a half, and did not seem seriously injured, nor displeased either.
- Thu. 2nd. Bright day, but growing colder. Finished plowing the west side of the North Garden; got out a great lot of stones there; Dr. Daniel & co. went up to the pond & began work there, by plowing & scraping some; harrowed the rye field by the cottage; trimming trees & working in the shop. The carpenters were helping John Greaves at the saw mill. Got 12 bbls of fine, large turnips from Canaan, N. C.
- Fri. 3rd. +22° F. in the morning; the heaviest frost yet; clear, fine day. Went at the work on the pond in earnest; had 2 ox teams, 2 horse teams, & 3 single horses plowing & scraping. Drilled in the greater part of the rye for next spring's fodder. — Robert Bernmark left for Sweden.
- Sat. 4th. +26° F.; another beautiful day. Worked at the pond. Moved the good cabbages from the garden house shed to the woodhouse cellar; the most of the onions had been received, amounting in all to over 600 bus. Dr. Daniel was putting in the windows in the cellar, & preparing for cold weather. Shop work as usual; the boys had sized 1350 lbs. of corn this week, & 850 lbs. the week before, showing a good increase.
- Sun. 5th. +24° F.; fine day. The Canaan people came up to laboring meeting in the forenoon; singing meeting after noon & union meeting at night.

November 1882.

- Mon. 6th. $+19^{\circ}$ F.; bright, cool day. Had all the boys out working at the pond, & finished the MW, & cleared up the yards; washed some wheat.
- Tue. 7th. $+28^{\circ}$ F.; cloudy & less cold. Worked at the pond with full force, except in the afternoon, when 2 of the hired men went to vote; dug some more celery; work in the sizing shop & the broom shop. Brought home the helpers from the mountain. Elder Frederick went to Pittsfield. Timothy came home from the seed route; had a reading meeting at night.
- Wed. 8th. $+36^{\circ}$ F.; rather mild. Worked at the pond with full force; trimmed trees; shop work as usual, &c. — Levi had also returned late last night.
- Thu. 9th. Mild, pleasant day. Went on bravely with the pond work; also with the trimming & the usual shop work. Dr. Daniel busy fixing the winter dairy, &c.
- Fri. 10th. $+45^{\circ}$ F.; very pleasant day. Kept on with the pond; also with the trimming & shop work. Levi left home again for Windsor.
- Sat. 11th. Another mild, pleasant day. Stuck to our scrape at the pond; kept on trimming trees; usual shop work. The Boys had sized only 800 lbs. of broom corn this week, because some of them had helped every day at the pond; they shucked some nuts, & cleaned up some about the woodhouse.
- Sun. 12th. $+52^{\circ}$ F. in the morning; warm, beautiful day. The Lanesan singers were up attending singing meeting in the forenoon; laboring & union meetings.
- Mon. 13th. Mild & cloudy; rained considerably at night, & grew colder. Threshing rye; got 70 bus. of grain & 10 loads of straw. Other work as usual.
- Tue. 14th. $+26^{\circ}$ F.; cool day, though otherwise fine. Kept on threshing; got 67 bus. of rye & 8 bus. of wheat to 7 loads of straw; sawed up some wood in the afternoon; trimmed trees, & worked in the shop as usual.
- Wed. 15th. $+36^{\circ}$ F.; mild & pleasant. Went at the pond work again with full force; other work went on as usual; dug some more celery.
- Thu. 16th. Another pleasant day. Kept on at the pond; struck a great many large stones, & had to blast some. Trimming trees & shop work as usual.
- Fri. 17th. The first MW for the season, about an inch; a little more fell during the day, but it melted as fast as it came. Did some husking & cleaned up the big barn floor, which was in a very bad condition. The men cut up boiler wood behind the barn, & trimmed up apple tree brush & drew the wood therefrom home to the buzz saw. Usual shop work.
- Sat. 18th. A little more snow had fallen in the night; it was just cold enough to keep it from melting away. Finished husking the corn; split wood down at the brick shop, & drew some of it up to the woodhouse; sealed out the south-east room on the second floor in the brick shop to be used for a boys' school room. The men cut up boiler wood, &c. &c. Broom making & sizing went on as usual; the boys had sized 1600 lbs. this week.

- Sun. 19th. +16° F; a beautiful winter day. A singing meeting in the morning; two laboring meetings, one after noon & one after supper.
- Mon. 20th. +14° F; fine winter day. Working in the shop with the boys & Jacob; broom making also going on strongly. Some of the boys & hired men were getting leaves; the other men were trimming out apple brush & drawing the wood to the buzz saw, where two young Brethren were splitting wood & drawing it up to the woodhouse. The carpenters were fixing up feed racks, &c., in the barn at the foot of the hill; Br. Daniel fixing in the boiler cellar.
- Tue. 21st. +18° F; another fine day, less cold. Continued working in the shop; got some more leaves, & drew some more wood from the orchards to the buzz saw; cleared out the wood & the chips from the shed there, & carried the latter into the old washhouse. Timothy & Charles whitewashed the boys' school room, & the Sisters turned in & gave it a thorough cleaning. Louis went to Pittsfield; Br. Daniel fixing, &c..
- Wed. 22d. +16° F; pleasant day again. Drew in all the old wood, that had been cut up, into the boiler cellar, & cleared up nicely at the west end of the cow-barn; drew brush after noon; blasting rocks & drawing stones in the north garden; grinding feed; shop work.
- Thu. 23d. Another very pleasant, mild day. Rolled down all the brush, that had been drawn to the Asparagus bed, & drew some more, & also some apple wood to the buzz saw, which was kept running all day; drew away the chip dirt from the shed there, & cleaned up for winter; drew stones in the north garden, & worked at the big drain behind the brick shop where the old kettle house had stood. Shop work; Walter framing the boys' school room; the Sisters helping to clean the seed shop.
- Fri. 24th. Some wind, but not very cold. Trashing oats; got about 90 bus. to 4 loads of straw; it was very dirty & disagreeable, & both the grain & the straw were damp & injured; we must never draw them in so green again. Shop work.
- Sat. 25th. Quite windy & disagreeable weather, though not so very cold. Drawing brush & wood from the orchards; taking all the gates off & storing them away; cutting down the willows along the drain back off the brick shop. Usual shop work; the boys had been sizing 125 lbs. this week. Louis was unwell; steaming, &c.
- Sun. 26th. Clear, beautiful morning. Had a singing meeting. A regular snow storm began in the afternoon, after a large company had gone down to Canaan to attend meeting. Elder Frederick remained there over night. General singing meeting.
- Mon. 27th. 22° F; about 5 inches of snow had fallen; a fine day followed. Got out the sleighs & went to drawing the wood out from the night pasture & the hill pasture. A strong force worked at broom making, sizing & husking corn. Began SCHOOL with the boys up at the house. Company to séance at Canaan.

November 1882.

Tue. 28th. +6° F.; beautiful winter day; growing mild. Timothy started with one team for Troy; the other teams kept on drawing wood from the bull pasture. Usual shop work. Reading meeting; an inspirational lecture on Atlantis, and other submerged continents, & their high civilization.

Wed. 29th. Not very cold; the snow fell gently all day. Dug the remainder of the celery; had enough for Thanksgiving, & put away one basket full for Christmas, but doubt whether it will keep on account of having been frozen. The teams kept on drawing wood; got it all out of the bull pasture; cutting down some of the maples by the barn in front of the new east shed; Timothy returned at night from Troy; usual shop work & schooling.

Thu. 30th. Thanksgiving; the snow kept on falling in the morning; pleasant afterwards. Had a laboring meeting as usual in the forenoon & another at night, both good. Some shop work after noon; the boys had school.

December 1882.

Fri. 1st. Stormy; some more snow fell after noon; the morning was fair. The teams finished drawing the wood out of the night pasture; cutting down the maples along the road, between the big barn & the north shop. Brother Daniel went to Pittsfield with Sisters. Shop work & school.

Sat. 2d. Very pleasant; thawing in the middle of the day. Thrashing; finished the oats; got 150 bus. of grain & 5 loads of straw, making in all 240 bus. No school; usual shop work; the boys sized 700 lbs. this week.

Sun. 3d. Fine winter day; quite cold towards night. We had a singing meeting in the morning & a powerful laboring meeting after noon.

Mon. 4th. -7° F.; quite wintry, but clear & fine. Cutting & drawing wood; kiln drying oats; working in the shops, &c. Daniel Ray & Augustus took some 8 head of young stock half way out to Albany; they were going to Waterliet.

Tue. 5th. +30° F.; quite a change, mild & pleasant. Got the horse power ready under the garden house shed, & began thrashing onion seed; cutting & drawing wood & brush; shop work, school, busy with school books, giving English lessons to our Russian young Believers, &c. Reading meeting; President's message.

Wed. 6th. A very strong south wind had been blowing all night; a good part of the snow went away; the day came out very mild & pleasant. Thrashing & clearing onion seed; kiln drying oats, &c. Usual shop work.

Thu. 7th. Fine morning; then it began to storm; considerable snow fell with strong wind; cleared up cold towards night. Clearing onion seed; finished kiln drying the oats; the men shelling corn. Usual shop work, &c.

Fri. 8th. +9° F.; fine, cold winter day. Drawing logs, wood & brush from the road in front of the house. Shop work; got some more help in the sizing shop.

- Sat. 9th. +13° F.; fine day. Thrashing; got 10 bus. of rye & 140 bus. of ^{barley &}oats to 7 loads of straw. Shop work as usual; 1400 lbs had been sized this week. — The hired men, except the two in the cottages, were paid off & left. Levi had come home last evening.
- Sun. 10th. Somewhat stormy in the morning, so that the Canaan people did not come up as was expected, but they came in the afternoon, when it was more pleasant, and attended laboring meeting with us. A singing meeting in the forenoon & a reading meeting at night filled up the day.
- Mon. 11th. Rather mild; some snow fell during the day with some wind. Thrashing; finished it all up; got 70 bus. of barley & oats to 4 loads of straw. The yield of grain on the home farm had been as follows:
 244 bus. of wheat, making about 22 bus. to the acre;
 189 bus. of rye, making about 30 bus. to the acre;
 240 bus. of oats, making about 40 bus. to the acre;
 210 bus. of barley, making about 35 bus. to the acre;
 883 bus. in all, besides corn from 2 acres, which will probably fill up the 1000 bus. Shop work & school; George Clarke had to go to the sick-room & take a steaming. — Levi left home for Windsor.
- Tue. 12th. Fine winter weather. Began drawing Muck with four teams; got up 23 loads. Cleaning up some onion seed; shop work, &c.
- Wed. 13th. Stormy; heavy wind & snow, which in the evening turned to rain. Tried to draw some muck, but had to stop after having got up 7 loads; then the two hired went to fixing up the ice-house for filling it. Thrashing & cleaning up some onion seed; shop work, &c., &c..
- Thu. 14th. +22° F.; fine day; quite mild in the afternoon; very slippery on the paths; fair sleighing. Drew 24 loads of muck; tried to thrash some onion seed, but broke the horse power, & had to cut the tie of one of the horses to save him from hanging. The carpenters were working this week down at the cottage by the plaster mill lot, fixing up generally. Usual shop work, school, &c.
- Fri. 15th. +16° F.; quite blustering some part of the morning; afterwards it came out fine & cold. Drew 18 loads of muck; did some little shop work, but could not do much, for a company of six mighty Brethren went to Pittsfield & neighborhood to see silos & cows. They did not abound in praises of what they had seen, when they returned.
- Sat. 16th. +12° F.; fine winter day. Drew 25 loads of muck, making 94 loads for the week; thrashed & cleaned onion seed; school & shop work; 1000 lbs. had been weighed out for sizing this week.
- Sun. 17th. Pleasant day. Singing & practicing meeting in the morning; good laboring meeting after noon; reading meeting at night.

- Mon. 18th. Pleasant again. Bro. Daniel & company went down to the Royce place to cut down the remainder of the pine trees there, & brought home 16 logs; Timothy & two Russians cleaned onion seed; Charles & a boy washed wheat after noon; the rest of us worked in the shop, &c.; George Clarke came out of the sick room & went at the broom business.
- Tue. 19th. +10° F.; fine winter day. Went on with the logging, & brought home 19 logs; cleaned up onion seed; worked in the shop as usual. A little before supper time we heard an alarm of Fire at the Second Family, & went there in full force. The office was in flames & could not be saved, but fortunately there was no wind, so the adjoining buildings were undisturbed. One Sister, Ann Olga Coburn, was burnt very severely, & died next day. The cause of the fire was the mismanagement of an oil stove.
- Wed. 20th. ±0° F.; beautiful day. Logging; got home 14 logs; thrashing & cleaning onion seed, & thrashing carrot seed; shop work, school, moving, cleaning, &c. The Elders went to Canaan in the afternoon.
- Thu. 21st. Fine day. Logging in the forenoon; got home about a dozen logs. After noon the teams had to go to the depot & draw home fertilizer; brought home 9 tons & piled it in the big barn on the floor. Cleaning seed; finished all the onion seed & began the carrot seed. Shop work &c.
- Fri. 22nd. Thawing with strong southerly wind. Finished drawing the fertilizer; got home 6 more tons, making 15 tons in all. Finished also the logging from the Royce place; got home about a dozen logs, making some 70 odd logs in all. The carpenters had also finished their work at the cottage, & Ivan brought home their tools & remaining lumber, &c. Usual shop work, schooling, &c. The Elders returned from Canaan.
- Sat. 23rd. Mild. All five teams went to drawing muck again; got 26 loads, some of which were put by the Asparagus bed. No school; shop work; 900 lbs of corn had been weighed out for sowing. Levi returned home.
- Sun. 24th. Mild & pleasant, though not clear; in fact, there have not been more than 2 or 3 really clear & bright days in as many weeks past. —
General opening day; one quiet meeting, without marching, afternoon.
- Mon. 25th. Christmas. Pleasant day without. No meeting in the forenoon; in the afternoon a company of Brethren & Sisters went over to the Ice Order, & attended the funeral services after Ann Olga Coburn, that were held there on account of the broken condition of her own family, where the accident had occurred. After supper we had a very short, quiet laboring meeting.
- Tue. 26th. Pleasant; just cool enough to keep up the sleighing. Went to drawing muck again; got 25 loads up to the Asparagus bed. Shop work; began to weigh out regular half days' work for the boys; moved the school to the duck shop. Levi left home.

- Wed. 2nd. A little cooler. Drove 24 loads of manure. Four Brethren went to Pittsfield to see silos. Charles was sowing onion seed. Usual shop work. —
- Tue. 1st. Cool. Began to draw out the manure from the cow barn vault up on the potato field above the pond; got up 32 loads; sowing onion seed; working in the shop. In the afternoon a company of Brethren & Sisters went to the Second Family to attend the funeral after Ann Burbee.
- Fri. 2nd. +29° F.; pleasant day, though cloudy. Kept on with the manure; it had been found impracticable to draw it up on the hill to the pond lot, so it was all drawn out north to the rye field by the cottage, & put in a heap; got out 35 more loads. Had to dig up part of the pipe, that leads the hot water from the wash-house to the cow barn, to find a leak; shop work, &c.
- Sat. 3rd. The weather kept on remarkably steady, just cold enough to keep from thawing & quite pleasant, though overcast. Finished cleaning out the cow barn vault; got out 24 loads of manure. One of the men was drawing manure from the barn on the flats. Fixed the hot water pipe to the barn & filled in the ditch; the carpenters had been busy about boring up the steam pipes in the boiler cellar, making a new sliding door for the woodhouse, &c.; usual school hours & shop work; 1200 lbs. of corn had been sized for the week.
- Sun. 4th. +28° F.; mild & pleasant as before. Had a singing meeting & afterwards a meeting for practicing to labor in the forenoon; good ~~part~~ ^{part} ~~laboring~~ ^{laboring} meeting after noon, & reading meeting after supper.

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- Mon. 1st. The New Year began with a clear, bright, beautiful day, such as we had not had for almost a month; +14° F. in the morning; kept cool. Began filling the ice house; got in 14 loads. Shop work, school, &c..
- Tue. 2nd. +22° F.; pleasant day again. Got in 40 more loads of ice. No school; shop work.
- Wed. 3rd. +16° F.; a keen wind made it quite cold in the morning, but otherwise it was clear & fine. Got in 15 more loads of ice, which filled the house, making 74 loads in all. Ground feed & fixed up some in the saw mill after noon. Usual shop work; got home a couple of bales of corn, as sample of a new lot, to get covers out of. Had school in the afternoon.
- Thu. 4th. About the same temperature & the same keen wind as the day before. However the less the teams went at drawing manure; got up 24 loads & put them in the cow barn vault. School & shop work, as usual; the carpenters mending saighs, &c.
- Fri. 5th. +4° F.; quite cold with some snow falling all day. The hired men went to chopping wood; the teamsters cleaned harness; all the rest turned into the shops, sizing & husking corn, & making brooms, &c.; school as usual.

- Sat. 6th. $+4^{\circ}$ F.; cold & stormy, particularly in the latter part of the day, when the snow drifted considerably & the wind blew quite hard. Kept on working in the shops with full force; 1600 lbs. of corn were sized during the week, & the three sample bales were finished; the corn in them ran very good for covers.
- Sun. 7th. Quite moderate again, but the wind blew & made it rather disagreeable. We had a short laboring meeting after noon; union meeting again at night.
- Mon. 8th. A lousy morning, with but a few degrees of frost; some snow fell towards night. The teams began drawing gravel from the ready place for another silo that they intend to build next spring; got home 7 loads. School, shop, &c.
- Tue. 9th. Rather a fine winter day with the mercury about half way between freezing point & zero. The teams drew 10 loads of gravel; usual shop work, school, &c.
- Wed. 10th. Colder; down towards zero at night; some sunshine. Br. Daniel started for Waterlot with a team early in the morning; Elder Frederick returned at night from Canaan, where he had gone the day before in the morning. Drew 8 loads of gravel; worked in the shops, school, &c.
- Thu. 11th. -2° F.; cold all day, but clear & bright part of the time. Drew 7 loads of gravel; brought home one more ton of broom corn from the depot; usual shop work, &c. Br. Daniel returned from Waterlot in the evening.
- Fri. 12th. -10° F.; clear, cold winter day. Drew 5 loads of gravel. Shop work, school, &c. The Elders were at Canaan.
- Sat. 13th. $+6^{\circ}$ F.; moderating fast, with a very strong wind from the south, making it quite disagreeable. The hired men drew 4 loads of gravel. All the brethren worked in the shops; the boys sized & went to school; 1700 lbs. were weighed out for sizing during the week.
- Sun. 14th. $+32^{\circ}$ F.; it had rained during the night, but the wind changed to the north & it grew a little colder during the day. Had a singing meeting in the morning; after noon we had a long & very good laboring meeting, & we finished up the day with a union meeting.
- Mon. 15th. $+16^{\circ}$ F.; fine day, with considerable sunshine. The teams drew 9 loads of gravel; the shop work went on as usual, also schooling. Elder Frederick & Timothy went to Pittsfield. No reading meeting.
- Tue. 16th. $+10^{\circ}$ F.; fine day. Got home 4 loads of gravel again; usual shop work, school, &c.
- Wed. 17th. Milder; began to storm towards noon, & kept on snowing & blowing all afternoon. Drew 6 loads of gravel; shop work, &c. Levi returned home in the evening. Elder Frederick was at Canaan.
- Thu. 18th. Just at the freezing point in the morning; quite pleasant through the day. Drew 9 loads of gravel; worked in the shop, school, &c. —
In the evening meeting the family were informed that Charles Greaves had been moved up to our place, & that Timothy Rayson was going to End Over.

- Tue. 19th. +6° F.; it grew milder, & towards noon it began to snow & blew quite hard. Drove loads of gravel; worked in the shops as usual.
- Sat. 22nd. The temperature kept about freezing point, or over, all day; stormy towards night. Drove 8 loads of gravel; school & shopwork as usual; 1700 lbs. of corn had been sized during the week. Got in a lot of wood into the boiler cellar.
- Sun. 23rd. +37° F. in the morning; cloudy; began to clear up with a cold, north-west wind. Singing meeting in the morning; after noon we had a sort of a sitting speaking meeting, quite good; after supper laboring meeting.
- Mon. 24th. +6° F.; it kept about the same temperature all day; quite cold, but clear. The hired men went to chopping wood. Shop work, school, &c. Levi left home for Windsor again.
- Tue. 25th. -8° F.; very cold, but clear & fine. All hands in the shops, doing plenty of business; school; got a black-board & began to study grammar. No meeting.
- Wed. 26th. -8° F.; another good winter day, not quite so cold. Shop work & school. Attended to Victor Bell in the sick room. Br. Samuel went to Pittsfield.
- Thu. 25th. +16° F.; quite a pleasant day. The horse teams drew broom handles from Lanaan Four Corners. Other work went on as usual in the shops; busy in school, sick-room, &c. Brother Samuel & John Greaves piping at the house.
- Fri. 26th. -4° F.; a beautiful day. Drove home some more broom handles; did up some more shop work, &c. Br. Samuel went to Pittsfield with Sister, &c.
- Sat. 27th. +22° F.; moderating fast during the day; considerable windy part of the time. Busy in the shops, as usual; 1500 lbs. of corn had been sized; 24 more bales came to the depot & were drawn up in the afternoon. School, sickroom, &c.
- Sun. 28th. +32° F.; quite mild, with snow or rain all the day. The usual morning singing meeting was followed by a very good laboring meeting after noon; finished the day with union meetings.
- Mon. 29th. A little cooler, but still quite mild & very pleasant. General shop work, school, &c.; the sick-room was vacated.
- Tue. 30th. +26° F.; a clear, soft, beautiful day, till towards evening when it began to blow up from the south. Two teams with a company of 11 Brethren & Sisters went out sleigh-riding to Pittsfield. Shop work, school, &c., as usual. John Greaves & co. trying to find a leak in the pipe leading from the cotton.
- Wed. 31st. +37° F.; it rained & blew quite hard most of the day. Shop work & school.

February

- Thu. 1st. Growing colder, particularly towards night. Working in the shops, as usual; school, &c. Br. Samuel & Charles Greaves went to Pittsfield.
- Fri. 2d. +6° F.; very fine day. Kept business going in the shops, &c.
- Sat. 3d. +47° F.; rained all day. Shop work & school; sized 1400 lbs., & finished the old 50 bales. At the dinner table we were informed that George Clark was to move to Lanaan.

- Sun. 4th. Very mild in the morning; growing colder towards night. We had our usual meetings, Singing, Laboring, & Union, rather quiet. Eld. Frederick was at Canaan.
- Mon. 5th. +17° F.; beautiful day. The hired men & Augustus sawed up some wood at the brick shop; Louis & Michael were grinding feed at the saw-mill. Shop work, school, &c.
- Tue. 6th. +6° F.; pleasant forenoon; blowing up again from the South in the afternoon. The men finished sawing the wood by the brick shop; afterwards they went to blasting the maple logs by the road in front of the house. Louis finished grinding; usual work in the shops, school, &c. George Clark moved to Canaan.
- Wed. 7th. +20° F.; a regular snow-storm came on during the night, & considerable snow fell, which turned a little to rain before it stopped in the forenoon. Busy in the shops, school, &c.; Louis came to the sick-room & had a dream.
- Thu. 8th. +15° F.; fine, sunny day, with some wind. Busy in the shops, & school, &c. Brother Daniel went to Pittsfield with Michael & two Sisters. Singing meeting.
- Fri. 9th. A beautiful winter day again, quite cool. Shop, school, &c. (meeting). Robert came home from his journey to Warden; we had a short welcome.
- Sat. 10th. +20° F.; very fine day. Usual occupations; the boys had sized 1400 lbs. of corn.
- Sun. 11th. Moderating fast, with strong southerly wind, & a sprinkling of rain at night. Usual meetings for singing in the morning & a very good one for laboring after noon; reading meeting in the evening. Busy in the sick-room, &c.
- Mon. 12th. Growing colder again; some snow had fallen; the day was very beautiful. Usual business in the shops; school, &c.; some changes were made about the teamsters, leaving Louis, Robert, & Joan in the horsebarn, & moving the quarters to the cow-tarn, to help Daniel.
- Tue. 13th. Fine day. Business as usual in the shops; school, &c. Elder Frederick, Louis, & the girls went sleigh-riding to Pittsfield. Got in boiler wood.
- Wed. 14th. +10° F.; moderating through the day; began to snow towards evening. Broom-making & other shop work as usual; school, &c. Br. Daniel took another sleigh-riding company to Pittsfield. Reading meeting; fatted.
- Thu. 15th. Considerable snow had fallen; it blew hard from the south all day. Kept the shop business going, also the school, &c.
- Fri. 16th. The south wind kept on blowing, though not so hard; thawed considerably later. The boys and their caretakers went out on a sleigh-ride in the morning; visited Canaan Upper Family, saw the school there, &c.; had school in the afternoon. The shop work went on as usual, though no sizing was done.
- Sat. 17th. +45° F.; it thawed fast all day till towards night, when it began to blow from the north-west. Usual shop work; the boys had sized 1200 lbs. besides doing some hurling. Emil trimmed grape vines in the kitchen garden. School in the afternoon. - Levi returned home.

- Sun. 18th. +12° F.; fine day. The Lanaan people came up & attended singing meeting in the morning. After noon we had a very good laboring meeting; finished the day with union meetings.
- Mon. 19th. Another fine day. Usual work in the shops, school, &c. Brother Daniel began to hear out & build over the cooling room adjoining the kitchen.
- Tue. 20th. +8° F.; beautiful forenoon; began to blow from the South & snow in the afternoon. Usual business in the shops; school, &c. Levi left home again.
- Wed. 21st. +16° F.; some blustering & some sunshine. Kept on steadily in the shops; also school, &c. We had arranged to sell some apples & potatoes, & drew 2 loads of the latter down to the depot.
- Thu. 22d. +22° F.; moderating still more; snowing gently all afternoon. Drew down 4 more loads of potatoes, making 186 bushels for this time; began sorting out the apples. Shop work & school as usual; trimmed grape vines after noon.
- Fri. 23d. +17° F.; very pleasant. Finished sorting the apples that were to be sent away this time, 30 bbls. Usual work in the shops; school, &c.
- Sat. 24th. -2° F.; another fine day; moderating; began blowing from the South towards night. Busy in the shops; the boys had sized 1200 lbs. of corn, besides hurling, school, &c.
- Sun. 25th. +32° F. & growing warmer, with South wind & occasional sprinklings of rain. Singing meeting in the morning; good, quiet laboring meeting after dinner; reading meeting in the meeting room at night.
- Mon. 26th. +24° F.; growing colder & storming considerably through the day. Drew down the apples to the depot in a snow-storm. After school in the forenoon, we went out with the boys to the cow barn & moved the cobs from the east end to the west; took also away all the safe parts, about 400, & carried them to the Seacon's shop; the carpenters were busy taking down the partitions & preparing for the new silo; usual shop work.
- Tue. 27th. +5° F.; clear, cold, bright, day. Sorting over the rest of the potatoes for market. Shop work, school, & other things as usual.
- Wed. 28th. +12° F.; a snow-squall in the morning; afterwards clear & pleasant. Drew down 4 loads of Potatoes & 3 loads of Apples to the depot; of Potatoes there were 95 bus., making 281 bus. in all sold; of the Apples there were 30 bbls. Sorting over some more apples; working in the shops; school, &c.

March

- Thu. 1st. +8° F.; very pleasant day; moderating. Finished sorting over the apples that were to be sold, & cleaned up the cellar; sent 2 loads with 20 bbls. to the depot; 10 more barrels were to be sent later, making 90 bbls. in all. Edgar came to the sick-room; Elder Frederick & Charles Greaves went to Pittsfield. Shop work as usual; school, &c.

- Fri. 2d. Spring day, with the mercury up to 50° F. Shop work & school as usual.
- Sat. 3d. Growing colder again; clear. Shop work; the boys had sized 1400 lbs.; school.
- Sun. 4th. +5° F.; moderating up to rain; afterwards snow & colder again.
Usual meetings, Singing, Laboring, & Union.
- Mon. 5th. -1° F.; clear, keen day. Went on with our usual shop work; school, &c.
- Tue. 6th. +10° F.; began to blow furiously from the South; snow drifting; moderating.
Shop work as usual; school, &c. Reading meeting.
- Wed. 7th. +22° F.; the storm had abated some, but it was not all over with yet.
Usual shop work, school, &c.
- Thu. 8th. -3° F.; clear & cold, with a keen north-west wind. Stopped on in the shops; school, &c. The boys finished the regular SIZING for the season; they had done 1924 lbs. this week; there is only some crooked corn to size & some wrong numbers to sort over. Henry Cansell came down to the sick-room; he was very lame; Edgar was there yet convalescent; the Sisters were also pretty busy, attending to slight colds, &c. Charles Greaves returned from Albany, where he had been a couple of days attending to business.
- Fri. 9th. +5° F.; clear & pleasant, particularly in the afternoon. Shop work went on as before, except the boys, who had school in the forenoon & got in boiler wood after dinner. Brother Daniel was busy fixing over the cooling room. A machine for splitting wood was brought home.
- Sat. 10th. Quite moderate again, & very pleasant in the morning, but it began to storm quite hard after a while. The boys finished getting in boiler wood in the morning, & had school afterwards. Shop work as usual.
- Sun. 11th. +30° F.; all sorts of weather; sometimes pleasant; sometimes windy; sometimes thawing; growing colder towards night. A company of Sisters went to Canaan on a visit, & some of the Canaan people from the Lower Family came up here just while we were in laboring meeting in the forenoon. After dinner the Elders went on a visit to the Second Family, so that we had no meeting at home; union meetings at night.
- Mon. 12th. +5° F.; moderating & rather pleasant, though more or less windy.
All the teams went to drawing manure; drew 12 loads from the cow barn vault to the rye field by the cottage. The boys were moving the dry wood from the north end to the south end in the woodhouse, so as to have it ready for drawing up the green wood. Washing some wheat after noon; usual shop work, school, &c. Charles Greaves went to Pittsfield.
- Tue. 13th. +25° F.; quite mild & pleasant, though there was considerable wind at times.
Drew out 16 loads of manure; the boys moved some more wood in the woodhouse, & cut up a lot of boiler wood in the big barn, & cleaned up there. Carpenters also busy in the barn, preparing for the new sto; usual shop work, school, &c. Elders at Canaan; no meeting.

Wed. 14th. +18° F.; very pleasant day, with but a little March wind.

Drew out 24 loads of manure; all the boys went to drawing wood after noon, first some boiler wood from the barn to the cellar, and afterwards 7 or loads of 3 single horse loads from the brick shop to the woodhouse. Shop work, school, &c.

Thu. 15th. +43° F.; quite mild & pleasant; growing windy & cold towards night.

The sleighing was all gone, so that the teamsters had to use wagons, & they drew out 25 loads of manure; the boys drew up 7 or loads of short wood into the woodhouse; shop work, school, & various odd jobs.

Fri. 16th. +9° F.; quite a change since yesterday; a keen, piercing wind blew from the north-west, & made it feel very cold, though it was clear & bright.

Drew out 24 loads of manure; the boys drew up the remainder of the wood from the brick shop, 5 loads. Shop work; school, without any teacher, because both Daniel Day & Nelson came to the sick-room, & needed attention; the Sisters were also quite busy there with heavy colds.

Sat. 17th. +17° F.; quite pleasant again, though none so warm yet. Drew out 20 loads of manure. A couple of the boys were working in the woodhouse & doing other odd jobs; the others were in the shop, drying over hoops & hurling; other shop work as usual; school, &c. The carpenters were busy all the time out at the big barn. Levi returned home in the afternoon.

Sun. 18th. +38° F.; pleasant, mild day, with considerable wind. The usual meetings passed off very quietly.

Mon. 19th. +24° F.; growing mild fast, & very pleasant; began to blow up for a storm towards night. Drew out 20 loads of manure; the boys worked in the woodhouse, piling up the dry wood, cleared up in the barrel house, did chores, &c. Usual shop work, school, &c. Carpenters busy out at the cow barn. Levi left home again.

Tue. 20th. +10° F.; several inches of snow had fallen during the night; changeable.

Early in the morning a company of us went down to the flats, where the glass factory was afire & burnt down; we could not do anything. The hired men went to sorting potatoes & helped at the saw mill, which had been kept running more or less for some time past. General shop work, boys & all; school, &c. Some more Sisters coming down sick.

Wed. 21st. +4° F.; moderating & quite pleasant, without wind. The men sorting potatoes, &c. General shop work, school, &c. The Elder Brethren went down to Canaan after noon, to see the new splitting machine set up & in use at the Upper family, who were to have the use of it in common with us.

Thu. 22d. +5° F.; beautiful day. The men sorting potatoes & drawing up pine stumps from the flats. Usual shop work, school, &c.

Fri. 23d. +5° F. again; another beautiful day. The men splitting & sawing stumps, & helping at the saw mill. Usual shop work, school, &c.

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- Sat. 24th. +11° F.; fine, clear day. The men sawing wood & logs. The carpenters were clearing up after their work in the barn, & drawing away a lot of lumber & rubbish; they had been taking away the scales, moved the stairs & floored over a part at the east end of the barn. Shop work very lame & no school at all, because the three smallest boys started on an expedition of their own, from which they did not return until towards supper time, when they got hungry; some part of the forenoon was spent looking for them. Elder Frederick & Charles Jr. to Pittsfield.
- Sun. 25th. +16° F.; beautiful day. The Canaan people came up strong, & attended singing meeting with us in the morning. After noon we had a quiet laboring meeting, & after supper a reading meeting.
- Mon. 26th. +18° F.; a real spring day, very beautiful. The men were sawing wood & drawing up the round wood up to the woodhouse, where the boys were throwing it back; they also drew a lot of boiler wood, chips, & lumber from the cow barn, put away their sleds, carried in wood, got shavings, &c., &c. Usual shop work, school, &c.
- Tue. 27th. +33° F.; cloudy & mild, with snow & rain. The men were sawing wood in the morning; after noon they helped Brother Daniel about fixing the kitchen coal cellar & cooling room. Shop work, school, &c.
- Wed. 28th. +24° F.; colder again, & somewhat windy. The men drew slabs from the saw mill to the brick shop, & helped Brother Daniel in the coal cellar. Usual shop work; school, &c.; the boys were sorting over two's in the shop.
- Thu. 29th. +16° F.; pleasant again, though cool. The men were helping Brother Daniel in the coal cellar & John Spears at the saw mill. The splitting machine was brought home from Canaan, where it had given good satisfaction; it was put up under the cap by the brick shop, & worked splendidly. Usual shop work was kept up, together with school, &c.
- Fri. 30th. +19° F.; rather pleasant. Splitting wood & drawing up 15 loads; the boys had only 2 hours' school. Two of the men were drawing stone for the silo. The carpenters were doing some work at the Boyce place; usual shop work.
- Sat. 31st. +17° F.; beautiful day. The men were drawing stone & helping at the saw mill. Did some splitting, till the machine broke, & drew up 5 loads of wood. Usual shop work, school, &c. Elder Frederick & Daniel Pay to Pittsfield.

April.

- Sun. 1st. +12° F.; fine day. Laboring meeting in the forenoon; after dinner a company of Brethren & Sisters went down to Canaan, L. I., to another laboring meeting; after supper we had union meetings.
- Mon. 2nd. +13° F.; beautiful day, very spring-like after the sun had warmed things up. Drawing stone for the silo; cementing the cooling room; working at the saw mill; splitting wood & drawing up 4 loads. Usual shop work, school, &c.

- Tue. 3rd. +17° F.; another beautiful spring day, after the morning chill was over. Drawing stone for the silo; sawing & splitting slabs & drawing up 9 loads of wood; moving all the coal from the kitchen coal cellar, & beginning to cement the floor. **No school**; usual shop work. In the evening meeting we were notified that Sister Olive McFarland was going to move to the South Family on the morrow.
- Wed. 4th. +21° F.; pleasant day again, though not so clear as before. Drawing stones; sawing some more slabs; splitting & drawing up 10 loads of wood; finished cementing the kitchen coal cellar floor. Shop work, &c.
- Thu. 5th. +40° F.; raining gently in the morning; cloudy & quite mild the rest of the day. Drawing up the remainder of the slabs from the saw mill & sawing them up; splitting some; grinding feed; shop work, even for the boys, school, &c.
- Fri. 6th. +40° F.; a little more rain in the morning; pleasant afterwards. Sawing & splitting wood; drew up 11 loads. Shop work as usual; no school. A team went to Pittsfield.
- Sat. 7th. +37° F.; rainy in the morning, & very windy all day. The men shelling corn. Splitting wood; drew up 3 loads after dinner. Shop work; the boys sowing till noon; the carpenters fixing wagon boxes, &c.; Dr. Daniel whitewashing the summer dairy, &c.
- Sun. 8th. A very little snow had fallen in the night; all sorts of weather during the early forenoon, until finally sunshine prevailed & it became quite pleasant. Meetings as usual: singing meeting in the morning; a good Laboring meeting after noon; Union meetings at night.
- Mon. 9th. Lovely spring weather; quite mild. Finished splitting all the wood that was sawed; drew up 4 or cart loads & 6 horse cart loads to the woodhouse; later in the afternoon the men sawed up some wood for themselves, & drew it to their homes. **Milk the bottles.** Shop work, &c. Team to Pittsfield. Brother Daniel had some experience with the drain pipe from the Second House to the Lower orchard; some sanitary individual had filled it up with a lot of charcoal, & we had a short & good lecture about it in Deed. meet.
- Tue. 10th. +38° F.; the most beautiful spring day thus far. Sawing & splitting wood; drew up 14 horse cart loads to the woodhouse & some or loads to the hired men's places; moved a great quantity of boiler wood from the woodhouse to the boiler cellar. The carpenters were down at the cottage in the Plaster Mill lot, putting up an addition for a woodshed & summer kitchen. Shop work, &c. The **Army** establishment was moved down to the summer quarters in De. H.
- Wed. 11th. +46° F.; cloudy & damp, but mild & pleasant, with occasional sunshine. Splitting & sawing wood; drawing up 12 or loads. Elder Tucker & co. going over the shambony beds, grading, &c. Began drawing up a cartload of cement for the silo. Doing something at **housecleaning** painting, whitewashing, &c. Eldress Antoinette had a serious spell of illness. Love returned home.

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Thu. 12th. +41° F.; a lovely morning; towards noon it began to rain, & kept on hard all afternoon. Raining & splitting wood; drew up 5 or loads. After noon the men were sorting potatoes; the boys were riving, &c. Usual work in the brown shop. Fire left for Chicago. Address Antoinette continued dangerously ill, so we had no meeting in the evening.

Fri. 13th. +38° F.; the rain had stopped; the mist & clouds cleared away towards noon, & it was pleasant again. DREW some cement from the depot; sawed & split wood; drew up 6 loads to the woodhouse, besides drawing some stuff from the saw mill, & casing saw dust, &c. Shop work & a variety of other operations went on. No meeting.

Sat. 14th. +34° F.; a lovely spring day, clear, bright, & warm. Finished drawing the cement. Raining & splitting wood; drew up 5 or loads, & cleaned up some around the woodhouse. Charles Greaves sowed the hotheds as follows:
 Trophy Tomatoes, in both the back hotheds;
 Some Tomatoes, 5 rows on the east side of the front one;
 Father's Drumhead Cabbage, 3 rows next west;
 New York Egg Plant, 1 row next west;
 Bell Pepper, 2 rows next west;
 Carter's Dwarf White Celery, the 2 last rows westward.

Besides he put in about 3 pecks of potatoes for early use. Usual shop work, &c.
 Sun. 15th. Another beautiful, warm day. Had a singing meeting in the morning in the ironing room, where we had also carried the organ. After noon we had a quiet Laboring meeting, & after supper a still more quiet Union meeting without singing. Address Antoinette was a little better. Under orderick went to Canaan.

Mon. 16th. +41° F.; mild & pleasant, though partly cloudy; some light rain towards night. The men drawing logs to the saw mill; the mason came on to begin to build the sill; two other men had been engaged for about a week just to dig up the ditch again for laying a new pipe to the cistern, instead of the cement pipe. Mixing hen manure with muck for compost; drawing brush to the asparagus bed; washing the sleighs, preparatory to putting them away for the season; brought home two new coverages for the cisterns here & at Canaan. Shop work, &c.

Tue. 17th. +43° F.; it had rained some through the night, & it kept cloudy & damp all day. Put away the sleighs; then we had quite a bee digging up & setting out trees; Brother Samuel & the men set out some 20 maples along the road to the Royce place, instead of horse chestnut trees that had died; the boys were digging up all the bushes & young trees in the South Garden, & setting out what few peach trees there were alive, some 16 of the whole lot, into the lower part of the henyard, besides drawing some brush, &c. Grinding feed; waiting on the mason with stone, scaffolding, &c. Some work in the brown shop, as usual. Short Laboring meeting.

Wed. 16th. +36°F; a beautiful day again. Brother Daniel & the men set out some more trees; others drawing stone & sand for the mason; the boys mixing hen manure, drawing brush, &c. Usual work in the broom shop. The Sisters began the regular housecleaning in the North shop. Adress Am-
brouette was much better, & considered out of danger for the present.

Thu. 17th. +34°F; very pleasant morning, with considerable wind; clouding up after noon. Finished mixing the hen manure; prepared the vacant land in the first garden for an onion bed, & sowed as follows, counting from the east:

12 rows Yellow Dutch Onion,

16 rows White Onion,

30 rows Yellow Danvers Onion,

40 rows Red Wethersfield Onion.

Cultivated the Vegetable Cysters; cleared up rubbish in the kitchen garden, &c. Sowed Clover Seed on the wheat field on the West hill; helped about the silo, &c. Some broom shop work; Robert's team went to Pittsfield. The Sisters were cleaning house in the North Shop. No meeting.

Fri. 18th. +44°F; it had rained gently all night, & kept on the larger part of the forenoon; afternoon it cleared up cool. Worked over the hen manure compost; sorted over potatoes for feeding & drew a couple of loads to the barns; waited on the silo men, &c. Some shop work as usual. Brother George Clark came up in the evening for a steam & a night's rest. Sister Sarah Ann Neal from Watoulet & another Sister from the Church were here on a visit.

Sat. 19th. +30°F; fine day again, though somewhat cool, with northerly wind. The men were working for the silo. Finished composting the hen manure; fixed up the brush on the Asparagus bed, & tried to burn one corner of it, but found it too wet; cut down some pear trees, & cleared up some in the little grove along the road, south of the ravine opposite to the dwelling house; sorted over some apples in the ice house, & cleaned up there; Jacob working some around the ditch garden, &c. Usual broom shop work. The carpenters were busy laying over the floor in the upper loft of the garden house.

Sun. 20th. +28°F; cool & more or less cloudy. We had a good, though short, Laboring meeting in the morning. After noon a company of Singers went to Canaan, while the rest of us stayed home very quietly; the day ended with a reading meeting, where we listened to a letter from Cecilia to Jeremiah Harker & answer.

Mon. 21st. +34°F; kept cool, raw, & cloudy all day; a light flurry of snow in the afternoon. Plowing & harrowing the North garden, east side; drew off the remaining stones & filled in the large holes on the west side, but could not flow there. Digging turnips in the first garden; they were very large, but rather sprangly. Gathering up chips, &c.; washing wheat; working some at brooms, &c.

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Tue. 24th. +31° F.; a little snow had fallen in the night, & some more fell during the day, but it melted as fast as it fell. The hired men were shelling corn; one more man had been hired yesterday to drive Robert's team, making 4 steady hands; William Kelley had been sick for almost a fortnight. The boys did a little sowing in the morning; afterwards they did some digging in the kitchen garden. Shop work; oiling harness; fixing pipes out at the barn so that the mason could draw water for mixing mortar. John Greaves & Ivan went to Pittsfield. Reading meeting; tornado in the South-west.

Wed. 25th. +26° F.; kept cool all day, even when the sun shone out. All the teams harned in & drew out the manure from under the horse barn, & put it on the further henyard; drew also out the compost from the North shop & put it on the North garden west of the road. Drew a lot of stones away from behind the blacksmith shop; Lina was also clearing up the place where the old kiln had stood, to use it for a sunflower patch. Drew sand & gravel for the mason; did some digging in the kitchen garden & the pear orchard; made some brooms, &c. No meeting.

Thu. 26th. +24° F.; pleasant day; warming up considerably. Finished drawing out the compost from the dooryard; drew also 6 loads from the cow barn to the pea land beyond the Lower Cabin garden; after noon 2 horse teams went to plowing in the Rock garden, & Ivan went to harrowing in the Sand Knoll lot. The ox team was drawing logs all day. The boys were wheeling in a lot of manure to the compost heap in the kitchen garden, clearing the Sisters' flower beds of a lot of chip dirt & rubbish, helping to dig in the pear orchard, &c. Brother Samuel was fixing the bake-oven, &c. Usual broom shop work. Meeting; Address Ambouette better.

Fri. 27th. +40° F.; fine, bright day. Plowing in the Rock garden & the Henyard; digging, sowing, & setting out Parsnips in the North garden, east of the road. Louis rolling the wheat on the West hill. The broom shop hands were finishing up their work, & getting ready to come out & help us in the garden. Sisters doing some housecleaning in the garrets of the front & Sec. house.

Sat. 28th. +34° F.; beautiful morning; towards noon it began to rain lightly, & kept on cloudy & sometimes damp the remainder of the day. Finished plowing & harrowing the henyard, & Lina began to plant Potatoes there; plowing the kitchen garden, both sides. Finished digging & setting out the parsnips; the yield was enormous, equal to about 1200 bus. per acre. We filled out the whole east part of the North garden thus, counting from the road eastward:

20 rows of Parsnips.

3 double rows of Champion of England Peas.

8 rows of White Onions, for seed. Sisters housecleaning some.

- Sun. 29th. +32° F.; the forenoon was cloudy, but after dinner it cleared up fine, though cool. Had a Singing meeting in the evening room in the morning; after dinner a company of us went down to Panaan, U. F., & attended Laboring meeting, which was very good; Union meetings in the evening. Address Antoinette much better.
- Mon. 30th. +24° F.; bright & pleasant, though not over warm yet. All the teams drawing coal from the depot. The rest of us were cultivating & hoing vegetable cypers in the first garden, helping the Sisters about riddling beds & cleaning house, washing wheat, grafting, &c. The boys had their gardens laid out by the upper pond, as usual, & spent the evening there, while others attended Reading meeting.

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- Tue. 1st. +32° F.; fine day. Continued drawing coal; there were 6 carloads in all, so that it will take at least 3 days for the 5 teams to draw it all. Finished cultivating & hoing the vegetable cypers in the first garden; also the raspberries in the North orchard. Grew some hen compost & sand, & fixed up the Sisters' flower beds. Burnt the Asparagus bed; it went splendidly; a strong south wind made the fire sweep right through, & burn up, all the green brush, in about two hours; wheeled a lot of muck on a part of the bed. Sisters cleaning house, &c.
- Wed. 2d. +42° F.; pleasant day. Kept on drawing coal. Finished dressing the Asparagus bed with muck; gave it a good, thick soaking all over. Sisters house-cleaning.
- Thu. 3d. +44° F.; the finest & warmest day yet for the season. Finished drawing the coal. Plowed & raked the kitchen garden, both sides; after noon Edgar sowed some things there, while the rest of us went to setting out Red Onions in the Rock garden. Elder Frederick & co. setting out some trees, just arrived. Sisters house-cleaning.
- Fri. 4th. +46° F.; pleasant forenoon; began to blow hard from the south in the afternoon. Setting out Red onions in the Rock garden; Dairing in Oats in the Land knoll lot; plowing in the Lower Cabin lot; drawing manure into the North garden, west side, &c. Sisters cleaning house gradually.
- Sat. 5th. +46° F.; very windy forenoon; afternoon rainy. Setting out Red onions in the Rock garden till noon; teams plowing & drawing manure. After noon the men worked over the hen compost; some cleared up the garden house cellar; others worked a little in the broom shop; others fixed up around about in different places, &c. Sisters house-cleaning. Levi returned home.
- Sun. 6th. +44° F.; it had rained all night, but it cleared up some at breakfast time. Singing meeting in the meeting room in the morning; the organ had been brought back ^{here} from its exile to the evening room; a good Laboring meeting after noon; Union meetings at night.

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- Mon. 7th. +32°⁺; it soon warmed up & became rather pleasant; windy towards night. Finished the Rock garden & began setting out the remainder of the Red Onions in the Lower Cabin lot, west side. Plowed in the Upper Cabin lot; hung the gates, drew manure; kept on with the silt; grafting, ^{One hired man left;} & a farmer came.
- Tue. 8th. +52°⁺; a little rain had fallen in the night; the day pleasant, though not all bright. Finished setting out the Red Wethersfield Onions in the Lower Cabin lot, west side, & the Red Globe Onions on the east side; began setting out the Yellow Danvers in the Upper Cabin lot. Plowing, harrowing, &c. in the Upper Cabin lot & the North garden. Louis had to come to the sick-room. Levi left home again. Sisters cleaning house.
- Wed. 9th. +46°⁺; cloudy all day. Did big business at setting out onions in the Upper Cabin lot; got out about 200 bus. Wheelharrows the adjoining potato land; finished plowing & harrowing the west side of the North garden; began plowing a strip, about an acre & a half, along the north wall of the West Land knoll lot, for beans & a few onions. Building silt, grafting, &c. Housecleaning.
- Thu. 10th. +47°⁺; very strong, disagreeable wind in the morning; it warmed up fast; the thermometer showed 64° at noon, 74° at night, the warmest for the season thus far, & the first evening since last fall that we will not steam at the house. Finished setting onions in the Cabin lot; put the remainder of the Yellow Danvers in the North garden, west side, which they almost filled, except a narrow strip. Finished plowing the strip in the West Land Knoll lot; drawing manure into the South garden; keeping on with the silt, which they have now concluded to carry away up to the roof; grafting, &c. The Sisters were resting from housecleaning. No meeting. Louis was very sick all afternoon & all night, or, rather, we made him so to avoid something more serious.
- Fri. 11th. +60°⁺; rain in the morning; afternoon pleasant; evening beautiful. The men worked over the hen compost, & began screening some for use. Some of our company cleaned off cobs in the corn crib; others did chores, got shavings, cleaned up the woodhouse cellar, &c.; others helped the Sisters clean house in the Second house till noon; afterwards they fixed up the lawn & the path on the west side of the woodhouse, &c. Louis was better.
- Sat. 12th. +31°⁺; beautiful day. Finished covering the Yellow Danvers Onions in the North garden & set out The Yellow Dutch along the north wall in the West Land knoll lot; they filled 10 rows with one row of White Elephant Potatoes next the wall; this finished the onion setting; sowed 14 rows of Turnips on the strip left in the North garden, west side, about 2 rows of Cabbage on the lower side of West garden. Began planting Potatoes in the Upper Cabin lot; plowing the South garden, &c. Sisters cleaning house & raking dooryard.

- Sun. 13th. +37°^F; kept cool, though it was very clear & bright in the morning. Singing meeting in the morning. In the afternoon we had a very good Laboring meeting, the first one which Adress Antoinette had attended for many weeks; Clara Frederick was at Canaan. Union meetings at night.
- Mon. 14th. +48°^F; very beautiful morning; clouding over gradually after noon, & began raining gently at supper time. Planting potatoes; filled out the Upper Cabin lot & began in the Second meadow; we marked out both ways, three feet apart, made holes with hoes, dropped one potato in a place, put on a handful of hen-compost, then went over it a second time & put on another large handful after throwing in some dirt with the foot, & left the regular covering for the double horse-hoe. The teams were preparing the potato lands, plowing the pea patch out north by the cottage, & beginning to plow the pond lot above the house for fodder corn.
- Tue. 15th. +49°^F; it had rained all night, but stopped through the day; towards night it began to sprinkle again, a very convenient arrangement, seeing we need the rain, but cannot very well spare the day on account of our work. Screened all the remaining hen-compost, 110 bbls., about 50 bbls. had been used already on the potatoes; cleaned up the garden house, inside & outside; cleaned off ebs in the corn crib; sorking over potatoes & doing other chores. Five men, including two extra hired men, were out mending fence around the pastures; the young stock had already been out several days. The Sisters were washing wool, ironing, &c. No meeting.
- Wed. 16th. +36°^F; fine day. Planting potatoes in the Second meadow & in the Spencer lot; teams plowing up in the Pond lot; 6 men up on the mountain mending fence; the cows were let out in the corner pasture.
- Thu. 17th. +29°^F; beautiful, bright day; warming up considerably. Finished planting the potatoes; in the Spencer lot we made some experiments with fertilizers, planting 14 rows in the south-east corner with the new black super-phosphate, then one row without anything, then 15 rows with the Swift Lime, again one row without any fertilizer, & the rest of the field with our own hen compost, using about 30 bbls., making altogether about 120 bbls. for the potatoes, & some 40 bbls. left. Plowing in the upper Pond lot; began drawing out manure from the cow yards into a pile in the first meadow, &c. Sisters cleaning the cellars in the first house. Louis had left the sick-room the previous evening.
- Fri. 18th. +38°^F; beautiful weather; quite warm. Finished covering the potatoes by hand; the most of them had been covered by the double horse-hoe. One team finished plowing the upper Pond lot; all the others were drawing manure. Taking the stock to the mountain pastures. Cultivating & hewing in the first garden & the North orchard, &c.

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Sat. 19th. +44° F.; beautiful day. Cultivating the upper part of the Kitchen garden; cultivating & hoing the east part of the North garden. Louis wheel-harrowing the South garden & the old pea patch out north; the other teams drawing manure from the cow yards to the foot meadow. — Good meeting at night.

Sun. 20th. +53° F.; beautiful, warm day. We had a very good Laboring meeting in the morning; after noon the Canaan people came up to a Singing meeting; Reading meeting in the evening about dietetics. Things were beginning to look very beautiful; the fine, warm days since the last rain had brought everything forward wonderfully; the grass was very fresh & green; the cherry & plum trees were in full bloom, promising an extraordinary yield.

Mon. 21st. +57° F.; cloudy. Teams drawing manure. Hoing & weeding out the strawberry beds; others began weeding the onions in the foot garden; clearing up rubbish about the cow barn, saw mill, & other places; cleaning out the upper cistern & filling it with pond water; helping the Sisters to re-pot & fix up the Cleanders for the season; they did also some other gardening & raking up around the dooryard.

Tue. 22d. +56° F.; it had rained hard a good part of the night, & kept on more or less through the day. The men were drawing out some logs on the East farm road, getting stones for the silo, &c.; one of them, the horse teamster, was dismissed, & another one, a German was hired for 6 months. Sorting & sprouting potatoes; grinding feed; shovelling over grain & cleaning up the granary; cleaning off cobs in the corn crib; helping a company of Sisters, 6 of them, who very kindly turned in & cleaned the Boys' school-room & sewing shop & other places down at the Brick shop, &c. — Meeting.

Wed. 23d. +53° F.; a pleasant day, but mostly cloudy; rain towards night. The men were drawing stone for the silo; the new one was carried up to the roof, but the south one is to be built up to the same height. Some of us were doing a good deal of sodding & fixing up in the dooryard, making a new path from below the dairy out to the shoe-hub & horse barn; others were working at the saw-mill, sprouting & sorting potatoes, &c. The carpenters were keeping ^{with} out the floor of the garden house loft, besides attending to the masons; Augustus was helping Edgar instead of George Collins who had left. — No meeting.

Thu. 24th. +46° F.; cloudy & cool, but no rain. Kept on fixing the paths, &c. in the dooryard; also digging up the drain by the garden house & fixing it over, together with some other things round about the barrel house; finished sorting the potatoes & cleaning the corn crib; working at the saw-mill, &c. The carpenters took down the old coal house. The hired men were drawing stone in the morning; drawing manure after noon.

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Tri. 25th. +42° F.; beautiful day; warm when the sun came out. Went out north, prepared land, & **planted corn** on the old pea patch beyond the cabin lot; used some seed corn that Levi had sent, but it was badly mixed & not enough, so that we had to fill out the north end with our own yellow corn; used the black phosphate except 5 rows, the 16th to the 20th inclusively from the south end, where we put Swift Pure for an experiment. **Planted also 10 rows of Hubbard Squash** in the lower cabin lot next to the Red Wethersfield Onions; used fertilizers as follows: 6 rows to the west, Swift Pure, double handful in each hill; 3 rows next, black phosphate, the same quantity; the last row to the east, hen compost, half a handful in each hill. **Sowed 13 & a half double rows of Champion Seed** at the east side of the same garden, next to the Red Globe Onions; no fertilizer. Began also sowing in beans in the West Sand Knoll lot. Fixing up the fence around the Young Orchard & turning the cows in there at night. Teams drawing manure. Reading meeting about the opening of the Brooklyn Bridge, which had taken place the day before with great ceremonies.

First meal of Asparagus from our own bed.

Sat. 26th. +56° F.; splendid, warm day; began blowing up from the south after noon. **Finished planting the White Mountain Beans** in the West Sand Knoll lot, 27 rows next to the Yellow Dutch Onions; used hen compost in all except the 4 south rows, where we put black phosphate; the lot & the 16th & 17th rows from the south had double quantity of seed. Put 4 bbls. of hen compost on the Yellow Dutch Onions & cultivated them; cultivated & hoed some in the Rock garden. Prepared, and, **planted the South Garden**; White Sweet Corn on the east side; Yellow Sweet Corn on the west side; 4 rows of Early Frame Cucumber & 4 rows of Summer Scallop Squash in the middle; potatoes around on the east, south & west side, all in hills, 3 ft. apart each way; used 2 bags of black phosphate. **Finished clearing the cow-wards**; began drawing the manure from the vault. - Good meeting. Brought in the first load of **ill** for the season.

Sun. 27th. +60° F.; cloudy morning after a light sprinkle of rain; beautiful, clear day. After a Laboring meeting in the morning, the Elders went to Canaan & stayed all afternoon. Union meetings at night.

Mon. 28th. +45° F.; clear & pleasant forenoon; a very heavy thunder shower with hail & rain came on in the afternoon. Cultivated & hoed onions in the Rock garden; hoing & weeding the onion bed in the first garden; clearing up in & around the barrel house, &c. The men finished drawing out the manure; shelling corn, &c.

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Tue. 29th. +58°F.; cool; showers towards noon & afterwards; clear & beautiful towards night. Cultivating & hoeing in the Rock garden; hoeing & weeding the onion bed in the First garden; cleaning off cobs in the corn crib; fixing up round the garden house; washing wheat, &c. The teams were spreading fertilizer on the Upper Pond lot; drawing stones for the silo; drawing logs to the mill; harrowing the potato lands; beginning to plow under the rye on the further field by the cottage; they were trying a new pulverizing plow that had been sent to Elder Frederick, but it did not seem to work well thus far. Finished laying the new iron pipe from the well to the cistern, & turned the water on; it ran 5 gal. in the minute. Good Laboring meeting.

Wed. 30th. +47°F.; beautiful day, till on towards night, when it began to rain lightly. Cultivating & hoeing in the Rock garden & the Upper Cabin lot; hand-cultivating the onion bed in the First garden & weeding some. Two teams plowing up the rye field out north; other hands helped washing sheep. Dr. Daniel & co. went to Pittsfield to do some business & learn what they could about planting & harvesting ensilage corn; they succeeded very well about the latter, but not so well about the former, on account of its being Decoration day & things generally in confusion.

Thu. 31st. +60°F.; it had rained hard during the night; the day was cloudy & pleasant. Moving some straw from the cow barn into the middle shed; cleaning up over head in the horse barn, &c. After noon we went to setting out Tomato plants in the Lower Cabin lot. Finished the sheep washing before noon; afterwards went to spreading fertilizer, harrowing, & preparing the Upper Pond lot for ensilage corn; the silos had also been building all the time, & the manure must be watered upon. Dr. Daniel & John Greaves were putting in new water pipes in the range, cleaning the boiler & getting ready for using the new cistern water from the well. Elder Frederick & co. went to Canaan; when they returned at night, we had a Reading meeting about the accident on the Brooklyn bridge, where over a dozen people had been trampled to death in a panic on Decoration day.

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Fri. 1st. +46°F.; pleasant day, though neither warm nor sunny all the time. Finished setting out Tomato plants; had altogether 1520 Trophy plants in the Lower Cabin lot, for all of which we used hen compost, except for the west-most row where we used the black phosphate; in the West Sand Ghull lot we put 410 plants, the greater part same, only 48 Trophy plants at the north end, & for them we used the coarse hen compost. Cultivating & hoeing in the Upper Cabin lot & the West Sand Ghull lot; weeding in the First garden; spreading the manure in the rye field out north, &c.

- Sat. 2d. +44°F; fine day. Finished cultivating & hiving the onions out in the further lots & began in the North garden, west side; cultivated & hoed the peas there & began to brush them; got a large load of brush from the mountain in the morning. Plowing & spreading manure in the north rye field; preparing the Upper Pond lot, &c. — Very good meeting; Elder Frederick was away fr. home.
- Sun. 3d. +44°F; beautiful day. The Lanaan Brethren & Sisters attended our morning Laboring meeting, which was very good. Elder Frederick had returned home early in the morning; he had been somewhere with Benjamin Gates; Dr. Daniel left late in the evening for Windsor, to confer with Levi, all about some business matters at Lanaan. Union meetings at night.
- Mon. 4th. +64°F; a light sprinkle of rain in the morning; very warm and sultry day. Finished brushing the peas in the North garden; Thomas fixed the east row after the English fashion with a double row of brush. Finished cultivating all over in the same place, both by horse & by hand, & hoed all the onions there; cultivated the raspberries in the North orchard. Finished preparing the Upper Pond lot, & drilled in the corn for the silo; spreading manure & plowing in the further rye field.
- Tue. 5th. +58°F; another very warm & sultry day. Hand-cultivating & weeding in the onion bed in the front garden; hiving half of the parsnips in the North garden. Rotted the Upper Pond lot after drilling; finished spreading the manure in the further rye field; it covered the north & the west sides; ploughing & wheel-harrowing there. Sister Anna & Margaret went to Danvers. Brother Daniel & Levi returned from Windsor. — No meeting.
- Wed. 6th. +62°F; rose to +90°F. at noon; thunder showers after noon. Cultivating & weeding in the onion bed; hiving parsnips in the North garden; cultivating the potatoes in the henyard, &c., &c.. Spreading fertilizer on the part of the further rye field, where the manure had not reached, the south-east part; finished the plowing there; wheel-harrowing, &c. Got ready for sheep shearing, which was to begin next day.
- Thu. 7th. +67°F; sultry; some thunder & a great deal of rain in the afternoon. Got a load of pea-brush for the Lower cabin lot; finished hiving the parsnips in the North garden & the black raspberries in the orchard; cultivating the West Pond small lot with a new cultivator, that worked splendidly; did some weeding; moved some straw in the cow barn, &c., &c.. The men drew out manure down on the flats till noon; afterwards shelling corn, &c. Shearing sheep in earnest.
- Fri. 8th. +61°F; warm, fine day. Got another load of pea brush; took away the hot-beds & set out all our plants; did some hiving, weeding & cultivating, &c. The men drew out manure on the flats till noon; afterwards they prepared the north rye lot for corn.

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Sat. 9th. +52° F.; fine day, not too warm. finished picking up the stones from the onion bed in the front garden; did some hoeing & weeding there, & put fertilizer on some of the rows for an experiment; cultivated the Vegetable Cypress; cultivated & weeded part of the parsnip bed in the North Garden; finished filling out the tomato land in the Lower Cabin lot, & cultivated part of it; spread fertilizer on the **Peas** in the same garden, as follows: the first half row to the east we did not give anything; the next four rows had hen compost, & the remainder the black phosphate; the peas had come up very poorly; fertilized also the Yellow Dutch onions in the West Land Shovel lot & cultivated them, &c. finished preparing the further rice field by the cottage, & **filled in ensilage corn** there; rolling it, &c.; cultivating the little corn field adjoining. **finished sheep shearing.** Sister Anna returned home. Ended a busy week with a short, quiet meeting.

Sun. 10th. +69° F.; fine & quite warm; the mercury rose to +81° F. Singing meeting in the morning; a very good Laboring meeting after noon; Union meetings at night.

Mon. 11th. +71° F.; thunder showers had come in the night; another one came at noon. Cultivating in the South garden, which was very squally & bad; weeding in the parsnip bed, North garden; hoeing all the tomatoes & greater part of the peas in the Lower Cabin lot, where we also did some cultivating with the new tool; moving some straw in the cow barn, &c. four cultivators were started in the potato lands; after noon the men shelled some corn; afterwards they went down on the flats & drew out manure. Reading meeting.

Tue. 12th. +58° F.; fine day, not too warm. finished cultivating the South garden both ways, & began hoeing it; cultivating also in the North garden & orchard with the new cultivator; finished weeding the parsnip bed & hand-cultivating it; began going over the whole onion bed & weeding it out again, &c. four cultivators were kept going through the potato lands & the further gardens. Liv came home in the afternoon. Quiet Laboring meeting.

Wed. 13th. +66° F.; pleasant morning; shower after noon. finished hoeing the South garden, planted over some of the squashes & cucumbers, & put on 5 bbls. of ashes for fertilizer; weeding in the onion bed & hand-cultivating; moving some straw; cleaning up some wheat, &c. **finished the silos.** The men were cultivating in the morning; shelling some corn, &c. after noon. The Elders & Deacons were down at Luncheon. No meeting.

Thu. 14th. +58° F.; fine day. finished hand-cultivating & weeding the onion bed; began hoeing in the North garden; wheeling off the stones & hand-cultivating the parsnip bed there; drew some stones for the drain through the saw-mill lot; cleaning out the cow barn, &c. four cultivators were kept going; one man was hoeing the corn out North. - Reading meeting.

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Fri. 15th. +44°F.; splendid day. Finished hiving the North garden, which was rather the weariest; began with the Rock garden, which was very clean & nice. Left the cultivators going both in the gardens & the fields; went over the South garden again, & did the corn in the Upper Sand lot. In the kitchen garden they were hiving, salting, & fertilizing the *Asparagus* bed, which had yielded but poorly this year; *Little* & *Spinage* had been coming on through the week. - Eve had left home the day before.

Sat. 16th. +54°F.; a very fine day again. Finished hiving the Rock garden; doing a lot of cultivating, both in the gardens & the fields. After noon we went down to *Whiting's pond* for a swim. Two men were flowing along the road, preparatory for mending it.

Sun. 17th. +64°F.; light rain had come in the night; pleasant day, not too warm. A good singing meeting in the morning, thanks be to the cool, pleasant air; good Laboring meeting after noon; Elder Frederick was at Canaan; Union meetings at night, rather quiet with us.

Mon. 18th. +65°F.; cloudy forenoon; rain in the afternoon. Worked on the road; got all wet through in the afternoon. Began picking the Oyster seed.

Tue. 19th. It had rained hard in the night, accompanied by lightning & considerable wind; the morning was also wet; after 1 o'clk. it cleared off quite warm. Finished moving the straw, & swept down cobwebs, & cleaned up some, in the cow barn till noon; the men were getting out manure from under the sheds on the flats. After noon we all burned in & cut & sawed up the lumber pile in front of the brick shop; got also in a lot of chips in the chip-house, &c. Brought home the splitting machine, that had been away to be fixed up & put in working order generally. - Lab. meeting

Wed. 20th. Cloudy, warm, & sultry, but no rain; evening cooler & quite pleasant. In the forenoon we finished working the road for this time; we intend to do more about it in the future. After noon we were picking oyster seed, cultivating & hiving some in the West Sand Knoll lot, sharpening pea brush, &c. The men were all day hiving the ensilage corn in the Upper Sand lot, & planting in vacant places; Louis was cultivating the other field of fodder corn. *First meal of Strawberries.* Elder Frederick with a company went to Pittsfield.

Thu. 21st. Rainy morning; warm & pleasant afterwards. Washed wheat; ground feed; shelled corn; cleaned up some in the cow barn, &c. Fixed the road through the Sand Knoll lot; cultivated the South garden; handcultivated the pansy bed in the North garden; picked Vegetable Oyster seed, &c. Quite a company were up hiving & planting corn in the Upper Sand lot; cultivating the north corn field. - Quiet meeting.

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- Fri. 22d. Pleasant day, not over warm. Picked Vegetable Cyster seed; cultivated the two Cabin gardens. Finished hiving & planting the corn in the Upper Sand lot; cultivating the lower corn field, &c. Sisters picking strawberries.
- Sat. 23d. +61°F.; very fine, warm day. The painter had been painting the Second House the last days, & they had taken away the thermometer, so that I had not been able to make observations. Picked Vegetable Cyster seed; set out a row of Celery plants in the First garden; cultivated the South Garden thoroughly; hoed the peas & some tomatoes in the Lower Cabin garden. Five more cultivators were going through the fields all day; they went over the north envelope corn field again thoroughly, & then drilled in more corn, with the hand drill, between the other rows which were not thick enough. — Quiet Laboring meeting.
- Sun. 24th. +59°F.; a very beautiful, warm Sabbath day. The boys were out picking Cyster seed all forenoon, while they had Singing meeting. Quiet Laboring meeting in the afternoon; Union meetings at night.
- Mon. 25th. +56°F.; splendid day. Picked Vegetable Cyster seed; set out the remaining Celery plants in another short row in the First garden; began brushing the Peas in the Lower Cabin garden, & tried some experiments with stakes & hives; cultivating & hiving in the West Sand small lot. Finished drilling in the corn in the north field, & the men were hiving there too; hilling up the potatoes, &c. Another man had been hired since Saturday last. The Sisters were picking strawberries; two of them, Martha Ann & Elizabeth, went to Albany to meet Margaret Cleveland. Reading meeting.
- Tue. 26th. +60°F.; fine day, though rather windy. Picking Vegetable Cyster seed & hiving in the Union bed in the First garden; staking the Onions in the North garden & began in the Rock garden; finished brushing the peas in the Lower Cabin lot & hoed some of the Squashes & Tomatoes there. The men finished hiving the Corn out north; hilling Potatoes. Sisters picking strawberries; Margaret & co. came home. Quiet meeting.
- Wed. 27th. +65°F.; more or less cloudy & windy; some light rain in the afternoon. Picked Vegetable Cyster seed & hoed Onions in the First garden; finished hiving the Squashes & the Tomatoes out north; staking Onions & got all done, except part of the Upper Cabin garden. One man kept on hilling Potatoes; two teams went to Sandlake & fetched the household goods of the last hired man, who moved in the cottage at the foot of the hill. Another painter had also been hired; they had a new half in the Second House, spilling a pot of paint in the Elder Sister's shop, spoiling the carpets & making things lively generally. No Singing meeting.

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- Tue. 28th. It had rained some through the night & kept on for an hour or two in the morning; afterwards it came out warm & fine. Cleaned off some cobs; fixed up the North Shop cellar, &c. Afterwards picked Vegetable Cyster seed; finished staking the Onions; cultivated the South garden both ways; finished killing the Potatoes; mowed some in the dooryard, front garden & orchard; shovelled over a lot of grain in the granary, &c. The Sisters were picking over three bushels of Strawberries, & sent a lot down to Canaan, Upper Family, who have none. No Laboring meeting.
- Fri. 29th. Very warm, sultry day; a thunder shower at noon; fine again afterwards; more & heavier thunder showers later at night. Picking Vegetable Cyster seed, which yielded very heavily & took almost all our force; began lining the Onions in the Rock garden; began hiving the South garden, &c., &c. **Began haying**, by mowing the North Orchard; getting ready plaster & fair's green for the Potatoes, &c. — Singing meeting.
- Sat. 30th. +60° F.; fine day; cooler towards night. Lining Onions in the Rock garden, West Land Hill lot, & Upper Cabin lot; hiving in the South garden; picking Vegetable Cyster seed. The men were putting fair's green on the Potatoes; afterwards they attended to the hay in the North Orchard, getting it all cocked up at night, &c. A mason was also here, laying a new cement floor in the preserves cellar in the Sister's shop. The Sisters were out strong, picking Strawberries by the bushel again. Quiet Laboring meeting.

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- Sun. 1st. +46° F.; beautiful day; cool & comfortable. We had Laboring meeting in the morning, & after noon a large company went down to Canaan to attend Singing meeting. We picked Vegetable Cyster seed before meeting in the morning & after noon. Union meetings at night.
- Mon. 2d. +60° F.; fine, warm, & sultry in the early part of the day; a very fierce-looking thunder shower came up at four o'clock. Picking Vegetable Cyster seed; hiving in the South garden; lining the Onions in the North garden with old lime, whereas we were using new in all the other gardens; cultivating most of the Onions & hand-cultivating the Parsnip bed. Got in 2 loads of hay from the Orchard; 2 teams & a man were mowing on the Mountain; 2 more men had been hired & went to work, but one of them is going to Canaan. — The Sisters were picking straw berries, which are fast diminishing in yield; began picking cherries & currants for pies. Reading meeting.

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- Tue. 3d. +64° F.; fine, warm, & somewhat sultry day. Lining Onions in the Lower & Upper Cabin lots; cultivating the Squashes & Tomatoes in the former; weeding & thinning Parsnips in the North garden; picking Vegetable Oyster seed & hoing in the Onion bed; got in the hay in the Orchard, 2 loads; mowed on the Mountain & cocked up what was cut, but could not bring home anything to speak of. - Meeting.
- Wed. 4th. A glorious Fourth; very warm, up to +90° F.; thunder showers in the evening. Picking Oyster seed & hoing Onions in the First garden; weeding Parsnips, & finished cultivating the Onions in the North garden; cultivating, hoing, & killing Potatoes in the Upper Cabin lot, & finished lining the Onions there; cultivating the Tomatoes & part of the Beans in the West Sand Knoll lot, &c. Elder Frederick had all the men with two & two cultivators up in the Upper Sand lot, working at the Earlage corn; no haying. - Sisters picking strawberries; the cherries were rotting badly on the trees; first meal of peas from the kitchen garden.
- Thu. 5th. Another, still warmer, day with thunder showers towards night. Picking Oyster seed & hoing Onions in the First garden; finished weeding & thinning the Parsnips in the North garden; cultivated the South garden & the remainder of the Beans in the West Sand Knoll lot, &c. The men were hoing corn in the Upper Sand lot a while in the morning; afterwards haying on the Mountain; brought home 3 loads of hay before the rain came. - Sisters busy with strawberries & cherries. - Singing meeting, attended by Second Family Singers, preparatory for Public Meeting that is to begin next Sunday.
- Fri. 6th. Cloudy & cooler in the morning; came out fine & warm after noon. Picking Oyster seed & hoing in the Onion bed; putting Paris Green & Plaster on the Potatoes all through the gardens; cultivating & hoing in the West Sand Knoll lot, &c. Finished the mowing on the Mountain; brought home 5 loads of hay. - Singing meeting.
- Sat. 7th. Very clear & warm day; a splendid hay day. Picking Oyster seed & hoing Onions in the First garden; finished hoing the Onions in the West Sand Knoll lot; hoing the Peas in the Lower Cabin lot, &c. Finished haying on the Mountain; brought home 12 loads, all in excellent condition, the best hay we have taken from there for many years. Just after they had brought home the last loads, about 7 o'clock at night, a heavy thunder shower broke over us - No meeting.
- Sun. 8th. +58° F.; it had rained hard in the night, & kept on through the greater part of the day, but still we went to Public Meeting, sober enough for a beginning. Union meetings at night.

- Mon. 9th. +55° F.; fine, clear day; cool. Picking Oyster seed & hoing Onions in the first garden; cultivating & hoing Onions in the Upper Cabin lot; also cultivating the Onions in the Lower Cabin lot & part of the Beans in the West Sand Hill lot. Two teams were mowing the Horse pasture; the men were hoing corn in the Upper Pond lot, &c. The Crutcher cutter had arrived & was being fitted up in the barn. No meeting.
- Tue. 10th. +51° F.; very pleasant day, not too warm. A large company were hoing out the Onions in the first garden; picked also a little Oyster seed; hand-cultivated the Parsnips in the North garden; plowed under the strawberry bed in the North orchard, which had yielded only 6 bus. & 6 qts.; prepared the land thoroughly, put on 500 lbs. of fertilizer, & set out 1600 Cabbage plants, that William Anderson got from Waterliet. Two hired men were here from Canaan, & helped to hoe corn in the Upper Pond lot; mowing the Clover in the West Sand Hill lot for the Silo; got in the hay from the Horse pasture, 6 loads, &c. Levi returned home in the evening — Laboring meeting.
- Wed. 11th. +56° F.; cloudy morning; beautiful day. Set out 350 Cabbage plants of our own raising in the Orchard & about 200 in the first garden, making some 200 in all; picking Oyster seed & hoing some in the first garden; hoing Onions in the Upper Cabin lot; cultivating the Beans & Tomatoes in the West Sand Hill lot & the Squashes & Tomatoes in the Lower Cabin lot. Mowing & drawing in Clover & cutting it up for the Silo; a time of experimenting generally, but still they managed to get one of the small silos over half full; mowed also a little in the Sand Hill lot, &c. — Singing meeting.
- Thu. 12th. +64° F.; pleasant; thunder shower in the afternoon. Hoed all the Cabbage plants in the morning & spread 2 bags of salt on them; picked some Oyster seed; finished hoing the Onions in the Upper Cabin lot; began cultivating in the Rock garden, &c. Cutting Clover & putting it in the silo. Levi left home again — Reading meeting; all sorts.
- Fri. 13th. +66° F.; somewhat cloudy; a sprinkle of rain in the forenoon; heavy thunder & some rain in the afternoon. Hoing Onions in the Lower Cabin lot, & cultivating the Squashes & Tomatoes there one way; cultivating also in the Rock garden; hoing the Tomatoes in the West Sand Hill lot; hand-cultivating the Parsnips in the North garden, &c. Kept on filling the Silos, but did no other haying. — The celebrated doctor Buchanan, from Brooklyn, called here during the day with his wife, & in the evening we had a meeting with them, when the doctor gave us some of his ideas about education, &c.

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Sat. 14th. Beautiful day; not so warm. Hoed the Cabbage plants again & cultivated them; finished hoing the Onions & cultivating the Squashes & Tomatoes in the Lower Cabin lot; finished also cultivating the Rock garden, & went over the South garden again. Cut down the Oyster plants in the First garden & put them in the South slots, which were finished for this time & weighted down; they were not quite full, but over 40 loads of green clover, oyster stalks, & grass, had been put into them; 2 loads of hay were brought in. Picked a great many cherries, which were peddled out; the Sisters picked about 4 BUS. of Peas in the North garden; they had also begun with the Black Raspberries in the North orchard, which were yielding very well. — Quiet meeting.

Sun. 15th. +54° F.; pleasant day; heavy rain towards evening & in the night. Public meeting, with quite a good attendance; Elder Frederick addressed the audience. Reading meeting in the evening, about the celibacy of the Primitive Church, a subject introduced on account of some views to the contrary, expressed by doctor Buchanan, who was to lecture in the village in the evening; none of our family went.

Mon. 16th. +65° F.; cloudy morning; cleared up fine afterwards. General be picking cherries; began weeding out the strawberry bed in the First garden, ^{from} The beams turned in & plowed the Vegetable Oyster land, harrowed ^{which had been} it, & sowed it with buckwheat before noon; after noon they went to mowing in the Spencer lot, &c. Sisters very busy with cherries, ^{picked} raspberries, & peas. No meeting. 15 BUS. & 18 QTS. OF BERRIES.

Tue. 17th. +60° F.; fine day; very heavy rain towards evening. Hoing all the cabbage plants again; weeding the strawberry bed; picking cherries, &c. Secured 10 loads of hay, half in the cow barn & half in the horse barn, & left about as much out in the rain. — Sisters busy about small fruits, cherries, currants, raspberries; also cleaning windows at the First house, that was being painted, & every shower that came splashed the windows & made much extra work. — No meeting. Elder Frederick left home on a journey to Pennsylvania in company with Elder Samuel Boler.

Wed. 18th. +59° F.; fine hay day; not too warm. Picking cherries; cleaning up 50 lbs. of Vegetable Oyster seed; weeding some in the Strawberry bed &c. Got in 12 loads of hay — Singing meeting.

Thu. 19th. +49° F.; cloudy morning; fine afterwards; cooler. Hoing some among the Onions in the North garden; weeding some in the Strawberry bed; began cutting the Turnip seed, &c. After noon we

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Tue. 19th. went to reaping, binding & stacking up the rye & wheat in the Rock garden; got in 9 loads of hay & left a lot more for next day. - Finished picking the cherries; the Sisters had still plenty of currants, raspberries & peas remaining to keep them busy, together with dirts, &c. Had some visitors from Hancock, the Ministry Sisters, I believe. - No meeting.

Fri. 20th. +48°F.; fine hay day. Cultivated the Cabbages at home; also some of the Onions in the Rock garden, & raised the lines there, &c. Haying; got in 15 loads, mostly in the horse barn; supper at 7 o'clock; no meeting.

Sat. 21st. +51°F.; another fine hay day; warmer. Cultivating some in the Rock garden; raising the lines in the North garden & the Lower Cabin lot; picking some peas for the Sisters, &c. Haying in earnest; got in 21 loads, about half in each barn. - Elder Daniel Boler returned in the morning; Levi came also home in the evening, but Elder Frederick had remained with a German family in Pennsylvania, who had been corresponding about coming here. No meeting.

Sun. 22d. +59°F.; showery, just enough to keep us from going to Public meeting, but the Canaan people came up, & we had a good meeting at home. Union meetings at night.

Mon. 23d. +68°F.; warm, though not sunny all the time. Cultivated the Cabbages at home & some of the Onions in the Rock garden; finished raising the Onion lines in the Upper Cabin lot & the West Sand knoll lot; had some in the North garden, & cut some Parsnip seed, &c. The teams & the men were over on the West hill, mowing & getting ready for reaping the wheat. - Sisters picking peas, raspberries, & currants, besides washing, &c. No meeting.

Tue. 24th. +59°F.; fine day. We were, pretty much all of us, over on the West hill, reaping & binding wheat, & getting in hay; brought home 10 loads of the latter, & had a late supper & no meeting. Levi left home again in the morning, & Elder Frederick returned from his journey to Pennsylvania.

Wed. 25th. +51°F.; pleasant day. Reaping & binding wheat on the West hill; brought home 5 loads of hay from there, &c. Sisters darning, &c. No meeting.

Thu. 26th. +59°F.; beautiful day. Finished reaping & binding the wheat on the West hill; brought also home the last 3 loads of hay from there. After noon two teams went to mowing out north; the other company got in the wheat & rye from the Rock garden; cut Parsnip seed & did some hoing in the North garden, &c. - Short meeting.

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- Fri. 27th. +60° F.; fine day. Threshing out the wheat from the Rock garden; got 50 bus.; brought in 16 loads of hay from out north, all that was cut; had a late supper & no meeting.
- Sat. 28th. +60° F.; some thunder showers had come in the night; the morning was cloudy with occasional light rain; the afternoon pleasant. The men finished shelling the corn in the crib; afterwards thrashed the rye from the Rock garden, 30 bus.; saving some wood & drawing it down to the cottage at the foot of the hill, &c. Cleaning up the Vegetable Cyster seed, for which a market had been found at 25 cts. a pound; clearing up some in the woodhouse, cow barn & other places. — Laboring meeting.
- Sun. 29th. +56° F.; beautiful day; cool & pleasant. Very short Public meeting; reading meeting at night from Dr. Buchanan's book, "Moral Education".
- Mon. 30th. +52° F.; cool & pleasant; clouds & sunshine. Hoing Onions in the North garden, & cutting Parsnip seed; cultivating in the Upper Cabin lot. Mowing down a good deal of grass, but got in only 1 load. Sisters very busy with berries, pears, shirts, &c. No meeting.
- Tue. 31st. +50° F.; bright morning; cloudy & some sprinkles of rain after noon. Hoing all the Cabbages; also continued hoing the Onions in the North garden & cut the Parsnip seed; cultivated the Onions in the Lower Cabin lot, &c. Began mowing down on the Flats; got in 12 loads of hay. — The Sisters picked 11 bus. of Pears in the Lower Cabin lot, besides berries, &c. — No meeting.
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- Wed. 1st. +55° F.; cloudy; warm; a light shower; cooler. Cultivated the Cabbages in the North Orchard, & began with the Onions in the Rock garden; kept on hoing the Onions in the North garden; cleaned Vegetable Cyster seed, &c. Mowed down a lot more hay on the Flats, but could not get any in. — No meeting.
- Thu. 2nd. +60° F.; cloudy & cool; rainy after noon. Hoing Onions in the North garden; finished cleaning the Vegetable Cyster seed; the year's crop amounted to 485 lbs.; washed some of the new wheat; ground feed; cleaned up the seed lofts, &c. The men began flowing the stubble in the Rock garden; shelled corn, &c., but could not do anything at the hay. — Martha Anderson returned from her sojourn at Hancock, where she had been attending to her health for almost a month. — Short meeting.

- Tue. 3rd. +59°F; cloudy & threatening morning; fine later in the day. Made a bee picking Peas in the morning; got 7 bus. from the Lower Cabin lot; pulled up the Peas in the North garden, & picked a couple of more bushels; cut also some Parsnip seed there; finished haying & weeding out the Onions on the west side & began with those on the east side in the same garden. The men finished plowing & began harrowing in the Rock garden; got also in 2 loads of hay. The Sisters were busy with berries of all kinds - Singing meeting.
- Wed. 4th. +52°F; bright morning; afterwards clouding up; light showers after dinner. Haying some in the North garden; cultivating some in the Rock garden & the Spencer lot; cut Parsnip seed, &c. Two teams harrowed & drilled in Buckwheat in the Rock garden; afterwards got home 4 loads of Wheat from the West hill; after noon haying between the showers; got in all the hay on the Flats, except the raskings, 18 loads in all; had a late supper & no meeting.
- Thu. 5th. +56°F; pleasant morning; showers in the afternoon. Good Public meeting; some of the Lanuan Singers came here to dinner, & attended Singing meeting in the afternoon; Reading meeting at night about "Moral Education".
- Fri. 6th. +50°F; fine day; cool. Drove home the Wheat from the West hill & thrashed it; it made 8 loads, & with the 4 already home it turned out 120 bus., a rather small yield, only about 11 bus. to the acre, & very full of weed seeds; did also some mowing on the Flats. The Sisters picked 14 bus. of peas in the Lower Cabin lot.
- Sat. 7th. +47°F; beautiful day; warmer. Haying Onions in the West Sand Knoll lot, & pulling the weeds among the Beans there; also haying some among the Onions in the North garden, & cutting Parsnip seed there. Drove home 1 load of wheat raskings from the West hill; got in 11 loads of hay down on the Flats. - No meeting.
- Sun. 8th. +53°F; another bright, beautiful hay day. Finished haying the Onions in the West Sand Knoll lot & the North garden; cultivating all the Cabbages; cutting Parsnip seed, &c. Got in 14 loads of hay in the barn on the Flats, & brought 4 loads of horse hay home; had a very late supper & a singing meeting.
- Mon. 9th. +57°F; one more good hay day. Haying the Cabbages & cutting up weeds in the Onion bed; cutting Parsnip seed, &c. Haying in full force; got in 17 loads in the barn on the Flats, & brought home 6 loads, all large; had a late supper & no meeting.

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Fri. 10th. A fine, warm day. Cutting off weeds in the Onion bed, & weeding some in the Parsnip bed; cutting Parsnip seed, &c. Finished the regular haying on the Flats; got in 16 loads down there, & brought 2 loads home; a late supper again & no meeting.

Sat. 11th. An exceedingly lovely day. Cutting Parsnip seed; doing up the last bit of raking on the Flats & brought 1 load home; getting in the Pea vines from the North garden, & taking them down to the barn under the hill, &c. The teams were drawing up a car-load of lumber from the depot. Dr. Daniel & John Greaves went to Lee, Mass., to see about some iron pipe for water power at the cow-barn. The Sisters were picking Blackberries & Currants; the day before they had picked 16 bus. of Peas from the Lower Cabin lot. — Meeting.

Mon. 13th. Beautiful day, with the barest sprinkle of rain in the afternoon. A day of Excursions; John Greaves took the Girls on a ride to Lee, Mass., and Charles Greaves took the Boys in the same direction to Stockbridge, Lenox, Pittsfield, &c.; both parties took their dinners & suppers along, & had a very enjoyable time. — The men were clearing out the Vegetable Cyster stalks from the Silo; they had rotted badly. Louis began reaping the Oats in the Sand Knoll lot; Dr. Daniel went to Albany to make some arrangements for an excursion on the Railroad; cut some Parsnip seed, &c.

Tue. 14th. +53°F; beautiful weather, though it looked threatening in the morning. Cut Parsnip seed with a strong force, & dug the Potatoes along the north end of the east side of the North garden; they turned out very well, over 6 bus. The men were drawing 5 loads of Oats from Henry's field at the Royce place; finished also reaping our own Oats, but part of them were lodged so badly that they must be mowed; they were trying a new one-wheeled Reaper. — Meeting.

Wed. 15th. +46°F; splendid day; just right for an excursion. A company of 10 Brethren & 16 Sisters went out to Albany in a special car, visited the Capitol & other places there, had dinner at Hotel Brown-wick, made a boat excursion on the ponds in the Park, &c., & came home in the evening, reporting a most delightful time. Cutting the last of the Parsnip seed; drawing off the stalks & the pea brush, & burning them, &c. The men & teams were helping Henry about his Oats. — No singing meeting.

Thu. 16th. +53°F; cloudy day, but rather pleasant. Doing some in the Rock garden, east side; weeding in the Strawberry bed in the first garden, & drawing away the weeds to burn; beginning to weed &

Sat. 11th. Beautiful day. Good, long public Meeting. more of Hutchinson's Moral Education.

Thu. 16th. & trim out the Raspberries in the North orchard, & burning all the rubbish; mowing down the weeds on the Parsnip land in the North garden, &c. Finished cutting the Oats in the Sand Knoll lot, & brought home 4 loads. — Sisters picking a few Peas in the Lower Cabin lot, &c. A visiting company of one Brother & two Sisters from Enfield, Conn., were here. — Short Laboring meeting.

Fri. 17th. +52° F.; partly cloudy, partly very fine & warm weather. Drawing away the weeds from the Parsnip land in the North garden, & began plowing it; hoing & trimming the Raspberries in the North orchard; cultivating, hoing, & hauling off weeds from the Strawberry bed in the First garden, &c. The men were drawing muck into the cow barn vault, to cover the decayed manure & stop the foul odors; afterwards they went at the Oats, & brought home 6 loads. John Greaves went to Pittsfield with one team; Br. Daniel went to Canaan Four Corners with the huslage cutter; Levi returned home from Windsor — Singing meeting.

Sat. 18th. +62° F.; fine morning; two light showers in the afternoon; heavy thunder showers at night. Kept on with the Strawberry & the Raspberry beds; pulled weeds among the Parsnips; finished plowing the Parsnip land in the North garden, harrowing it, & drilling in Buckwheat. Finished clearing the Oat field in the Sand Knoll lot; got in 1 load of radings — Very good Laboring meeting.

Sun. 19th. +66° F.; very fine day after a rainy night; another heavy shower in the afternoon; fine again afterwards. We had quite a good Public meeting. Union meetings at night —

Mon. 20th. Warm & close, some more rain in the afternoon. Working at the strawberries raspberries & onions. D.O. to Canaan depot for Giant cutter. Commenced plowing the Upper King lot for wheat &c. 3 teams. Emil starts on the morning train for Pen Yan. Levi on the middle train for Windsor.

Tues. 21st. A lovely day. Charles, John, & D.O. go to Canaan to see about water wheel boiler engine &c. Commenced digging the ditch to get the pond water into the North shop. Finish the raspberries, bank up the celery, trim the tomatoes &c. 3 teams plowing on the west hill.

Wed 22nd Beautiful day. John G & Daniel Ray to Pittsfield with Fruit & eggs. Digging ditch &c. Ison & the boys getting brush in the young orchard. Charles, Robert & Thomas helping at the ditch.

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- 23rd Thurs. A very warm day a shower in the forenoon & a heavy rain in the afternoon & evening. D.O. to Lanaan depot. John Greaves to South Lee for iron pipe, he does not return we conclude he has got weather bound. Charles & Robert threshing parsnep seed. We succeed in getting the water into the North Shop.
- Fri 24th El F. & Co trimming; Joan & the boys drawing brush. A lovely cool day. Teams plowing. Drawing brush, trimming. Commenced laying the drain pipe in the North Shop cellar 4 in heavy iron pipe put together with bolts we put a 4 in trap at the south end of the cellar at the end of the 4 in pipe digging the ditch outside. John returns in the morning having staid at the lower family.
- Sat 25th A beautiful day. John Greaves to Pittsfield with apples and to Cheshire to see some boilers. Digging ditch, laying pipe &c. Finished plowing the land for wheat on the West Hill. Trimming, drawing brush &c.
- Sun 26th Public meeting, the largest audience of the season. The banann singers over. Put the weights on the silo; they were taken off some days ago & the ensilage has begun to heat. Cool day.
- Mon 27th A lovely day. Finished the drain from the North Shop. There is 30 ft iron pipe outside the building the remainder is horse shoe tile laid in cement. Finished getting the brush from the young orchard.
- Tues 28th Cool morning. Sister Anna & Eliza & D.O. start for Waterlot about 4 A.M. got there at 11.30. 14 bags of fertilizer sowed on the wheat field. Commenced pulling onions. El F. and quite a Co trimming &c.
- Wed 29th Splendid weather D.O. & Co return arrived about 7 P.M. Commenced drilling in the wheat. Pulling onions which is a very tedious job. Trimming in the lower orchard. John B. & Joan to Pittsfield.
- Thurs 30th Pleasant day. Pulling onions. Trimming. Finished drilling in the wheat. Got up the cutter. Drawing brush from along the road. The men all up to the camp meeting in the afternoon. El F. up to the camp meeting.
- Fri 31st Nice weather Commenced cutting onion seed in the Rock Garden about 13 hands. El F. to Lanaan. Daniel Ray & Nelson to Pittsfield with pears. Louis rolled the wheat ground.

- Sat 1st A lovely day. Finished cutting the Red Onion put it in the garden house lofts. Cut the Red Globe put it in the loft over the blacksmith shop. Engaged John Sheehan for Two Months at \$15.00 The Cabbages, Raspberries & Strawberries cultivated.
- Sun 2nd Fine day. Public Meeting a respectable audience; El F addressed them about 30 Min
- Mon 3rd B^r George up in the afternoon. It looks like rain in the eve. Growing colder. El F. & 3 sisters to Pittsfield. Cutting onion seed about finished the north garden. Picked the tomatoes about 13 bu the 1st general picking.
- Tues 4th Putting up tomatoes the first this season. A D O start for Troy via Albany & Waterlot to get the attachments &c for the sewing machine. El F. goes to Canaan. Started fire in the boiler the 1st this fall.
- Wed 5th Quite a rain last night. Clearing up round took the old lumber away from the lane (the old coal tower) & started the fence. Digging potatoes &c. Steam in the eve. D. O returns from Troy.
- Thurs 6th Digging potatoes. Set up the water motor in the sisters shop cellar. W^m H Car arrives from Troy to set up the sewing machine works. Steam
- Fri 7th Digging potatoes pulling onions. Samuel Shumway here helping to make the tables for the sewing machines. W^m H Car setting up the shafting &c. Commenced plowing the Rock Garden.
- 8th Sat Digging potatoes. drow in part of the beans. W^m H Car gets thro' & we pay him & take him to the depot. W^m Thornes got 3 ribs broken & other wise badly bruised by being crushed between post & of cart. on Thursday. got in some onions under the shed.
- Sun 9th No Public Meeting. Meeting at home in the forenoon 3 spectators admitted. El F. Sister Anna & D O go to Canaan in the afternoon. Steam The brethren pick the tomatoes 22 baskets in the eve and the Hubbard squash, about 50 almost a total failure. Growing cold

September 1883.

- Mon 10th Very heavy frost Digging potatoes cutting onion seed
John Greaves to Pittsfield with chickens &c and to
get a mason to set the boiler & build the chimney
in the barn. The boiler was got home on Friday
morning. Samuel Shumway boxing in the belt
at the sisters shop
- Tues 11th Finished digging the farm potatoes there has been
no account kept so we shall have to guess at the
quantity I should think from the gardens four and
hundred there must be from 1000 to 1200 bu.
Cutting onion seed. The boiler set up in the barn
& the chimney started. Frost in the morning
- Wed 12th Pleasant. Daniel Ray & Nelson to Pittsfield with
plums pears &c. Finished cutting the onion seed.
winding lines &c plowing in the rock garden.
Working at the boiler in the barn get the water up
to the boiler and find we have about 40 lbs pressure.
The Ministry return from Waterbury.
- Thurs 13th Mild, but it look like rain; got all the onions under
the shed John Greaves to Pittsfield for fixtures for the
boiler. Finished plowing the rock garden.
- Fri 14th Some rain. Cleaned up the beans about 10 bu.
get the smoke stack up & the boiler about ready to let
the water in Daniel Ray & Swan to Pittsfield
The rock garden ready to drill. Ministry Gates over.
- Sat 15th Drilled eye in the whole of the Rock Garden and
rolled it. El F & D.O over south. Edward Beck with
the man that was hired about 11 days ago received his
pay last night, came home drunk got up & cleared
out without breakfast. John started the engine, one
of the keys was loose and the box got loose when the
piston knocked a hole thro the engine. he goes to Pittsfield
gets it fixed & returns. Levi returns on the morn
ing train. Winding lines drawing stakes plowing &c
Two women & some girls arrive on the afternoon train
from New York.
Shipped the plums & bartlett pears yesterday
The men coming with the barrels & put them up 18 bu of
plums & some 26 bu of pears.

- Sun 16th No Public Meeting Closed for the season. Singing meeting in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the evening.
- Mon 17th The engine set up & the cutter started. we think it will work well. Picked the tomatoes. topping onions.
- Tues 18th Working at the engine & try to get the injector to work but fail we get James Burke but he fails. so Charles & I go down to Canaan to get their pump from the upper family. Doing up tomatoes, cutting corn &c. Daniel Fraser & Nelson to Pittsfield.
- Wed 19th We set up the pump it takes us all the forenoon. cut ensilage in the afternoon about 28 loads. Albert Lornas calls, I take him up to the springs in the eve, go to the camp meeting ground he then goes to Albany on the 9.30 excursion train.
- Thurs 20th Lovely dry weather. About all hands cutting corn and working at the silo. Cut up 39 loads. The heat set some of the wood work to smoking above the boiler but did no damage. it gets very hot & we watch it continually. Daniel Fraser to Pittsfield.
- Fri 21st Splendid weather nearly all hands cutting corn & at work at the silo cut 42 loads. Ed F. & Nelson picking pears. The boiler & engine shaken very much out of position.
- Sat 22nd Beautiful day. The Canterbury Ministry here. Finish cutting the corn in the pond lot & get it all into the silo 33 loads it is within 1 foot of the top. There have been put in 146 loads, put 30 bbls of gravel on. About 130 ^{loads} from the pond lot & 16 from out north we weighed what was thought to be an average load & it weighed 1850 lbs. The Mac Nish man & woman arrive.
- Sun 23rd Cool & Cloudy had steam. No Meeting in the forenoon. The Canaan people up the afternoon to laboring meeting. Eve Union Meeting.
- Mon 24th Cloudy & windy. Took the weights of the silos. Cut 5 loads of stalks. Raining afternoon. topping onions &c

September 1883.

- Tues 25th Very windy About all hands cutting corn fodder Robert Hornmark leave society. Elvah goes up to Waterlot with Eldress Harriet. start cutting ensilage but the nipple bleed out of the governor I go to Pittsfield & get it fixed. Commenced digging up the flume to the lower pond. (3 men)
- Wed 26th Very frosty morning. Pickling up apples & cutting ensilage 45 loads the best day we have had put it in the south silo mostly. M. Nish & boys arrive
- Thurs 27th A large company pickling apples. Finis had cutting ensilage 240 loads corn all told. 130 loads from the pond lot, 105 from the north lot and 5 loads from the garden. There are near 200 loads put into the north silo. I shall have the weight to readjust.
- Fri 28th El. F. to Pittsfield. John Greaves to South Lee for iron pipe. Put the weights on the silos and chared up some. Sisters paring apples to dry. A large company pickling apples in the young orchard & doer yard. Commenced drawing out the manure in the vally.
- Sat 29th Cool cloudy day Pickling apples. drawing manure brush garden stakes & pumpkins The sewing machine man here from Pittsfield to fix the press & Louis plowing the potatoe field. Thunder storm in the evening & night.
- Sun 30th Cloudy & some rain. Singing Meeting in the forenoon. Swan to Candan with Sisters Mariah & Celestia. Laboring in the afternoon Reading in the eve

October 1883.

- Mon 1st Pleasant cool day. Pickling apples & pickled about 20 bu of tomatoes probably the last. Teams plowing & drawing manure. An apple bee in the evening the 1st this fall.
- Tues 2nd A rainy day husking corn sating onions & John Greaves & Louis start for South Lee to get iron pipe, but they stopp'd at Candan lower family all day. D. O. fixing about the water Motor & c in Sisters Shop

- Wed 3rd 3° below freezing. drawing manure on the flats, plowing, to work at the flume lower pond, picking apples. John G. to South Lee. Louis gets hoghead of M^o from Canaan Depot
- Thurs 4th Cold day but fine. Louis Basting moves to the Sec family. Finish the manure on the flats. Picking apples. El. Trip to the springs. D.O. at Sewing Machines.
- Fri 5th The Upper family's manure spreader returned yesterday afternoon. Two horse teams plowing for Henry on the east farm. 7° of frost in the morning finished husking the corn. The apples about all gathered.
- Sat 6th 8° below freezing but beautiful day. The boys and brethren to the number of 11 go nutting on the west hill. They make out splendid. The flume to the Lower Pond finished Charles Edward Davis paid off. The sewing machines going splendid.
- Sun 7th A lovely day Laboring in the forenoon. The singer to Canaan in the afternoon lower family. Eve Union Meeting.
- Mon 8th James M^r Nisk & family all return after a stay of a little over two weeks. An auction at the cottage below the hill May & Sweet. A fence laid out thro' the north orchard so that it can be pastured. Dressing out the strawberries John Greaves & Swan to South Lee for pipe.
- Tues 9th Digging post holes in the north orchard sorting onion &c &c. Sisters washing to day they made shirts yesterday. Daniel Ray & Nelson to Pittsfield ^{Leve} ^{Return} _{the Pittsfield}
- Wed 10th Digging post holes & building fence in the north orchard. Charles Greaves, two Sisters & D.O. to Pittsfield Geo Slighter getting bushes out of the meadows.
- Thurs 11th The girls all go nutting, on the west hill & they go down to Canaan take a row on the water. D.O. & Swan go with them. Building fence in the north orchard

Nelson starts for New Jersey

October 1883

Levi returns to Union

- Fri 12th Charles Greaves & Augustus to South Lee for pipe
 Commence digging up the remainder of the cement
 pipe in the night pasture. D. exchanging the iron
 boxes for wood on the shaft to the sewing machines.
- Sat 13th Some rain in the forenoon. D. & Augustus putting
 in pipes at the north shop sewing room. Charles Greaves
 & Daniel Ray to Pittsfield with onions &c.
 Digging ditch in the cow pasture. B. Geo Clark up.
- Sun 14th A heavy rain last night. very warm this morning
 Munc 64. The upper family up & we had laboring
 meeting. Afternoon no meeting. Cove Union Meeting.
- Mon 15th Munc 34. a very sudden change. Digging ditch in the
 cow pasture. connecting the pipes in the cooling room
 with the pipe that goes to the 2nd house dairy so that they
 shall have enough water without using ice.
- Tues 16th 10° frost Charles & Ivan to South Lee for iron pipe
 Put some pipes in the lower room at the North shop yester
 day & the pipes to the dairy to day. John Greaves & Co
 taking up the cement pipe & laying in the iron.
- Wed 17th Laying pipe in the cow pasture. Digging holes for
 Quince trees piping in the house &c &c.
- Thurs 18th A large company digging holes for Quinces. Laying pipe
 Charles & D. Ray to Pittsfield with onions & fruit; the
 take Elvah J. Collins's things to Shakers & send
 them to Albany She has concluded to stay at Waterbury
- Fri 19th A very pleasant day. Have put a lamp in the door yard
 The old cement pipe taken up & the iron pipe
 completed from the east farm brook to the pond.
 which should have been done in the 1st place. get the
 pipes connected from the cooling room to the dairy.
- Sat 20th A rainy day. Charles to Canaan depot for Quince trees.
 which E. C. P. & Co set out. D. Fraser to Chatham to meet
 a girl. Ruth's Brother &c arrive. The Marine Ministry
 & Elders Harriet Goodwin here, have an excellent visit.
 A telephone put in the elder brethrens shop & connect
 it works splendid.
- Sun 21st Cool & Cloudy Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the
 afternoon. The canaan people sang & played thro' the telephone
 for us to hear. Union in the eve.

- Mon 22^d Frosty morning Pleasant day. The kitchen garden plowed. Men here putting up the pickle jars & the ditches. Charles to Canaan.
- Tues 23^d Pleasant day The pears taken to Canaan Depot 21 bbls. Ridged the 1st garden. Drawing wood into the boiler cellar. Sawing apple wood in the afternoon. A little snow at night.
- Wed 24th Some rain; sorting potatoes sawing wood, cleaning up the beams &c. trying to keep the rats out of the cooling room. The pond filling up splendid.
- Thurs 25th Pleasant day. Cutting old stuff & drawing it to the cellar. Col A to Canaan with the Ministry, Bethren Codger & Co setting posts out north.
- Fri 26th Charles & John G. to Pittsfield. Sorting potatoes. Putting water pipe in the sisters shops. Nelson Peebles returns via Pittsfield.
- Sat 27th Col A. & Charles to Pittsfield. Set up the threshing get it all ready for business. Connect the brick shop aqueduct with the hydrant pipe in the brick shop cellar. Put a new lamp in the deacons hall and the one in the deacons hall down at the 2^d house. Cleaning up the dooryard &c.
- Sun 28th Singing in the morning. 13^o Thones up in the forenoon. The Canaan lower family elder sisters up & the Ministry sisters over. Labbing in the afternoon.
- Mon 29th Very windy & rain. Daniel Ray & Augustus to Pittsfield with apples. brought home the Lince trees from Shaker Village. Sorting Potatoes.
- Tues 30th Commenced threshing the oats finished the wheat raking. Col A. & Co setting out the Lince trees. Threshed 7 loads of straw.
- Wed 31st Finished the threshing of grain threshed about 220 bu of oats part came from Henry's farm. Paid off John Sheehan.

November 1883.

- Thurs^{1st} B^r Thomas & Garret up. The Ministry brethren over
Sawing wood. The telephone man here to put
up an extension bell in the hall at the 2^d house.
Daniel Ray Charles Donnet to Pittsfield.
- Fri 2nd Cool Morning. The mountain covered with
snow the first. 700 lbs of buckwheat taken
to Rockdale Mills & exchanged it for flour.
- Sat 3rd Cool & Cloudy. Edgar fixing the fences in the
barn yard on the flats. I take out the 3 in pipe
from the sisters shop cellar & replace it with 4 in.
Trying to find a leak in the water pipe from
the cistern.
- Sun 4th A beautiful day Meeting, as usual. Two Sisters
to Canaan in the forenoon. B^r Geo & Sisters
Margaret & Co up in the afternoon.
- Mon 5th Very Mild. Sawing wood. Opening the drain
in the horse pasture. J. G. & D. O. to Canaan
to help get their machinery in running order.
- Tues 6th Windy. El F. the El Sisters & two Deacons out to
Albany. Commence taking down the fence beside
the road on the flats Daniel Ray & Charles Greaves
to Canaan depot with calves.
- Wed 7th A delightful day. Working at the fence on the
flats. The Elotes & Co return on the afternoon
train also Levi.
- Thurs 8th Pleasant day John G & Daniel Fraser to Pittsfield
At the fence. D. O. running the water pipes in the
sisters shop.
- Fri 9th Mild. Start plowing up at the pond preparatory
to scraping. Some rain. finished the drain
in the horse pasture. drawing ashes around the
fruit trees. J. G. goes off & picks up a load.
- Sat 10th Mild. drawing ashes round the trees cleaned out
the ash-house. The Men commenced drawing the
wood out of the east farm woods. The fence on the flats finished.
- Sun 11th Mild. The Canaan people up in the forenoon
had Laboring Meeting. The singers stay & we
have singing meeting in the afternoon. Union
in the eve. El Calvin over to say School tomorrow.

- Mon 12th A cold day put the double windows on all round or intended to do so. Snow squally all day. Working on the pond. A man arrives from Windsor to take the horses Cup & Mac. Levi starts via Canaan for Windsor C.P. takes him to Canaan & stays all night.
- Tues 13 Finished the windows & double doors, banking up. The men starts with the horse. The railing put up in the dooryard, the men drawing wood out of the east farm woods.
- Wed 14 Cold day John G. to Pittsfield with the oil bbls. Commence the fence in the corner cow pasture to divide it. Charles G. & D.C. to Canaan. A young German arrives.
- Thurs 15 Cold day. Working at the fence, drawing wood out &c
- Fri 16 Cold and an awful wind 10° of frost at noon. The men drawing out wood. Brethren churing &c &c
- Sat 17 Pleasant day Finished the fence across the cow pasture. Sister Cecelia Devye arrives on the afternoon train. Drawing out wood &c &c.
- Sun 18th A lovely day Meeting in the forenoon the elders & a small company go to Canaan hold Meeting at the Woffen house. Ere Union.
- Mon 19th Pleasant day Charles G. starts for Albany New York &c. drawing out wood & manure round the bushes. No school this week. G. W. Simmond calls.
- Tues 20th Beautiful day nearly all hands & teams up on the pond. G. W. Simmond here stays over night & tells us of his experience. Some of the Canaan people up; very interesting. J. W. & Joseph Richards moved to Canaan N. Y. getting.
- Wed 21st Lovely day hands & teams up at the pond doing splendid work.
- Thurs 22nd Remarkably warm; in the afternoon over 70° Hands & teams on the pond.
- Fri 23rd Splendid rain last night. 60° at getting up time. hands & teams at the pond awful muddy. Geo St John fall in the water. Ladd the water wheel mended.
- Sat 24th heavy rain last night so muddy to work at the pond. drawing sandstone C.P. to Canaan Mr. George up he takes down an other candidate.
- Sun 25th A lovely day Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon.

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- Mon 26th School continues. Brethren up at the pond.
D.O. finished up the closet at the north shop.
Very stormy afternoon.
- Tues 27th Cold morning; so cold to work at the pond drew up
the slabs & sawed them. at the pond in the afternoon
- Wed 28th Cold morning 13° frost Finished lining the upper bank
to the pond. & did a little scraping in the afternoon.
Charles Greaves returns on the afternoon train.
- Thurs 29th Thanksgiving. Meeting in the forenoon the
Canaan up & they stay to dinner & the singers
to singing meeting. Elder Robert Wagan
deceased at 3 A.M.
- Fri 30th A little snow fell. Start work in the broomshop.
Pond business done for this season. Finished
drawing up the saw dust. El F over to the south family.
Bust of rye bought home.
- Sat 1st December
Cold Morn 14° above 0. but a lovely day. Grinding wheat
corn &c. Drawing out wood & Logs. Brethren in
the shop.
- Sun 2nd Funeral of El Robert held at the Center Family
at 2 P.M. A company of 9 brethren & 11 sisters attend
from the north family the elders included. El Giles over.
Laboring Meeting in the eve.
- Mon 3rd Cold day I fix the soapstone stove in the elder sisters
shop so that the smoke pipe is opposite the door.
Commence cutting the dead trees & drawing them out of
the woods above the house.
- Tues 4th Cold day. fixed the lining in the stove in the sisters sick
room. Up to the springs for boys boots &c
- Wed 5th Beautiful day. El F. Charles G. James McNish & D.O.
to Pittsfield. Cutting & drawing out wood above the house
- Thurs 6th Fine day Sisters Anna & Ann & D.O. out to Albany
El F. & Charles to Pittsfield
- Fri 7th Sisters & D.O. return. Daniel Ray & Nelson to Pittsfield
- Sat 8th No frost, cloudy & some rain about 1/2 cord of wood taken to
Thomas Carright. Moved the turneps from the north shop to the deacons shop.
- Sun 9th Mild. No communication with Canaan. Singing in the forenoon
Sitting in the afternoon. Union in the evening.

Mon 10th Some stormy & some pleasant D.O. to Pittsfield bring home the goods the sisters bought at Albany Charles & Agatha Paris go off to the world. Sorting the brooms in the loft the mice are doing damage.

Tues 11th Frosty Commence drawing the manure from under the horse barn putting it round the fruit trees; quince &c &c.

Wed 12th Cool but very pleasant. Finished getting the manure from under the horse barn. Ground feed for the calves & cattle. Charles Greaves starts for New York Albany &c.

Thurs 13th Cold morning but very pleasant. D.O. & Daniel Ray to Pittsfield with apples; get some bran of Sra Levi returns Commence getting the manure from the cow barn putting it round the apple trees. The Ministry returned from Waterbury yesterday.

Fri 14th A mild rainy day Shelling corn &c ground 2 1/2 bu of rye for the cows. Clouds over south.

Sat 15th A sudden change in the weather 6' above 0 & a mighty wind. D.O. to Pittsfield for grates to the furnace. Levi goes over to Hancock put the grates in.

Sun 16th 1' below 0 coldest morning; calm Singing in the forenoon Laboring in the afternoon. B^r Geo Clark up; the Ministry brethren over. Union in the eve.

Mon 17th Some stormy. washing wheat & Levi goes to Canaan.

Tues 18th Some stormy washing & cleaning wheat grinding wheat for sale the 1st of the business Levi starts for Windsor

Wed 19th The first real snow storm of the season all the elders go to Canaan stay at the Woppe family, go down in a sleigh the first out. Cleaning wheat.

Thurs 20th Commence drawing wood from the Royce place Elders at the Lowe family.

Fri 21st Snowing splendid in the forenoon, making beautiful sleighing Elders return from Canaan.

Sat 22nd Cold day in the morning 10' above 0 at noon 5' above 0 at supper time about 0 a strong wind all day.

Charles takes the girls sleigh riding to Beget's hollow.

Sun 23rd Gift of the Yearly Sacrifice 15' below 0 in the morn Meeting in the afternoon. Union in the evening

December 1883

- Mon 24th A terrible stormy day wind & snow. The Canaan elders all up in the afternoon. Broke the road in afternoon to the Royce place.
- Tues 25th A lovely Christmas morning. Sang a song at the breakfast table. The elder sisters over south in the forenoon. Meeting in the afternoon. Reading in the evening.
- Wed 26th Beautiful morning. Elder Brethren over south. Margaret Gibson & her three children secede from the society. Charles to Hancock for wheat bran.
- Thurs 27th Mild Charles Greaves & Daniel Ray to Pittsfield with apples. rain in the afternoon. John & the men fixing the water pipe in the horse barn.
- Fri 28th The thaw has taken our awful cold Grinding wheat corn &c. The ice house all ready to get ice in.
- Sat 29th A lovely day 14° above 0 in the morning. The Men drawing straw. Robert Valentine returns the oats he borrowed all but 145 lbs. B^r George up.
- Sun 30th Very pleasant day. The brethren leaning to labor in the forenoon. Meeting in the afternoon. Union in the evening.
- Mon 31st Mild calm & cloudy. The Men drawing straw down to the valley.

- Tues 1st Pleasant day. The two hired men Wm Kelly & Geo Shigite working at the wood. The brethren in the shops &c. Sorting apples to take to Pittsfield. Drying lumber on the dock.
- Wed 2nd Stormy day The men commence to break the onion seed with flales. A very rainy time G H Cantrell paid \$1.50 for grinding corn. it snows some in the eve.
- Thurs 3rd John & Charles Beaves to Pittsfield with apples rather a cold time D. O. to work on the Music book. Brethren in the shops. The men at the wood.
- Fri 4th A fine cold day 8° above 0° John Beave to Pittsfield with 6 sisters & Edgar. Charles Donnett unwell he keeps his room all day. Augustus grinding corn ~~hay~~ oats &c. A young man arrives Harris is his name.
- Sat 5th A cold day 2° above 0° in the morning. D. O. at Music book & B^r George Clark up he brings back the ice tools. takes the Manifesto for Jan. The men at the wood. On Wed 2nd El Amos of Geo's family fell and broke his ankle a very sad affair.
- Sun 6th 11° below 0° at 5.30 A.M. But very calm. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon, B^r Thomas up with sisters & a Pittsfield female doctor. Union Meeting in the eve.
- Mon 7th Cold but very pleasant day preparing to get in ice get the road fowed & the ice plowed. In repair the steam pipes in the south little Titetun. &c & ^{to send home} Edward Metcalf
- Tues 8th Getting in ice some over 40 loads & splendid Henry's men helps & a general turn out. Stormy afternoon.
- Wed 9th Warm & raining ther 42° about noon. cold towards eve do not work at the ice got some wood in the cellar &c
- Thurs 10th Not cold enough to work at the ice in the forenoon plow it out anew in the afternoon I staid with Elder Amos last night The men at the wood.
- Fri 11th Finish up the ice business. hired John Dwyre paid him \$1.50 stormy in the afternoon. Charles Beaves out to Albany returns on the late train.
- Sat 12th Cold but pleasant, 4° above 0° Charles sorting apples The men at the wood Brethren in the shops. I fix the organ stool. &c Get St John goss over & stay with El Amos for the night. B^r George up he breaks the calking tool.

January 1884

Sun 13th No communication with Canaan. Cold & some stormy.
 Laboring in the afternoon Union in the eve.

Mon 14th

Tues 15th A pleasant winter day D. C. Thomas & 6 sisters go slight riding
 to Pittsfield. Charles & I went out peddling brooms.
 growing colder

Wed 16th A fine winter day Levi returns on the last train

Thurs 17th Cold day Charles preparing to take some brooms off the
 men threshing onion seed. & at the wood. Charles donnet
 some unwell.

Fri 18th A Beautiful day. Charles & Thommy out on a peddling
 trip with brooms they do splendid, sell all out take 5 bags of buck
 wheat but & bring home some flour.

Sat 19th A little stormy. El F. & Charles to Pittsfield. The men
 finish threshing the red onion seed the 1st time
 Brethren in the shops &c.

Sun 20th 6° above 0 But nice winter day The Ministry over
 and attend Meeting in forenoon go home after
 dinner. Singing in the afternoon. Union in
 the eve. Fair up towards night.

Mon 21st A cold morning 0° Charles drawing oats from the east
 farm. Taking the weights off the north silo. the men
 at the wood &c. El F. & D. D. Preparing to go to New York.

Tues 22nd El F. & Daniel start for New York on the morning train
 Levi returns to Hudson. The men at the wood.

Wed 23rd A company out sleighriding

Thurs 24th A company out sleighriding it snowed & then rained

Fri 25th Colder

Sat 26th 6° below 0. Daniel returns from New York leaving El F.
 to come next week.

Sun 27th A lovely winter day 7° above 0. Laboring in the forenoon
 The Canaan Singers up in the afternoon had a good
 meeting. B. Thomas came up.

- Mon 28th Charles & Augustus off peddling brooms. El. A. and Annie Wickes return on the afternoon train.
Stormy afternoon.
- Tue 29th Nothing special moving.
- Wed 30th Charles Price sent away B^r Geo Clark up Henry to Pittsfield with yoke cattle.
- Thurs 31st Very slippery. take the weights off the silo. C. G. gets the team shod Some rain.
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- Fri 1st Daniel Ray & Nelson & 4 sisters over to Pittsfield had a terrible cold ride home. some snow & a fierce wind. El. A. & D. O. over to the Ministrys shop
- Sat 2^d El. A. & Charles to Pittsfield The Men at the onion seed &c. B^r Thomas up.
- Sun 3^d Pleasant day No Meeting in the forenoon. The Ministry all over. B^r Thomas & Garrett up they stay to dinner. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 4th Mild. Garrett up here to dinner. he takes the Ministry brethren down to Canaan. Men at the wood.
- Tues 5th Rather stormy. the Ministry brethren over to talk over canaan affairs. Men at the onion seed.
- Wed 6th Rain Rain ^{in the afternoon about} Edgair finishes the wheat bins in the wood-house loft. Men at the seed &c.
- Thurs 7th Charles to Pittsfield Charles Donnet & two sisters go. The Ministry start for Waterwhet on the eve
- Thurs 7th Raining. heavy floods out west getting colder but it is a remarkable spell of weather. Men at the wood & seed. Brethren in the shop.
- Fri 8th Rain again & some sleet. Men at the onion seed. Brethren in the broom shop.
- Sat 9th Mild & a little rain the Men at the wood in the forenoon. Charles & Thorny off with brooms & eggs. El. A. over to the Seed family

February 1884

- Sun 10th Pleasant day. Laboring in the forenoon. The elders go down to South family Canaan & hold meeting. The ^{Canaan} North family come down. Meeting a little over 1 hour. Union in the eve.
- Mon 11th A little snow. Charles up north with brooms sells over 12 Dor. Salmon the harness maker from Richmond here let him have 2 bu apples & 25 lbs graham flour took pay in hame straps &c. he also took 3 Dor brooms. No 5 hual 2 dor No 5 Common 1 Dor.
B^r Thomas & Garrett up. have dinner & supper.
- Tues 12th Mild & some rain Charles preparing brooms for Pittsfield Heavy floods out west causing great suffering worse than last year The men at the wood &c.
- Wed 13th Mild. Charles to Pittsfield with brooms & eggs. heavy rain The men at the onion seed & wood, finished cutting the trees that were drawn down to the night pasture.
- Thurs 14th Very mild Mer 50° rain rain. The Center family elder sisters over on a visit. The men threshing onion seed. a big freshett on the flats. Terrible floods out west awful
- Fri 15th Cold windy day The Mer fell 34° since yesterday. Charles out to Albany & Fry home on the late train The Men drawing up the wheat & lumber from Windsor. B^r Geo up.
- Sat 16th Beautiful day. The men finished drawing up the lumber El. F. & John Greaves to Canaan. B^r then in the shop &c.
- Sun 17th Rather a pleasant day but the roads are rather dangerous so the Canaan people do not come up. Singing. Meeting in the forenoon, laboring in the afternoon, Union in the eve.
- Mon 18th A little rain Singular weather. The Men drawing the straw from the grain barn, took some below the hill some in the horse barn & some in the yard. Geo Slighter broke his fork tine driving the bull.
- Tues 19th Eldress A. Sister A. & Olive out to Albany. El. F. & Charles to Pittsfield. The Men dug out the road up to the east family. Very Mild. Mer 44°
- Wed 20th Stormy day Hail, rain, snow & blow awful. The Sisters return on the Morning train Levi on the afternoon. The men cleaning the cattle &c. (Cold)

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Thurs 21st The Men at the onion seed.

Nothing special moving. The men drawing the walls that were split in the cord pasture to the fence in the lot beyond the young orchard.

Fri 22nd A lovely day. The men drawing manure out of the cattle shed on the flats.

Sat 23rd Stormy day rain & snow. Levi Starts for Windsor. The men at the onion seed. I was sorting apples in the afternoon. Growing colder a terrible wind.

Sun 24th 6° above 0° The Lower family up to Laboring in the forenoon, the upper family up in the afternoon had singing meeting. Cove Union Meeting.

Mon 25th Charles leaves for Pittsfield. I went over in the village to see about getting the cattle shod & B^r Gease up to see the Chk water wheel. he brought up 2 bags of wheat to be ground.

Tues 26th Stormy day. Elder Giles here. The men at the onion seed. Henry Clough over about music. Brethren in the broom shop here &c

Wed 27th El A. & Charles over to Pittsfield they engage boiler and engine. Send off the last music for the new book. B^r George Clark up with a load of Sisters sleigh-riding. The paper man here from Pittsfield.

Thurs 28th Stormy day snow & sleet. Loaded the boiler engine & c ready to take to Pittsfield. The red cattle shod yesterday & the white ones to-day.

Fri 29th Cold day 12° below 0° and an awful wind. about as tedious a day as we have had this winter. Charles, horses shod. Every body stays at home. El Amos very low. Water pipes frozen in the bath room at 2 house & in John Shaw's room. Settled with Wm Kelly for February.

Sat 1st of March An awful cold day 0° in the Mon and cold all day. Charles out to Albany & Troy. home on the late train. The men at the barn in the forenoon. Settled with Ges Slighter for February. he is not here in the afternoon.

Settled The Blacksmith bill \$ 5.75 & mistake on brass \$ 5.50.

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- Sun 2^d Zero in the morning. B^c Geo up after breakfast
No Meeting in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon.
A most beautiful day but cold. Eve Union Meeting
- Mon 3^d A lovely winter day 7° above 0. The Men got in wood
broke the road & drew manure. John G. & Horace
to Canaan for apple tree butts. Charles Guase and
James M. Nish to Pittsfield. Francis Cass up.
Ann Offord fell in the lower hall when in
the act of hanging up her cloak, and fractured
her right wrist. Geo Smart set it.
- Tues 4th About zero again John & Horace getting apple
wood from Canaan. Rather cold to draw manure
- Wed 5th 8° above 0 cold day Drawing manure & carding the
cattle also going over them again with Trowers oil
to kill the lice. Garrett up
- Thur 6th More mild. Charles takes several old harnesses
over to Richmond to get repaired, takes eggs
to Pittsfield. Sengage & yoke of cattle of Clinton
to help move the old bleech house tomorrow.
The men drawing manure & clearing the way so
as to move the old bleech house on the morrow.
- Fri 7th Cold & Cloudy drawing manure. sent off a case
of shirts. A man here from Troy to see the boiler &
engine we used in the barn. We moved the old bleech
house out north into the sand knol lot or rather
the lot west; it took 5 yoke of cattle.
E. P. & Charles go to Pittsfield after dinner.
Elder Amos. departed this life this afternoon
after 9 week & 2 days of suffering.
- Sat 8th Rain in the morning & snow. The men sweeping
down cobwebs at the barn &c about 11 A.M. Charles
John & Horace start for Pittsfield with the old boiler
and to get the engine that was engaged Get home
about 5.30.
- Sun 9th Stormy day. Singing in the forenoon. Attended the
funeral of Elder Amos at Center family; Meeting
about 2 hours. A very good Meeting. He is buried in the U.S. & M.
Union in the evening. The storm increases snow & wind

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- Mon 10th The greatest snow storm of the season; growing colder. The men carding the cattle, breaking roads &c. Cleaning off the engine & preparing to set up the boiler.
- Tues 11th Charles Greaves, John Greaves & Horace over to Pittsfield; they take about 50 bu of Lewis wheat to get it floured. They bring back the boiler &c. Growing milder, preparing to rain; it commenced in the eve. A great rain in the night.
- Wed 12th I never saw the snow go off any faster. John, Charles & Swan, Henry also over to Pittsfield. They take over 50 bu more wheat. They will not take a smaller grist than 100 bu, bring home wheel &c &c to boiler & engine. A young man here that we engage for 7 months at \$6.00 from the 1st of April. More rain about noon. Growing colder.
- Thurs 13th A lovely morning 2° of frost. C. G. Augustus & Geo M. Nisb over to Pittsfield for flour &c 10 bbls of potatoes taken to the cow barn for feeding.
- Fri 14th Charles & Swan to Pittsfield. Ed H. and B. Geo Clark also. Levi returns on the afternoon train. The Ministry brethren over nearly all the forenoon. Rainy afternoon.
- Sat 15th Snow in the forenoon. Charles to Pittsfield. The Ministry brethren over pretty soon after breakfast.
- Sun 16th Some snow. Meeting in the forenoon. All the Ministry over in the afternoon. Evng Union Meeting.
- Mon 17th Some colder. Levi back to Windsor Via Boston. Charles to Pittsfield. Ed 4 dies starts for Alfred Me. Ed Otis not expected to live. Sent proof back by express.
- Tues 18th The men drawing manure. Send copy &c by express which does not leave here till 4.20 P.M. arriving in New York the next A.M.; which is very nice indeed, the mail the same.
- Wed 19th Stormy day especially in the afternoon. Funeral of sister Polly Ann Taylor of 2^d family, 4 brethren & 6 sisters attend; a very good meeting lasting 1 1/2 & 35 M. Ed Otis' death announced.
- Thurs 20th Stormy day. John G. to Pittsfield about shaft to drive wood splitter in the wood-house. Daniel to Canaan with Ed Daniel Boker & the Ministry Sisters. The Men sorting potatoes.

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- Fri 21st A very spring like day. Charles to Pittsfield. I engage Albert Pepp to go in the cottage with Geo. Stettin is, but guess I have made a mistake. Thomas Donovan here to see about engaging. El F and James McNish on the west hill. The Men drawing Manure in the forenoon, in the wood-house in the afternoon.
- Sat 22nd Soft weather the roads getting very bad. Levi returns on the morning train. Garret up in the eve. El F. & James McNish over to the school which closes today.
- Sun 23rd A mild day. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Garret up in the afternoon, and Andrew also. Union in the evening.
- Mon 24th Mild day. The splitting machine set up in the wood house last week commenced using it this afternoon it works splendid. Levi to Canaan in company with El Daniel Bole and Benjamin Gates in the forenoon. Levi starts for Windsor in the afternoon. D. O. to Canaan upper family to see about their oven &c &c.
- Tues 25th A lovely spring day. G. to Pittsfield. The Men and two boys at the wood. Send the last page of Music to the publisher, Wm A Bond of New York. El F. buys of King a bull & heifer.
- Wed 26th A rainy disagreeable day sawed & split 2 loads of wood. The men at the potatoes, and shoveling saw dust at the mill.
- Thurs 27th Rain most of the day. El F & Co working preparing to set out some evergreen trees. Sawing apple tree plank, sorting potatoes cleaning up the Wood-house lofts & B^g Geo up.
- Fri 28th Pleasant day El F, the hired men & boys & John Greaves & Horace, move the evergreens from the nursery to the Sisters walk. Charles G out to Albany Hudson & I working over the pattern for the oven at the upper family. Garret up with a man from Oriskany.
- Sat 29th A very mild day. Mer near 60°. The roads are in a horrible condition. Charles returns on the afternoon train. Sawing & splitting wood. The boom makes not out yet.

Sun 30th A terribly windy day & a fearful change in the weather from about 50° yesterday afternoon to 10° above Oth's Man. with the fiercest wind this winter or spring was enough. Reading in the forenoon, in the dining room.

El A. & Charles to Canaan in the afternoon stay all night. Laboring meeting at home. Union in the eve.

Mon 31st Cold morning 18° frost. Sisters Anna, Olive & Eliza out to Albany on the morning train; home on the late train. The Ministry brethren over in the forenoon

X to inform us of their decision about the Canaan, S. F. El A. & Charles return about 10 A.M. Send proof of music.

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A lovely day. Lewis Conant commences work he came yesterday; is engaged for 7 months if he suits us at \$20.00. Charles out to Brainard's Bridge to move Albert Kipp into the cottage where Geo Pligter has been; who moves over to the South family. El A. & Nelson to Pittsfield. B. Geo & the elder sisters here.

The broom makes out at the wood &c. Charles Dorset whitewashing Nurses shop & dairy.

Wed 2nd A little fluy of snow last night. Start on the wood business but it storms so about 11. they quit. Sorting potatoes &c. The Shirt shop whitewashed. Snowing splendid.

Thurs 3rd The greatest snow storm this season. Washing wheat sorting potatoes &c &c. El A. and Charles to Pittsfield; start after dinner, get home before supper.

Fri 4th The snow & blow continues pretty much all day; the roads drifting badly. Sorting potatoes. Albert Kipp commences work. Start drawing manure in the afternoon. Charles & Swan drawing sugar &c from the depot.

Sat 5th The storm still continues, more or less all day. Swan & the men drawing manure most of the day. Charles to Pittsfield he takes the windows back to Merrill; they not being the right thickness; he had all he could do to get over the Mountain. I go to the depot twice for proof of music but fail every time.

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- Sun 6th A very pleasant day. Singing in the forenoon, labouring in the afternoon. Union in the eve. All quiet at home. Nothing special at home going on. The snow melted a little.
- Mon 7th A lovely cool day. Drawing manure on sleds. Daniel starts for New York via Albany, on the 11.30 train from New Lebanon.
- Tues 8th A lovely day. Drawing manure, house cleaning, &c &c
- Wed 9th A terrible day in New York; rain & wind, not so stormy at home; teams drawing manure.
- Thurs 10th About 6 in of snow fell last night loading all the trees in the most lovely manner. Daniel arrives from New York via Albany on the Morning train. Sisters Anna, Moriah, & Celestia out to Albany on the A.M. train return on the 4.20. Cleaning the kitchen. Sorting potatoes
- Fri 11th A terrible sloppy duty time. John & Charles to Pittsfield. Levi returns on the Morning train. Sorting potatoes & putting them in the fruit house. House cleaning.
- Sat 12th The potatoes all sorted and most of them put up in the fruit house. Levi to Canaan. A lovely day, the roads drying some. The south sides of the silos plastered. Some whitewashing done in the stone barn about the silos yesterday. El Giles over to say that no one would attend El Pedelico's funeral.
- Sun 13th A lovely day. No Meeting in the forenoon. Labouring in the afternoon, Union in the eve. Nothing special moving.
- Mon 14th A lovely Morning. Made the hot beds, cleaned the straw away from the wash-hose doors, to work at the wood &c. Send proof to Wm A Pond & Co by express prepaid. Teams drawing lumber in the afternoon.

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- Tues 15th Cloudy, raw windy day. Finished drawing up the lumber.. to work at the wood. The little horse shod. House cleaning going on. Cut some sewers.
- Wed 16 Mild & pleasant most of the time a little thunder and a little rain. The men to work at the wood break one table clean off. Charles & Daniel Ray to Pittsfield. El F. & Co white washing trees. D.O. cut more sion between
- Thurs 17th Sistes house cleaning No steam at noon the first time this season Thomas & Co to work at the tree washing them. The men at the wood took Wm Thomas 20 bu of potatoes.
- Fri 18th Cloudy and some rain. The men at the wood. Thomas & Co washing trees. Cleaned up some wheat rolled the lawn &c. Ira Lawson over. Elders Antonette quite unwell.
- Sat 19th Cloudy & Cool. El F. and Charles to Pittsfield. Tree washing going on. The men to work at the wood. The boys digging the pear yard.
- Sun 20th Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve. Elders dangerously sick; no communication with Canaan.
- Mon 21st A fine day got the cattle shod preparatory to drawing up coal. The men at the wood. Withren at the trees &c &c.
- Tues 22nd All the teams drawing up coal. Henry let's one of men take his team. The last of the proof to the Music book; Sent it back in the afternoon. Daniel O. starts for Windsor to bring home team.
- Wed 23rd All the teams drawing coal. D.O. arrives at Midda
- Thur 24th Teams drawing coal. Lovely weather. D.O. leaves Windsor for Mt Lebanon with Frank & Jim. the old team.
- Fri 25 Splendid weather D.O. Staid at Sidney last night. tonight at Angland
- Sat 26th Beautiful ^{day} D.O. reaches Schoharie.
- Sun 27th Very warm D.O. arrives at Waterlot between 3 & 4 P.M.
- Mon 28th D.O. Gets home a little after 7 P.M. all right. Finished drawing the coal & prepared the 1st garden for sowing.

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- Tues 29th Rather cold looks like snow Putting in oats on the west hill. Planted the hen yard to potatoes. sowed some 60 rows of onions in the 1st garden.
- Wed 30th Preparing the land out north for sowing. starting to plow the north garden. El A & Co grafting &c.
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- Thurs 1st A lovely day. Start the plowing out of the parsneps. El A & two sisters up to the springs. Sowed Barley by the side of the road where we had potatoes.
- Fri 2nd Beautiful day but in the morning it looked like rain, finished plowing out the parsneps & set out rows across the north garden on the west side next the road. Commenced setting the red onions in the north garden west side. George St John Seccles. goes down to the flats.
- Sat 3rd Cool, but fine. Setting onions in the north garden 4 men & 2 brethren on the Mountain fencing. the same company there yesterday. Wm Thomas cuts his foot badly with an axe he has to be carried home.
- Sun 4th A lovely morning. Laboring in the forenoon. A. company of singers &c. to Canaan in the afternoon Union in the eve.
- Mon 5th Cloudy and a little rain. Charles & Co putting up brooms. The men working over the hen compost. Elder A. and Augustus to Canaan to do some grafting. Finished setting the red onions; all put on the west side of the north garden.
- Tues 6th Cool morning & cloudy El A. & Augustus to Canaan El A. stays all night. Finished setting out ~~out~~ the yellow onions in the north garden east side 10 rows. Rainy afternoon. The men shelling corn. Ivan splitting wood &c.
- Wed 7th Rainy a good part of the day & quite cool. The men finished working over the hen compost; one of them helping John at the mill. Clearing up wheat & moving it to the new bins in the woodhouse. James Mc Nish & his two boys start for Sutton via Canaan depot. They were here about 6 months. Looking over the final proof of the music.

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- Fri 16th Pleasant day The potatoe ground ready for planting, Cultivated the Raspberries, Strawberries & Parsneps. Some rain in the forenoon. Sawing wood & Levi over to Hancock. The failure of Fish & Hatch announced in the Tribune.
- Sat 17th Levi starts for Windsor. El. A. & Co at Canaan Planting potatoes get about half the field planted. A great variety of weather. hail, rain, snow, & sleet. Cloudy & Sunshine. very cool Wm Shumway finishes up with the windows & blinds and takes his bench & tool home.
- Sun 18th A lovely cool morning quite a frost on the flats. Ruby McClair, Miras girl at Canaan South Family deceased last eve between 7 & 8. Singing in the forenoon Laboring in the afternoon, Union in the eve.
- Mon 19th A lovely day; finished planting potatoes, the main crop. El. A. & Co Grafting at Canaan. Albert Ripp not here in the forenoon. A visitor here came last Sat. A German.
- Tues 20th The warmest morning 60° in the morning 74° at noon. Finished plowing the cabin garden seeded a strip at the west end, and also sowed a little Minnesota spring wheat called Scotch Rife. Joseph S England gave it. started planting beans in the lot west of the sand Knoll lot. very showery in the afternoon. El. A. gets thro' grafting at Canaan.
- Wed 21st Cool Morning. El. A. & Charles to Pittsfield. Planting beans. plowing for corn in the Upper cabin lot.
- Thurs 22^d A lovely day finished planting beans, 31 rows of White in the lot west of the sand Knoll making about 3/4 of an acre on this land we put 400 lbs of Mitchells head cast, & 24 bbls of hen compost. in the lower cabin lot, west end 35 row white, and at the east end 20 row of Yellow @ weeks; hen compost used entirely;

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- Fri 23rd Finished planting the Hubbard squash, we have planted 10 rows with $\frac{1}{2}$ a pail of hen compost and a very small handful of Mitchell's fertilizer; these are 8 feet apart; then 9 rows between, in the center of the space with a good handful of fertilizer. Commenced planting sweet corn. C. S. to Cuman depot.
- Sat 24th A very heavy thunder storm last night. Cleaned out the boiler cellar, and the flue under the house. Ground horse feed, got straw in the horse barn. Commenced cleaning the manure from under the sheds. Finished planting sweet corn. Charles to Pittsfield brings home a hoghead of molasses. Very hot day.
- Sun 25th Cool cloudy morning. Singing in the forenoon. Walked out in the afternoon. The Upper family came up & walked with us a very pleasant time. Love Union Meeting.
- Mon 26th Cloudy. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield. Commenced drawing out manure from the yards. Cultivating & weeding onions &c. Hired an Irish man for this week \$1.00 a day.
- Tues 27th A lovely day. Teams drawing out manure commenced plowing the 1st meadow where we are drawing the manure, & are going to put corn, & corn fodder. Weeding onions &c.
- Wed 28th Raining day, clearing the manure from under the sheds &c. Sinking onion seed, cleaning the apple cellar. Mending harness &c. The Ministry Returns. Steam in the eve.
- Thurs 29th A big frost in the morning, an awful cold day. finished weeding the onions. teams drawing out manure from the yards.
- Fri 30th 6th of frost in morning, Awful. Great cleanup done. Marion Hovey returns to her father. Teams drawing manure & put a bag of fertilizer on the onion bed.
- Sat 31st A lovely day. Nelson to Pittsfield with eggs. Sisters Anna, Fanny & Mary start for Enfield Ct. Teams plowing & drawing out manure &c. Planted about 1 acre of yellow corn at the lower end of the 1st meadow.

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- Sun 1st A lovely day. Steam in the morning. Laboring in the forenoon. Elders A & a company of singest Canaan in the afternoon. had a pleasant time. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 2nd A lovely day. Dred out the manure from the horse barn in the forenoon commenced from the cow barn vault Plowing harrowing &c. Albat Kijap concludes to leave moves his things. Sisters Anna & Fanny return.
- Tues 3rd A very warm day. Finish drawing the manure from the cow barn vault. Plowing & harrowing. Heavy thunder & rain up north.
- Wed 4th A very warm day. Preparing for sheep shearing. Drawing manure, plowing & harrowing. Commenced sowing the corn fodder in the 1st meadow.
- Thurs 5th Hot day Shearing commenced. Steam drawing manure plowing &c. Sowing corn. The south garden plowed again.
- Fri 6th Very warm. Shearing going on finely. E. G. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield. Finished drawing & spreading the manure on the corn fodder lot and also finished plowing & planting have sowed about 5 bu of seed or one bu to the acre.
- Sat 7th Hot & dry. Finished shearing. Set out tomatoes in the cabin lot. Cultivating the corn land D. O. up to Hoosac Falls to see about reaper. Elders Abigail Crossman of Groveland and Elders Matilda of the Chh here.
- Sun 8th A very hot day Mer in the morn 76° The Canaan people up to laboring meeting in the forenoon. No Meeting in the afternoon Reading in the eve.
- Mon 9th Cultivating the corn & hoeing it out conclude to cultivate part of it up & sow corn fodder. W. A. Wood's Light harvester arrives

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Tues 10th Cultivating & hoing setting out tomatoes. The man arrives from Hoosier to set up the harvester. 26 Music Books arrive by express all leather bound.

Wed 11th Set up the Harvester & run it some in the dooryard. The men cut some the rye in the rock garden. Sowed corn fodder, set out tomatoes, cultivating and hoing Charles & Daniel Anson to Pittsfield got \$7.00 of cabbage plants of B. Thomas.

Thurs 12th A cloudy drizzly day, setting up the reaper, composting hen manure, setting out cabbages in the 1st garden; filling in the tomatoes &c &c.

Fri 13th Friday the most lovely day. Started the reaper and it works splendid. It only missed one bundle in the whole binding; Cut the rye all down in the Rock garden over 5 acres, and brought the machine home. It was simply wonderful. Started the fire under the boiler in the barn after dinner, & dried in 12 loads & cut up 9 of them.

Sat 14th A fine cool day finished cutting up the Rye, mowed the new seeded clover, & got that into the silo. The upper carrier bothered some & will need a little different adjusting. The Reaper agent returned on the early train.

Sun 15th A lovely cool morning Min 44° Had steam singing in the forenoon. El A & a company of brethren & sisters go to Canaan & hold Meeting Union in the eve.

Mon 16th A very warm day. Mowed the dooryard & nursery, round the brick shop &c; cut it & put it in the silo & weighted it.

417 Music books arrived. Charles to Pittsfield.

Tues 17th A very hot day watered the young cabbages & tomatoes. Staking onions, hoing beans &c commenced plowing the rock garden for corn fodder. Two women & two girls arrive.

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- Wed 18th Hot day everything drying up. El Geo Wilder called before breakfast. Hoing beans, plowing, cultivating, sowed 38 rows of corn fodder on the east side of the North Garden. Employed John Dwyer for 4 months at \$22.00 per month. El F. to the Spring. Henry to Canaan.
- Thurs 19th Preparing the Rock garden for corn fodder. sowed about 50 bbls of hen compost on the east side and 1200 lbs of fertilizer on the west side. commenced drilling in the corn with the grain drill taking but every other row.
- Fri 20th Finished drilling in the corn. Sold the Potatoes. took them to the depot 192 bu and 40 lbs amounting to \$77.07 El F. & Charles to Pittsfield.
- Sat 21st A very hot day cultivating the potatoes. Watered the cabbages & some tomatoes. Sowed the cottage garden to corn fodder. In the afternoon a company of 8 brethren go down to whittings ponds. Levi returns on the 4.22 train.
- Sun 22nd A very pleasant morning. Singing in the forenoon. labouring in the afternoon. Union in the evening. Nothing special moving.
- Mon 23rd Cooler in the morning. Cultivating potatoes corn & Levi to Canaan Charles to Canaan corners with wheels to have the tires set. The man here fixing up the track for the horse fork in the horse barn.
- Tues 24th Cloudy morning. Francis Underwood returned last night. El F. takes him to Canaan Upper family. Cultivating, hoing &c Levi starts for Windsor on the A.M. train. A splendid thunder shower in the eve soaking the ground splendid.
- Wed 25th Cloudy filling in the tomatoe ground hoing corn potatoes &c. El F. & Daniel Fraser start for New York via Hudson. The printers go to thro here.

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- Thurs 26th Plowing on the road one team in the forenoon. Hands, carts teams & c. on the road after dinner. Sawn wood & cleared up the bush in the forenoon. Took 2 loads of wood to W^m Kelly & 2 up to the barn.
- Fri 27th Hands & c. on the road in the forenoon. Cultivating potatoes corn & c. in the afternoon. Charles to Pittsfield. The music books all arrive.
- Sat 28th A lovely day. The Harvard Ministry here, Col John Whiteley. Elders Eliza Babbitt & Elders Moriah Hilling potatoes cultivating hoing & c. Preparing to set out celery in the 1st garden. Col A. and Daniel Fraser arrived home on the morning train. A woman, girl & boy arrived on the 4:30 train from Wilmington Del.
- Sun 29th A splendid day. Laboring in the forenoon. Singers to Canaan in the afternoon. Elders J. goes down in the forenoon. Eve Union Meeting.
- Mon 30th Cultivating. The corn sowed on the rye stubble in the Rock garden does not come. Cultivating the ground over again preparatory to sowing again. Hilled the potatoes.
- Tues 1st July. Drilled the corn in the Rock Garden. sowed about 3 pecks of the white southern along the east wall, the remainder of the field sown with our own common yellow corn. Cultivating & hilling corn & c.
- Wed 2nd A very hot day. Cultivating onions beans corn & c. Charles to Canaan depot & comes for Henry's waggon & c. Max in Paris Green. Charles to Pittsfield in the afternoon. Thunder all round but no rain here.
- Thurs 3rd O. O. & 5 sisters to Pittsfield. Col A. & Co to Canaan. Paris greening the potatoes, hoing beans corn & c. Settled with the men.
- Fri 4th The glorious fourth; all the men off. Putting the rakes & c. in order for haying hoing corn fodder & c. A splendid rain in the evening and night without any thunder or lightning.

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- Sat 5th El A & Co up to the springs. Sawed up the slabs into boiler wood. Ground some horse feed. set out cabbages to fill out the ground. hoing corn fodder. A very heavy showers in the eve & towards sabbath morning.
- Sun 6th A lovely day. Singing in the forenoon Reading in the afternoon. Sitting in the evening Willie Vines up in the afternoon.
- Mon 7th Cloudy & cool. Ann & Martha out to Albany. Hoing corn fodder, cabbages &c. Charles G. up north on a broom expedition up north. makes out poorly. Charles Donnet unwell. We let the north end of the cottage for \$3.00 per month for 3 months to Mrs. McGurn.
- Tues 8th Cool & cloudy. Some rain occasionally. Charles, Horace, & two sisters over the mountain. Cultivated the potatoes, hoing corn fodder &c. Bought a new fan mill for \$25.00 for it. Henry also bought one for the same price.
- Wed 9th Windy. Cultivating & hoing. Preparing to go to haying. A man here to buy a water mow. Sold Heusted 1 bu of potatoes 40 ct.
- Thurs 10th Nice day. Commenced mowing in the horse pasture & spencer lot. Sowed turneps seed among the corn fodder. Daniel Ray & 3 sisters off for Lake Placid.
- Fri 11th Finished mowing the horse pasture & spencer lot. Charles G. & Charles D. to Pittsfield commenced putting the old strawberry bed in order. Sold the cows
W. H. H. H. H.
- Sat 12th Rather dull in the forenoon. Heavy showers in the afternoon commencing about noon. We all staid from dinner & got in 5 small loads of hay from the spencer lot splendid horse hay. The Ohio Ministry here had a very good visit with them. Sold one of the horse calves to Heusted for \$10.00
- Sun 13th Raining in the forenoon Singing Meeting Labing in the afternoon. Union in the eve. Some showery in the afternoon.

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Mon 14th Cold & Cloudy. No hay in to day; finished
haying out the strawberry bed got the hay into
cock. Charles G. Nelson & Augustus to Pittsfield
they bring home a new horse rake.

Tues 15th Got in 4 small loads of hay; mowed & cocked
the grass in the 2^d meadow & mowed in the
Sand Knoll lot. El A. & Charles G. up north.
They return on the evening trains 7.9 & 8.25.

Wed 16th Agent here packing up harvester & binder
got in 7 loads of hay from the sand Knoll
lot & 2^d meadow the lightest crop we ever cut.
The Grand Mother & cousin of Swan here.

Thurs 17th Mowing in the cabin lot. El A. over to
Hancock. Sold the old champion Mower
yesterday for \$12.00. brought home 2 W.D.W.
mowers from the springs depot. Swans folks return.

Fri 18th A fine fair morning but cool. The best
hay day of the season got in 9 loads. Took
the 2 mowers back to the springs depot & sent
them back with the reaper.

Sat 19th Hot & Cloudy, heavy shower after dinner.
2 loads of hay in. Brought up the New Champion
Mower from the depot. Edgar Norton moves to 2 family

Sun 20th A lovely cool morning. Laboring in the forenoon.
The Canaan people up. Singing in the afternoon.
Reading in the eve.

Mon 21st Dull in the morning. picking peas &c
Mowed the remainder of the lot west of the
sand Knoll got in 6 loads in the afternoon.

Tues 22^d Rain in the forenoon setting up the
reaper. cocked the hay. but got none in.
Over to see Clark. did a little mowing.
splitting boiler wood &c &c.

El A. & Charles to Pittsfield on Monday. we
brought up the mowers & reaper from the depot

Wed 23^d Very good hay day; heavy thunder storm about 5.30.
got in 8 loads of hay. Mowed the lot west of the
cabin lot & cocked it. start mowing next the
Royce Place. Charles Donnet takes charge of Kitchen Garden.

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- Thurs 24th A splendid drying day. The hay dried out fine & we got in 13 loads into the horse barn. Thomas fell off the front end of the waggon & the front wheel went right over his thigh right near the abdomen. out very late supper at 8.30.
- Fri 25th Rain last night & this morning, but a good day finished mowing out north and got in 7 loads.
- Sat 26th A splendid day finished up haying out north 2 load to day. 63 loads in all. Two teams mown at the Royce Place. He help him get it in in the afternoon. Two men cut round the wheat field. Levi returns on the 4.22 train. No Meeting.
- Sun 27th Cool & Cloudy in the morning. ~~Labouring~~ in the forenoon reading. Afternoon El A & 3 sisters to Canaan. At home labouring meeting. Eve-union meeting. Rain in the eve Garet called.
- Mon 28th Starts on the west hill to cut & ~~spread~~ the wheat it is very light. The elder sisters and Martha Ann & Sarah came out to Albany.
- Tues 29th Rainy morning. El A. & Charles to Pittsfield. Raining all day. Sisters return on the 4.22 train. Splitting wood, grinding wheat. disinfecting under the kitchen floor. &c. &c.
- Wed 30th Cool & Cloudy Finished cutting the wheat Sawn up some kindling, picking up stone. Start mowing on the Mountain.
- Thurs 31st Commenced digging potatoes in the hen yard. Charles to Pittsfield with them. 5 bbls 2.50 per bbl. Mowing on the Mountain. rain so we got none in.
- Aug 1st A lovely day cleared the east side of the ditch & below the road 6 loads. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield with potatoes, 25 bu 75cts per bu.
- Sat 2nd Fine morning. Finished haying on the Mountain. 11 loads all told. Charles took some potatoes up to the spring. sold 5 bu or so.

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Sun 3^d Beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. Sitting meeting in the afternoon; some visitors attend. B^r Geo & 3 sisters up from Canaan. Union in the eve.

Mon 4th Cloudy, heavy thunder storm in the afternoon. Got in 9 loads of wheat. dug some potatoes. Started threshing the wheat.

Tues 5th Close & Cloudy. Charles & D R to ~~Leicester~~ ^{Pittsfield} with chickens, potatoes & eggs. Threshing the wheat 78 bu from 7 loads. Got in 4 loads of raskings &c in the afternoon. Some rain.

Wed 6th Charles & I went to Pittsfield with potatoes. Digging potatoes in the morning. threshing wheat threshed out 36 bu They took 26 bu of potatoes got 66³/₄ bu. Commenced mowing in the valley. Fin: see getting the wheat raskings.

Thurs 7th Cloudy & cool. Charles cut a piece of oats for Henry. Locked the hay in the valley. Finished threshing the wheat 142 bu all told.

Harry Erb, Mother & sister arrive. also a young man, a Poleander. El F on the Mountain. Fri 8th A splendid day Haying in the valley; got 7 loads from the two acres that was plowed up. 13 loads in all got in. Cut the two small pieces of barley & oats out north. El F on the mountain to meet Ira to see about selling some wood & timber, & making fence.

Sat 9th Pleasant day cut the oats on the west hill bound & stood them up. Got in the barley out north beside the road 3 loads. Harry's Mother Sally Erb and sister unite.

Sun 10th Rainy Morning. Singing in the forenoon. Labbing in the afternoon. Union in the eve.

Mon 11th Rainy morning. Threshed out the barley from side of the road 44 bu the raskings to come. Charles & Horace to Pittsfield with potatoes 30 bu. Commenced cutting & binding the oats & barley in the pond lot. Threshed Got in the raskings of the barley.

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- Got in the
 hay & oats
 from the
 Pond lot
 12th
- Tues 12th Pleasant morning threshed out the barley raking
 on all told. Mowing in the valley. Reaping
 & binding on the hill cocked the hay in the valley
- Wed 13th Dull in the forenoon. Haying full force in the
 valley. got in 17 loads out rather late.
- Thurs 14th A lovely day. Got the oats in from the west
 hill 6 small loads. Haying in the valley got
 in 8 loads. Cut down the 1st large land
 it is rather light. El F. & Co building fence in the N.O.
- Fri 15th Beautiful morning El F. & Co at the fence
 in the north orchard. Haying in the valley
 Finished mowing with the machines. got in
 16 loads.
- Sat 16th A Splendid day A slight sprinkle & a little thunder
 in the afternoon. Finished haying. got in 19 loads
 brought home 5. 73 loads from the valley
 all told. 74 loads at home total number 147
 The smallest crop of hay for some years. Lost a
 cow calving.
- Sun 17th A lovely morning. El F. Elders A. & Co to Ca
 naan. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in
 the afternoon. Union in the eve.
- Mon 18th A very hot day. Mer 90° and no breeze. Charles
 and 3 sisters to Pittsfield. Got the oats in from
 the Pond lot (9 loads of bundles) and from out north
 2 loads. Mowed the clover in the sand knoll lot.
 El F. & Co making fence in the north orchard.
- Tues 19th A lovely warm morning. Putting up the wool
 Got in 4 splendid loads of hay from the clover
 patches in the sand knoll lot. 1 load of hay
 from the pond lot & the oat rakkings, also
 2 loads of oats from the east farm. The 4 loads
 of hay got in to day makes the total number of
 loads 152. A splendid shower over east.
- Wed 20th Hot day. Raked Henry's oat field at the east
 farm & got them in 1 load. Took off the hay
 raggings and commenced throwing the manure
 from under the sheds in the valley. El F. & Charles
 to Pittsfield with chickens. Hoing tomatoes &c.

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Thurs 21st Cloudy pleasant day. I go to Canaan to help them about their oven. E. F. Daniel Ray John Greaves & Co tap the water pipe in the night pasture and set a tub. The men getting the manure from under the sheds in the valley & getting off the stumps from the meadow.

Fri 22nd Warm & pleasant with a most beautiful rain in the afternoon. D. O. to Canaan about their oven; stays all night. Charles to Pittsfield with hooms. The men getting out stumps in the valley.

Sat 23rd A lovely day. The men getting out stumps. the oven going up slowly but surely.

Sun 24th Cool morning. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.

Mon 25th Three teams start plowing on the west hill D. O. to Canaan about the oven.

Tues 26th Rain, a splendid rain but too much wind it blew over some of the corn fodder. D. O. at Canaan.

Wed 27th A lovely day. Teams drawing bran from Hancock & plowing on the west hill. The oven finished & a fire started it draws 1st rate. Charles to Pittsfield; his team runs away breaking both whiffletrees & pole; lamed one horse but he not hurt.

Thurs 28th Beautiful day three teams plowing. Charles to Hancock. Levi returned home yesterday. D. O. to the springs to see ticket agent about excursion.

Fri 29th Rainy morning. Excursion postponed. Charles to Pittsfield for peaches. Shelling corn. Augustus laying over the floor on the north side of cow barn.

Sat 30th Pleasant warm day. teams plowing D. O. & L. G. to Canaan get 20 bu of rye. Heavy rain in the evening with thunder.

Sun 31st Beautiful morning. Laboring meeting in the forenoon. Singers to Canaan in the afternoon. Eve Union Meeting

September 1884

- Mon 1st A lovely day teams plowing & harrowing
Levi starts for Windsor. Funeral of
Sister Jane Blanchard at Chh. A company
of Brethren & sisters attend.
- Tues 2^d A Beautiful day. Load the fertilizer on
the rye lot 11 bags. Commence drilling in the
rye.
- Wed 3rd A splendid day. A company of 6 brethren &
9 sisters go on an excursion to Rhinebeck
have a very satisfactory time. Charles finishes
drilling in the rye.
- Thurs 4th Beautiful day Charles & D.A. to Pittsfield
take the wheels of the ox truck to Canaan
Cros to get tire set. Ship the old wheel of
the manure spreader. Digging potatoes round
the gardens &c. Borrow Oppen family's M.S.
- Fri 5th Hot day. El A & 3 brethren with 4 sisters & 5
girls go out riding to Lancaster & Pittsfield.
Finished pulling the beans. Digging the
potatoes round the borders &c. At 9 A.M.
an alarm of fire was sounded from
the Chh. it was in the old dairy of the
Sec order. A sister Harriet Morrow was
melting some beeswax & turpentine, it
took fire setting the building on fire
and burning her so that she died at 9 P.M.
Had it not been for their reservoir the pro-
bability is that a large part of their premises
would have been destroyed.
- Sat 6th Finished cutting the onion seed.
B^r Andrew Parrot & a brother from Shirley
here. Got in the old pea vines.
Wm Kelly spreading manure on the meadow.
- Sun 7th A close hot day. Laboring in the fore-
noon B^r Andrew & Lorenz attend
In the afternoon a company of about 12 brethren
and 9 sisters attended the funeral of Harriet
Morrow. Some remarks not very pleasant.
Many of the world present. Love Union.

- Mon 8th Hot day, shower in the evening. Picked the sweet corn husked two loads & took one to Canaan. Charles to Canaan. El A & two sisters to Pittsfield. Threshed out the peas.
- Tues 9th Warm morning. finished rusting the corn & took it to Canaan. The ox truck wheels brought up from Canaan Cors. Getting manure out down in the valley. Have dug about 250 bu of potatoes.
- Wed 10th Warm close morning; getting out manure in the valley. Digging potatoes; dug about 90 bu early sunrise. Got in a load of beans. Very hot.
- Thurs 11th Cloudy. thunder storm in the afternoon. Getting out manure in the valley John Dwyer broke the manure spreader. Digging potatoes dug about 100 bu. Early sunrise & down in the valley. Charles to Pittsfield with chickens.
- Fri 12th A beautiful day, growing colder. Finished getting out the manure in the valley. Digging potatoes dug about 200 bu. Charles to Canaan depot & brought home 3 bbls of oatmeal.
- Sat 13th Fine cool day & getting colder. Steam in the eve Digging potatoes dug about 250 bu Charles to Pittsfield took 3 bbls of flour that had soured some. Picked 50 bu of tomatoes.
- Sun 14th Fine frosty morning. Steam. Laboring in the forenoon. Singing in the afternoon. Union in the eve. El A. & Charles to Canaan in the afternoon.
- Mon 15th A lovely day. Digging potatoes about 350 bu dug up tomatoes the first this season & only 11 jugs. Charles doing up brooms. El A. trimming.
- Tues 16th Fine day. Finished digging potatoes about 237 bushels to day. All told nearly 1500 bu. from the gardens field & garden & e & e. Helped Henry get in his buckwheat & threshed it out about 70 bu. preparing to go at the corn fodder.

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- Wed 17th A lovely warm day. Commenced the silo business.. Got in & cut 36 loads. 25 of them cut in the afternoon. Three men engaged for \$1.50 per day. Henry brings home some buck wheat flour. El P. thinning trees &c.
- Thurs 18th A lovely day. All hands (about) at the silo. got in 36 loads. Henry to Pittsfield Charles Greaves goes with him
- Fri 19th Pleasant & windy at the silo got in 40 loads Henry takes one ton of buck wheat to Rockdale Mills. Charles Donnett picked the tomatoes & Sister did them up.
- Sat 20th Cloudy forenoon. Rain in the afternoon. got in 25 loads of stalks. the rain broke us up; and one of the boxes on the machine broke. John fixed it. I threshed out part of the beans & took the vines to the R.R. Paid John Dwyer. Sawed some wood & took it up in the barn. Had steam
- Sun 21st Pleasant day. Laboring in the forenoon The Canaan people up. Singing in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 22nd Fine day. Near all hands at the silo & got in 42 loads cut 42. B^c George up with 2 bags of wheat.
- Tues 23rd Picking sweet corn & cutting up the stalks husking sweet corn to take to Canaan to dry.
- Wed 24th Finished cutting the ensilage 218 load in all; got the weights on picked all the sweet corn. Charles to Canaan about drying
- Thurs 25th A little rain. Finished husking the sweet corn & it all went to Canaan. Finished threshing the beans. Pulling onions &c Henry to Pittsfield with sheep & eggs.
- Fri 26th Most a beautiful day. Finished pulling the onions. finished winding the lines harrowing & gleaming the potatoe field. Picking apples in the young orchard &c B^c Charles to Pittsfield with wheat to get flour.

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Sat 27th Ranned up the sweet corn 2325 lbs in all
Brought in the hubbard squash. finished gleaning
the potatoe field; pecking up stone plowing &
Picking apples in the plastermill lot & young
orchard

Sun 28th A lovely day No steam. No Meeting in the
forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon.
Reading in the eve. Horace went
off without liberty & returned drunk &c.

Mon 29th A splendid day. Picking apples. Plowing
picking up stone &c &c. John Charles &
D. O. up to the head of the pipe in the
east farm brook to clean out the well
we found that the willow roots had
grown in the pipe forming a heavy
mass of fiber nearly filling the pipe
after taking off the strainer & elbow and
working a long time we succeeded in
drawing it out; it measured 45 feet long.

Tues 30th Cloudy & preparing for rain. Picking apples
Plowing &c. John & D O up to the east farm
brook fixing the strainer & the well.
Levi returned home via Canaan.

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Wed 1st Very nice day. Husking corn in the barn.
Picking Apples. Teams plowing. El A and
Charles to Pittsfield with chickens & eggs.
they bring home a Syracuse sulky plow
on trial.

Thurs 2nd Cloudy chilly & some rain teams plowing
Charles tries the sulky it goes 1st rate in
the lower cabin lot. Picking apples.
Husking corn &c &c

Fri 3rd Raining most of the day. Finis hee husking
the corn & cleared up the barn floor.
Opened the east silo some rot on top but
good down; the planks caught. Finis hee
shelling the old corn. Cleaned out the south clammey.

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- Sat 4th Very warm day. Teams plowing finished the potato field & Rock garden. finished picking apples. Cleaned up the boiler cellar &c &c.
- Sun 5th Beautiful day. thunder storm last night. Laboring in the forenoon. Singing in the afternoon; 13⁺ George & three sisters up.
Eve Union Meeting
- Mon 6th Nice day El R. & Charles to Pittsfield. Teams plowing. picking pears. D.O. starts to fix the oven. Charles to Pittsfield in the afternoon again.
- Tues 7th Splendid day. Sisters Anna, Rhoda & Ann out to Albany return on the 4.19 train. Topping onions. plowing D.O. at the oven.
- Wed 8th Lovely day, some wind in the afternoon. Finish the oven & start the fire. Many hands at the onions. Grind some wheat. Plowing going on finely.
- Thurs 9th Topping onions they turn out splendid. Teams plowing. Cold wind from the N.W.
- Fri 10th Heavy frost but beautiful day. Finished getting in the onions 253 bu put in the cellar. The small ones not counted.
- Sat 11th A lovely day; no steam in the evening. Finished topping the turneps 44 bu all in the deacons shop cellar. Hoed out the strawberries. Wm Kelly thro plowing at the east farm.
- Sun 12th Nice day all but some rain which was what we wanted. El R. to Canaan in the morning. Laboring in the forenoon. Singing in the afternoon. Reading in the eve. Thunder storm at night.
- Mon 13th Warm day; quite a shower in the forenoon. Sorting potatoes. drawing brush &c &c. Charles Donnet unwell. 60 bu potatoes from under shed put in the cellar. May's Grand Mama & carves

- Tues 14th Cool day. Sorting potatoes put into the cellar from under the shed 208 bu. Drawing brush &c. Daniel Ray's son here. Charles D. F. & two sisters to Pittsfield.
- Wed 15th Sorting potatoes & putting them away 216 bu. Charles finished up the plowing out north and in the North garden. Beautiful day.
- Thurs 16th Sorting & putting away potatoes 224 bu Charles to Pittsfield. C. F. trimming &c. May's Grand Mother &c returns.
- Fri 17th A lovely day Charles G. & Charles Donnet take a trip peddling onion &c. Finished the potatoes and have them all away from the shed. 216 bu besides some feeding potatoes (over 50 bu) put in the cellar to day. Nearly 1100 bu in the cellar all told.
- Sat 18th Some rain. Grinding wheat, corn, cleaning up the potatoe cellar &c &c. paid John Dwyer off & engaged him for another month for \$16.00 He is busy plowing & manuring his garden.
- Sun 19th A lovely cold day 6° of frost. Steam all day. Laboring in the morning. Singes to Canada in the afternoon. Wind in the eve.
- Mon 20th A lovely warm day no steam in the eve. Put new pipes in the range, cleaned out the boiler & cistern. Plowed the cottage garden. Commenced at the cabbages Charles to Pittsfield with potatoes & cabbage. John Dwyer commences work.
- Tues 21st Very warm no steam. Getting in cabbages Charles to Pittsfield he brings home Nelson takes 10 bu of potatoes & some cabbage.
- Wed 22nd Finished getting in the cabbage. John Guwes & Swan off with a load of cabbages 175. Charles & Augustus to Pittsfield with potatoes 30 bu. He henc hed one row of cabbages across the 1st garden nearly 300 head.
- Thurs 23rd Charles G. & Thomas to Pittsfield with 45 bu of potatoes 2 of onions 1 of beets; growing colder plowed the onion ground. J. G. & Swan off with cabbages. Gathering up cabbage leaves &c &c

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- Fri 24th cold day. J. G. & Swan off with cabbages. C. G. to Pittsfield. C. A. & Co trimming down at Canaan. Sawed up the apple wood & 2 loads of cord wood & got it in the cellar. put straw & corn stalks on the strawberry bed. A man & boy here from Youkers. A German Jew here also.
- Sat 25th Cold windy day some snow squalls. Got out the manure from under the horse barn about 20 loads put it on the kitchen & south gardens. Plowed the kitchen & south gardens. C. A. & company trimming down to Canaan. J. G. & Swan off with cabbages.
- Sun 26th Cold morning 11° of frost. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the evening. The Jew unites.
- Mon 27th Commenced working on the pond. Augustus laying over the floor in the cow barn north side. C. A. & Co shelling corn. The man returns leaving the boy.
- Tues 28th Raining most of the day 1/2 in fell. grinding &c &c. did a little at the pond.
- Wed 29th Splendid day did good business up at the pond. Levi returned yesterday via Canaan B^c Geo brought him home with 4 bbls sweet potatoes.
- Thurs 30th Some raining & windy. planing boards at the mill. The dairy moved to the house. putting up potatoes &c &c to go to Pittsfield.
- Fri 31st Drizzly day Charles to Pittsfield with potatoes. J. G. & Swan off with cabbages. A small company on the pond start the wall on the east side of the pond. C. A. & co fixing the cow yards &c

- Sat 1st Charles to Pittsfield. Working on the pond at the wall on the east side. El Kervey here. Very muddy no scrapping done to day.
- Sun 2nd Lovely day. Singing in the forenoon. The canaan people up in the afternoon. Eve Reading meeting.
- Mon 3rd A lovely day; did good business scrapping on the pond. no wall much. Charles putting up brooms &c.
- Tues 4th Presidential Election. The men off for a day did some scrapping but it rained & blew considerable. warming up the old sweet corn. composting hen manure.
- Wed 5th Heavy rain last night total fall yesterday & last night $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Growing colder. To work at the wall no scrapping. Charles Greaves to Pittsfield with potatoes cabbages &c. The election very close both parties claim it.
- Thurs 6th A fine ^{cold} day. Did good business on the pond all teams scrapping. John Greaves got his leg badly hurt had to go to the sick room. 6^o of frost in the morning; & freezing all day & a strong wind.
- Fri 7th Beautiful day. 4^o of frost in the morning. El F. & Charles to Pittsfield. Did good business on the pond; work on the wall some.
- Sat 8th Fine day; but growing colder. Did excellent work on the pond; let the water all out of the pond that we could & cleaned out the box with the strainer & stones it was very dirty.
- Sab 9th A lovely day; 12^o of frost in the morning. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Samuel Chandler of the west hill attended & spoke some. Eve Reading.
- Mon 10th A lovely day 4^o of frost in the morning. An excellent day on the pond. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield.
- Tues 11th Splendid day. El F. Sisters Anna & Fanny out to Albany. did splendid work on the pond.

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- Wed 12th Nice day. C. F. & sisters return on the morning train. Work on the pond progressing finely. Charles to Canaan corners with a load of sweet corn.
- Thurs 13th Delightful weather it could not be better for working on the pond.
- Fri 14th Most beautiful day. On the pond. C. F. and Co trimming some in the grove and laying the brush at the foot of the bank & catch the dirt.
- Sat 15th A whole w^{ch} R just splendid. have improved it well John Greaves not yet able to do much. Theodore Wickes came on Thurs eve. started back with his daughter Annie on Friday afternoon.
- Sun 16th 4th of frost Beautiful day. Laboring in the forenoon. Singes to Canaan in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 17th Fine day. Working on the pond; C. F. & Co commence trimming out the grove. Growing colder.
- Tues 18th Cold day 12th of frost Working on the pond. Finish the wall & level the dirt above it; it looks very well. C. F. cutting locusts in the grove above the house.
- Wed 19th Stormy; snow & blood picked up the tools & scrapers & brought them home. C. F. & Co to work in the grove.
- Thurs 20th A Great Snow storm last night. drifting several feet deep. Ice paid off. C. F. & a large company in the grove cutting locusts. D. C. fixing closet in Sick bath room. sawed two loads of wood & took it to the cottage for John Dyer. who is going to move there.
- Fri 21st Beautiful day C. F. & Co cutting locusts in the grove. Freshing. 2 bu buckwheat 18 bu oats raking from C. F. & c. & 136 bu barley & oats from pond lot.

- Sat 22^d lovely day El A & co cutting above the house. Sawed wood & got it in the boiler cellar. banked up cellar doors & windows. George the Pole goes off.
- Sun 23^d Very mild & cloudy & a little rain; the snow about all gone. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. A man from Chicago unites to One Reading. Very high wind.
- Mon 24th A splendid rain last night $1\frac{1}{2}$ in one inch & three quarters. Charles & I am moving John Dwyer. Mild in the morning growing colder. El A & co cutting locusts.
- Tues 25th 14° of frost in the morning finished moving John Dwyer. El A & co cutting locusts Cold windy day.
- Wed 26th Cold a little snow. El A & Co cutting locusts. D. A. fixed rope in granary painted little engine &c. &c. Charles to Pittsfield gets 100 lb flour.
- Thurs 27th Thanksgiving. The Canaan Woper family up, attend meeting, have dinner, hold singing Meeting & return home about 3 P.M. 13° of frost in the morning; Pleasant day. Levi returned on the morning train. A man arrives from Agewam Mass.
- Fri 28th Very Mild 40° in the morning. Threshing finished the barley & oats from the pond lot 112 bu total 248 bu. also 116 bu of oats. El A. & two hands cutting locusts. rain in the eve.
- Sat 29th $\frac{1}{2}$ in of rain fell last night. Growing colder. Finished up the threshing 80 bu of oats & 85 bu of barley & oats to day total amount of grain raised Wheat 142 bu Barley 44 bu oats 200 Barley & oats 325 bu.
- Sun 30th Cool day Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon Union in the eve.

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- Mon 1st Pleasant cloudy day. Levi starts for Boston. D. O. & Wilton with the team frank & jim. El. F. & Co working in the grove.
- Tues 2nd El. F. & Co in the grove. Lovely day.
- Wed 3rd Beautiful day in the grove &c.
- Thurs 4th Delightful weather El. F. & Co working away in the grove Ministry crowned yesterday.
- Fri 5th Splendid day Charles & John to Pittsfield El. F. & Co in the grove
- Sat 6th Cloudy & rain in the afternoon D. O. returns on the 4.20 train working in the grove grinding &c.
- Sun 7th Pleasant day it rained yesterday & last night $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon Reading in the eve.
- Mon 8th Mild grinding feed for South family @ bu corn & 16 bu barley & oats. El. F. & Co in the grove the men there also
- Tues 9th Mild John S. & D. O. scrap some dirt & fix the bank on the pond cleared out the overflow pipe &c. Drawing locusts together in the grove
- Wed 10th Fine day. The elder sisters out to Albany return on the eve 4.20 train. Charles starts for Albany Troy Hudson and New York. Grinding wheat for Canaan &c.
- Thurs 11th Cutting and trimming up in the grove. drawing wood have quite a large pile at the buckshop.
- Fri 12th Some snow finished cutting & trimming in the grove. Fixing roof & stove pipe at the cottage up north. El. F. to Canaan stays all night.
- Sat 13th Some snow. Cutting & piling wood at the Buck Shop drew up 14 bales of broomcorn & 1000 handles El. F. returns in the forenoon
- Sun 14th Cloudy & cold all day Singing in the forenoon Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve A man from Agawan arrives

- Mon 15th A very mild day about 1 1/4 inches of rain fell last night and some snow, high wind. Bee then start in the shop at broom corn brooms &c. Charles returns on the 4.20 train. I cut thimble thru the floor at cottage just of the hill.
- Tues 16th Commence altering the ash house. Thomas & hired man getting leaves Sizing going on.
- Wed 17th Sawing wood & getting in the boiler cellar took one load to W^m Kelly, Charles to Pittsfield Eldes to Canaan Work house. Snowing some.
- Thurs 18th Cold morning 8° above 0. Sawing wood getting in the cellar. Eldes return. Making at the ash house.
- Fri 19th The coldest day as yet 10° below 0 at 8 o'clock about 6° below at noon. Cleared out the ice house shall have to put new slats for the ice to rest on all glad to stay at home today.
- Sat 20th 22° below 0. 6° below at noon, 11° below at 7 P.M. A bright clear day; moving hay in the granary. cleaning wheat &c. Got some plank in the Mill for slats in the ice house.
- Sun 21st A sudden change in the weather 32° in 24 hours a high wind & snowing. Gift of the Yearly Sacrifice. Meeting in the afternoon.
- Mon 22nd Very mild raining. planed the planks for the ice house. Eldes up from Canaan.
- Tues 23rd Growing colder put the planks in the ice house & propped up the roof so as to make it go another year. William Kelly away in the afternoon.
- Wed 24th Stormy day. The Ministry sisters over. C.F. and D.O. over south The men threshing & cleaning onion seed. Brothers in the broom shop.
- Thurs 25th Fine winter day Christmas The Ministry over, attend Meeting, & visit in the afternoon. Union in the evening.
- Fri 26th Cleaning onion seed. fixing the table in the shirt shop C.F. & Charles to Pittsfield Got wood in the boiler cellar 5° below 0 at 9.30 P.M.

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- Sat 27th Finished threshing & cleaning the onion seed at the open shed. Cold but not extremely mild at night.
- Sun 28th Very Mild thawing most of the day. The Canaan People up had Laboring Meeting. No Meeting in the afternoon. Union in the evening.
- Mon 29th Very mild and pleasant. Charles & Swan to Pittsfield with wheat & told with what Charles took last September 106 bu 2 1/4. Sawing wood & took 2 loads to John Dyer.
- Tues 30th Very mild. Henry's men, our men, Swan & D.O. on the west hill above the perry place cutting logs. El. F. out to Albany. Charles to Pittsfield for flour.
- Wed 31st Very mild. Mud & slush. Charles & Swan to Pittsfield for the flour. El. F. returns on the morning train. Henry Miller goes off. The men on the west hill cutting tree tops &c.

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- Thurs 1st Very Mild. Ther 40° at bell time 5 A.M. Growing colder. The brethren are employed as follows. El. F. writing, John Shaw sitting in his room waiting for the boatman. Daniel Fraser in the seed shop & waiting on John Shaw. Levi at Winder. Henry Cantrell seeing to the out places. Oliver in the carpenter's shop choring. Charles Greaves teaming to depot &c. John Greaves in blacksmith shop. Daniel Ray & Bernard Elmer taking care of the cattle. Charles Doucet. William & Moses in the sizing shop. Lira Wilson taking care of the hens. Thomas Shop in the broomshop. Nelson Pites in the shoeshop. Swan and the two men on the west hill cutting logs & tree tops. (Wm Kelly & John Dyer are the hired men) Augustus & D.O. altering the ash house & tending the steam. Thus we number 20 males. Frederick Hendrickson goes to school.

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- Fri 2^d Cold day Mon 8° above 0. 30° colder than yesterday
Joan & the Men on the mountain cutting the
wood & brush from the side of the road.
- Sat 3^d Cold day 4° below 0. working at the ash-house.
Cutting wood on the mountain Brothers in the
brooms shop & c. B^c Geo up.
- Sun 4th Cloudy all day & cold but not extreme.
Singing in the forenoon Laboring in the after
noon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 5th Beautiful Morning 16° of frost. John D & Joan on the
Mountain they broke down the telephone wires. El J & C. G. to Pittsfield.
- Tues 6th Working at the ash-house. Joan & John D. ^{not} on the Moun-
tain rainy day. 1/2 in rain fell. Composting hen manure &
Looking over the bath pipe & c with view to some alteration.
- Wed 7th A little rain & cloudy. Sister Anna Lucy & Grace with D. O.
out to Albany, return on the 4.20 train. El J & 4 sisters
and C. G. attend the funeral of John Kelly at the catholic Chh
- Thurs 8th Joan J Dyer & D. O. to Lanaan. set up the telephone poles to
the upper house. Got in wood to the boiler cellar. no
frost in the ground to speak of.
- Fri 9th Working at the ash-house have it so it works well
Clean up round it. The men & Joan on the Mountain
W^m Kelly here. Brothers in the shop
- Sat 10th Cold day several degrees above 0. but a very cold wind
The men & Joan on the mountain. El John B Vance
over in the afternoon stays all night & attends Meeting.
- Sun 11th Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon
Union in the eve. Took 30 music books to the
office for El J. B. Vance.
- Mon 12th Heavy rain last night 1 1/4 in ^{fell} up to 8 A. M
The men cleaning cattle. Joan putting the waggons
in order. Commence preparations for putting in
new pipe from sisters bath room & connecting it
with chimney Heavy shower in the afternoon total 1 1/8
- Tues 13th Colder. Men & boys on the mountain. D O
working in the house. & c
- Wed 14th The Men & boys on the mountain. Charles
and Nelson to Pittsfield Beautiful day but
rough travelling. No sleighing.

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the fire but burnt his hand considerable hope he will learn by it and observe the order to not put oil, paraffin, or any thing of the kind on a stove in a building.

Sun 25th Very Miller thawing & cloudy. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.

Mon 26th A fine winter day. Commence at the ice, plow it in the forenoon get in 21 loads in the afternoon Henry's men will all be here tomorrow. I engage two other hands. The boy Frederick fell in the pond.

Tues 27th Cold day, strong wind. Working at the ice, got in 40 loads. Seven men & eight brethren to work at it.

Wed 28th A terrible stormy day. The greatest wind this season fearful some think that they never knew it to blow harder. No ice to day. Carding the cattle, at the bath arrangements &c. &c.

Thurs 29th Cold 14° below 0. at 1.30 9° below at breakfast time finish up the ice about 30 loads to day. Making about 90 loads. Thomas carelessly lets a cake of ice fall on his foot. The things all put away. A load of wood got in the boiler cellar. Fine sleighing.

Fri 30th Charles to Pittsfield with the little horse. Henry takes a load of sisters to Canaan. Beautiful day. Commence drawing logs from the west hill Charley Thomas help of Dwyer draw those out that are cut. Augustus painting waggon.

Sat 31st A lovely day. Teams drawing logs. Augustus over helping the men cut ice. Levi returns on the 4.20 train. A man arrives from St. Louis. Get the closet set in the sisters bath room.

Sun 1st Rather a stormy day increasing towards night. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.

Mon 2nd Cold day 15° below 0. Teams drawing logs. Swan goes 3 times to the depot for stumps.

Tues 3rd Teams drawing logs. Swan some unwell. chred one load to much yesterday. He grinds 32 bu of feed for Gertrude family.

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- Wed 4th Glorious sleighing teams drawing logs.
Some stormy Augustus takes Swan team
A little rain.
- Thurs 5th Fine winter weather. Teams drawing logs.
D. O. at the bath arrangements. Charles to Pittsfield
Henry to Canaan with the girls sleigh riding.
- Fri 6th Cold again. Teams drawing logs D. O. at the bath
room. 18° Geo & a load of sisters up here to dinner.
K. C. & C. G. to Canaan Co. to see a p. of bob.
- Sat 7th 12° below 0. John & D. O. got the pipes up in sisters
bath room they work well. Teams drawing
logs after the sun got up.
- Sun 8th 10° above 0. Stormy. Singing in the forenoon
E. F. to Canaan. Laboring in the afternoon
Reading in the eve.
- Mon 9th Teams drawing logs. H. C. takes a quist of rye
& brings it home. Stormy in the afternoon snow
and blow awful
- Tues 10th Stormy rain & snow about 1 1/2 in of rain fell
got in some wood. Cleaned off the cattle shelled
corn &c &c Mur about 35'
- Wed 11th Teams drawing logs 12° below 0. A terrible change
about 45 degrees in 24 hours. The sleighing rough
to entry of ice.
- Thurs 12th Cold day 20° below 0 Break out the road to the
east farm. drawing logs. Charles turns over & his
team runs away. He gets hurt some.
- Fri 13th A delightful day 5° above 0 the coldest. teams
drawing logs the men cutting. John & D. O. putting
up the sink in Sistes hall &c.
- Sat 14th Beautiful day 1° below 0. E. F. & John Greaves
to Pittsfield Swan & Augustus drawing logs
The pipe frozen & the faucet burst that goes to the hen.
- Sun 15th A most beautiful day. Singing Meeting
in the forenoon. A company of 8 Sisters &
8 brethren go down to Canaan hold laboring
meeting. Love Union Meeting.
A search over the premises after supper
for danger in relation to fire.

- Mon 16th A terrible stormy day. The men up to the east farm cleaning oats &c. D.O. fixing cupboard &c in girls room. Ivan in the blacksmiths shop Augustus fixing gates in the barn &c.
- Tues 17th Breaking roads to the Royce place & East Farm. got wood in the boiler cellar. Finished getting the oats down from the east farm. John Dwyer not here.
- Wed 18th Cold day teams after logs quite a time breaking roads to the woods; get home 2 loads each. D.O. fixing in the girls room.
- Thurs 19th Teams after logs. Plenty of snow & cold; very stiff winter weather. D.O. over to a family to stay with El Avery.
- Fri 20th Splendid winter day, one below 0 teams for logs. D.O. over to the wood lot. J.G. & D.O. putting in the pipe from brethrens bath room to chimney.
- Sat 21st Winter strong. El A. & Charles start for Pittsfield but return as the road is not broken over the mountain. teams for logs. Levi returns on the morning train which does not get in till afternoon the snow blocking the road.
- Sun 22nd Cloudy 10° above 0. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Unwar in the eve.
- Mon 23rd Cold day 5° below 0. 15° below on the flats & 20° below up at the springs. Teams drawing logs.
- Tues 24th El A. & Charles to Pittsfield get pipe &c to carry steam to El A's room. D.O. up to the springs to engage a young man for the season. Engaged for 7 months \$18.00
- Wed 25th John G. & D.O. at the steam works to get it up to El A's room. Cold day. teams drawing logs.
- Thurs 26th Have to take out a defective 1 1/2 ell making us considerable trouble teams drawing logs. a load of sister's shigh riding
- Fri 27th Get the steam into El A's room complete & take the stove away. John G. & D.O. over to see El Daniel C. who is speaking fast; El Avery &c &c.
- Sat 28th El A's stove set up in John Shand's room. Fixing in our bath room. Nelson to Pittsfield yesterday. Finished drawing the logs from the west hill. 4 brethren sleigh riding

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- Sun 1st Rather mild rain $\frac{1}{2}$ in in the afternoon. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve. A number of sisters unwell.
- Mon 2^d Mild & soft growing colder. Settle with the hired men. Men drawing out manure on the flats. Boys at home blacksmithing &c.
- Tues 3^d Beautiful day tho' colder. El. F. Augustus & 3 sisters to Pittsfield. We get a bench down from the east farm & put in the boiler cellar commence drawing wood from the Mountain.
- Wed 4th A new President to day. Beautiful weather. The Ministry return from Waterriet. drawing wood from the mountain. Ivan some unwell.
- Thurs 5th Beautiful day Bernard unwell. two teams drawing wood from the mountain. The oxen on the west hill. Ivan working with John G.
- Fri 6th Daniel Ray and R.C. to Pittsfield. Charles Donnet at the cow barn, teams drawing wood. Elder Daniel Crossman very low.
- Sat 7th Elder Daniel. deceased at 3.40 A.M. Elders over south. teams drawing wood. Beautiful day. The plaster arrives at Canaan depot. three teams go after dinner to draw it home.
- Sun 8th Beautiful day. The Canaan singers up in the forenoon. Stay to dinner and attend reading meeting in the afternoon. Singing and Union Meeting in the eve.
- Mon 9th 1st below 0 beautiful day horse teams after plaster. the men on the west hill. Br Geo up from Canaan to attend singing meeting at the Chh. Stormy eve.
- Tues 10th Cold and stormy. The men shelling corn & cleaning the cattle. Finish drawing the plaster. Whether & 17 sisters attend the funeral of El Daniel Crossman.
- Wed 11th Men & Teams getting sand from the Pea body place to put on the onion bed. Charles Heaves to Pittsfield.

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- Thurs 12th teams drawing sand Cold day & growing colder. D.O. puts in fixtures for warming the calves milk by steam.
- Fri 13th 12° below 0 but very clear & calm. Teams drawing sand finish drawing for the strip across across the onion bed in the ^W garden. Got a Yoke of Cattle of H.C.
- Sat 14th A little snow in the morning but fine cold day. El A and L.G. to Pittsfield have sold over 100 Doz eggs this week. Teams drawing wood from the mountain. D.O. over to the South & 2^d family's
- Sun 15th Stormy day. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Preaching in the eve. Growing colder towards night.
- Mon 16th Lovely day teams drawing wood took two cords to Geo. Slighter at \$3.00 per cord. Charles preparing to take brooms to sell. Sent a box of frozen onions to Detroit for Gensted to send to New York.
- Tues 17th 2° below 0 but fine Charles off with brooms. El A to Canaan. Teams drawing wood from the mountain. Get wood in boiler cellar in the afternoon. ^{get out 30 bu of red} onions in the ^{cellar} ^{in the} ^{cellar}
- Wed 18th 10° below 0. Charles returns having sold all his brooms. The men cutting two maples out in the north lot
- Thurs 19th 4° below 0. Cutting and drawing the wood from the two maples. Cold windy day. Charles to Pittsfield with eggs preparing to draw out manure
- Fri 20th Cold 2° below 0. Commence drawing manure from the cow barn but it is so terribly windy & cold that they have to quit. shelling corn putting up the onions in bags. fire all night.
- Sat 21st Cold day 1° below 0. try the manure again but it is too cold. shelling corn & Levi returns home.
- Sun 22^d A cold day 2° below 0. but a pleasant day. Singing in the forenoon Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.
- Mon 23^d Drawing out manure. Charles to Pittsfield with eggs &c. Getting onions from cellar to the wash-house.
- Tues 24th Finishing drawing the manure from the cow barn vault. Clouded winter weather.

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- Wed 25th Drawing the wood from out north. Levi returns in Albany to Windsor
- Thurs 26th C. F. & Charles to Pittsfield took 40 bu of onions to the depot. Getting wood from out north
- Fri 27th took the remainder of the onions to the depot 120 bu all told. Teams helping to draw the Canaan coal. Very mild. the sleighing going rapidly
- Sat 28th A Beautiful day some colder Finished drawing the Canaan coal. The men working up logs into fire wood.
- Sun 29th A Splendid snow last night over 7 inches. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 30th 10° above 0. Charles G. & Thomas to Pittsfield with eggs. Cleaned out the cow barn vault liquid & all took the liquor to the young aches drew some wood from the mountain.
- Tues 31st Mild Mer 34° Commenced sawing wood got some in the boiler cellar. Augustus & Ivan at the sawmill

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- Wed 1st Beautiful spring day. Sawing wood growing colder. Putting the wood under the lumber house.
- Thurs 2^d 6° of frost Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield. sawed some seasoned wood took one load to Kelly & one load to Dwyer. Let B^c Geo have 1/2 in faucet.
- Fri 3^d Mild & cloudy Mer 46° The men at the wood Augustus & Ivan at the mill. Sent a bbl of Ladys tin ware literature &c to Martha Schofield.
- Sat 4th Rainy day one inch fell. Cleaned up the wheat in the wood house. cleaned out the rain water cistern. Working at the Mill.
- Sun 5th Getting colder some little snow fell last night. Beautiful day tho 6° of frost in the morning. Singing in the forenoon Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the evening.

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- Mon 6th Drawing up stone coal a very cold N.W. wind. the roads are in a bad state; got up 35 loads; the two Canaan teams helping us they drew 3 loads each.
- Tues 7th 8° of frost in the morning about 30 at noon. Finished drawing the coal 37 loads in all. 25 gross tons & 3 cwt. Charles G. & Charles Donnet to Pittsfield with eggs & butter, they get stuck in the snow just over the Mountain. 4 hands & team go up and help shovel & draw them out did not get home till 10.30 P.M.
- Wed 8th 7/8 of an inch of rain fell last night. Dred logs in the mill. Labeled the east farm road out. Sawing wood & rain in the afternoon 3/8 of an inch shelling corn.
- Thurs 9th 13° of frost Dred logs into the mill. sawing wood & took 3 cords down to John Dwyer. Sisters Anna & Malinda & D.O. out to Albany, return in the eve.
- Fri 10th 8° of frost sawing wood in the forenoon. The men chopping and getting up the brush for El F. Broom-making all done up & the tools put away. John Shad not expected to live till morning.
- Sat 11th Beautiful day 6° of frost in the morning. The men finished chopping the trees & drawing the brush. Sawing wood in the afternoon; commenced splitting up at the woodhouse. El F. & Charles up to Pittsfield.
- Sun 12th A little snow last night. John Shad much brighter this morning. Laboring Meeting in the forenoon. Meeting with the 2 families & South family elders in the afternoon concerning public Meeting. Union in the eve.
- Mon 13th The men drawing lumber & sticking it up preparing to make the hot bed &c drawing up wood &c. A box of 26 Doz shirts arrives.
- Tues 14th Winter again 6° of frost & some little snow. Dred logs into the mill; sawing & splitting wood. Charles G. starts on a broom expedition. El F. goes down to Canaan stays all night.
- Wed 15th Sawing & splitting wood El F. returns in the morning. Augustus & Ivan at the Mill.

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- Thurs 16th Fine day. Sawing & splitting wood. The mill business going on splendid. Sister's house cleaning some. Charles Donnet white-washing &c.
- Fri 17th Beautiful day John G. & Swan to Pittsfield. Sawing and splitting Levi returns on the A.M. train.
- Sat 18th Lovely day Sawing & splitting, grinding feed &c. Part of the hot bed sowed. Levi to Hancock. El. A. & Anderson takes the bull from the flats \$45.00
- Sun 19th Splendid day Mer. 64° after dinner. Laboring in the forenoon. Singing Meeting in the afternoon the Sec'd & South & Canaan singes over had a good Meeting Eve Union Meeting
- Mon 20th A glorious day Dried the clothes out of doors. Finished the wood at the upper wood house or cornery near it. Levi to Canaan &c.
- Tues 21st Excellent day Finished up the short wood & cleared up the rubbish from the wood house door Levi starts for Windsor. John Shaw closed up with Mortality at 4 P.M. No steam all day
- Wed 22nd Sowed the grass seed on the rye & harrowed it mixing fertilizer for the rye; plaster & hen manure about 300 lbs to the acre half & half we shall be making the coffin & preparing for the funeral.
- Thurs 23rd Sowed the grass seed on the rye $\frac{2}{3}$ timothy $\frac{1}{3}$ clover some also the clover (1 qt to the acre) we sowed $\frac{1}{2}$ bu to the acre Levi returns home at Midnight.
Funeral of John Shaw Aged 92 yrs 1 Month & 8 days. had an excellent meeting, quite a good many from the village. The Shumway, & Chandler here
- Fri 24th Very warm. El. A. & Charles to Pittsfield. We ran the bush on the asparagus bed very successful. Start to draw coal in the afternoon. finishing the harrowing of the rye.
- Sat 25th Cooler, a little rain last night $\frac{1}{16}$ of an inch all the teams drawing coal get up 32 loads. Washing up the waggons put the sleighs away.

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Sun 26th Cloudy & some rain; very chilly. Meeting in the forenoon to notify the family of the secession and marriage of Thomas Smith & C. who has been acting the hypocrite of the blackest die. Afternoon Reading
Eve Union Meeting.

Mon 27th Beautiful day. Finished drawing up the coal. Started preparing the ground in the hen yard & planted the potatoes that were started in the shop rows of them.

Tues 28th Beautiful day preparing the onion ground & sowed the seed. plowing the hen yard & rather getting out stones preparatory to plowing.

Wed 29th Rain last night snow this morning in all about 1 in of water. Uncovered the silo waking; at the mill house cleaning. Burned out several of the chimneys 2^d & P. S.

Thurs 30th heavy frost in the morning Dred down 175 bu of potatoes to the depot 50 cts he says he will pay for them on Monday planting potatoes in the hen yard.

El A. & Swan up to the springs. The kitchen garden ^{planted}
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Fri 1st Rainy & drizzly all day. working at the Mill composting hen manure. cleaning wheat. sorting the seed potatoes & C. White washing. El A. to Pittsfield with Swan. L. Evans whom he leaves, he not being contented to remain, so became as ugly as Cain.

Sat 2nd Cool day. El A. to Banaan corners with spokes took a bbl of flour to Geo Slighter he will pay for it next month, bought up 3 bbls of oatmeal the men at the mill, & drawing lumber; drew out the liquid from the vault. & C & C. Paid the Men

Sun 3rd Cool but Pleasant day. Laboring in the forenoon Singing at the 2^d Family in the afternoon. Reading in the eve. 7° of frost in the morning.

Mon 4th 6° of frost drew in the pine logs & C. preparing the oat ground. & C. Engage John Shumway at the farm.

Tues 5th 2° of frost sowed about 8 acres to barley & oats ^{in the flats} the ground was harrowed most splendorously. Set out the yellow Dutch onions in the 1st garden. El A. up to the springs.

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- Wed 6th John G. to Pittsfield with eggs. Preparing the land out north for sowing. Cleaning grain for sowing.
- Thurs 7th Sowed oats & barley 2 1/2 bu to the acre in the lease lot & seeded down with timothy & alsike clover about 15 qts to the acre. Very windy east wind has continued all the week. 13° Get up got some clover seed 112 lbs.
- Fri 8th Rainy day in earnest. working at the mill shelling corn &c. 1 1/4 inches of rain fell. Sister cleaning the cellar between white washing.
- Sat 9th Very pleasant day in the forenoon some rain in the afternoon & eve. Two men Charly & John off from 9.30. Sawing & grinding horse feed. drew up a load of hay from the flats to the cow barn, and a load down from the east farm to the horse barn. A boy Divine Bell arrives.
- Sun 10th 2° of frost in the morning. Laboring in the forenoon. Shower & a snow squall in the afternoon. Singers from 2° S. & Caucasian over. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 11th quite a frost in the morning. Preparing the land in the north garden seed the east side down some wheat satch five the remainder oats. setting onions.
- Tues 12th 2° of frost. teams over to the west hill & harrows and put in the oats sowed 2 1/2 bu to the acre and 16 bbls of hen manure & plaster mixed 1/2 & 1/2. sowed 10 rows of peas in north garden the 1st 3rd & 5th we put a pail of Plaster. the 2nd 4th & 6th a pail of 1/2 & 1/2 plaster & salt. the 2 western rows nothing. In the onions near the walk we put 1st row nothing 2nd Plaster. 3rd Salt & Plaster 4th Plaster 5th Salt & Plaster. Setting out strawberries.
- Wed 13th Beautiful day sowed Plaster & Salt & Plaster on the horse pasture alternately. and some on the open lot and some out north. Plowing for potatoes. C. A. & Co grafting. 13° Get up and Sister up. The boy Divine Bell aged 12 comes to the table.

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- Thurs 14th A Beautiful day. El. P. to Pittsfield. preparing the ground for potatoes. Oliver Prentiss departed for the summer land at about 11.40 A.M. much to the surprise of all of us; he having been confined but a few days. Mending fence on the Mountain.
- Fri 15th Very like summer; preparing the potatoe land. J.G. & D.O. make Oliver's coffin. Charles plowing cabinot. Rolled the oat ground on the west hill. Mending fence.
- Sat 16th Lovely day. Planting potatoes, get them all dropped and the fertilizer partly, and some covered. Thomas and D.O. dig the grave. A man stuck with a load of shed and he wants we should take them for nothing. we would not do that, & gave him \$10.00 according to his own offer. He offered him \$5.00 for one hundred and he said take the whole for \$10.00 some over 200. and we did it.
- Sun 17th A beautiful, lovely day. Funeral of Oliver Prentiss who was born Sept 10 1809 making him nearly 87 years. The Tildens, Shumways & many other of our men & neighbors attended and were very well behaved indeed. some from each family. Meeting a little more than one hour & a half. Afternoon no Meeting. Eve
- Mon 18th The cows turned out yesterday for the 1st time. D.O. & El. P. to Pittsfield. we take Frederick Hendrick's son along and send him home. sell 80 lbs butter & 36 da eggs or nearly. Finish covering the potatoe. The cabin lot plowed &c.
- Tues 19th Warm day drew out the manure from under the horse barn. C.G. commenced plowing the rock garden. El. P. & Augustus to Canaan. Thashed some wheat. &c &c.
- Wed 20th Drawing manure from the yard. G. plowing. Henry & J.G. to Pittsfield with potatoes & butter. sowed 3 rows of parsneps in 1st garden.
- Thurs 21st Beautiful day A company of 4 sisters O.H. C.H. R.J. & G.B. start for Waterbury. took 12 bu of Gye to mill. drawing manure plowing &c. Augustus plowed his garden & planter melons. Let R.V. have 16 bu seed potatoes.

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- Fri 22^d A lovely day. El Frederick starts for New York. teams plowing & drawing manure. Working over hen compost &c. &c. Shoveled over the potatoes in the ice house.
- Sat 23^d A Splendid rain $\frac{1}{4}$ in last night and it continues this A.M. all told about $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch. Keel the pine logs & sawed some dreed up the saw dust to the road house. Plowed some & dreed some manure.
- Sun 24th Cool morning but calm. Laboring in the p^{ro}cess Singas to See family in the afternoon. Union in the evening.
- Mon 25th Cloudy but very pleasant. Levi starts for Windsor. D. C. & H. C. to Pittsfield. teams drawing manure & preparing the rock garden &c for planting. commenced planting potatoes east of the rock garden the 1st we Early beauty of Hebron. then Hubbard square and Queen of the valley. and the remainder to Early sunrise. South garden plowed
- Tues 26th Beautiful day finished planting east of the Rock garden the rye brought home from the Mill. El Frederick returns on the morning train. Marking out the rock garden & drawing manure in the afternoon.
- Wed 27th Lovely day. drawing manure. planting beans in the cabin lot 58 rows on the west side of white. then we have 13 rows for tomatoes the remainder to yellow six weeks. rows. Sisters return from ~~Windsor~~ Eliza & Lucy out to Albany on on the late train.
- Thurs 28th Cool morning finished clearing out the east yards Commenced planting Ever green sweet corn in the rock garden.
- Fri 29th Cool nights & warm days rather dry. Finished planting the corn in the rock garden. teams drawing manure El F. & sisters to Pittsfield. softing wood ashes for the onion bed.
- 30th Sat Cool & cloudy. teams drawing manure John Knapp goes away after dinner give him \$2.00. Sowed 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ bbls of ashes, 1 bbl of Plaster & 1 bag of salt on the onion bed.

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- Jun 31st Beautiful rain in the forenoon and evening $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch. Reading in the forenoon. Sec family singers over in the afternoon. Eve Union.
- Mon 1st Beautiful cloudy day set out the tomatoes 12 rows of Trophy in the cabin lot and 4 rows of Cardinals in the north garden and nearly 1 row of pepers. Commenced plowing the field for corn fodder.
- Tues 2^d Cold day finished drawing the manure. Two teams plowing. hoeing cultivating & weeding rows &c &c Covered up the tomatoes for fear of frost.
- Wed 3^d Beautiful day. No frost. Teams plowing and harrowing. Putting sand dust on the straw berry bed. Reading onions sowed 3 bags of swift sure on the fodder ground where there was no manure. Two sisters over from the center family. John Greaves to Pittsfield.
- Thurs 4th Beautiful morning. Finished plowing the corn fodder ground and sowed on more swift sure & bags drew out the screenings of the hen compost & put it on the fodder ground.
- Fri 5th A rainy day finished sawing the pine logs & drew up the saw dust. Drew up some hay into the horse barn & for the oven. about $\frac{1}{8}$ in of rain fell.
- Sat 6th Beautiful day two teams to Pittsfield to get the derrick &c. Washing sheep. Charles Thomas gets very sick doubtful if he will live. Ed A to Canaan.
- Sun 7th Beautiful cool day. We meet at the meeting house in order to organize for public meeting. had a very good meeting. Singers to Sec family after dinner. Eve reading meeting. Thanks shown.
- Mon 8th Cloudy, clear, and muggy. Mer. away about 80. getting colder towards night. Charles goes for the men to build the wall. Neurg's men come & help. get the derrick up & a few stone laid.
- Tues 9th A change in the weather of about 40° and a very high N.W. wind. Commenced sowing the corn fodder yesterday; at it again to-day. Harrowed the red onion ground & sowed it to carrots. Had steam in the eve. Some visitors here.

June

- Wed 10th Working on the wall did good business. Henry's men here weeding onions &c &c. finished sowing the corn fodder.
- Thurs 11th A lovely day. El A. L. S. & E. D. to Pittsburg yesterday. Charles drilled in the bucket hat for Henry on the east farm. Working on the wall all hands of the men. Cultivating the potatoes in the hen yard being tomatoes &c.
- Fri 12th Splendid day. Finished the wall & put a timber on & bolted it down. The masons taken over the mountain El A. to Canaan. hoing & cultivating.
- Sat 13th The derrick taken home. Preparing for sheep shearing. Start getting the manure out at the foot of the hill. Closes over South.
- Sun 14th Warm breezy & fine. Public Meeting opened El A. leads! it goes off very well. Afternoon the Canaan & 2^d family singes over. Eye Reading Meeting. Levi arrived home on Sat Eve.
- Mon 15th Beautiful hot day. Levi starts for Windsor Sheep shearing commenced. sheared 181 planted some beans in the North garden John Snop not here. finished getting out the manure at the foot of the hill.
- Tues 16th Sheep shearing going on 175 sheared. took 7 bbls of ashes to the rock garden & put it on the corn. took it out with old Charles upon returning at noon they got back as far as the North garden when the staggeed fell over & died in a few minutes. Upon opening him found his stomach swarming with bots and some had eaten thro'. We put the carcass on the ice to be fed out to the hens. A beautiful shower in the afternoon $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch.
- Wed 17th Some rain last night $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch all told. Finished shearing put away the things &c cultivating the potatoes &c &c. John Dyer not here Charles to Pittsburg with eggs & butter & horse feed.

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- Thurs 18th Beautiful cool morning Mar 44° Cultivating potatoes
corn fodder &c. Smith here for the wool we saw
it and take it to the depot. 2804 lbs at 26cts
\$729.30. he paid for it. Wm Shumway starts to put
in the sleepers at the foot of the hill. B' Geo up.
- Fri 19th Warm & beautiful day sawed the remainder of the
sleepers for the barn at the foot of the hill put them
in or most of them after dinner. Finished culti-
vating the corn fodder. D.O. some unwell.
- Sat 20th Beautiful breezy day. Hoing corn in the Rock
Garden & planting the ensilage corn where it
was missing. D.O. in the sick room.
- Sun 21st Lovely day Public Meeting. Eldess Lydia
and three young sisters visited here yesterday.
Afternoon no Meeting; B' Geo up. Evening
Reading Meeting.
- Mon 22nd Some rain. walking at the mill. cleaning
cobs. sawing wood &c hoing corn some.
digging up the blackberry bed in the kitchen
garden. R.G. to Pittsfield with eggs &c.
- Tues 23rd Cool windy day. D.O. & two sisters over to Pittsfield
Dalton & Hinsdale to see about getting some
cloth made. Finished hoing the corn.
- Wed 24th Beautiful day. Shumway here working at
the barn on the flats. Mowing the dooryard
plowing on the road. Cultivating potatoes
weeding ruius &c &c. B' Nehemiah White over.
- Thurs 25th Beautiful day walking the high ways. Unloaded
some pine lumber. got in the hay from the
door yard and kitchen garden.
- Fri 26th Warm day. Cl. P. & C.G. to Pittsfield. Take
the roof off the sawmill shed. Cultivating
the corn fodder, hoing the beans &c in the
cabin lot.
- Sat 27th Hot day Shumway. preparing the sawmill shed
roof for the Rubber roofing. Cultivating potatoes &
hoing corn fodder. A company of 4 brethren and
8 sisters over to Pittsfield to hear a lecture on Women's
suffrage by two women.

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Sun 28th Cloudy but very pleasant day $\frac{1}{2}$ in of rain fell in the afternoon & evening. Public Meeting. No meeting in the afternoon except a little sing with C. J. Francis & Co of Pittsfield. The Ministry over in the afternoon to talk about El A's going to England.

Mon 29th Cloudy Morning. Cultivating the corn in the rock garden. El A. Sister Anna & Eliza start for Windsor. L.S. to Pittsfield. Teams drawing manure from the depot. Picking chum &c.

Tues 30th Cool Morning Teams drawing manure finish. The Canaan people have 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ tons. hilling potatoes hoing &c. Settle up with the slater for 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ days work \$11.00. Made wheat

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Wed 1st Cool day. Finish hoing the sweet corn. ground 2 bbls of graham for R. Valentine. Singers over in the eve to Lee Family singing meeting.

Thurs 2nd Beautiful cool morning. New 44 New Threshing laid over H.C. stable floor Cultivating 2 rows corn fodder. B leather bill \$4.00.

Fri 3rd Beautiful morning. Cultivating & hoing corn fodder. Charles to Pittsfield with eggs and butter. Put the Rubber Roofing on the sawmill shed. El A. & Co return.

Sat 4th Beautiful day with a little shower in the afternoon. The boys Uncle comes. a woman also. weeding the carrots, hoing beans &c. Put Manila roof on boiler cella caps. El H. C. Blinn here in the afternoon.

Sun 5th Beautiful day shower after supper $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Public Meeting fair attendance. Canaan singers over the singing meeting. The 2nd & 3rd families not over. Eve Union Meeting.

Mon 6th Cloudy but hot. commenced haying in the sq meadow very light. L.S. & D.R. to Pittsfield with potatoes. The stephentown butcher came for the two old cows. Geo Baxter of Canterbury here He dismiss John Schnofep. Charles got off.

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- Tues 7th Cloudy & a very little rain finished mowing the sq meadow & cooked it. W^m Kelly's team shod. sawed some plank for the Ch-6 pine plank 12" x 6 x 2. Theodore Lane goes off about his business. Charles G. & D. R. to Pittsfield with potatoes & eggs. Mixing plaster & Paris green for the potatoes. John Chamberlain united yesterday.
- Wed 8th Beautiful day Paris greened the potatoes. D. O. & D. A. to Hinsdall with wool. C. G. & D. R. to Pittsfield got the clover in good condition. Picking cherries.
- Thurs 9th Very hot. D. O. over to Lenox with 35 bu of potatoes. Sold them for 50 cts. C. G. & D. R. to Pittsfield with potatoes. Got in 3 loads of hay. Splendid shower $\frac{1}{2}$ in. El. F. hired a man a german commenced work today.
- Fri 10th Dred in the logs from before the grain barn. Rained $\frac{1}{2}$ in last night & this morning. El. F. & C. G. to Pittsfield. D. O. & Thomas to Hinsdall had a smart shower about 10 A.M. about $\frac{1}{4}$ in got the hay into the cock.
- Sat 11th Beautiful day. hilled the potatoes. got in the remainder of the clover 5 good loads. Levi returns on the afternoon train.
- Sun 12th Public Meeting Beautiful day. No meeting in the afternoon. Meeting on the lawn in the eve.
- Mon 13th Pleasant cool day mowed the horse pasture & opensee lot the men mowed the orchard where the calves have been Levi to Windsor via Canaan.
- Tues 14th Raining all day nearly $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch. El. F. & two sisters start for New York, Eldress A. & two sisters out to Albany. Finished shelling the corn. washing wheat. sifting saw dust & drew up some pine lumber from the sleds.
- Wed 16th Beautiful day. C. G. on the mountain mowing. Got the hay almost in condition to come in. Trouble with Tilden's sheep in the N. garden & c & c putting up slabs along the wall. Paid Tilden about them. Jolls paid for the cow he got some weeks ago. \$50.61. Picking cherries & c & c

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- Thurs 16th Eldress A. & Co return. Beautiful day day got in 12 loads 4 in the horse barn & 2 from the mountain.
- Fri 17th Very hot. L.G. to Pittsfield with eggs butter & potatoes new ones 5 br. Haying on the Mountain. 5 loads of hay in 4 from the Mountain. El A. & Sister return from N.Y.
- Sat 18th Finished haying on the Mountain 5 loads to day 11 all told. Wm Chubb arrives on the afternoon train. Beautiful day Elvah & Adalvide here from ~~Pittsfield~~.
- Sun 19th A lovely day Public Meeting, very good. Afternoon no meeting. Evening
- Mon 20th Splendid day. D.V. out to Albany for the horse that Wm Chubb brought from Windsor get home about 7 P.M. L.G. to Pittsfield. cultivating and hoing corn fodder. Got in 1 load of clover.
- Tues 21st Very hot. Shower in the afternoon $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Cut round the rye. Mowed the 2^d meadow. El A. to Canaan with Wm Chubb & a boy from N.Y. who stays. Cultivating the corn in the Rock garden.
- Wed 22^d Warm Morning. Wm Shumway here. at the churn. Cultivated the potatoes in 2^d meadow go over in the afternoon to cut & bind the rye Wm Chubb returns to Windsor on the 10.55 train. The reaper got out of order bring it home.
- Thurs 23^d Beautiful day. After some trouble we get the reaper in order again and finish cutting the rye. got in 5 loads of hay from out north
- Fri 24th Cut the grass in the sand Knoll lot & cocked it. sowed turnep seed in the Rock garden. Poor hay day. L.G. to Pittsfield with Potatoes, eggs & butter John Chamberlain goes with him.
- Sat 25th Some rain in the forenoon & a little in the afternoon $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Cut the grass in cabin lot & cocked it. Hoing & weeding. The find one cog wheel on the reaper all out of condition for want of oil - take it apart & send it to the factory. The boy taken to Canaan on Tues last would not stay he is taken to Pittsfield.

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- Sund 26th Public Meeting. Afternoon no meeting.
E. Wm Wilson & E. L. Giles over before meeting.
Eve Singing meeting.
- Mon 27th Beautiful hay day. got in 16 loads out the
latest this season.
- Tues 28th A Splendid day 15 loads of hay and 3 loads
of Rye most of the hay went in the horse barn.
- Wed 29th Very good day a little rain in the morning
& a little shower in the afternoon Got in 13 loads
of rye and the hay rakings 1 load from out
north. Sister Anna & two sisters out to Albany
- Thurs 30th Pleasant cloudy day. Finished drawing
in the Rye rakings and all 26 loads all told
Mowed the meadow west of the cabin lot.
Wm Shumway & son & J. G. painted and sanded
the roof to the sawmill shed
- Fri 31st Charley & E. L. F. to Pittsfield. Took up 1.800 ft
of oak plank to the springs for the bridge, to
Austin Shillinger for which he pd \$45.00
Got in 12 loads of hay all horse hay.

Sat 1st

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- Mowed the meadow next the Royce Place &
got in 7 loads of hay. a splendid thunder
shower in the afternoon it rained $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch
Paid the hired men.
- Sun 2nd Pleasant day. Public Meeting. Singers to the
Sec family in the afternoon. Eve Reading Meeting.
- Mon 3rd Cloudy & S.E. wind cooler. Heavy rain in the
afternoon and night $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. Mowed some
round the barn on the flats. Splitting wood &c.
- Tues 4th Beautiful day. Got in the hay from out north
5 loads & 3 small loads in below. Shower in the
eve. 104 loads of hay all told cut at home & on the mountain.
- Wed 5th E. G. & D. F. to Pittsfield with currants eggs & butter
Setting out strawberry plants, weeding carrots &c
Start reaping the oats on the west hill got almost
done when a shower drives us off. $\frac{1}{4}$ in
- Thurs 6th Finished cutting the oats on the west hill & the pasture
lot out north; 6 acres in 4 h & 34 m. bound & shocked up.
E. G. drew two loads of hay from over the mountain. Weeding carrots &c

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- Fri 7th Dug about 50 bu of potatoes from the heap yard
C.G. & J.G. to Pittsfield with potatoes (27 bu) eggs
butter. reaped the oats in the ~~lots~~ west of the same
Knol lot and those in the 1st meadow.
- Sat 8th Beautiful day. mowed some on the flats, cut the
oats in the north garden. Got the oats in from
the west hill 3 loads. Got in 6 loads of hay belot
L.G. to the Springs with chickens, and round to
Pittsfield. No Meeting all the week since Sunday
- Sun 9th Public Meeting the largest audience this season
Secd family singas over in the afternoon & the Ca-
naan singas also. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 10th Cloudy day Dred in 27 loads of oats, raked the
lots & got the raskings. Wm. Shumway working at
the horse barn visits stable; the cow water ~~has~~
rotted out the lower end of the port & sill
- Tues 11th Unloading oats. had about 1/4 in of rain ~~last night~~
Mowing in the valley got in 4 loads of hay
when the shower stopped us 1/8 in
- Wed 12th Curious weather very hot no rain but cloudy
a good deal of the time. Got in 8 loads of hay
mowing in the valley.
- Thurs 13th Warm morning cloudy & south wind Got in
4 load of hay & the oats from the north garden
3 loads heavy rain in the afternoon & night
1 1/4 inch. John Greave, & 3 sisters out to Albany
- Fri 14th Fine day till about noon when we had a
smart shower 1/4 in no hay to day dred up the
wheat (120 bags) from Windsor. & 2 loads of
hemlock scantling & some flag stone.
L.G. Nelson & two sisters to Pittsfield.
John & Sisters return. Col F. & Co to Canaan Priming
- Sat 15th Cool & windy. dred up the remainder of the
flags. Cut the swampy part of the meadow.
Got in 20 loads of hay, hought 3 home.
- Sun 16th Beautiful cool morning Mer 44° near 30° colder
than yesterday. Public Meeting. Afternoon a few
attended the funeral of Charlotte Sharp at 2nd family
who died suddenly on Fri night at 10 o'clock Eve Reading;

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- Mon 17th Splendid Morning but a little rain in the afternoon finished mowing the meadow below & got in 13 loads all but the raskings. E. F. trimming. Charles cutting Henry's oat on the east farm.
- Tues 18th Lovely day. Charles G. & D. R. to Pittsfield with apples John G. to Pittsfield with chickens, & up to the springs with a coup of chickens. Finished digging the potatoes in the hen yard. Got the raskings from below. Sister paring apples to dry. Heavy shower in the afternoon and eve about 1/4 in. D. O. & Mareah taken to Canaan.
- Wed 19th Raining morning. cleared off about noon. A company of 6, Sisters Margaret Turner, Hannah Wilson Maria Blod & Miriam Afford; George Clark & Daniel Afford start for New York. The men laying over fence in the swamp next Tiddes.
- Thurs 20th Beautiful day. The men fixing the gullies & ditch on the Mountain. bags of wheat taken to Pittsfield gathering apples for drying. Levi returns home via Canaan.
- Fri 21st Drying apples cleaned out the apple cellar &c &c finished the gullies on the Mountain. Cleaned apple cellar on Saturday.
- Sat 22nd Heavy rain early this morning 1/2 in. Fine day. The company all return from New York. in good condition. The men getting out stumps in the meadow below.
- Sun 23rd Very heavy dew about 1/16 in. Public Meeting. Afternoon no meeting. B^{rs} George up Eve Union Meeting.
- Mon 24th The men getting out stumps in the swamp. Brothers picking up apples, brush &c &c. A very heavy rain in the afternoon it rained 1 inch in about 15 min. I never saw it rain harder. it rained 1 1/8 all together. Cleaning the eldes shop.
- Tues 25th Raining all night up to breakfast time about 1 in it rained about all day 1 3/8. Cleaning up Levi's wheat. putting the onion cellar in order &c.
- Wed 26th Cold day some showery. Charles & Augustus to Pittsfield for flour. with the aid of the oxen they get it all home 20 bbls of flour & about 1 ton of feed. The men laying stone drain between garden house & horse barn. E. F. & Co trimming.
- Thurs 27th Pleasant day. A company of 8 start for Windsor via Canaan. E. F. D. O. C. G. Sisters A. W. D. M. A. S. B. & C. A. Mercy starts for Binghamton in the same company. Augustus & Henry take us to the depot.

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- Fri 28th Beautiful day. Trimming in the young orchard. The company arrive safe at Windsor about 2.15
- Sat 29th Trimming in the young orchard. The men getting out stumps in the swamps. The Company hold Meeting in Bennets Hall. The hall full and very friendly & attentive.
- Sun 30th Heavy rain last night and this forenoon. No Public Meeting at home. The company in the forenoon held Meeting in the Methodist Chh. and attended Sunday school. Afternoon held meeting in the Presbyterian Chh. Evening attended Temperance Union Meeting in the Methodist Chh. Heavy rain ^{here} in the eve 1 1/2 inches; at Albany nearly 2 1/4 inches.
- Mon 31st Working in the onion cellar &c &c. Paring apples

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- Tues 1st The Company return ^{all but C.G.} New Zealand all in good health. Some rain 1/2 in. Paring apples; fill the Kiln.
- Wed 2nd Sawing wood for the ensilage boiler, and slabs get the yellow & week beans in & spread on the garden house loft. Picking pears. Brought up the plates of the song book from the depot & the remainder of the book. J.C. & G. returns on the afternoon train we got in part of the pears from the North garden.
- Thurs 3rd Beautiful day. Charles G. & D.A. to Pittsfield with pears, eggs & butter. Got in the remainder of the pears & threshed them. The men digging up the steam pipe to the Listers shop. J.C. & D.A. taking the pipes apart in the house & sisters shop.
- Fri 4th Beautiful day. J.C. to Pittsfield for covering for steam pipe &c. The ditch finished & the return pipe nearly laid; we wrapped it with 2 coats of asbestos & then a covering of hair wound round with string, then put into a 3 in iron soil pipe & leaded the joints. The steam pipe (1 1/2 in) will be done the same & run thro a 4 in soil pipe iron. Picking Pears.

- Sat 5th C.G. & D.O. attended school meeting last night. it also rained $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Pleasant till about 13 P.M. when it rained. Got the pipe all laid & the ditch filled in. Picking plums & drying them. Picking apples & pears.
- Sab 6th Beautiful cool day. steam in the morning. Public Meeting, a very good audience. In the afternoon Singing meeting at the South family. Canaan singers attended. Eve Reading.
- Mon 7th Cloudy & mild. Sister put up tomatoes the 1st this season. The men cutting slabs. Picking plums, & gathering apples for drying.
- Tues 8th Beautiful day the men getting out stumps picking pears plums &c. John & D.O. putting the pipes thro the cellar &c ground some wheat
- Wed 9th It rained last night $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch. Picking fruit. drawing much & here down into the horse barn. J.G. & D.O. at the pipes
- Thurs 10th Rainy morning Sister paring apples boys &c helping. Splitting slabs. lay culvert in front of the lower orchard gate. To work at the pipes &c. Digging potatoes in the afternoon.
- Fri 11th Beautiful day some frost in the morning. C.G. & C.G. to Pittsfield. Digging potatoes Picking plums &c. J.G. gets 13 big toe smacks.
- Sat 12th Lovely day. Finis in boxing the pipes in the battery. Digging potatoes. soaking plums &c. cut the onion seed in the 1st garden Yellow Dutch & Yellow Danvers, but it in the Blacksmiths logt.
- Sab 13th Beautiful morning, cloudy day. Public Meeting. Sec 2. South families over to singing Meeting. Garret secured from the 2^d family yesterday. Eve Union Meeting.
- Mon 14th Warm & pleasant. Picking & shipping plums 61 bu for which he paid \$61.00. Digging potatoes. D.O. off to engage hands for the silo. Cut onion seed
- Tues 15th A Beautiful day. Finis'd digging the early rose. Finis'd pulling the beans in the cabin lot & brought them home. Picked tomatoes. Sister put them up. The blue to the little boiler in wash-house gave out we take a box

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- Tue 16th Commenced cutting corn fodder & filling the silo. got in 28 loads. Ol. A. & Co picking apples. Some rain 1/4 in J. G. to Pittsfield with boiler
- Thurs 17th Beautiful day Getting in corn fodder 53 loads it went 1st rate to day Levi returns home via New York
- Fri 18th Lovely day Working at the silo cut 40 loads got it all cut down in the field pay off 6 hands \$24.00. Ol. A. & Co getting in apples &c.
- Sat 19th Finish cutting the ensilage & set it weighted. 140 loads from the 9 acre field. The sweet corn not to come. Ol. A. to Canaan Charles to Pittsfield
- Sun 20th Cool but very fine day. Public Meeting. Ol. J. to Vance addressed the audience which was rather small. One Reading. A reporter of the Brooklyn Eagle here.
- Mon 21st Lovely day. Levi returns to Windsor. Digging potatoes picking apples spreading manure at the Royce Place. The Maine Ministry here, they go to Canaan in the afternoon. Pick tomatoes.
- Tues 22nd Nice day. Sister paring apples. digging potatoes. picking apples &c The Maine Ministry return home.
- Wed 23rd Rainy 1/2 in Paring apples. Threshing beans &c Cut the corn all down in the rock garden it came off so cold we were afraid of freezing and so the sweet corn will go in the silo, the larger part of the corn by far, was not ready to pick.
- Thurs 24th Cutting the corn stalks from the Rock garden. Picking off the ears as we feed it into the machine. Ol. A. & Co Picking apples. Ol. Avery Allen departed for fairer regions
- Fri 25th Beautiful day. Ol. A. to Pittsfield. The carrier &c got badly broken just before dinner. The Men digging potatoes finish all up we fix the carrier &c and get it all running by 4.30

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- Sat 26th Splendid day Charles to Pittsfield he brings home the boiler. The finish cutting the corn from the rock garden about 4 1/2 acres and got 84 loads it was very heavy. Put the weights on the silos and draw Henry's buckwheat down to thresh it on Monday. El A. & Co picking apples in the dooryard. A man here
- Sun 27th Beautiful warm day Mon at noon 74°. Public meeting. Afternoon funeral of B. Avery Allen at 2 family. A company of 10 sisters and 8 brethren attend south family. Eve Patience Vining deceased at the
- Mon 28th Just a summer's day. Set up the boiler in the wash-house. Threshed Henry's buckwheat over 900 bushels husking sweet corn, picking apples pears &c. D. attended the funeral of Patience Vining. Rhoda Holister fell & hurt her ^{side of} the wounded curb.
- Tues 29th Beautiful day. Take the sweet corn to Canaan and dry it get home after 8 o'clock. Commenced pulling the onions. Got in the remainder of the beans. Picking apples &c. C. G. to Pittsfield with pears & chickens.
- Wed 30th Nice morning. C. G. to Pittsfield with pears & chickens. Bring the corn home 394 lbs from about 3000 lbs of green corn on the cob. Spreading manure in the valley picking apples & pears.
- Thurs 1st A lovely day. D. C. takes the girls Jane C. and Louisa out riding. Sisters paring apples getting out stumps & drawing manure. Picking apples & pears.
- Fri 2nd El A. C. G. Sisters Anna & Julia to Pittsfield. Paring & drying apples. Picking apples & pears. Bristol the tailor from the springs here take the brethren's measure for coats. Nelson Peables starts on his usual tour to Jersey &c.
- Sat 3rd Rainy day. 7/8 in. El A. & sister Anna to Pittsfield. The men threshing beans & splitting wood. Sisters doing up tomatoes.
- Sun 4th El Clinton over, and it is decided to hold no meeting to day & to close them for the season. The Canaan people up. Meeting in the forenoon. Afternoon no meeting. Eve Reading. Some rain in

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- Tues 6th Cold cloudy & raining $\frac{1}{4}$ in started winter apple picking. The men & D.O. on the cottage road pick'd 108 bu one greening had 34 bu & one baldwin 4.3 bu C.G. plowing.
- Mon 5th Cold but pleasant. D.O. over to Dalton to get baskets for apple picking. gathering apples for drying. The teams start plowing where we had corn fodder. Eldress Joanna & Co here
- Wed 7th Cold morning. Picking apples along the road 184 bu. Augustus & Co picking at the McNaught Pl. Sisters paring apples, see in the eve.
- Thurs 8th Heavy freeze, ice most $\frac{1}{8}$ of an in. ^{Starting} Paring apples. Apple picking. Finished the row 426 bu pick'd and 39 pick'd of the ground. Total 465 bu of work apples and probably 15 bu from the early sweet tree 480 bu all sold. Pick'd today 139 bu
- Fri 9th Cloudy but no rain. C.G. to Pittsfield. Splendid afternoon. the man brought the baskets Henry traded waggons with him. Apple picking going on splendid we, the men & D.O. pick'd 130 bu
- Sat 10th Beautiful day. C.G. plowing. Picking apples D.O. & Co got in 120 bu 105 pick'd. Total D.O. & Co have got in this week commencing on Tues 666 bu pick'd & 54 bruised 710 in all
- Sun 11th Beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. Afternoon a company of 6 brethren & 8 sisters hold meeting at the Upper family. Eve Reading meeting.
- Mon 12th Splendid day. picking apples in the forenoon, topped & got in the good onions in the afternoon 60 bu. 26 white 14 yellow Dutch & 20 yellow drawers there are a great many thick neck ones 65 bu of apples 35 pick'd. C.G. & Lina to Pittsfield for 6 bl. Apple see in the eve
- Tues 13th Windy morning. Yesterday Louisa Bell hurt her ankle very much by a stone put in front of the west door. Raining most of the day. Got in the poor onions & topped them opened the large silo. Drying apples. C.L. to Canaan

- Wed 14th Rainy morning. Took the pea vines & some bean pod to the Royce Pl. Paring & drying apples. Threshing wheat, Scotch rye, and beans. All the men off looking for the lost women from the flats. got in 15 bu bruised apples
- Thurs 15th Cool & Cloudy got in 122 bu 50 bruise ^{from the lower orchard} C.G. & Lind to Pittsfield. Gathering apples from the young orchard. A man comes
- Fri 16th Cold frosty day. But very fine day. 150 bu from the lower orchard 80 picked. C.G. & D.F. to Pittsfield. Gathering apples from the nursery & young orchard. sent the squashes away. Finished picking in the ^{lower orchard} 1422 & 180 B.
- Sat 17th Beautiful day Picking apples in the north orchard about 200 bu 160 picked. the other apple companies in the young orchard & nursery. C.G. to Pittsfield.
- Sun 18th Splendid day no steam in the eve. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon Union in the eve.
- Mon 19th Mild day no steam. Rachel Webb & Mary Ann Jones of Waterlot here. About finished the north orchard. 245 bu to day 150 picked. C.G. to Pittsfield for a hoghead of molasses. apple picking going on in the young orchard & nursery. Levi returns home on the eve train.
- Wed 21st A splendid rainy day 2 in all total. C.G. to Pittsfield. Threshed out the red & white onion seed & some white beans. sorting apples Levi to Canada.
- Tues 20th Pear bee in the eve sickle Peas, to dry.
- Tues 20th A little rain in the morning. C.G. & Charles Donnet to Pittsfield. Freight to the north side. Finis had gathering the apples from the young orchard 245 bu about 40 picked. John Greaves starts for Syracuse to attend the funeral ^{his brother William} goes along
- Thurs 22nd C.G. to Pittsfield for 5 bbls John Chamberlain ^{his brother William} goes along. It comes of very cold. On the west hill gathering cider apples get about 20 bu come to the Royce Pl.
- Fri 23rd Beautiful day getting cider apples from the Plastic Mill lot took 2 loads up to the mill hung home 10 casks of cider. C.G. & Thomas to Pittsfield with apples & peas butter & eggs. got home rather late. Levi up to Cambridge. The women goes having her two girls Augustus & the boys off putting on the mountain.

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- Sat 24th Beautiful day The men finish gathering the cider apples 6 loads taken to the mill. El F. trimming The boys off nutting again
- Sun 25th Just a lovely day frosty in the morning. Singing in the forenoon. The Cancer people up in the afternoon Reading in the eve.
- Mon 26th Beautiful day. Levi starts for Windsor. Daniel Ray starts for Windsor with 36 head of cattle, Cows, bulls, heifers, & steers. Nelson goes with him to see him saje thro Albany. Sorting potatoes and putting them away. getting in turneps from the North garden. C.G. to Pittsfield with apples. El F. & Sister Anna to Pittsfield.
- Tues 27th Sorting potatoes and putting them in the cellar
- Wed 28th Beautiful day Sorting potatoes. Plowing out carrots with the subsoil plow C.G. to Pittsfield.
- Thurs 29th Got in all the carrots topped 160 bu there will be about 250 bu. C.G. to Pittsfield Sorting potatoes. Rain in the evening & night.
- Fri 30th Cold & windy some rain in the morning D.O. to Pittsfield Finish topping the carrots. Cleaning quon seed. sorting apples. &c &c in of rain.
- Sat 31st Cold day Finished putting the potatoes away Charles S. to Pittsfield he takes Bernard Elmer and ships him. Horace Brown again taken back. Wm Shumway gets 116 ft of Chestnut plank. Sorting apples. sold all on the barn floor. Plowed the cabin lot.
- Sun 1st 14° of frost in the morning. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve. Elbers Antoinette fell down a few stairs and wrenched her ankle some.
- Mon 2^d A very rainy forenoon 1 in. All hands sorting apples. D.O. out to Albany & Troy. Nelson arrived home on the afternoon train.

- Tues 3^d El. A. & Co trimming trees. Some plowing done
Got wood in the cellar. Sawed wood for the men
J. G. & C. E. up to the Springs with Elders Harriet &
about the will of their brother W^m. deceased.
- Wed 4th Governor Hill elected. Dressed 157 bbls of apples
to the depot. 75 cts per bbl. W^m plowing some.
Paid W^m. John & Charles for October.
Tapping carrots & turneps. the last
- Thurs 5th El. A. and a large company of men & brethren
trimming. D. O. out to Albany with B^r Geo Clark
to get an organ for the boys, and to get a Melodian
for Canaan
- Fri 6th El. A. & company trimming. Charles to Pittsfield with
egg butter apple &c. Fixing up the boys room for
a school room to meeting in evenings &c
- Sat 7th L. G. to Pittsfield with apples. He bring home the
organ. El. A. to Pittsfield. Finished drawing out
manure on the flats. Charles Thomas not here.
- Sun 8th Name day Singing in the forenoon Laboring in
the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 9th Rain about all night over 2 in near 2 1/2 in
Threshing beans &c &c.
- Tues 10th Cold day. L. G. & 3 sisters to Pittsfield. Sisters
Anna & Louisa out to Albany home on the
late train. putting away carrots. Dressed down
nearly 100 bbls of apples the last of those sold
on the barn floor 257 bbls all told at 75 cts
- Wed 11th Beautiful day finished putting away the carrots
and turneps. El. A. & Co trimming. B^r George
& sisters up. Clearing out the ditch across the
road by the pond.
- Thurs 12th Charles G. to Pittsfield. Finished clearing
the ditch by the pond. El. A. & Co finish
trimming the young orchard. John Joyce not here
- Fri 13th Charles G. & Daniel Ray to Pittsfield 4 men on
the Mountain fixing road. to be paid for
next spring by H. C. jr. Sisters house cleaning.
El. A. preparing to take a journey to Boston.

November 1885

- Sat 14th El A. & John Greaves start for Boston via Pittsfield. 3 men on the Mountain again one was only there $\frac{1}{2}$ a day & steady took 100 lbs cracked wheat to the Chh. and 173 lbs graham flour to south family.
- Sun 15th Cool & pleasant day Laboring in the forenoon Singus to Canada in the afternoon. Come Reading. Moriah Bland very unwell She is released from the nursing, & Nancy Tyson takes her place. The new stone set up in the nurses shop last week work splendid
- Mon 16th School commences. The three boys go Harry to go for 1 or 2 months as we see fit C.G. plowing. Chaley plowing get in all the cabbage. put the double windows on the wash-house. Righted the stone step at West door of 2nd house.
- Tues 17th Set a new tub at the of yard as you one The men spread the lumps of manure on the meadow. C.G. plowing. finished plowing the gardens.
- Wed 18th Mild day. getting leaves for the strawberry bed. Drawing dirt from the wall in the night pasture. Righting up the walk to the wash house.
- Thurs 19th Some rainy. Finished ^{The plowing all done} threshing, the onion seed. cleaned up the beans. Loaded two loads of grain in the cow barn. shred up the sawdust from the mill. El A. & John arrived on the morning train. Put up 5 bbls of apples for El William and 1 bbl of beans & took them over. Celestia arrived home on the afternoon train.
- Frid 20th C.G. to Pittsfield. D.B. & Co laying over the walk from the house to the north shop. Thomas & Horace fixing the strawberry bed for winter. two men drawing leaves, and the dirt from behind the wall in the cow pasture

- Sat 21st 4° of frost in the morning get the stones laid to the walk. Sell the greenings to Husted 75 ct per bbl. draw the bbls up from the depot. two boxes of shants brought home. Thomas & Co trimming out apple brush out north.
- Sun 22^d A little stormy B^r George & Sister Margaret singing in the forenoon Laboring in the afternoon Evening Reading Meeting
- Mon 23^d Stormy day, snow. Cleaning wheat sorting potatoes, sowing onion seed &c &c.
- Tue 24th Stormy again. Grinding feed preparing to thresh cleaned out the sawdust from under the mill. &c. &c. The cattle & sheep all up.
- Wed 25th A little stormy, snow. L. G. to Pittsfield. We commenced thrashing at the grain barn oats from the North garden less than an acre 63 bu by weight. about 100 bu of barley & oats thrashed also. 70 bags all told
- Thurs 26th Thanksgiving. Meeting in the forenoon Singing Meeting in the afternoon. The Canadian, Sec Family & South Family all attend; eve Reading. Some snow.
- Fri 27th Thrashing oats & barley. about 174 bu. Charles & D. O. to Pittsfield, Charles starts from thence to Syracuse. 10° above 0° this A. M.
- Sat 28th Beautiful day but cold 10° above 0° Thrashing oats & barley 178 bu we count only 2 bu in a bag but they will average more than that. Lorr returns on the forenoon train.
- Sun 29th 12° above 0°. but a milder day than yesterday. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. No communication with Cogan. Eve. Union Meeting
- Mon 30th Thrashing 216 bu took some straw to the foot of the hill. Lorr to Hancock and Canaan. Charles returns on the late train

December 1885

- Tues 1st Finished thrashing the oats & barley total number of bu 800 besides several bushels of hen feed 12 acres yielded over 50 bu to the acre weighing 41 lbs to the bu there was about 20 acres averaging 40 bu to the acre. Took down the greenings up to 70 lbs and some few pounds over. Dec M. arrived Elder A. & Charles to Pittsfield. P the tailor the balance of his bill \$16.00. Levi starts for Windsor
- Wed 2nd Beautiful day. Getting the wood out of the grove and sawing it. Took 8 bu of rye & 2 bu of Buckwheat to the mill. Banked up the wash-house doors & the granary.
- Thurs 3rd Some snow last night & this morning 2 in drawing, and cutting, the wood out of the grove J. G. fell in a fit in the boiler cellar. Got all the wood ^{out} of the grove. Celestine Rose seeds
- Fri 4th The men on the mountain getting the wood out of the gullies &c. L. G. to Pittsfield. Brought home the rye & buckwheat from the mill. Engaged M. Sackett to survey the Bull timber lot; also John Kelly to beat out our rye.
- Sat 5th Start getting out the manure from under the horse barn. Some rain & they turn in & get the ice out of the house to get it ready for repairing. At the manure in the after noon. Manure the Kitchen garden & the strawberry bed &c. and in the 1st garden. Trimming bush in the ground orchard
- Sun 6th Beautiful cold windy day very raw. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 7th A very cold day and a very high wind. 12° above 0 in the morning 11° above at noon. Spent over to the upper Perry meadow with M. Sackett and surveyed the wood lot there finished clearing the ice out of the house & commenced taking the saw dust out preparatory to repairing

Tues 8th 30° above 0 but beautiful calm day. Got all the wood that was cut on the mountain drew out so it could be loaded. Drawing brush & wood out of the orchards.

Wed 9th 41° above 0 in the morning & some rain, a great change cleared the old rafters out of the ice house. planing boards at the mill washing wheat. arranging the lumber house. putting up wheat to carry to Pittsfield. The Ministry returned home about 3.45

Thurs 10th Very mild. The man engaged to beat out the rye (John Kelly) arrived and after considerable fuss with the belt we got started and did good work.

Fri 11th Colder. Beating out the rye all hands the boys stay home from school did excellent business.
C.G. to Pittsfield

Sat 12th Beautiful day. finish the rye. Drawing brush & wood from the orchards. The men cutting up the old trees drawn from the wood last winter.

Elders brethren over south.

Sun 13th Mild & stormy snow & rain. Singing in the forenoon. C.G. to Canaan after dinner. Afternoon Laboring Meeting. Eve Reading. Elders brethren

Mon 14th Rain last night & to-day 1/4 in finished the cutting of the wood in the night pasture. cleaning wheat, washing wheat &c. Drawing brush &c.

Tues 15th The men on the west hill cutting up the tree tops Charles G. & Co drawing brush & wood from the orchards. Some stormy.

Wed 16th Drawing brush & wood. D.O. to Pittsfield cold day. take 3 kerosene bbls back.
The men on the west hill.

Thurs 17th Pleasant & snow squally; finished getting the brush & wood from the orchards. The men on the west hill. 2 boxes & 1 bag of sheets taken to depot. A young man comes from New York.

Fri 18th Elders to Canaan all but Eldress Antoinette Stormy most of the day. Cleaning wheat &c &c.

Sat 19th Mild some sleighing two teams to Pittsfield with wheat apples butter & eggs yesterday, & one team with wheat to-day on a sleigh. Elders return. growing colder.

- Sun 20th A cold stormy day. about 10° above 0° with strong wind. No Meeting in the forenoon. Early Sacrifice. Afternoon laboring meeting. Eve no meeting.
- Mon 21st Cold 8° above 0°. Two teams to Pittsfield with wheat. The men on the west hill cutting wood. Canaan elders up. The Ministry sisters over. Horace drawing wood from the mountain with the cattle.
- Tues 22nd Mild & pleasant. The men & D.O. reblank the bridge & fix the road up thro the woods from the cottage to the East farm. The cattle drawing wood from the mountain. Brethren cutting the willows in the Rock garden. ~~The~~ young man that came last week united yesterday.
- Wed 23rd Two loads of straw taken to the Paper Mill. cutting the willows in the Rock garden the sleighing about all gone drew wood from the mountain Thomas got some hurt with a binding pole flying up striking his hand arm & head. Rain at night 1/4 in.
- Thurs 24th 4 loads of straw taken to the paper mill. finished cutting the willows. Charles to Pittsfield Levi returns on the evening train. growing colder.
- Fri 25th Christmas. the Canaan people up to Meeting in the forenoon. No Meeting in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Sat 26th Cold day 8° above 0° ^{with the morning} and a strong wind allday. Levi off again via Canaan. Drawing brush from the Rock garden. Clearing wheat. 3 men on the west hill. Peter away to spend Christmas &c.
- Sun 27th A very cold day 5° above 0. and a powerful wind. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon, reading in the eve.
- Mon 28th Cold but pleasant 10° of frost. Drawing the lumber up to the ice-house. E. A. D.O. Sister Anna & Ann out to Albany &c to get wheat &c. stay over.
- Tues 29th Pleasant day. D.O. returns on the morning train. E. A. via Pittsfield. E. G. meets him. Sisters on the afternoon train. Finished cutting the maple in the Rock garden Drawing wood &c &c.

- Wed 30th Settled up with Peter Haase ^(yesterday) the hired man & he leaves. Charles to Pittsfield with the remainder of the wheat, drawing wood &c &c.
- Thurs 31st Cloudy, mild, & rain. Mer 46° The men over chopping in the forenoon. planing &c. commenced cleaning the Rye Charles to Pittsfield with a hoghead or part of Molasses to get it exchanged. D. to Lanaan Depot. took 1 BBL of apples for Kenmore, tub of butter for Olcott. Got the Telephone transmitter from Lanaan & ours, and sent them via National express to Albany; thus reducing the expense one half. Rain $\frac{3}{4}$ in

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- Fri 1st Very mild C.G. & Daniel Ray to Pittsfield with Rye two loads. E. F. writing. D. C. grinding &c &c Henry seeing to the out farms. Daniel Fraser in the shop John Greaves in the shop Charles Donnet helping D.R. at the barn. Thomas Alsop, ^{Harvey} John Chamberlain, William Merkel, & Augustus helping where ever needed. Three boys Harry, Otis & Divine go to school. Lina with the hens. Nelson in the shoe shop. Leri at Windsor. A total of 19 Males.
- Sat 2^d Very Mild. Two loads of Rye taken to Pittsfield C.G. & Thomas go part of the tire comes off one wheel. The men chopping. Grinding, to work at the ice house saw mill &c.
- Sun 3^d A mild day. Singing in the forenoon. Labouring in the afternoon. Saw reading scriptures singing &c.
- Mon 4th A very mild day Mer 40° Henry Cartell took 2 sisters to Pittsfield. Sawing logs for the ice house working at the ice house &c.
- Tues 5th Mer 50° 2 in of rain last night the flats flooded. To work at the ice house. and clearing out the big drain that leads from the upper pond to the lower pond 4 wooden aqueducts had drifted down had quite a job to get them out. C.G. to Pittsfield with rye Charley Thomas took a load over. Terrible going.
- Wed 6th Mild but growing colder. Finish clearing out the drain C.G. took 12 bu of rye to the mill & 5 bu of buckwheat

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- Thurs 7th Zero and a terrible wind. The men start on the west hill but return. Getting the sawdust up in the ice house. This is the weather to take the fuel.
- Fri 8th 4° below 0 at 1. A M. A very cold ~~windy~~ day; getting the sawdust up in the ice house. Done in the afternoon & the men go on the west hill, Charly brings home the rye and buckwheat.
- Sat 9th Stormy day cold & windy. The men on the East farm cleaning oats & drawing them down. Brethren at the ice house.
- Sun 10th 0° cold but pleasant. Laboring in the forenoon. The Ministry sisters over after dinner. Singing in the afternoon. Laboring in the eve.
- Mon 11th Zero. Cold but calm. Charles G. to Pittsfield with eggs & butter. butting logs. drawing wheat from Canaan 4 corners. &c &c washed 4 bags of wheat
- Tues 12th 18° below 0° but calm & plenty of sunshine. 8 below at noon. awful cold. The men on the west hill. cleaned up the wood-house lofts. &c &c.
- Wed 13th Beautiful day 10° below 0. Charley gets one load of wheat; goes on the west hill after dinner. Charles get the remainder of the wheat. altered the return pipe from the little kitchen but not a perfect success.
- Thurs 14th 6° below 0° Two loads of straw taken to the mill. Working at the saw mill or rather grain barn finished cleaning up the rye. about 300 bu in all.
- Fri 15th 4° above 0° Three loads of straw taken to the mill. A lovely day. commenced trimming the willows round the upper pond. working at the mill 2.
- Sat 16th Ther 20° quite an agreeable change Mild and pleasant. changed the pipes in the little kitchen so as to stop the pounding. It is entirely successful. repack the men hole to the boiler. Charles to Pittsfield with eggs & fleas. El. P. to Canaan stays over night

- Sun 17th Mild & some stormy. growing colder towards night
 Labouring in the forenoon. Singing to Canaan in the
 afternoon. Sitting in the eve.
- Mon 18th Cold day but fine. C. F. C. G. & two sisters to
 Pittsfield Charley takes a load of straw.
 Get the rest all on the waggons & the barn
 cleaned up
- Tues 19th Stormy day snow & blow. Cleaning seed oat
 putting the barn floor in order &c &c
- Wed 20th Colder & pleasant. Charles takes 20 bu of
 rye over the mountain & get soapstone for
 over bottom. The men on the west hill
 & drawing wood. fixed the overflow to the
 reservoir, the frost had raised it up.
- Thurs 21st Mild day & some snow. The last of the
 straw taken to the mill total 14 tons & 600^{lbs}
 The men helping Henry get his oats from
 the Royce Pl. Commence taking down
 the over to put in a new bottom.
- Fri 22nd Colder and pleasant. Levi returns via Pittsfield.
 Charles meets him. Drawing wood. working
 at the over &c. Contract for 10 tons of fertilizer
- Sat 23rd Cold windy day. drawing wood & lumber.
 drew in the logs to the mill. working at the
 over get the bottom laid.
- Sun 24th Cold 6° below 0. in the morning 1° above at noon.
 Singing in the forenoon Labouring in the evening
 Reading in the afternoon. 8° below 0° at 8.30. P.M.
- Mon 25th Windy S.E. 12° above 0° Took lumber over to
 the waggon maker he is going to make us some
 sleighs to pay for it. Drawing wood &c &c
 Levi off to Windsor. C. F. out to Hudson & Albany
- Tues 26th Mild 2° of frost. The safety plug melted from
 the house boiler had quite a time to repair it.
 Drawing wood, & took more lumber over the
 mountain. working at the over &c &c
- Wed 27th Working at the over. Thomas & John
 drawing out the locust trees from the grove,
 into the cow pasture.

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Thurs 28th Got the oven done so as to start a fire in it. The sisters cleaning out the bake room. Drawing wood.

Fri 29th Charles to Pittsfield Teams drawing wood ~~got the cattle shed~~ Thomas & John drawing out locust poles.

Sat 30th Drawing wood from the mountain. Got the oven shod.

Sun 31st The Ministry over in the forenoon make a little visit & stay to dinner. The Canaan people up in the afternoon to laboring Meeting. Eve singing meeting.

February 1886

Mon 1st Finish drawing the wood from the mountain. Preparing to get ice in. Take Hugh Gallies on the old Calver place 1 cord of White oak wood.

Tues 2nd To work at the ice get in 46 loads. C. F. & Sister Anna to Canaan. Hired two men about the ice.

Wed 3rd Beautiful calm cold day. Finish our ice 72 loads in all over 1/4 tons to the load. Fields of Lebanon Spring wants we should get him some ice.

Thurs 4th 7° below 0° drawing ice up to Fields. 4° below 0 at noon. The oven broke in the forenoon had to draw one out with the horses had quite a time.

Fri 5th 18° below 0° A high wind last night. Shelling corn finished drawing ice to Fields 233 cakes 5cts per cake.

Sat 6th Beautiful day 14° below 0° C. F. & Charles to Pittsfield. The snow goes up rapidly 16" above at noon. The men helping Henry clean oats and draw them from the Royce pl.

Sun 7th Splendid day. Reading in the forenoon a company of 90 sisters & 8 brethren to Canaan laboring Meeting. Eve Union Meeting.

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- Mon 8th Beautiful day Finish drawing ice to Carpenter at the springs & loads. Trimming the willows round the lower pond. Thawing.
- Tues 9th Lovely day. A company of 11 sisters & 3 brethren sleigh riding to Pittsfield. very warm the sleigh going fast. The men cutting logs on the west hill.
- Wed 10th The men cutting logs fine day but windy. Heusteel engages 6 cords of wood will draw it himself. C. McNamee & son has worked in the woods today for 3 cords of wood.
- Thurs 11th Very windy (east) The men finish drawing together all the logs that were cut. Take sheets to the depot. Augustus & William Merrill in the shop repairing the cart &c &c. Rain in the eve.
- Fri 12th The men down drawing up manure. try to draw off stamps rather stormy.
- Sat 13th Charles to Pittsfield with eggs &c. The roads pretty good over the mountain.
- Sun 14th Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve. Two sisters over to attend the funeral of Adeline Sears. Harry took them over, & brought them back; when the horse got as jar as our stone walk he started and most throw the sisters out. Harry stopped him by the time he got to the North shop.
- Mon 15th A Mild day The men cutting tree tops on the west hill. Trimming the willows around the lower pond. D. O. to Canaan to see about their telephone &c
- Tues 16th Drawing brush from round the pond. Augustus & Wm Merrill carpentering at the horse barn. The men on the west hill cutting tree tops.
- Wed 17th Fine day grinding wheat corn &c. D. O. starts for Albany via Canaan; stays there over night. Cold breeze. The men on the west hill.
- Thurs 18th Beautiful day. D. O. to Albany & Troy. back to Canaan on the evening train. stay there over night. Try to fix their telephone but fail. Drawing the lumber from the mill & sticking it up by the road side.

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- Fri 19th D.O. returns. B Geo comes up bringing up some sisters & some wheat. Mild day. Charles to ~~Pittsfield~~
Levi returns on the evening train. rain.
- Sat 20th Growing colder. Walter up ^{from Cambridge} for the wheat. The men cutting tree tops Augustus & Co at the horse barn working at the stalls. Very windy & cold.
- Sun 21st Mer 0° steam all night. Singing in the forenoon D.O. did not attend. Afternoon Evening Union Meeting.
- Mon 22^d The men on the west hill chopping tree tops fixing pipes in bath room at C house. drawing lousht posts &c.
- Tues 23^d The men cutting rails &c on the west hill. Put about 45 ft of pipe in the bath room to help warm it the water circulates nicely. Charles over the mountain for bobs.
- Wed 24th The men finish drawing the stumps up the swamp meadow. C.G. to Canaan Cors with bobs to get ironed off. brings home the waggon wheels & Henry's waggon that he put a spring on in place of the broken one.
- Thurs 25th The men on the west hill finish cutting up the old stuff B Geo up gets grass seed &c. Very stormy afternoon. Rain & snow and awful blood.
- Fri 26th A terrible stormy day growing cold rapidly. a most fearful wind The men cleaning harness & painting wheels. washed some wheat.
- Sat 27th The most raging night of any we have had for years 9° below 0 with a terrible gale with some snow made it a fearful night. The men washing harness &c &c they discover that the wash mill shaft is broken, start to repair it.
- Sun 28th 4° below 0° a high wind all last night and continues near all day. Very fine & clear. Singing in the forenoon. Lolling in the afternoon. Evening Quicr Meeting.

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- Mon 1st 8. below 0. very windy painting wheels working at the wash mill get it all straight again the springs we put in were of no use.
- Tues 2^d 0. & very windy cutting pipe & preparing to put some in the girls room C. G. & C. G. to Pittsfield had a very cold time.
- Wed 3^d Put in the pipe about 45 ft of 1 1/4 had very good success. The men at the locust posts. &c.
- Thurs 4th The wind continues N.W. and cold.
- Fri 5th A terrible wind ~~last~~ in the night Part of the Center family's roof to their dwelling house.
- Sat 6th Beautiful clear windy day
- Sun 7th lovely day Singing in the forenoon, the Canaan people up in the afternoon & laboring meeting. Eve Reading meeting.
- Mon 8th Broke out the road to the east farm. Sawing wood for John Duger. Sawing locusts in the afternoon finished drawing ^{posts} from the cow pasture.
- Tues 9th Stormy some snow. Sawing locust posts John Chamberlain concludes to withdraw D. & Co put pipe in the upper east chamber.
- Wed 10th A splendid day just snow enough for a slight run H. C. & D. O. over to Hancock with sister girls O. turns over ~~on~~ the way home. The men over for wood in the forenoon sawing posts in the afternoon.
- Thurs 11th Beautiful mild day. Teams drawing manure are from the cow barn vault. the sleighing going fast. The Ministry returned yesterday.
- Fri 12th Teams drawing manure. stormy afternoon grinding &c. Augustus & William making shills for the one horse lumber waggon.
- Sat 13th Mild & cloudy. Clouds over south. The Ministry sisters over. C. G. & Nelson to Pittsfield teams drawing out manure.
- Sun 14th Pleasant day. Laboring in the forenoon A company of 8 sisters & 10 brethren to Canaan in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.

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Mon 15th Pleasant day thawing very much. teams drawing up fertilizer from depot. drawing out manure. A B & D. O. off to see a yoke of steers. We let the Canaan people have the white horse to draw up coal.

Tues 16th A little rain very mild. Teams helping to draw coal to Canaan. Terrible going.

Wed 17th Fixing the plow house for a fertilizer room. Moved the fertilizer from the cow barn to the new place. Sawing wood & c.

Thurs 18th Sawing wood. Sorting apples & bbls to go to Benning town. The Canaan people returned the white

Fri 19th horse & brought up an ox truck (2 wheel) & a cart body frame. Covered the lumber beside the

Fri 19th sawing wood. Ol A & Charles to Pittsfield ^{crossed} stormy afternoon. Took 8 bbls of apples to the depot, agreed to let him have 50 a 60 more bring up the bbls. & commence sorting.

Sat 20th Stormy day snow & rain got out 55 bbls of apples. Brought home the rye from the mill. Levi returned home on the 5:30

Sun 21st A terrible wind last night & stormy near all day. Ministry brethren over in the forenoon. Singing in the morning. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.

Ol A preparing to go to New York.

Mon 22nd Ol A. starts alone for New York. Took 55 bbls of apples to depot \$1.10 per bbl. Sawing wood

Tues 23rd About 6 in of snow fell last night. Shelling corn yesterday afternoon. Dred out the manure from the lane & c at the foot of the hill.

Levi to Canaan & thence to Windsor.

Wed 24th Teams on the west hill drawing out wood. moved the dried apples to the fruit house. opened the 5 bbls of apple left in the barn last fall; found many rotten ones; don't leave any more in that way. opened them yesterday

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Thurs 25th Cloudy, working at the wood, painting the pipes in the hall & chamber. Took wood down to W^m & John. Fixing for washing wheat.

Fri 26th Beautiful day. Charles to Pittsfield with eggs butter & apples, working at the wood, started the splitter. El F. returns on the 4.45 train.

Sat 27th Beautiful day sawing & splitting wood. B' Geo up.

Sun 28th A lovely day. Singing in the forenoon Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve. B' Louis over in the morning.

Mon 29th Beautiful morning, some frost. Working at the wood. Charles trying to fix up the one horse fertilizer sower. Windy & a little snow this the day.

Tues 30th Cloudy & windy Rain in the afternoon. working at the wood. washing wheat shelling corn &c.

Wed 31st Working at the wood some Charles Donnet some unwell. Disagreeable day. El F. & Charles to Pittsfield.

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Thurs 1st Working at the wood, did good business. Settled up with the hired men for March Louis Conant to work commenced on Monday. E' Geo up he brought some Hubbard Squash.

Fri 2nd Pleasant day cooler. School breaks up D. attends in the P.M. Working at the wood Charles & Daniel Pease to Pittsfield with eggs butter & apples. Changed time, rise at 4.30

Sat 3rd Cool morning, pleasant day. Finish getting the short wood in the upper wood-house. put some boiler wood there. Otis got one of his fingers cut nearly off with the splitter.

Sun 4th 3rd of frost in the morning. Cloudy day. Laboring in the forenoon Singing to 2nd Sunday in the afternoon. Eve Sitting reading Meeting.

Mon 5th 4th of frost. pleasant day. Clearing up about the sawmill. Charles G. moves one load of goods for George Slighter. The man over from the west will get more wire to fence our wood lot (Charles gets it at the springs 2 rolls over \$1.00 5³/₄ cts per pound)

April 1886

- Tues 6th Rainy day shelling corn &c D. B. out to Albany to see about an incubator &c &c stays overnight.
- Wed 7th A very muddy time rain & snow. composting hen manure. preparing seed boxes for eggs. D. V. returns on the late train.
- Thurs 8th The corn all shelled. sweeping down cob-wells in the cow barn. Some white washing done at the North shop.
- Fri 9th Beautiful day 10° of frost. C. S. & Harry to Pittsfield finished getting boiler wood in the wood house. cleared up about the mill some. Levi returned on the afternoon train. Tried to mend the radiator in No 16.
- Sat 10th Splendid day. Made the hot bed put the sleight away. repaired the foundation walls under the barrel house. set up bird house on a new locust pole.
- Sun 11th Lovely day 4° of frost. Singing in the forenoon. The Canaan people up in the afternoon to laboring meeting. Eve Union Meeting.
- Mon 12th Mild; near 60° in the afternoon. Commenced drawing coal the roads improving got up some 30 loads such as the teams could draw. Two teams from Canaan in the afternoon. Thomas Aloop secedes. Henry takes him up to the Springs depot. Levi off again.
- Tues 13th Drawing coal got up 38 loads A little rain which has made the roads very bad. & work house
- Wed 14th Finished drawing coal for the boiler, 3 car loads a little over 50 tons we made a little less than 90 loads. The Canaan teams go home just before dinner at 10.55. doing some plastering.
- Thurs 15th Put the potatoes in the ice house for our own use near 90 bu. drawing dirt in the dooryard & fixing walks &c John Dyer not here.
- Fri 16th Pleasant day grading the dooryard we made the gate way wider in front of the sisters shop yes today. adjusting the walls moved the remainder of the potatoes to the ice house about 100 bu. Charles to Pittsfield.

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- Sat 17th A delightful day drawing dirt into the dooryard, changing the walk stone south of the sec^d house, digging the rubbish &c drawing stove coal in the afternoon. Sisters house cleaning.
- Sun 18th Beautiful morning. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 19th drawing coal; all finished. Burned the brush on the asparagus bed.
- Tues 20th Plowing in the rock garden. drawing the manure from the horse barn cellar. Plowing the hen yard on the 1st garden we put the manure. drawing the compost from the garden &c. Put new buckets in the range & changed the water barrel.
- Wed 21st Finished drawing the compost & the hen compost to the garden house shed. planting potatoes in the hen yard. &c &c. Levi returns cleaning the kitchen.
- Thurs 22nd finished planting the potatoes in the hen yard & put on 700 lbs of fertilizer. Plowed the 1st garden dug the parsneps Charles to Pittsfield.
- Fri 23rd Set out 5 rows of parsneps in the 1st garden sowed 3 double rows of Champion peas & 1 of Advance, commenced sowing the onion bed. 30 red 35 rows of Danvers, 15 rows of dutch & 20 of white total 100. the 5 rows west of the Danvers was 1883 seed. The Aloop family of London arrive. Levi returns.
- Sat 24th Finish sowing the onions, C. L. H. & Co setting out strawberries & quinces &c. Plowed the North garden Augustus & William go to Canaan to set out some quinces.
- Sun 25th Singing in the forenoon, Laboring in the afternoon. Eve Reading Meeting.
- Mon 26th Plowing preparing the potato ground of last year for grain. commence to set out the onions an awful mess 1 bu out of the white ones & the yellow more than half rotten. Set the Danvers at the west side of the north garden 2 rows. The turneps next. & carrots next. Charles to Pittsfield with two sisters.
- Tues 27th Preparing the land for grain where we had potatoes & corn fodder. Seeded down we south garden with oats & Clear. sowed on a great variety of grass seed Timothy clover, alsike Red top Blue grass & Orchard.

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- Wed 28th Plowing the rock garden preparing the land for grain putting straw on the strawberry bed. &c.
- Thurs 29th Sowed the potatoe ground to oats & barley and grass seed clover. White clover, Timothy, Red top, orchard grass & Blue grass. sowed some fertilizer on & some on the meadow.
- Fri 30th Sowing oats & barley out north where we had corn fodder, picking up stone &c. sowed on the meadow next the house 14 bags ^{248 50 F 6} of 100 lbs of fertilizer. Pittsfield.
- May 1st Finished sowing grain. adjusted the stones south of the 2^d h. Charles to Pittsfield. Settled with the man. Levelled the ground west of the blacksmith shop.
- Sun 2nd Beautiful day. El Giles over in the morning. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Eve ^{Social meeting with the English Co.} No communication with Pease. But. B. Ges up in the afternoon.
- Mon 3rd Drawing manure. D. C. Takes English Co out riding call at Canaan, have a very good time John Weir of Catskill arrives.
- Tues 4th Charles & Otis after eggs. home late. John Weir comes to the table at supper digging up pipe in dooryard ^{Commence} following the pond lot for potatoes.
- Wed 5th Charles after eggs. Some rain last night. 1st meal of asparagus. Ministry start for Waterlot blowing &c
- Thurs 6th Charles for eggs again. putting eggs away drawing manure &c &c
- Fri 7th El A. & Charles to Pittsfield plowing and drawing manure.
- Sat 8th Rainy day 2 1/2 inches. The rain water cistern nicely filled putting away eggs washing boxes &c grind some horse feed.
- Sun 9th Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve. Geo Tomast over to see Augustus
- Mon 10th Start to put up the fence on the mountain where they took the stone wall away. Cutting pea bush. Rain in the afternoon. El A. & two sisters to Pittsfield.

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- Tues 11th Commence sorting apples to send to New York, engage a car at New Lebanon. B^c Geo is going to fill it out with potatoes. start drawing.
- Wed 12th Sorting Apples got them to the depot 150 bbls all nicely headed. The car loaded there are about 250 bu of potatoes & 51 bbls of apples. D. O. & B^c Geo start for New York on the V. P. M. train arrive at 7 A. M. cost \$5.05 each.
- Thurs 13th Finish getting out manure. Charles & Christopher after eggs. some rain Levi returns. had a collision an engine run into the regular train the engineers & some wounded.
- Fri 14th Cultivating & weeding onions Plowing & preparing the potato ground. Charles & John to Pittsfield with apples.
- Sat 15th Levi leaves for New York. Charles goes off with apples. D. O. & B^c Geo return on the 4.45 train had 1st rate success with the apples. The potatoes left there to be sold. The men plow their gardens & c^{in rain it} might
- Sun 16th Pleasant cool day. Singing in the forenoon. talking in the afternoon. The Canaan people up. The Mayor of Albany & company attend. Cove reading.
- Mon 17th Cold day. Charles to Pittsfield with chickens & c brings home the ensilage corn. furrowing out for potatoes. Finish the fence on the mountain.
- Tues 18th Beautiful day. a little frost on the flats. Commenced planting potatoes. Finished putting away eggs.
- Wed 19th Finished planting potatoes. there is about 5 1/2 acres. Beautiful weather.
- Thurs 20th Spreading manure. start plowing for corn fodder in the cabin lot. cultivating & weeding onions & c
- Fri 21st Lovely day The Aloop visitors return to N. Y. Plowing, weeding onions & c
- Sat 22nd Pleasant day Plowing for corn fodder & c & c. E. L. A. starts for Saratoga to deliver a lecture before the Spiritualists of that place. Mowing the door yard

May 1886

- Sun 23rd Beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. A company of 2 brothers & 7 sisters attend Singing meeting at Canaan with the Lee & South families. Eve Labouring meeting. Robert Fornmark arrives.
- Mon 24th Very nice day. Harry Bell goes back to New York. Cultivated up most of the onion bed & planted Golden Wax beans. plowing for corn fodder &c. El A. returns on the afternoon train. Richmond the tinner here.
- Tues 25th Raining forenoon working over hen manure cleaned out the onion cellar &c &c. $3\frac{1}{2}$ in rain started plowing in the horse pasture. Cold.
- Wed 26th Cold morning; a little frost. Plowing in the horse pasture about $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres.
- Thurs 27th Splendid morning but rain before dinner & some in the afternoon. Planted beans squash & potatoes in the cabin lot. sorted apples in the fruit house. El A. to Canaan.
- Fri 28th Cool morning. Charles to Pittsfield. Preparing the ground for corn fodder plants corn & squashes in the north garden. and 4 rows of 100's corn in the cabin lot.
- Sat 29th Beautiful day. commenced planting the corn fodder. spread fertilizer in the rows at the rate of 6 hundred to the acre put some wood ashes on the west side of the piece next the road this side the apple trees.
- Sun 30th Lovely day. a little shower in the afternoon. Singing in the forenoon. The Canaan people us in the afternoon to laboring meeting. Eve Reading a letter from Union Village. O. giving an account of the cyclone there.
- Mon 31st Beautiful day. El A. & D. A. to Pittsfield plowing corn fodder & fertilizer Sister Anna & Co. to Canaan. On the corn fodder ground in the lot west of the sand knol lot we have put 2500 lbs of fertilizer there is about 5 acres in the piece. all told about 11 acres.

JUNE 1886

Tues 1st Splendid day. The corn fodder land all ready and all sowed but the piece in the cabin lot. There is nearly 3 acres of it. on this piece we put the remainder (2 loads) of hen compost and 600 lbs of fertilizer.

Wed 2nd Finished sowing the corn fodder. Quite a Co up on the mountain picking stone off the 50 acre lot. Cl A to Pittsfield. On the hired men

Thurs 3rd Some rain near 1/2 in. shoveling over the grain & leaning out the apple cellar &c. Set out the tomatoes in the afternoon. The men drawing out manure from the yard &c below. Grinding horse feed.

Fri 4th Finished drawing out the manure below. Beautiful day. Charles to Pittsfield. 4 bu of rye taken to mill. D.O. to Lanaan with 50 lbs. Cultivating & hoeing some.

Sat 5th Lovely day; washing sheep, all done by the hired men. Cultivating & hoeing tomatoes. William Merzel with draws, a rather disagreeable young man

Sun 6th Very warm day but steam in the morning. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Henry takes Sister Anna & Co to Lanaan. Eve Reading.

Mon 7th Beautiful day. Charles to Pittsfield with a load of 30 bu of potatoes. The men on the road plowing & getting out the stone &c hoeing &c &c.

Tues 8th J M Peebles arrived last night. Beautiful day. The men on the roads plowing and getting out stone. Turned & moved the eggs in the fruit house. shovled over the potatoes there. Tina Wilson secedes. Got bay horse shoes \$1.10

Wed 9th Cool morning steam. Working on the roads. J M Peebles returns on the 11 A.M. train. We get the road machine of B. F.

Thurs 10th Beautiful day. Working the highways. Quite a number of the brethren not out; C. G. N. D. A. A. R. and some only out a little while.

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Fri 11th Finished the highways. Have worked the road machine $1\frac{1}{2}$ days. The men have worked $4\frac{1}{2}$ days. Cultivating potatoes, beans &c.

Sat 12th Beautiful day. Preparing for sheep shearing. Finished cultivating the potatoes. mowed the door yard, cleaned out the hen house &c.

Sun 13th Cloudy & a little rain $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.

Mon 14th Cloudy & threatening but not much rain. Commenced sheep shearing. Dug up the water pipe under the horse barn & put in another. Planting the corn over in the north garden & squashes. Picked out the tomatoes. Anna called to get more things.

Tues 15th Cloudy Sheep shearing. Charles & Wm. Jolly to Pittsfield with wheat & to get stuff for the walks. Cultivating corn fodder &c.

Wed 16th Pleasant day Finished Sheep Shearing. 255 sheep. 2620 lbs of wool a little over $5\frac{1}{2}$ per head. Charles S. & Charley to Pittsfield with wheat 118 bu in all. Cultivating &c.

Thurs 17th A little rain $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Charles to Canaan corners with the wheels to three waggons mowing some in the doorway. The men three of them come from Pittsfield to lay tar walks drawing stone cultivating

Fri 18th Cold day drawing stone & gravel for walks. Cultivating &c. C. S. to Pittsfield with eggs potatoes & butter. Got 5 beds of gravel from Charles Spencers.

Sat 19th A lovely day. Cultivating potatoes & corn fodder. C. S. to Pittsfield with potatoes & to get sugar &c. Levi arrives on the afternoon train.

Sun 20th Lovely morning. Laboring in the forenoon. Singers to Canaan in the afternoon. Eve reading Meeting.

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- Mon 21st Beautiful day. Got 2 loads of sand for the walk. Mowed the north orchard. Hoing beans. Cultivating &c
- Tues 22nd Fair day. got 2 more loads of sand. Raked & cocked the grass in the north orchard. Hoed the potatoes. Levi starts for Windsor.
- Wed 23rd Raining day. Put iron pipe under the floor in the cow barn in place of the beam that went over head. Cleared out the apple cellar &c &c. The walk men go home.
- Thurs 24th Cloudy & dull day some rain total $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch. Ground 30 bags horse feed. Clearing hen roosts. cellars &c &c. Sawn up some wood; old stuff. Making stone boat
- Fri 25th Commenced filling the potatoes. Heavy shower in the afternoon, and more at night a little over an inch. washing wheat. &c &c. white-washed the horse barn cellar & the granary cellar with the force pumps.
- Sat 26th Cloudy & showery. mowed round the brick shop & nursery. Laid out for the scales. &c. Charles & new men to Pittsfield. Wm Shumway here about the scales. Sold 4 bu potatoes \$1.60
- Sund 27th Cloudy & cool. Reading in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Col A. to Canaan. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 28th Cool day. The men digging for the scales. The overflow to the Reservoir got stopped up and the water run over the west side carrying away considerable dirt. The Shumways come but go before dinner.
- Tues 29th Beautiful day. Sister Anna & Co to Albany. Charles to Canaan Corners for the wheels. Smith here & we sack the wool & take it to the depot. digging &c Got in 3 loads (small) of hay from the nursery & orchard.
- Wed 30th Lovely day. Got the posts for the scales. The floor in the horse barn round the water tub goes out & we have to take it up & relay it. Got in one load of hay from the orchard.

July 1886

- 1st Thurs Very warm day, working at the barn floor & scales. Killed the potatoes, cultivating &c. Col. T. Charles & two sisters to Pittsfield with wool & cherries.
- Fri 2nd Beautiful day. Working at the scales. Got the hay in from the north garden & loads. Many hands picking cherries &c. Paid off the hired men for June.
- Sat 3 Very hot. Got the scales the carpenter work about finished they weigh exactly like the small scales. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield yesterday. Charles & Daniel Ray to Pittsfield to day with cherries. Picking cherries, hoing corn fodder, cultivating & 1st meal of peas.
- Sun 4 Splendid day. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon, some visitors attend. Eve Union Meeting.
- Mon 5th The men all off. Picking cherries. Mowed the 1st meadow. Very hot. Nelson off selling cherries.
- Tues 6 Mowed the grain barn lot. cocked the hay in the 1st meadow. Killing potatoes. Picking cherries, &c. Mixing Paris Green.
- Wed 7 Very hot. ~~Hot~~. Finished killing the potatoes. Got in 18 loads of hay. out rather late. C.S. mowing.
- Thurs 8 Lovely day. Paris greened the potatoes. Got in 7 loads of hay. Mowed the lot below the cabin lot. Willie Kelly engaged to rake he did well.
- Fri 9 Charles to Pittsfield. Beautiful day. Mowed most of the sand knol lot. Got in the clove below the cabin lot & chared the 2nd meadow all but the raking, 17 loads in all. ^{Engaged} ^{Patrick} ^{for two months}
- Sat 10th Rainy morning, $\frac{3}{8}$ of an in. Cleaning the barn grading round the scales, grinding, set out cabbage in north garden where the carrots were. Got in this week 42 loads of hay. one to the Ministry.

July 1886

- Sun 11 Beautiful morning. Singing in the forenoon.
 Laboring in the afternoon, The Canaan people up.
 Eve Reading Meeting.
- Mon 12 Fine day. Morning got in 15 loads of hay.
 The rain has not hurt the hay much.
- Tues 13 Beautiful hay day. Haying splendid. got
 in 20 loads. It looked like rain & we staid
 out very late. Nelson off with cherries ^{the wife} ~~him~~
- Wed 14 Strong South & east wind very threatening
 but no rain till night got the hay all dri-
 rained & all. 18 loads. 53 loads in, in
 three days and much of it in the horse barn.
- Thurs 15 Splendid rainy morning. To teams to Pittsfield
 for flour. Digging potatoes in the hen yard teams
 took over about 25 bu
 D. O. out to Albany to meet team that Levi has
 sent in from Windsor.
- Fri 16 Splendid rain. Charles Thomas out to Albany
 to ride the teams home. Two teams to Pittsfield
 again for bran & c. D. O. & Levi return on
 the afternoon train. Charles Thomas arrives
 with the horses about 8 P.M.
- Sat 17 Very hot day. Charles & Robert to Pittsfield with
 potatoes, eggs, butter, cherries & currants. El. A. & Levi
 to Canaan. Dug the ditch & laid the drain
 from the scalls, working at the strawberries.
 Set out celery on the hot bed ground.
- Sun 18 Beautiful morning. Singing in the forenoon.
 Heavy thunder storm about noon & in the eve.
 Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.
- Mon 19 It rained in all yesterday 1 3/4 in. dull morning
 Pleasant afternoon. Levi returns via Canaan
 Ira Johnston had his barn struck yesterday
 and burned to the ground. dressed out the straw ^{from}
- Tues 20 Nice day. Mowed the meadow next the
 Royce place & cocked it up. Charles to Pittsfield
 with eggs, cherries & currants & c.
- Wed 21 Dull day. Mowed the grass in the potatoe field
 set out some 15 hundred cabbage plants in north garden
 dug some potatoes ^{some} & c. Nelson off with cherries.

July 1886

- Thurs 22 Fine day got in the hay from out north all but a few ~~loads~~ rappings 16 loads. The 1st day this week. Patrick Dempsey went off yesterday after dinner. Finished digging the potatoes in hen yard
- Fri 23 Charles G. to Pittsfield with potatoes, eggs, butter, chickens &c. Two teams on the west hill to mow lower King lot. Got it all in but the rappings 7 loads to 4 to the Royce R. got in the hay from the potatoe field 3 small loads 10 loads in all to-day.
- Sat 24 Splendid day. Mowing in the valley & got it in 15 loads, including the rappings from west hill. No meeting except reading on Wed all the week
- Sun 25 Pleasant day. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve. The Lane girls Mother here.
- Mon 26 Dull day Cultivated the hen yard. Picking up stone & getting out bushes from the meadows.
- Tues 27 Picking up stone & getting out bushes. El. A. & Daniel Trader to Pittsfield. Charles & Horace to Pittsfield. Heavy shower in the afternoon. 1/2 in
- Wed 28 Beautiful day. All teams on the mountain mowing cut all the stanton meadow bring home 5 loads. Nelson Huckleberry
- Thurs 29 Warm morning. Haying on the Mountain. W^m Shumway here to do some sawing & planing. Very heavy thunder shower in the afternoon got down two loads all dry & two ~~loads~~ jags that got rained on. A young man german came yesterday. Heavy rain in the night 1/2 in altogether
- Fri 30 Fine morning but heavy shower in the afternoon got in 3 loads. It rained 3/4 of an inch graded round the scales a little tail. C. G. to Pittsfield
- Sat 31 dull morning fine afternoon grading round the scales. Haying on the mountain got down 8 loads in all this week 19 loads another young man here.

- Sun 1 Beautiful morning. Singing in the forenoon. laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 2 A little rain last night but a fine day finished mowing on the mountain & brought the machines down & 1 load of hay on two waggons. A man on the mountain with a dog that killed or wounded a very nice sheep we had to kill it to save the meat. The man was very honorable and came right over where we were & told us about it & will pay the damage. A noble man. A terrible wind in the afternoon.
- Tues 3 A very windy cold day with several showers about a $\frac{1}{4}$ in in all. Hoing in the garden; grinding &c &c. lent a neighbor a tackle block & rope but have forgotten his name. The young german united yesterday another young man here. &
- Wed 4 Pleasant day haying on the mountain got down 8 loads. not quite finished. El A. John Greaves & 2 sisters to Pittsfield. El A. buys two hives of Italian bees Charles goes over & gets them. mowed some in the valley. Ministry start for Waterliet.
- Thurs 5 Beautiful day. locate the bees in the road south of the 2 house. Haying in the valley got in 15 loads one from the mountain, total from the Mountain 29 loads 17 from the meadow the remainder from the pasture.
- Fri 6 Beautiful day Haying in the valley got in 13 loads do considerable mowing. C. G. to Pittsfield Nelson huckleberry.
- Sat 7 A very dull day. did no mowing; got in 5 loads & cocked up the remainder. total this week 42 loads Funeral of J. J. Pilder quite a grand affair.
- Sun 8 Beautiful morning. A little rain last night $\frac{1}{8}$ in Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Eve Reading. El A. Sisters Anna & Olive to Canaan
- Mon 9 A lovely day. Haying on the flats. got in 22 loads the best day this season
- Tues 10 Godsend day finished haying & cut the oats in the Rock garden & south garden. bore the tongue of the scap got in 9 loads of hay. total from the flats 79 loads at home 153 232 loads in all.

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- Wed 11 A little shower in the afternoon. El J & sisters to Pittsfield got in the oats from the south garden 2 loads & from the rock garden 12 loads. Put a new tongue in the reaper. Got the oats in without binding.
- Thurs 12 Beautiful day got in the rakings from the rock garden. Reaped most of the 9 acre lot & bound them up. El J. & Co trimming in the young orchard.
- Fri 13 Charles to Pittsfield. Finished cutting the oats got in 20 loads it looks very like rain. El J. & Co trimming in the young orchard.
- Sat 14 Some rain but it cleared off & we got in the remainder of the oats 12 loads 46 loads in all from 18 acres.
- Sun 15 Beautiful cool day. Meeting with the brethren in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. The Canaan people up. 4 visitors from Phil^a utter. Love Singing Meeting.
- Mon 16 Beautiful morning but rain & wind in the afternoon. We went up to help Henry about his oats got some in about all that we could get. The bee man over to divide a swarm of bees. Daniel Ray & Horace to Pittsfield with apples.
- Tues 17 Cloudy & a little rain. A company of 12 sisters & 5 brethren start for Springfield there to meet some of the Springfield people; got as far as the South house then turned & came home. Sowed rye in the potatoe hen yard, hoed the cabbages &c. &c Start plowing for wheat in the Rock garden.
- Wed 18 Beautiful day. Gathering early apples for market. Start plowing on the west side for rye. Plowing in the rock garden. &c.
- Thurs 19 Splendid day. A company of 12 sisters & 5 brethren start for Springfield to meet some of the Springfield people. We met about 16 and had a very nice time. Daniel Ray & Wm Kelly to Pittsfield with apples. Wm Kelly's horses shod Levi returns via Canaan. Earnest goes to Sec^r family.

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- Fri 20th Lovely day. Charles & John Graves to Pittsfield. Levi to Pittsfield. Teams plowing & getting out bushes. Old Charley shod. B' Geo up. Ground horse fed
- Sat 21 Lovely day. Teams plowing & getting out stone & harrow. Augustus & Otis fixing slate roofs. Horace Brown with draws.
- Sun 22 Splendid day. Singing in the forenoon. A company of 10 brethren & 10 sisters go to Canaan hold laboring meeting. El Clinton over. Eve
- Mon 23 Beautiful day. Getting out rocks from the Rock garden. Levi off again via Canaan Conn. Charles takes the large spring wagon down & gets it righted up.
- Tues 24 Just a splendid day. A company of 4 brethren and 13 sisters ride out to Pittsfield & c. had a glorious time. Scrapped some dirt that had washed into the S. W. corner of the Rock garden got in the peas from the 1st garden.
- Wed 25 Cloudy. Sowed about 2000 lbs of fertilizer on the rock garden burned some brush out north. dug some potatoes. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield
- Thurs 26 Hot & dry. Mowed the clover in the north garden. Augustus & Otis fixing slate roofs. Drilled the wheat in the Rock garden. Plowing & harrowing on the west hill.
- Fri 27 Very warm. Sisters on the mountain huckleberry. Charles to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs, Pigeons, &c. Mowed the lot north of the cabin lot & raked it
- Sat 28 Hot & close. A company of 7 brethren & 7 sisters on the mountain getting huckleberries. Got in the rowen 3 loads from the north garden & from out north. Coldness. A very unwell a touch of paralysis.
- Sun 29 Warm morning. Singing in the forenoon. Labor in the afternoon. The Canaan people up, and a large company from the springs admitted. Eve Sitting Meeting
- Mon 30 Warm day 1/4 in rain picking peaches plums &c. Mowed the wild carrot out north harrow & picking up stone &c.
- Tues 31 Dull day some rain 1/4 in. Threshing peas &c &c. digging to fix water to the horse barn. Charles Keiff arrives

September 1886

- Wed 1st Cleaned out the east yard working at the waterworks. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield. Picking beans &c.
- Thurs 2^d Cold morning heavy frost on the flats. Morning ^{the} pasture. Harrowing & picking up stone on the west hill sowed 10 bags 100 lbs each on the upper end of the rye lot. Connect rise barn water with the pond water at the barn hydrant. so we can clean out the pipe when needed.
- Fri 3^d Some frost in the morning on the flats. Charles & John to Pittsfield. Commenced drawing out the manure on the flats. Picking apples &c.
- Sat 4th Beautiful day. Getting out manure. finished pulling the beans in the 1st garden put them in the garden house loft. Fixing the gate in front of the north shop.
- Sun 5th Pleasant day. Singing in the forenoon. B. Lee and Lister's up. Laboring in the afternoon Union in the evening.
- Mon 6th Beautiful day. Picking fruit. Charles to Pittsfield. Getting out manure on the flats. Plowing the 1st garden the old strawberry bed & bean patch. John Greaves started for Syracuse on the morning train. In the eve 7.50 a telegram ^{one of Charles' horses shot} was received saying John is dead.
- Tues 7th Charles starts for Syracuse. Sowed the turnips in the 1st garden entirely two thick. Finishes getting out the manure. Plowing in the 2^d garden. Picking fruit. Daniel Ray & Nelson to Pittsfield.
- Wed 8th Plowing in the 1st garden & sowed it to rye. dug John Greaves grave. Charles arrives at Canaan near an hour late on account of breaking the connecting iron near Utica. We take the body right up to the grave and buried it.

- Thurs 9 Charles to Pittsfield. Put the in and sowed the timothy seed. Finished pulling the white onions. Cut the onion seed yesterday. Picking plums &c.
- Fri 10 Charles to Pittsfield, also Daniel Kay & Nelson. Pulled & ~~put~~^{brought home} the beans from ^{the} cabin lot & put them in the broom loft & of shed.
- Sat 11 Beautiful shower last night: $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Elders over South D.O. Sister Anne & Ann to Pittsfield. Teams & Men drawing up mud for composting got up some 25 loads.
- Sun 12 Cloudy & cool. Rain in the afternoon & we $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Singing in the forenoon. Funeral of John Graves in the afternoon, the Canaan people up. Eve laboring meeting.
- Mon 13 Cool fine morning. Cutting corn fodder pulling the engine &c in order. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield.
- Tues 14 Start cutting corn stalks cut 58 loads broke one of the knives. Charles to Pittsfield. Picking plums &c.
- Wed 15 Beautiful day. O. F. & Charles to Pittsfield. Cutting in the lot. picking tomatoes &c. Cut 30 loads in the afternoon.
- Thurs 16 Rainy morning. Charles to Albany to get knives for the cutter. Threshing beans picking up apples &c &c.
- Fri 17 Reaped buckwheat on east farm. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield. D.O. to Albany about knives for the ensilage machine. Cutting corn fodder picking tomatoes, &c.
- Sat 18 Cutting corn fodder cut 64 loads the machine went well. Beautiful day.
- Sun 19 Cloudy morning. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve. A little rain thro' the day. First Steam.
- Mon 20 Cold & windy. Cutting corn in the field in the forenoon picking apples & tomatoes &c. Afternoon ^{cut} up 33 loads.
- Tues 21 Finished cutting in the field in afternoon cut 33 loads & broke one of the seeds wheels. Charles & John Wier to Pittsfield with the white horse. Peter, along up tomatoes.

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- Wed 22 Finished cutting the ensilage 12 loads to-day total 230 loads all put in the large and one of the small silos. Getting in buckwheat from the east farm threshed out 3 loads about 45 bu. El A. & Charles Donnet to Pittsfield.
- Thurs 23 Rain last night & this A. M. $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Heighten the silos. Threshed out 4 loads of buckwheat, took the straw to the valley. El A. to Lanesan. 85 bu from half the lot; the half that was sown 1 bu to the acre. ⁷⁴ acres in the whole field.
- Fri 24 Beautiful day. Digging potatoes. Pick King apples. Charles & John Wier to Pittsfield. El A. returns.
- Sat 25 Pleasant forenoon rain in the afternoon. Charles & Daniel Dease to Pittsfield with eggs. Augustus to Pittsfield for gravel. Daniel Ray returned yesterday. pulled & brought in all the beans. Getting the white beans on the barn floor for threshing.
- Sun 26 Mild day some rain. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve. Let Charles Thomas have horse & buggy.
- Mon 27 Pleasant day. El A. & Co picking apples the men digging potatoes. Rain in the eve.
- Tues 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. of rain fell. Last night. Levi returns to Windsor via Albany. Sister Anna & Eliza go out to Albany. El A. & Co picking apples digging potatoes &c &c. Charles to Pittsfield.
- Wed 29 Digging potatoes, picking apples. Charles to Pittsfield. Grinding horse feed &c &c.
- Thurs 30 Beautiful day. Got in the remainder of the buckwheat from the east farm and threshed it 5^{1/2} bu. Picking Apples. digging potatoes in the forenoon.

- Fri 1st Cold raw windy day. Got the onions on to the barn floor. Got home the Hubbard squash a very poor crop. Pick all the ripe tomatoes. about 20 bu. Picking apples &c.
- Sat 2^d Cold day heavy frost in the morning. finished digging the potatoes in the pond lot. Sisters put up tomatoes. Picking apples picked the Quinces
- Sun 3 Frosty morning beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. A company to Canaan in the afternoon. Love laboring Meeting. Lent John Dwyer a horse
- Mon 4 Start plowing the corn fodder ground. Apple picking going on splendid beautiful day
- Tues 5 Charles & D. H. to Pittsfield. D. O. Olive Eliza & Ann to Pittsfield. Plowing, Picking apples
- Wed 6 Fine day. Plowing. Picking Apples &c Charles to Pittsfield Wm Webster goes along
- Thurs 7 Plowing, picking apples &c Take 10 bu of rye and 1 bu of buckwheat to mill and peddle some Quinces. Our rye is very thin the seed must have got heated some.
- Fri 8 Charles to Pittsfield. Mowed the grass next the corn fodder ground on the north side in the lot west of the pond knoll lot. Teams plowing; Picking apples
- Sat 9 Charles to Pittsfield. Get the white horse shod. Plowing, picking apples, have finished, all but gathering, the cider apples. Picking some pears. Get the hay out north lot John Dwyer have it.
- Sun 10 Beautiful day, singing in the forenoon. The Canaan people up in the afternoon. Love Reading
- Mon 11 Splendid day. Gathering, cider apples and picking pears. teams plowing.
- Tues 12 Pleasant day till about 4 P.M. when it commenced to rain. Gathering cider apples Plowing. Dred some wood from west hill for kindling. Ch. H. starts for New York via Canaan. Divine Bell returns to the west train.
- Wed 13 Beautiful day Teams plowing. Finished gathering the cider apples. Sing out the new berries. Charles to Pittsfield he brings home the Painter.

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- Thurs 14 Beautiful day. Charles to Pittsfield. He took 5 bbls of sackle pears & shipped them to New York from Shakers. Plowing. Drumming brush. Getting out maple tiles along the road.
- Fri 15 A change in the weather. Some rain and growing colder. Charles to Pittsfield. Ground horse feed. Threshing beans &c.
- Sat 16 Cold day. El F returns with a man woman and boy. The Rye & Buckwheat brought home. Finished plowing & getting the stone off the potatoe field. Drawing brush & ranning up the door yard &c.
- Sun 17 Cold day 11° of frost in the morning. El F and Sister Anna go to Canaan to take the boy and girl down to have them stay; return before dinner. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 18 Lower day teams plowing. Charles to Pittsfield. Got seeds up 3 bbls of Kerosene oil. Working at the water wheel in the back shop.
- Tues 19 Pleasant day. Charles to Pittsfield Henry the german goes along. John Hair goes to New York. take out the wheel & find the pinion wheel worn out. The boys &c off milking. Levi returned home on Monday eve.
- Wed 20 Levi off again via Canaan Depot. Dred out the manure from under the horse barn and put it on the north garden west side.
- Thurs 21 Fixing the drain under the horse barn. Putting up railing from 2nd house to upper home. Charles & Henry the young beaver, to Pittsfield.
- Fri 22 Beautiful day. Charles to Pittsfield Nelson returns with him. John Veer returns. El F out to library; returns on the late train. Finish the drain under the horse barn lay 1/2 in pipe; old steam pipe that had been in use over 20 years between sisters shop & boiler. Shumway's got thro with the windows & blinds at the north shop on Wed at noon then bill \$34.00.

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- Sat 23 A lovely day. Finished the railing in the door yard and put a railing up on the horse block at the upper house. Teams drawing gravel to the hen houses. Sorting potatoes. Charles sorting eggs.
- Sab 24 Breezy morning. Singing in the forenoon. The Lamanan people up in the afternoon. Eve Union Meeting.
- Mon 25 A little rain in the morning. Charles to Pittsfield teams drawing gravel from the Royce Pl. Open plowing the north garden. Looked over the telephone wire.
- Tue 26 Mild. 4 bbls oatmeal bought up from Lamanan yesterday. Got 300 cabbages from the Chh. Teams drawing gravel for the cow yards, hen houses, & road. Rain in the night all night $\frac{3}{4}$ of an in.
- Wed 27 A splendid rainy day. about $1\frac{3}{4}$ in all. ~~threshing~~ Threshing beans; put the bucket heat in the granary. &c &c. hanging up cabbages husking corn topping onions.
- Thurs 28 Pleasant day. Commenced on the pond. C. A. & Co setting out trees in the dooryard henyard &c cherry trees & apple. B. Gev up. Charles to Pittsfield. The painter got thro' with the sisters shops blinds &c. he has worked 13 days. Some rain last night $\frac{1}{2}$ in.
- Fri 29 C. A. out to Hudson. Henry the German goes away C. A. returns on the 4.45 train bringing some fruit trees. A company go to Lamanan to set out trees. The Men on the pond.
- Sat 30 A rainy day. Getting out trees at home & at Lamanan. C. A. & 5 bettermen are down there. topping onions. threshing beans. The men worked at the pond a little. $1\frac{1}{4}$ in rain.
- Sun 31 Some rain last night & this A.M. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the evening.

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- Mon 1 Finished sorting potatoes & got them all in the coll. Col. A. Augustus & Lewis to Canaan trimming the men on the pond. Charles to Pittsfield
- Tues 2 Beautiful day. Augustus ^{& Lewis} to Canaan. The men on the pond. Robert trimming the willows &c at the pond. Made a stone boat for Clinton. The new windows & blinds put in the North shop.
- Wed 3 Splendid day. Commenced drawing dirt on the pond. The wall going on splendid.
- Thurs 4 Lovely day drawing dirt, working on the pond. Col. A. & D. A. to Pittsfield, also Charles G. Fitting some of the North shop windows in the ironing room &c.
- Fri 5 Beautiful day. Finished the wall on the pond, drawing dirt. 12 bbls of apples & one bbl pears sent to New York. Via Canaan. Robert Gornmark moves up to No 19.
- Sat 6th Breezy day. Drawing dirt on the pond; have done splendid business the last 4 days. Charles G. to Pittsfield. Ground 2 bu wheat for B. G.
- Sun 7th A real winter day. some rain last night, but it turned cold before morning and snowed & blowed in real earnest 6" of frost several in of snow. Brought the cattle down from the Mount air. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the evening.
- Mon 8th 10" of frost. Cold day. Drawing dirt on the pond very muddy. Charles over the Mountain to get the bobs & takes them to Canaan Corners.
- Tues 9 Drawing dirt on the pond but it is too muddy. Charles to Pittsfield with eggs. Completed the pond & got the fish all out.
- Wed 10 Took 12 bu buckwheat to Mill. emptied the pond, cleaned out all the fish, put in some mud strainers of wire & took out all the stone from the box. Cleaned out the well put a new strainer up at the east farm got the water running

in the pond it took less than half an hour to come down from the head to the pond.

Thurs 11 Mild. Charles to Pittsfield. Eliza & Ann go along. take pattern for over flow pipe for pond. chisel up the wall in the pond, drawing stone. dug up the length of 3 in iron pipe in the brook that was laid there the 1st year we built the pond, put in the wheel at the brick shop after ^{about} 3 weeks and 3 day waiting.

Fri 12 Pleasant day all the men off in the forenoon to the funeral of Wm Kelly's child. working at the pond in the afternoon drawing stone. Charles & Wm Webb to Pittsfield. The wheel does not work right so I take it out again.

Sat 13 Stormy day got water to the hen house. took out the wheel fixed it & put it back again. Wm Kelly to Pittsfield for casting to the over flow up at the pond we put it in and it took well. The pond is filling up very nicely. topping onwars cleaning beans &c. about 6 in of snow has fallen.

Sun 14 Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the evening. Snow & sleet last night and a winter day all thro.

Mon 15 Beautiful day over head but awful under foot. Shoveled out the road to the east farm. 4 men. Dred up saw dust, cleaned beans topped onwars, put up the railing in the dooryard &c &c. Mircam & Co up from Canaan. School commences

Tues 16 Pleasant day Commence threshing got out 150 bu oats & barley. put on the double win dows all round.

Wed 17 Some rainy; did some threshing John Webb goes off to settle or get some of his affairs settled. D.O. out to Abing for wheat &c

Thurs 18 Threshing &c. a terrible storm, it rained about 6 in in an hour. great damage done thro the west of the country that had the storm.

Fri 19 Pleasant day repairing the roads &c. D.O. & Levi return. D.O. has 10 new teeth. Charles to Pittsfield

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- Sat 20 Beautiful day. cleaned out the culvert across the road above the kitchen garden. working at the pond. Put the German Carp in the pond. Two visitors from Rutland Vt come
- Sun 21 Lovely day. El A. & Levi to Canaan in the forenoon. Singing in the morning. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.
El A. & Levi return after dinner
- Mon 22 Beautiful day. Levi off again via Pittsfield with Charles. El A. & a company of 3 down to Canaan trimming. Cleaning out the brook above the house.
- Tues 23 A stormy day rain & wind all day. thrashing onion seed. Sorting onions. &c &c.
Shirts taken to depot. 1 1/4 in rain
- Wed 24 Beautiful day. Charles to Pittsfield. Drilling in the old artesian well in the side hill. El A. and Co to Canaan trimming.
- Thurs 25 Thanksgiving. Rather a stormy day snow sleet & rain. The Canaan people up. Meeting in the forenoon. Getting meeting in the afternoon to hear the young sisters recite & sing; it was very excellent & interesting. Eve Reading
- Fri 26 Rather pleasant. Three teams drawing potatoes for B. George. Putting up apples. Charles over the mountain for barrels.
- Sat 27 Pleasant day. Charles to Pittsfield takes a shig 12 Fixing the water works at the east farm. drawing some dirt on the pond. Putting up apples. Ground horse feed.
- Sun 28 Pleasant. 10' of frost. B. George & Sister Margaret up in the morning. Singing in the forenoon. laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.
- Mon 29 Very mild. Three teams to Canaan Conn. with apples & onions 18 bbl. apples & 8 bbls onions sawed some kindling & boiler wood. set a band in place of the large tub in the hen yard.
- Tues 30 25 bbls of apples sent to N. Y. via Canaan Conn. Rain in the afternoon & eve. Cleaned out the wash-house chimney & drilled a hole in the boiler. Sorting apples &c.

- Wed 1 Mild. Charles to Pittsfield with eggs. Charley for barrels. Sorting apples. Col. F. to Pittsfield. Daniel Ray to Boston via Pittsfield.
- Thurs 2 Cold day very like winter. 16 bbls of apples to New York via Canaan Cars. Did a little thrashing in the afternoon.
- Fri 3 Cold day 4° above 0. Thrashing 76 bags total thrashed this season so far 315 bags a 630 bu. Charles to Pittsfield. Paid the hired man
- Sat 4 Cold but Pleasant. Thrashing 69 bags. Dr. Thomas Stroud of Benfield here to remain over Sabbath. put in some old grates in the porch. C. G. to Pittsfield Daniel Ray returns on the late train. 8° at night
- Sun 5 Cold 5° above 0. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Snowing some. Eve Reading. We visited Thomas Stroud in the forenoon and afternoon.
- Mon 6 Beautiful winter day 13° Thomas Stroud returns. Finished thrashing over 900 bu of oats & barley on less than 18 acres.
- Tues 7 Snow about all day 8 or 10 inches. breaking steers working in the barn &c D. O. out to Hill returns on the afternoon train.
- Wed 8 Beautiful day & splendid sleighing. the 1st drawing logs from the west hill, & chopping up in the side hill cow pasture Levi returns.
- Thurs 9 Beautiful day. Horse teams drawing logs. Henry Col. F. & D. O. over to Canaan, Robert & Co chopping up in the side hill cow pasture. Wm Russell from New York arrives Levi starts off again. Ministry arrived yesterday.
- Fri 10 Beautiful day. Teams drawing corn meal from Trap Mill 100 bags 100^{lbs} each. C. G. over to Pittsfield with the white horse. D. O. over with Henry's team & 7 sisters.
- Sat 11 Beautiful Mild day teams drawing logs. Henry & Charles to Canaan Cars for the bobs; 3 pair. Complete the arrangement for getting hot water in the yard. Cold between over south

December 1886

- Sun 12 Cloudy & Mild. Singing in the forenoon. laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve. Miriam & Co up in the forenoon.
- Mon 13 Stormy day, ^{rain & snow} 3 men cleaning oats at the Royce place. Shelling corn washed a little wheat. D.O. to Canaan to help fix their water front & pipe &c. El A & Charles to Pittsfield.
- Tues 14 Colder. D.O. returns from Canaan. Henry comes down & brings up their old bill horse that ceased breathing yesterday, he was 28 years old. Sisters Anna & Catharine out to Albany. John Apeer returns. The visitor ~~John~~ ^{John} Russell unites.
- Wed 15 Stormy day. Cleaning harness, cleaning out old paint kegs, cleaned out the ice house cleaned out the lower broom shop took the machines &c up stairs. Mending windows making stone boats, &c &c Sisters A & C return.
- Thurs 16 Cold & windy drew up some stumps into the barn to work up stormy weather. 3 men cleaning oats up at the east farm. Mending the barn windows &c &c.
- Fri 17 Beautiful cold day. Charles & the deaconess to Pittsfield. 2 teams drawing logs. Brethren chopping. Mending windows &c. Elders to Canaan in the afternoon, all but Elder A.
- Sat 18 Some stormy, snow & rain. Elders return. Drawing logs & wood. Got the oxen shod yesterday.
- Sun 19 Mild and pleasant. Gift of the Yearly Sacrifice Meeting in the afternoon.
- Mon 20 Very nice day. Teams drawing wood. Charles to Pittsfield. D.O. to Canaan with Elders James and Sister Anna. Elders up from Canaan. Sister Margaret ^{Turner} is released. Miriam Offord takes the first place & Angeline Brown to live with her.
- Tues 21 Beautiful day. 4 teams drawing wood to outer parties. Commence taking down the old kiln that was moved west of the old soap house. Put new grates under the boiler in the house.

- Wed 22 Beautiful day. Elders brethren over south. The teams drawing wood. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield. taking down the old kiln &c &c. ^{comps} H. B. Colman for chicken wheat
- Thurs 23 Pleasant day. teams drawing wood D. O. over to the wood lot. Henry to Canaan Cows for chicken wheat with C. P. & Samuel Shumway to see their barn roof. Beautiful day. Henry drawing oats from the Royce Place. The men drawing wood. Wm. Kelly takes his folks to Pittsfield. Taking down the old kiln. &c.
- Fri 24 Very Mild. Rain in the afternoon. Henry drawing oats from the Royce Place. Charles to Canaan Depot for the remainder of the chicken wheat. He gets some oyster shells. Riling harness &c.
- Sat 25 Christmas. Cold day & strong wind. Meeting in the forenoon. Reading & resting in the afternoon. Reading in the eve!
- Sun 26 Cold & cloudy day. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon, The Canaan people up Eve Reading Meeting
- Mon 27 Rather stormy. Cleared Wm. Kelly's barn. Chopping wood & drawing down some logs from off the cow pasture. B^r George up stays all night. Charles Donnet released from the wash house. John Weer put in his place.
- Tues 28 Cold but fine day. Blasting logs. chopping wood. Charles Graves to Pittsfield. B^r George returns taking a new man as a candidate Eldress Antoinette very feeble, we get an invalid chair from the Chh for her.
- Wed 29 Cold but very fine day. Eldress Antoinette gradually growing weaker. Working at the wood on the side hill. Finished clearing away the old kiln.
- Thurs 30 Stormy day. cleaning harness &c. Levi returns
- Fri 31st Very stormy day. Eldress Antoinette Doolittle So the old Deceased at about 8.15 P.M. after being confined year is & etc her room only one week. She had no pain or suffered & spoke to each one and departed in peace. it was a glorious death because it was a noble life. It was not death but life

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Sat 1

A very slippery time. Making the coffin, preparing for the funeral &c some rain. The brethren are occupied as follows, Levi. at Windsor most of the time. Henry taking care of the out places Danell Fraser writing &c Charles Greene preparing egg cases. Daniel Ray & Charles Donnett at the cow barn Nelson ^{putting} shoes-making Robert Sommark farmer & general helper. John Weer. Wash-house & churn brother Lewis Gehlke general helper. Charles Kioff general helper. James Aohley in the carpenters shop William Webster taking care of the hens. William Cassada general helper. Augustus Hedstrom fireman and machanic general helper. Harry Bell general helper. Otis Bell goes to school. Divine Bell choiring &c. Ed Fredrick writing. Daniel at most every thing. Thus all told twenty is our number.

Sun 2

Very cold. Singing in the forenoon. The funeral of Eldress Antoinette in the afternoon at Lorne after two. A large company from the families and a large number of outsiders from Pittsfield and the neighborhood it was thought by some that all together there was about 200. A very cold day, growing colder all day. Quite a number came from Hancock. We buried the body after all the people had dispersed, we found the ground very much frozen we should have covered the dirt with straw. will try & remember it.

Mon 3

Beautiful cold day. 6° below 0 at 3 o'clock. Got 3 men of horses shod on the flat. commence to plow the ice preparing to get it in.

Tues 4

Beautiful day, getting in ice nearly 40 loads every thing goes beautifully. An one hurt Charles to Pittsfield. Eldress Harriet over Eldress Ann fell up at the center family a hurt her considerable.

- Wed 5 Very windy, & snow in the afternoon. could not work at the ice. got wood in the boiler cellar. tore down & brought the little old house in the Spencer lot. Cleared the water pipe from one ten house to the other. Labeled the manure. &c.
- Thurs 6 Beautiful snow last night 5 in about. Getting in ice did good business. The Ministry, Sisters over and appoint Martha Anderson to live with Elders Amos Henry up to the springs to notify them that we shall draw ice there tomorrow.
- Fri 7 Beautiful day. Finished filling the ice house. drew up 18 loads to the springs. El. F. goes to Canaan stays over night. Old Chubby shod. The open break sleigh tongue.
- Sat 8 12° below 0. Beautiful day. Drawing ice up to the spring 23 loads. El. F. returns. Brother Geo up. he goes after Sister Miriam & Margaret.
- Sun 9 Cold & stormy. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.
- Mon 10 Growing colder. Teams drawing ice up to the spring. Charles to Pittsfield. El. Giles & El. Henry over in the afternoon stay only a few hours. Very windy.
- Tues 11 Cold and pleasant; teams drawing ice up to the springs D. O. up & collects \$60.00. Raze & buckskate tanner to the mill.
- Wed 12 Nice day. Got all the ice off the reservoir. Started on the brick shop found the ice is only about 9/16 in. B. G. up with some red onion seed. I let him have 3 top irons for the range.
- Thurs 13 Beautiful day. About finished up with the ice. Have drawn up to the springs & (one side of our own ice) 107 loads & have loader & for one outside party. El. F. & Henry take some sisters sleigh-riding in the afternoon.
- Fri 14 A terrible storm. Snow & blow working in the barn, sinking onion seed repairing sleighs &c. got up some shavings.

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- Sat 15 Some stormy. Breaking out roads the greatest job for many years; one drift in the grove over 6 ft deep. Went over the telephone wire. The roads to Canaan a drift worse than has been known for over 30 years.
- Sun 16 Very nice day. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve. No communication with Canaan ^{int by} telephone.
- Mon 17 A very stormy day. Clearing oats for seed. Breaking roads in the afternoon some; the roads all drifted worse than they have been in over 30 years.
- Tues 18 Wintery day growing colder. It took near a doz hands to break the road to the Royce place they were till after 4 o'clock. Elders Anna & Eliza & D.O. out to Albany have a great time getting home, The train got set in a snow drift about 1 mile this side of old Chatham they tried several times to get thro with the 5 freight cars that make up the train but could not succeed, & finally backed them down to Old Chatham and came on with the engine & passenger car. when we got home it was 7° below 0. Levi returned on the afternoon train.
- Wed 19 16° below 0 after breakfast; 24° on the flats. Levi off again. The men drawing wood from the west hill * Brethren putting up apples & working at the egg boxes &c. * to parties on the flats.
- Thurs 20 D.O. and Charley Thomas out to Albany to get tobacco stems. got there about noon. start the team back about 2.30. arrive home about 8 P.M.. Brethren putting up apples.
- Fri 21 Some stormy & some fine. Finished drawing the wood from the west hill. Finished putting up the apples & one load taken to the depot. Wood got in the boiler cellar.
- Sat 22 Very mild about 40° strong south wind. The apples taken to the depot near 50 bbls. The men cutting the willows on the flats. Charles Donnett mending onion

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- Sun 23 Thawing fast. Charles Donnett goes down to Canaan to help take care of Geanville who is very unwell. Charley goes round & gets D. Bates and takes him to Canaan. Singing in the forenoon. El. A. & C. G. go down to Canaan after dinner. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.
- Mon 24 An old fashion Jan. thaw South wind & rain. the roads are in an awful condition the streams are high and the flats are flooded. Grinding horse feed. Some of the men off to attend the funeral of Michell. Rhine.
- Tues 25 The collector here. our taxes were nearly \$900.00
The thaw took a sudden cold. 16° of frost and some snow. The men chopping willows on the flat. Charles G. & Wm Webster to Pittsfield. Fixing the bath &c at the 2^d house.
- Wed 26 Mild till towards night when it grew colder. Cleaned up the onion seed & took the new seed over to the Shaker Seed Co. Moved 5 loads of straw from the shed to the barn.
- Thurs 27 Beautiful day 7° below 0 in the morning. Chopping willows round the sawmill pond. The elder Listers & D. B. to Canaan.
- Fri 28 Very windy & mild, South breeze. Chopping willows round the pond. Fixing about the hen house & the little houses.
- Sat 29 Stormy rain wind & snow. Cleaning grain for seed. Golding. Clearing up the blacksmiths shop &c &c.
- Sun 30 Mild day 12° of frost. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. All stay at home the going is rather bad neither sleighing or waggoning.
- Mon 31 Beautiful day 16° of frost a sudden change in the weather. El. A. over to Pittsfield. Chailey Thomas goes over to get his teeth fixed. Sold some lumber for wood shed sleigh. The men & Robert &c cutting wood above the pond lot; the dry trees.

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- Tues 1 Charles G. & Nelson to Pittsfield. A very cold windy day. Chopping up above the pond. Drawing the wood from the cow pasture. Moved the salt to ~~the~~ ^{the} house.
- Wed 2 A very stormy day; Snow & blow from the S. E. The men wheeled the manure from under the sheep shed at the foot of the hill. Washing wheat waking in the shop; fixing over the tool room.
- Thurs 3 Stormy day Rain and wind; very slippery. Granville Sproat deceased this P.M. at twenty mins past one. D.O. to Canaan to get measure for coffin. Breaking roads & Chands. Got wood in boiler cellar.
- Fri 4 A terrible windy day a cold N.W. and growing colder. The men could not stand up on the hill to chop. Cleaning grain washing wheat James & D.O. made Granville's coffin.
- Sat 5 ^{Charles G. & Charles's teams had.} O. Water pipe burst in the children's bath room in consequence of leaving the window open. Plowing out ice for Columbia Hall. we agree to draw them 75 loads for one dollar a load. Charles G. James & D.O. to Canaan to help bury the body of Granville. Mary Lane, arrived ^{last night} in the forenoon.
- Sun 6 Very mild. Some rain. Singing in the forenoon. A company of 13 brethren and 8 sisters go down & attend the funeral of B^r Granville Sproat; Meeting 1 1/2 hours. A very excellent Meeting. One Union! El A. staid down to Canaan.
- Mon 7 Commence drawing ice to Columbia Hall drew up 12 loads. Got a team from Canaan had them shod. El A. returns. Stormy in the afternoon.
- Tues 8 Stormy a good part of the day; wind snow & rain. Breaking roads all the forenoon. Charles Donnett moves to Canaan, B^r Geo up for him. Man Webster withdraws from the family. Harry Bell takes the hens for the present.

- Wed 9 Cold blustering day Charles to Pittsfield. Load
of over the mountain en route for Windsor.
drew up 15 loads of ice to springs.
- Thurs 10 Beautiful day. very mild in the afternoon 40° sleighing
going rapidly. drew up 22 loads of ice.
broke beam to one of the new bobs Wm Kelly's.
- Fri 11 Very mild & rainy the sleighing going rapidly.
Wm Russell who came on the 9th of Dec with
draws. Martin Miles who has been living at
the 2^d family some time is taken here by the
request of the Lec^d Family elders. Chopping
cleaning grain &c.
- Sat 12 Cold day 9° above 0° & growing colder. We return
the Landan team and fix the telephone wire.
The men chopping in the grove.
- Sun 13 Fine but cold. Sleighing in the forenoon. Sleighing
in the afternoon Union in the eve.
- Mon 14 Beautiful day 0° in the morning. El F and
Charles to Pittsfield. The men chopping. Got wood
in the boiler cellar. Robert, learning the morning chore.
- Tues 15 Stormy snow & rain in the morning. The men
chopping in the grove. The pamphlet of Eldress A's
arrives.
- Wed 16 Cloudy & mild. Cut down the large maple
in the grove. Fixing up the tool room put
a door in the north side. The Ministry start
for Waterbury, all but Eldress Ann! We
bring up Mary A Lane's furniture &c.
from the depot.
- Thurs 17 Beautiful but cool day El F & Charles to Pittsfield
The men chopping. Altering of the tool room
going on put a large window in the east side.
- Fri 18 Stormy day. Clearing grain Moving straw
from the hay mow in the valley. Chopping some
Working at the tool room & in the shops.
- Sat 19 Some what pleasant. chopping in the grove.
got down the maple log from there.
Lewis Conant not here in the afternoon.

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- Sun 20 Cool morning pleasant day. Singing in the forenoon. The Canaan People up in the afternoon to laboring meeting. Reading in the evening.
- Mon 21 Beautiful day about 2 in a snow last night cutting ice on the center family's pond to take to the springs. got up 8 loads.
- Tues 22 A beautiful snow just making sleighing, took 4 loads of ice up on waggons the remainder on sleighs. finished all up & Gudewine paid me \$75.00. El. D. & Elders A. to Canaan.
- Wed 23 Splendid day. A company of 6 brethren & 8 sisters to Pittsfield; went out to Dalton to a Crane's paper Mill, it was very interesting, and they were exceedingly polite.
- Thurs 24 Mild & stormy rain snow & blow strong North wester towards night. Put in a new faucet at the kitchen sink.
- Fri 25 3° above 0 about sunrise; a terrible wind all day. Charles G. to Canaan Corners bring home some bone dust. Get out 1000 ft checker plank & 9 locust posts for El. Wm Anderson. drawing wood off the side hill.
- Sat 26 Dred what wood there was cut above the pond & the logs. Storm commences in good earnest about 10 A.M. & rages fiercely all day. cutting up stumps cleaning grain &c.
- Sun 27 A terrible storm last night. Dr. Pierce & his man came along a little after 10 P.M. could not get thro' the grove; he left his sleigh and came rapping at the house. We took them in; cared for the horse took them to the visitas room got hot composition blankets &c. After breakfast they started on foot leaving the horse. Singing in the forenoon Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.
- Mon 28 Cold N.W. wind. Start to shovel the road out but it is so cold & windy we quit. 6° above. Get wood in the boiler cellar.

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- Tues 1 Settled with the hired men. Shoveling roads all the forenoon. Preparing to go to Albany to get tobacco stems wheat & grass seed. D.C. starts on the 7.15 train. P.M. for Albany
- Wed 2 Two teams Charley & William start for Albany about 4.30 A.M. arrive in Albany about 10. leave Albany about 11. get home about 8 P.M. after a wearisome time from Nassau home. El F. & Charles to Pittsfield
- Thurs 3 Charles & Augustus to Pittsfield they bring home twice of Molasses. Working at the wood. Robert cuts his foot
- Fri 4 Beautiful day. Drawing out manure from the cow barn vault to the spenser lot. 45 loads. Working at the tool room.
- Sat 5 Beautiful day Drawing manure. 50 loads. Put a new rope to hoist the gate of the water wheel in the brick shop.
- Sun 6 A fearful snow storm last night and most all day. Henry Canthell, the oldest inhabitant, said, he had never seen such piles of snow. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve. Shoveling snow after laboring meeting.
- Mon 7 Mild and pleasant. Breaking roads all the forenoon & got in a load of stumps washing potatoes. Drawing manure in afternoon.
- Tues 8 Pleasant day El Frederick starts for New York on the 11 A.M. train. Finish drawing out the manure from the cow barn & horse barn vaults. loads from the cow barn loads from the horse barn all put on the spenser lot.
- Wed 9 Splendid day Charles & Divine and P. & Harry Otis and 7 sisters sleigh riding to Pittsfield. The men & brethren shoveling snow on the roads about 9 hands and it took them all day a great job 10 feet of snow to shovel out of the gorse the like was never known before.
- Thurs 10th Rain last night snow this morning. Working at the stumps, shelling corn. fixing stable for Charley & W^{ch} Kelly move Henry's red man to the East Farm

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- Fri 11 Cold breeze all day. Chopping. washing potatoes. The tool room finished. El about finished. El A. will be home on Monday the 14
- Sat 12 Cold & Pleasant. Chopping. Fixing the wood house doors Levi returns on the afternoon train.
- Sun 13 A most beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve
- Mon 14 Mild & pleasant. Grows colder towards nig ht Drawing stumps & chopping, &c. El A. returns from New York. A girl arrives from Balston Ada Wayne.
- Tues 15 Cold day, 5° above 0° and a fine breeze. Levi starts for Windsor. The Men chopping Robert stays in with a lame foot. Lewis laid up with ague in his face.
- Wed 16 Cold pleasant day. Dred up the fertilizer 3 tons to the out farms. Lewis moves to the sick room. Charles to Pittsfield.
- Thurs 17 Cold & some stormy. Drawing wood off the wood lot above the pond. took 12 bu of Rye to the mill El Wm took 650 ft chestnut planks & 9 weast posts Bro George up & the El Sisters. Phoebe Slater moves to Canaan.
- Fri 18 Pleasant cloudy day. El A. & Charles G. to Pittsfield. The men start on the west hill chopping. Fixing the shaft in the wood-house for the wood splitter
- Sat 19 Mild pleasant & cloudy. The rye brought home. The men chopping on the west hill. Have the wood splitter in nice running order.
- Sun 20 A beautiful day. Laboring Meeting in the forenoon. A company of 8 Sisters & 8 brethren go to Canaan and have Laboring meeting. The sleighing good most of the way. The road not all shoveled out & we have to go thro some lts & over stones. Eve Union Meeting

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- Mon 21 Lovely spring day. The men chopping on the west hill. Putting in new axle to the horse tracks.
- Tues 22 The greatest snow storm of the season if it had not melted, there would have been over a foot of solid snow. Grinding shelling corn &c.
- Wed 23 Cold windy day. breaking roads, drawing out manure, 18 loads finished the spence lot. making gates to go by the scales.
- Thurs 24 Beautiful day. 8° above 0°. Three sisters over to the south family. Drawing manure on the flats from the yards 39 loads. Charles to Pittsfield.
- Fri 25 Cold blustering sort of a day. The men on the west hill chopping. John D. broke his axle here in the blacksmith shop &c.
- Sat 26 Cold pleasant day. The men chopping. Charles to Pittsfield brings 2 bbls of sugar. Got stumps into the boiler cellar.
- Sun 27 Cloudy & calm. Singing in the forenoon, laboring in the afternoon. Union in the evening. No communication outside our family.
- Mon 28 Some rain. C. A. out to Albany on the morning train which has just been put on. The men cutting tobacco stems working at the stumps. We put the sawmill in running order fixed up the burr saw &c. C. A. returns at 4.37.
- Tues 29 12' of frost and high wind N.W. Men on the west hill.
- Wed 30 Cold morning 8° above 0°. Eldress Anna & Sisters Martha & Ann. out to Albany on the morning train. Charles S. to Pittsfield gets blacksmith coal. Putting the brick shop lumber shed in order, by taking the lumber all out & planing it, edging in & then setting it & putting it back again. C. John Paul comes over.
- Thurs 31st Beautiful day. Working at the lumber. A clock put in the Meeting room. Eldress Anna & Co return. The men chopping. C. John Paul over in the eve to see Eldress Anna & Sister Martha.

April 1887

- Fri 1 Cold day The men chopping. Lewis Conant moving. Planing lumber & putting the shed in order.
- Sat 2 Cold. No water to saw wood. The men chopping planing lumber &c. got wood in the boiler cellar. Charles to Shamus Depot. Elders over South.
- Sun 3 Beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve. The going so bad the Canaan people not up.
- Mon 4 Beautiful spring day. Mur's go. Charles to Pittsfield for egg papers. El. F. D. O. and Elders Anna & Chisa over to Pittsfield. We hope the last sleighing for the season. The men chopping. Augustus fixing platform in plowhouse. James & Co sorting lumber.
- Tues 5 Cold day a great change. 12° of frost after supper growing cold all day. Commenced to work at the wood, a little before dinner. Sent some of the sleigh away. Start the sawmill
- Wed 6th 14° of frost. Fine, but cold day. Working at the wood the splitter goes well. The Ministry have concluded to bless El. Frederick in going to England. Charles over the mountain for cow feed.
- Thurs 7 A cold day 14° of frost. Working at the wood and the mill some. Charles over the mountain for feed.
- Fri 8 Running the sawmill working at the wood. El. F. & Charles to Pittsfield.
- Sat 9 Running the sawmill. Sawing & splitting wood very pleasant. Levi returns on the afternoon train.
- Sun 10 A lovely day. The Canaan people up in the forenoon to laboring meeting. Singing in the afternoon. Union in the eve. No steam in the eve.
- Mon 11 Beautiful day. Sawing wood. Making ^{the} hot bed. El. F. returns from Canaan where ~~he~~ went yesterday afternoon.

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- Tues 12 Some frost in the morning. Lorry to Windsor via Pittsfield. Charles & D.O. over to Pittsfield to find patterns for Canaan wash-mill.
Working at the wood & mill.
- Wed 13 Pleasant cool day. El. A. Elders A. & D.O. to Canaan to see about wash-house &c. Running the mill in the forenoon. working at the wood in the afternoon. Ground horse-radish.
- Thurs 14 Fine day. Charles G. & D.O. to Pittsfield, got lumber for the Canaan wash-mill. Working at the wood. House cleaning underway.
- Fri 15 Some rain in the afternoon. Working at the wood. House cleaning going on in earnest. did some plastering.
- Sat 16 Rain in the forenoon $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Working at the mill, sorting potatoes. Finished splitting at the upper wood-house. No one got hurt with the splitter.
- Sun 17 Fine morning, some frost. Singing in the forenoon laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.
- Mon 18 B^e Geo up; D.O. goes over the mountain ^{with him} takes patterns for wash-mill Men drawing brush, sorting potatoes
6^o of frost in the morning, a great snow storm over 6 in fell. Charles & Robert over the mountain with cabbage & apples. Got the news that Eldress Mary A. Gillespie has passed over the river.
- Tues 19 Cold day. Propped up the lumber shed south of the brick shop. Working at the wood.
John Dwyer not here.
- Wed 20 El. A. starts for Windsor. D. A. & D. O. out to Albany with him. Drawing up slabs, sowed the clover on the rye. Beautiful day. Shoveling C. A. road
- Thurs 21 Shoveling East farm road. Working at the mill house cleaning. Very pleasant.
- Fri 22 A lovely day. Drawing in logs. White washing house cleaning sawing slabs running the mill &c got rifle from W^m J. Burnway he had put a new sight on it

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- Sat 23 Rain most of the day. cleaning the granary &c Charles Rowley, an Englishman from Manchester come to see El F.
- Sun 24 Lovely day. Singing in the forenoon. B^r Geo and three sisters up to labouring meeting in the afternoon Reading in the eve.
- Mon 25 Charles Greaves after eggs gets about 1000 Doz. Sawing wood, running the mill. Two span of horses start El F. returns on the afternoon train.
- Tues 26 Rainy forenoon. Charles Rowley returns. Running the mill, sorting eggs, shelling corn, drawing in the south family's logs.
- Wed 27 Charles to Pittsfield. Put potatoes in the ice house. Fire in Blacksmith shop from spark in rags used with ~~terrene~~ no damage. Drawing plaster from Canaan.
- Thurs 28 Pleasant day teams drawing plaster from Canaan. Charles after eggs. Rain in the afternoon & nig 64 W^m & Rufus Shumway to Canaan. D.O. down also.
- Fri 29 1/4 in rain fell. Mixing plaster & fertiliser. Sorting eggs. Running the mill. Robbins and Gambell to Canaan to see boiler & D.O. down also. Finished drawing the plaster. sent check.
- Sat 30 Windy showery & cold. El F. & Charles to Pittsfield. Finished shoveling the road to east farm. Broke front head block, & dog hedd at the saw mill, had on a large maple log. Kin kept the card some.
- Sun 1st May. Forenoon sitting meeting to speak orders &c Afternoon. Meeting of elders at the Chh's dwelling Eve. Union Meeting.
- Mon 2 Fine day. 84 cases of eggs put in the ice house burned the brush on the asparagus bed, had very good success. Repairing fence round the hen yard.
- Tues 3 Warm day Mer 76° at noon. Worked over the asparagus bed. Sowed oats & barley in the horse pasture Harrowed the wheat which is very much winter killed. Sowed 1 ton of fertiliser on the corn fodder ground out with
- Wed 4 Beautiful day. Charles & Lewis to Pittsfield. D.O. to Canaan. Sowed 1 ton of fertiliser on the pond lot Drilled the oats & barley in the Cabin lot where we had fodder

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- Thurs 5 Splendid weather. Dilled oats & barley in the pond lot. A company washing trees and sowing fertilizer round them, the fertilizer is mixed with plaster one half &. They put about 20 lbs of the mixture to a tree. A man from New York here.
- Fri 6 A good thunder storm in the morning before breakfast. Helping Henry get the grain in at the east farm. A man by name of Royce from New York calls to see eld^r.
- Sat 7 Very windy. Harrowing at east farm. Finished washing the fruit trees. Putting eggs in the ice house.
- Sun 8 Beautiful day. Laboring in the forenoon. Sister Minerva over from the Chh with a woman from Boston. Singing in the afternoon. The Sec & South families & Canaan attend Eve Union Meeting
- Mon 9 Plowed the kitchen garden twice; sowed 200 lbs of fertilizer on the lower side & 100 on the upper Charles Donnet up helps sow the garden Dilling grain at E. farm Plowing North & 1st gardens.
- Tues 10 Setting onions in the North garden; are setting them for the Chh. we to receive half the price of the seed next year. Got some seeds for kitchen garden.
- Wed 11 Setting onions in the North garden. Planted the early potatoes started in the shop, in the 1st garden. Sowed 6 rows of peas in 1st garden
- Thurs 12 Filled the west side of the north garden with onions about 200 bu. Set the remainder about 50 bu in the cabin lot. We hired several boys to help they did well. Lewis Seabold seeds
- Fri 13 Cool but fine day. Eldress Anna, Dm & Dd over to Pittsfield bring the machinery for Canaan wash mill. A company of 8 on the mountain fixing fence.
- Sat 14 Put eggs in the ice house. Planting potatoes West of the rock garden put tobacco in the hills and hen compost. Levi returns, bringing a boy from Binghamton.
- Sun 15 Beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. Willie up from Canaan for the boy Levi brought. Afternoon Society Meeting

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- Mon 16 Planting beans with the new machine in the 1st garden Golden Wax, and corn for the kitchen. Got from Shaker Seed Co 1 bu of Wardwells Kidney wax beautiful day.
- Tues 17 Warm & dry. El A. & Charles to Pittsfield. Charles also for oil & fodder corn seed. Plowed the north garden, plowing out north for potatoes.
- Wed 18 Preparing the east side of north garden for Hubbard squash & beans &c Charles after eggs. El A and Robert Hornmark start for New York.
- Thurs 19 Beautiful day but very dry. Plowing for potatoes. Elders Anna & D. O. to Canaan. A woman & boy arrive; they conclude to return in the morning.
- Fri 20 Planting potatoes; are putting tobacco stems in in the hills. Planted 16 rows of beans in the west sand knol lot White manure.
- Sat 21 Finish planting potatoes out north. El A. & Robert return on the morning train, bringing Lucy Holbrook and another friend with his companion. A woman by name of Carr came yesterday.
- Sun 22 Beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. Society Meeting in the afternoon. Singing, Reading and speaking by the New York friends in the eve.
- Mon 23 Beautiful dry day. Charles after eggs. Teams drawing manure. Lucy Holbrook returns. Oliver & Hester Pool over to the Chh. in the eve.
- Tues 24 Teams drawing manure. Charles & Nelson to Pittsfield Cyrus O. Pool & Companion return to New York Levi returns in the afternoon.
- Wed 25 Beautiful rain $\frac{1}{2}$ an in Planted the ~~Wardwells~~ Kidney wax beans in the cabin lot teams drawing manure. El A. starts for New York. Levi returning.
- Thurs 26 Ministry start for Waterlot; Splendid rain in the eve $\frac{1}{2}$ in Shumway is here at the washhouse.
- Fri 17 Plowed $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre in the swamp for an onion bed shall plant potatoes this season El A. returns. Charles to Pittsfield drawing manure. &c
- Sat 28 Raining most of the day $\frac{3}{8}$ of an in Finish drawing manure. All the eggs turned

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- Jun 27 Cool & Rainy. had steam. No Society Meeting. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the afternoon. All the elders to Canaan stay over night.
- Mon 30 Beautiful day. Plowing for corn fodder. the elders return. Set out the tomatoes in the North garden. Charles after eggs.
- Tues 31 Beautiful day. Charles & C. D. to Pittsfield. team plowing. planter some potatoes in the swamp. sowed some of the kitchen garden over.
- June
- Wed 1 Raining most of the day. 1 in grinding horse feed working up stumps. Elder Frederic K. Start for England. D. O. Fanny & Ann. go down to New York to see him off.
- Thurs 2 Elder Frederick sets sail from New York at 2. P. M. Some rain at home.
- Fri 3 Some rainy. A man comes from New York Henry Bason to join. Mowing the dooryard &c &c.
- Sat 4 D. O. & Sisters return. Mowing the dooryard putting things in order &c Paris greening the tomatoes. Sorting eggs &c.
- Sun 5 Cloudy & cool had steam. built a little fire in Meeting house. Society Meeting: Singing in the forenoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 6 Cloudy & cool. Commenced sowing the corn fodder. B^r Geo up the west-mill about ready to go to Canaan. Charles after eggs. Chas & Ray off.
- Tues 7 Washed sheep. Sowing corn fodder. Charles & Daniel Fraser to Pittsfield. Cultivating & hony. Colores Anna to Pittsfield with B^r Geo & Sisters.
- Wed 8 Cultivating & hony. Sowing corn fodder, the land all ready. D. O. to Canaan.
- Thurs 9 Cloudy & some rain in the afternoon and evening. D. O. & Augustus to Pittsfield. Sowing corn fodder. Charles & John on the roads.
- Fri 10 Beautiful day. Finish sowing the corn fodder. D. O. to Canaan all day. Cutting pea brush, putting up a piece of wire fence on the mountain.

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- Sat 11 Lovely day. Making the high ways, preparing to shear sheep putting up the fence from the scales to the granary. Levi returns on the afternoon train.
- Sun 12 Fine day Singing in the forenoon Society meeting in the afternoon. Union in the eve. B. Geo up with two sisters in the morning.
- Mon 13 Beautiful day Commence sheep shearing. Booth of Pittsfield came and fixed the roof over the paint shop. Levi over to Pittsfield with Charles. Opened the south silo. Engage Richard Hearn (the Irishman we had a few years ago) till the 1st of Nov for 85.00
- Tues 14 Splendid weather for shearing. Charles to Pittsfield. Levi returns to Windsor.
- Wed 15 Fine weather Finish shearing 443 sheep all told 2388 lbs an average of about 5 $\frac{1}{3}$ lbs. D.C. to Canaan brought up 18 bu of potatoes.
- Thurs 16 D.C. to Canaan in the forenoon and to Pittsfield in the afternoon with Eldress Anna & Lydia. Cultivating & hoing &c.
- Fri 17 Commenced fixing the road at the south end of the house. Henry's men. Our men. Christopher McNamee & his boys James Augustus & D.O. The bees swarm hive then successfully. Move them all out south of the lumber shed.
- Sat 18 A little rain in the morning. Grading making fence & righting up the wall & walk. A company of 6 go down to Whittings pond. C. G. Robert. Charles R. Harry. Otis & Dwine.
- Sun 19 Fine morning. The Sec. South. & Canaan families over to singing meeting in the forenoon. Society meeting in the afternoon. Some rain and we had quite a time getting the sisters home. One Reading from C. F. journal.
- Mon 20 Beautiful day. W^m Thomas & Co here at the well. Cultivating corn fodder. weeding the onions in the north garden. Willie Kelly comes to work weeding.
- Tues 21 A nice day for business. Splendid shower early in the morning & one at noon. Set some of the bank seeded. W^m Thomas here & Co. Daniel Kay to Pittsfield he come home in rather a ^{late} ^{circulation}

- Wed 22 Lowery day and a heavy shower in the afternoon 'can in in a few minutes. fixed stone steps to the south little kitchen
Offen Thomas finishes the walk all we can afford at this time. Let B^c Geo have some chestnut plank.
- Thurs 23 Rather a rainy day grinding horse feed cleaning up the the mill yard &c. Mixing fertilizer &c &c
Putting the lumber in order along side the road
- Fri 24 A great rain 2 1/4 in. everything soaked; put spruiling next the rain water cistern. Start packing the wool
Hoing in the cabin lot &c. A young woman arrives from N^Y.
- Sat 25 A lovely day; finished grading the bank & seeded it down. Cultivated the corn in the spense lot. The wood taken to Canaan depot. 2388 lbs. Took the wheels of the rock lifter to have them repaired. Received the 1st letters from O. E. Frederick & B^c James.
Nelson to Pittsfield with cherries.
- Sun 26 Beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. Society meeting in the afternoon. B^c George & sisters over after meeting and take Mary Mentzel home with them, the young woman that came last Friday.
One Reading meeting.
- Mon 27 Fine day. mowed the south garden, nursery & dooryard. C. G. & D. F. to Pittsfield lined the onion in the North garden cultivating potatoes beans &c
- Tues 28 Mowing some new seeded out north Cultivating &c &c. Clothes Anna two sisters & D. O. out to Albany come home on the late train.
- Wed 29 Mowing new seeded in cabin lot. Nelson to Pittsfield with cherries. Traded horses with Henry Johnson. Get in hay from South garden & orchard
The Ministry arrive in the afternoon.
Singing meeting at the South family in the eve.
- Thurs 30 Splendid hay day got in 7 loads from out north Charles to Pittsfield with cherries eggs &c. Sell an old Mower for \$20.00. The Ohio Ministry arrive at Mt Lebanon. Levi returns on the morning train.

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- Fri 1st Drawing flag stone from the depot. Very hot. Butter talks arrive. Cultivating & hoing in the garden. Commenced laying the flag stones at the varanda door. Mud 9c in the shade.
- Sat 2^d Hot. put paris green on the potatoes. Hoing & cultivating. finished laying the flag stones at the varanda. Clothes over Lovers. Charles to Pittsfield with chickens. Levi to Pittsfield.
- Sun 3^d Singing in the forenoon, the Sec^d family over. Afternoon Society Meeting. Reading in the eve. Levi to Canaan in the afternoon and starts from there for Windsor.
- Mon 4th All the Men away. The Ohio Ministry here all day had a very nice visit. Received letters from El F & James McVish. raised the lines on the onions.
- Tues 5 Hoing and hilling the potatoes. Charles to Pittsfield. D. O. to Canaan set posts for whirly zig south of the house.
- Wed 6 Had about 2 in of rain last night. Cultivating & hoing corn fodder. Charles to East Chatham for Cwaka Mower. he brings home Yankee horse rake also. Clothes Anna & D. O. to Canaan with the Ohio Ministry
- Thurs 7 Drawing coal. Commenced moving on the mountain. In the gardens &c &c.
- Fri 8 Got down 4 loads of hay from the Mountain most all snowed. A company of sisters on the Mountain huckleberrying. Nelson along. Got another Yankee horse rake from Hancock.
- Sat 9 Haying on the Mountain got down 3 loads the rain $\frac{3}{4}$ in so we could not finish. The other coal has come.
- Sun 10 Raining in the forenoon some cooler Society Meeting, but the Canaan People were not there. Singing in the forenoon. Reading in the eve. The Ohio Ministry attended Society Meeting.

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- Mon 11 A little rain in the early morning $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Drawing coal
Got cabbage plants from Canaan. Digging the early
potatoes in the 1st garden.
- Tues 12 Drawing coal. Set out Cabbage plants in the after-
noon in the 1st garden. set celery plants on the
hot bed ground. Charles to Pittsfield.
- Wed 13 Finished drawing coal. Finished setting cabbage
plants in the 1st garden Charles & Robert to Pitts-
field with new potatoes & currants.
- Thurs 14 Dug over the strawberry bed in the kitchen garden
Cultivating & hilling potatoes. Mowing out north
- Fri 15 D. O. Oleson. Mary & Mable to Pittsfield. Got in
the hay from out north about 10 loads ⁱⁿ splendid order.
cooked the horse hay.
- Sat 16 Lower morning. Paris greened the remainder of the potatoes
Got in the horse hay 18 loads all in beautiful order.
Robert got hurt with the fork. Out late no Meeting.
- Sun 17 Very warm. Shower in the afternoon. No Society
Meeting. Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the
afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 18 Some rain $\frac{1}{2}$ in unloading hay, reaped the wheat in
the rock garden. cut the grass in the eye field fixed
strawberry bed in 1st garden put fertilizer on.
- Tues 19 Cut & bound the Eye. hove at home 2 loads of
hay from the eye field. Sister Margaret Hopkins
of Enfield Ct. here.
- Wed 20 A beautiful day. Mowed the horse pasture the
1st & 2^d meadows. hove beans & c. D. O. and
the elder sisters to Canaan stay over night.
- Thurs 21 Rainy morning. made out to get the hay all in
the rock Charles to Pittsfield.
- Fri 22 Rainy most of the day. leveled the grave yard
mowing weeds. cooked the hay in the orchard.
- Sab 24 Rainy day D. O. to Canaan before breakfast. No Society
Meeting Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in
the afternoon Reading in the eve. it has rained
about 5 inches within a week. Start Canaan Truck Mill
- Sat 23 Rainy day. Shelling corn. painted the sleighs
fixing up generally. B' Geo up

July 1887

- Mon 25th Rather nice day. Threshed the wheat & Rye ones. turned out the hay and got it in pretty good order. Some of the rye & wheat we found growing brought up a box of stunts. Never saw such a wet time. The Ch's hay on the flats is now surrounded with water.
- Tues 26th Rainy and cloudy till along in the afternoon when it breaks away. laid over the walk to the brick shop laying a new walk south of the 2^d house. Charles to Pittsfield.
- Wed 27th Nice fine Morning. Finished the walk south of the 2^d house. The Deatist here from Rindaborn got in 15 loads of the hay about all spoiled only fit for bedding.
- Thurs 28th Warm day. Got in the remainder of the hay about 10 loads. Unbound the wheat that needed it & spread it out. Elders Anna Sarah Jane, Rosette & Lucy start for New York via Canaan to meet C. F. & Co. The wheat all spoiled except for chickens.
- Fri 29th Very warm. Threshed out the wheat some 50 lbs. Unbound the rye & spread it out. Thunder shower in the afternoon. Charles to Pittsfield yesterday.
- Sat 30th Beautiful day threshed out the rye from the hen yard got in 6 loads from the West Hill. El Anna & Lister in company with Levi return without El Frederick he not expected in till next Tues. or Wed. Two teams over from Pittsfield for oak lumber. No Meeting.
- Sun 31st Pleasant warm day. Shower in the afternoon. Singing in the forenoon. Society Meeting and laboring meeting in the eve.
- Aug Mon 1st A lovely day got in the rye all but the raking. Levi starts for Windsor Pay off the hired men for July. Two teams over for oak lumber. Henry Johnson here with two men & they kill the Jersey bull & take it off

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- Tues 2 A little rain in the morning. heavy shower in the eve
1/2 in in about one hour Rake the rye field. Get the
cattle shod. D. O. starts for New York to meet C. L.
P. & Co.
- Wed 3 Beautiful day C. L. P. lands about 3. P.M. He brings
two women with him from Glasgow. We all stay at
the Cosmopolitan a very noisy place & I hope never
to play there again.
- Thurs 4 Pleasant day. J. M. Peebles & his gang men start
for their home. The day we spend in New York
then take the Hudson boat for home.
- Fri 5 Some rain in the afternoon. C. L. Frederick & Co
arrive home all safe; a friend John Ross Brown
a dentist who got acquainted on board the steamer. Comes
by invitation on a visit. Cutting oats mowed the grass
in the pond lot.
- Sat 6 Reaping oats. wheeled the sheep manure out. picking
up apples. Hoing cabbage. Two teams over from
Pittsfield for lumber.
- Sun 7 Cool & Pleasant. Singing in the forenoon. Society
Meeting in the afternoon. Elders to Canaan after
meeting. C. L. P. stays all night. Union in the eve.
- Mon 8 Cool morning some frost on the flats. Got in
19 loads of oats. Charles & James to Pittsfield
with apples & Peas.
- Tues 9 Nice day got in 10 loads of oats & 5 loads of hay
Oliver Jane moves down to Canaan.
- Wed 10 Got the oats in from the pond lot. Put the
remainder of the hay up there. Reaping at the
east farm Sister Marcia Ballard from Har-
ward here D. O. not very well.
- Thurs 11 Got in the oat raking, and some of the hay
from the pond lot. Heavy shower in the after-
noon 1/4 in in less than an hour. laying
stone walk round the seasons shop.
- Fri 12 Lovely day got in 7 loads of oats C. L. P. & Charles
to Pittsfield. C. L. P. goes to Albany from Pittsfield
The Catholic Priest cuts his throat & dies.
Terrible accident on the R.R. out west some 200 miles

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- Sat 13 Got in the oats from the east farm, all but the rakkings out very late. No Meeting. D. O. got a fork tine run in his hand.
- Sun 14 Singing in the forenoon The Canadian people up. Society Meeting. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 15 Lowery day; got in the oat rakkings. Mowed the cabin lot & cocked it. C. D. and D. F. over to Hancock, stay all night.
- Tues 16 Pleasant day. John Ross Brown goes off he having been very much pleased with his visit. He has done quite a deal of dent work so as he said it was not an idle visit. Got in 6 loads of hay. Charles to Pittsfield. Levi returned yesterday, & we attend the Assessors meeting to day.
- Wed 17 Finished haying out north and commenced mowing in the valley. Levi starts for Windsor. Charles to Pittsfield.
- Thurs 18 Rain rain nearly 2 in. turned to eggs preparing apples for market. Laying stone walk ~~from~~ west side of wash-house. Cleaned the rain water cistern. Heavy thunder shower. Shumways finish Canada wings they have worked here 4 days. B. Geo. takes it home.
- Fri 19 Two loads of fruit to Pittsfield. Charles Greaves. Daniel Ray & Nelson. got in 4 loads of hay on the flats.
- Sat 20 Lowery & Cloudy all the forenoon. Heavy thunder shower south of us. Working at the hay got in 4 loads cocked the rest. Charles to Pittsfield with apples.
- Sun 21 Beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. Society Meeting. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 22 Rain rain in the morning by breakfast time one inch had fallen sorting apples shelling corn &c. D. O. out to Albany ~~to~~ have to Canada Cor. and came home in the afternoon train. engaged some wheat; got belt &c.

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- Tues 23 Rain threshing between showers ground some horse feed. Picking early apples. Daniel Ray and Nelson to Pittsfield
- Wed 24 Rain rain rain set up the kitchen sink had it down to repair the outlet skilling corn &c. The flats about all covered with water.
- Thurs 25 Some brighter Finished threshing the oats & barley from the cow barn all told we think there will be about 200 bu from the C. F. have threshed 160 bu
- Fri 26 Got in the hay on the flats that was mowed a week ago. Pulling beans in the 1st garden which are more than half spoiled.
- Sat 27 Fine day cutting the onion seed in the ^{North} garden, very badly blasted. Finished pulling the beans in the 1st garden.
- Sun 28 Cool morning had steam. The Sec family & Canaan sing as over to singing Meeting Society Meeting. Unworn in the eve.
- Mon 29 Cool Morning. Fine day mowed the new seeded out north. Finished cutting the onion seed in the north garden Daniel Ray and Nelson to Pittsfield.
- Tues 30 Cool day cloudy. A show at noon had all the hay spread out. Plowed the 1st garden and sowed it with rye. Charles to Pittsfield started plowing the Rock garden.
- Wed 31 Fine morning. D. O to Pittsfield for the Sisters. Shower on the Mountain & a little rain at home. Got in 2 loads of hay cocked the remainder some of it the 3rd time.
- Thurs 1 The finest day for a long time, Got in the hay from out north & south garden 11 loads. Daniel Ray & Nelson to Pittsfield. James Goodwin ^{over}
- Fri 2 Showery & some rain. Finished plowing the Rock Garden. Have pulled the beans in the cabin lot. Started plowing it. Got 1 ton of bone dust of Henry Cantrell & sowed it all on the rock garden.
- Sat 3 Sowed rye on the bean patch in the cabin lot. Got in 12 loads of hay on the flats. Got late. Levi arrived yesterday. Robert up to the Springs.

September 1887

- Sun 4 A lovely day. Singing in the forenoon. Society Meeting. Union in the eve.
- Mon 5 Love starts for Windsor. Augustus Hookston who has become of age goes to the world, after being here some 9 years. Mowing on the flats.
- Tues 6 Haying on the flats got in 7 loads. Eldress Anna & two sisters out to Albany & Troy. Charles to Pittsfield and Daniel Ray & Nelson.
- Wed 7 Working on the road picking plums, haying on the flats. Terrible rain in the afternoon. The cars delayed did not get in till after 6 o'clock. Eldress Anna returns & Co.
- Thurs 8 C. A. & all hands on the road. Haying some on the flats. Henry's men helping Daniel Ray & Nelson to Pittsfield.
- Fri 9 Finished mowing on the flats got in 18 loads. Turned over one load. Charles, Daniel Ray & Nelson to Pittsfield. A woman brings two girls to Canaan.
- Sat 10 Haying on the flats got in 3 loads. Charles to Pittsfield. A young woman friend of James Ashby arrives. Adair's Mother here.
- Sun 11 Singing in the forenoon. Society Meeting. Labouring in the eve.
- Mon 12 Rain Rain. The men threshing beans Hardwell's Kidney wax a poor crop 7 bushels. The ~~three~~ women all go.
- Tues 13 Some more rain. The men on the road. C. Robert Allen here. A man calls his name is Daniel Crowley.
- Wed 14 Thunder last night start digging potatoes we find them very much rotted.
- Thurs 15 Finish Haying got in 22 loads. Henry's men helping & 3 other hands.
- Fri 16 Digging potatoes. very few on the flats. Picking apples & peaches.
- Sat 17 The 1st heavy frost digging potatoes. C. G. to Pittsfield gets a bbl of Kerosene oil. B^r Geo up.
- Sun 18 Singing in the forenoon. Society Meeting. Reading in the eve. Steam in the morning.

- Mon 19 Start cutting corn 7 hands, getting the engine in order.
 Elders Anna to Canaan. Daniel Crowley comes to the table.
- Tues 20 Cutting corn. Set the engine in working order & cut
 11 loads. A man for Hungary who called to gather sta-
 tistics about communities last Sunday goes off.
- Wed 21 Cutting corn, two teams up from Canaan, cut 74 loads
 the most we ever cut. was bothered a we should have cut 100.
- Thurs 22 Some rain drawing manure from the yards on the
 flats. cutting corn in the afternoon 44 loads.
- Fri 23 Cutting corn in the field. Daniel Kay & Nelson to
 Pittsfield. Charles to Pittsfield Got in the beans
 from the north garden and spread them on the ^{barn} floor.
- Sat 24 Cutting corn in the barn and in the field. cut up
 18 loads when we broke down & had to go out to
 Albany to get repairs. El A to Canaan.
- Sun 25 Cold day No Society Meeting. The South
 and Canaan families over to singing in the forenoon.
 Reading in the eve.
- Mon 26 Cutting corn 63 loads. El A. & Co picking
 apples. A woman arrives some relation of Catherine's.
- Tues 27 Cutting corn in the field & barn 33 loads
 Charles to Pittsfield. El A. & Co. picking apples.
- Wed 28 Cutting corn 53 loads. two teams from Pitts-
 field for oak lumber. El A. & Co Picking apples.
- Thurs 29 Some rain. Mending roads. Threshing beans &
 Elders Anna, Olive Walker & Ruth out to
 Albany. Charles to Pittsfield.
- Fri 30 El A & the men on the road till noon.
 at the corn in the afternoon finish cutting in the
 field & cut 8 loads in the barn. Robert taken
 with a creake in his back.
- Sat 1 Finish cutting the corn 66 loads. total 285
 very windy near all day.
- Sun 2 Singing in the forenoon. Laboring in the
 afternoon. The Canaan people up.
 Eve Reading.
- Mon 3 Mhd. El A. & Charles to Pittsfield. Put the
 weights on the scales & putting things in order & e
 Elders Louis Green & Marcia Kellogg here.

- Tues 4 Daniel Ray & Chauley to Pittsfield. Charles G. over also. Shamways finish up the shed & paint him. Digging potatoes & pulling turneps.
- Wed 5 C. H. & Co picking apples. Digging potatoes &c Charles to Pittsfield. The Ministry return.
- Thurs 6 Daniel Ray & Robert to Pittsfield. C. H. & Co picking apples. D. O. & 5 sisters out to Albany Pulling turneps & digging potatoes.
- Fri 7 James goes over to Pittsfield with Charles. Picking apples. Digging potatoes &c. Daniel Ray to New York.
- Sat 8 Elder brethren over south. A woman comes with a boy Levi returns. Daniel Ray also
- Sun 9 Singing in the forenoon. A company of 9 ^{bro} & 9 sisters to Canaan hold labouring Meeting. Eve Union Meeting. No steam.
- Mon 10 Finish digging potatoes, and got the turneps from the lot east of the Rock garden $\frac{1}{4}$ acre. 300 bu. Levi returns to Windsor. The woman goes leaves the boy. His name is Hermon Dexter.
- Tues 11 Sudden change in the weather Cold. Gathering apples & peas &c Charles & Divine to Pittsfield Daniel Frasers Nephew & Niece or rather his niece & her son call on their way to Utah.
- Wed 12 Cold day. Gathering Apples, turneps &c taking the turneps to the Keyes place. C. H. & Elders A. to Canaan.
- Thurs 13 D. O. takes a company of young sisters out riding to East Chatham. Eat dinner at Canaan. Cold day. Finish gathering the turneps some 600 bu. 300 bu taken to the Keyes Pl. Charles & Daniel Ray to Pittsfield.
- Fri 14 Cold. Charles to Pittsfield. C. H. ~~out~~ returns on the afternoon train. Daniel Frasers ~~go~~ go. finish spreading the manure on the flats.
- Sat 15 70° of frost. Mrs Kelly starts plowing the lower King lot. Charles to Pittsfield. Gleaning apples.
- Sun 16 Beautiful but cool day. Singing in the forenoon. Labouring in the afternoon, the Canaan family up. ^{the are} ~~the are~~
- Mon 17 Daniel R. & Martin to Pittsfield; plowing going on gleaning the young orchard. Sorting potatoes &c.

- Tues 18 Mild no steam in the morning. Plowing, sating potatoes, they have rotted very badly. Charles & Robert to Pittsfield. gathering cider apples for feed.
- Wed 19 D. O. out to Albany stay, over night. Finished sating potatoes. Charles to Pittsfield. Henry takes the girls riding to Canaan.
- Thurs 20 Plowing, burning brush, getting the stone off where it has been proved. Milowby & Ellen Wood entire strangers arrive from Phila. Charles & Otis to Pittsfield.
- Fri 21 Raining day. Threshing beans, cleaned the rain water cistern. Altered pipes in the wash-house so we can clean the boards.
- Sat 22 Cold day rather. Two teams to Canaan Cars for wheat. Charles & Divine to Pittsfield. Nelson returns from his annual trip. Augustus Helstrom returns and is talked into union again.
- Sun 23 Beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. The Canaan family up to meeting in the afternoon. Union in the eve. Friend Hand, from Natick, Mass calls, stays, over night.
- Mon 24 Daniel Ray & Harry to Pittsfield. Fix butter worker, trimming trees. Move the eggs from the ice house to the shop. Charly got 2 loads of wood from the west hill for kindling.
- Tues 25 Charles & C. A. to Pittsfield. Sawing kindling & c. Trimming, sorting, eggs & c. 10 bbls of flour bought from Canaan.
- Wed 26 Plowing & getting off stone. Trimming going on finely.
- Thurs 27 Pleasant day! Hannah Smith & Henry Halstead brother & Sister of Amanda Deys call, stay over night. Fixing the pipe across the run way up towards the east farm. Engaged 12 tons of fertilizer yesterday.
- Fri 28 Plowing getting off stone. Got lead pipe from Canaan Depot for east farm water works. paid for the one horse spring waggon, to W. D. Skiff \$7.50
- Sat 29 Nice day. laid the lead pipe up at the east farm. Trimming going on. Finished plowing the North garden, & brought home the one horse spring waggon.
- Sun 30 Cold & windy. Singing in the forenoon. Reading in the afternoon. Laboring in the eve.
- Mon 31 13° of frost. All the barns on the Burnham farm burned last night. D. O. C. G. & Charly went down but could do but little. Completing the water works at the east farm. Lend the Burnham farm our engine, take it down to them.

November 1887

- Tues 1 Gathering leaves. Trimming. Charles to Pittsfield. Fixing the road up to the east farm. C. A. and D. O. on the mountain to meet Ira & look over some timber that Ira wishes to purchase.
- Wed 2 Daniel Ray to Pittsfield. C. G. to Pittsfield. Dug the roots in the kitchen garden. D. O. to Pittsfield with the Deaconses. The men fixing drain at the cottage.
- Thurs 3 Wm Kelly & Daniel Ray over to Pittsfield. repair leak in the main pipe above the house. C. G. over to Pittsfield. Kitchen garden cleared to-day.
- Fri 4 Drawing manure from under the horse barn put it on the kitchen garden & east side of North garden. C. A. to Canaan stays over night. Got in the cabbages.
- Sat 5 Windy cold day. Cleared the manure from the east cow yard. Levi returns via Canaan.
- Sun 6 Pleasant day. Laboring in the forenoon. A company of 10 Sisters and 9 brethren go to Canaan & attend laboring meeting. Eve union meeting.
- Mon 7 A lovely day D. O. & Daniel Ray over to Pittsfield. Getting the wood out of the bull pasture. Levi off to Windsor. Apple tree trimming going on.
- Tues 8 Beautiful day. Charles to Pittsfield, Daniel Ray & Nelson also. D. O. on the mountain with B. Ira to see about wood lot. Repairing fences in cow yard.
- Wed 9 Drawing wood & brush out of the lower orchard. Two teams to Pittsfield. C. A. & Co trimming.
- Thurs 10 Some rain in the afternoon. William & Charley plowing for Shumway. Cleaning out the ditches in the Lower orchard. Daniel Ray & Nelson to Pittsfield.
- Fri 11 Snowing a little all day. Charles & Robert to Pittsfield. two teams plowing for Shumway. The cattle brought off the mountain.
- Sat 12 Cold day two teams plowing. two teams over to Pittsfield. Put up the railing in the dooryard. Threshing under seed.
- Sun 13 Cloudy & cool. Singing in the forenoon, laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve. Charles Keiff, Inwell.
- Mon 14 Mild. Plowing for Shumway. Charles & Martin to Pittsfield. Trimming, drawing brush &c. School commences. Divine & Hermon go.

- Tues 15 Raining morning. Cleaning onion seed. Fixing up the barn at the foot of the hill, drawing brush. Charles to Pittsfield. D.O. and three sisters out to Albany.
- Wed 16 About 5 in snow last night. Daniel Ray, Nelson & Charley to Pittsfield. Daniel Ray & Nelson come home dead drunk. Nelson had to be carried in. D.O. & sisters return.
- Thurs 17 Very mild Ellen Wood goes to New York. Charles G. and Charles Keiff to Pittsfield. The Men drawing brush. Sent Compendiums to Fred Parsons & c. 10 bbls of flour brought home.
- Fri 18 A lovely day. drawing brush &c. Daniel Ray is requested to with-draw from the family. D.O. takes him over to Pittsfield, gets him a pair boots and an overcoat \$7.50. Charles Law of Pittston Pa. calls.
- Sat 19 Nelson Peebles is sent away. D.O. takes him to the depot. Charles Law returns. Agnes slips and fractures her ankle. Move 8 head of cattle to the barn below.
- Sun 20 one inch of rain fell last night; more to-day Reading in the forenoon, Laboring in the afternoon. Singing in the eve.
- Mon 21 Getting brush out of the young orchard. Exchanging the heater in the 2 house. Pruning in the young orchard finally.
- Tues 21 Beautiful day. El A. Closes A. & Martha Ann. over to Pittsfield. El over with eggs. Drawing brush & wood. &c.
- Wed 23 Charles to Pittsfield. Finish drawing brush out of the orchards. Shumway paid for what ~~laboring~~ we did. ^{\$21.00}
- Thurs 24 Thanksgiving. Meeting as usual. Closes to Canaan stay over night. Rain & blow most all night.
- Fri 25 Raining & windy. Closes returns. Sorting potatoes &c. Oiling harness. Cleaning onion seed.
- Sat 26 Merc 60°. 3 teams to Canaan depot for wheat Charles to Pittsfield. Laying stone walk thro' the hen yard &c.
- Sun 27 Gift of the Beaily Sacrifice. Meeting in the afternoon.
- Mon 28 Merc 60°. Closes from Canaan up. Closes over south. Some stormy. Sinking onion seed &c &c.
- Tues 29 16° of frost, a sudden change El A. & Charles to Pittsfield. Threshing oats & barley. Some 4.00 a to the acre.
- Wed 30 Cold theroke 18° bu. Bank up all the doors around. Turned water off the buck shop.

December 1887

- Thurs 1 Cold 2° above 0. Threshing. Charles over the mountain to get Kelly Duplex Mill; but it has not arrived.
- Fri 2 Beautiful day. C. F. starts for New York. Finish threshing the oats & barley, about 550 bu.
- Sat 3 Mild rain in the morning. Charles to Pittsfield, Charles over the mountain for commecal. Paid the man Richard Hearn paid in full & goes off. Drawing sawdust.
- Sun 4 Pleasant & mild. Singing in the forenoon, Laboring in the afternoon. Union in the eve.
- Mon 5 Some rainy. Sorting turneps &c. Fixing tunnel to convey ensilage from the upper loft to away betw.
- Tues 6 C. F. returns from New York. The men drawing wood out of the woods. Charles to Pittsfield.
- Wed 7 The men drawing wood. Two young bulls sold one to W^m Thomas for \$20.00, & one to Andrew for \$10.00. Ministry start for Waterlot. C. F. & Charles to Canada in the afternoon. Sac Net engaged to survey ^{wood lot} & wife go off. John Kelly comes with his beater. Getting back of posts.
- Thurs 8 C. F. and Charles to Pittsfield. ^{wood lot} & wife go off. John Kelly comes with his beater. Getting back of posts.
- Fri 9 Beautiful day Beating out rye. Henry Cantrell to Pittsfield.
- Sat 10 Rainy day; finished out the rye. P^d John Kelly \$12.00. Cleaned up 100 bu in the afternoon.
- Sun 11 Rain most all night. Mer 54° in the morning. Singing, Laboring, & Reading Meetings.
- Mon 12 Finished cleaning the rye. about 200 bu all told. cleaning & drawing oats from the Royce Pl. D. O. over to see Sac Net.
- Tues 13 Pleasant day Survey the wood lot on the west hill. Henry takes Eldress Anna & Marthe Ann to Pittsfield. Trimming in the hen yard & setting locust posts.
- Wed 14 Mild; trimming in the hen yard. Charles over the mountain. Fixing road on the west hill &c.
- Thurs 15 Fixing bridge in the hen yard, door way to grain barn. Clean hen houses & put water works in condition.
- Fri 16 Cold day. Commence boxing pipes in the dining room. blasting logs at the mill. Get the Kelly Duplex Mill running it grinds splendid.

- Sat 17 Beautiful day. Drawing wood from the cord pastures & connect hot water with the barn. Get some school books of El Calvin.
- Sun 18 A great snow storm last night & this A.M. nearly 1 foot. Singing, laboring, & Union Meetings.
- Mon 19 Drawing wood off the side hill, loading straw to go to Pittsfield. Putting shoe shop in order.
- Tues 20 Charles over to Pittsfield. Drawing wood. Charly off. James Boardman calls, stays over night. in shoe shop.
- Wed 21 A little snow this A.M. Three loads of straw taken over to Pittsfield. Charles over with single horse. Loading straw.
- Thurs 22 Splendid sleighing. Three teams over with straw. Working in shoe shops, carpenter's shops & Sorting Apples.
- Fri 23 Cold near 0° Three teams over with straw, one team drawing wood. In the shop & c & c.
- Sat 24 Drawing wood from the west hill. Charles to Pittsfield. In the shoe shop. Otis & Divine learning. Levi returns.
- Sun 25 Beautiful Christmas. The Canaan people up have laboring meeting. Visiting in the afternoon. No meeting in the afternoon or evening.
- Mon 26 Levi returns to Windsor. Cold and pleasant. Henry out with some sisters. D. O. up to the springs to engage Wm Wright to chop the wood & logs on west hill.
- Tues 27 Charles to Pittsfield. Fine day. teams drawing wood. Working in the shoe shops & c & c.
- Wed 28 Stormy day. Snow in the forenoon, rain in the afternoon. Binding straw leveling manure & c. D. O. out to Albany.
- Thurs 29 Colder. Take water wheel out of the buck shop find the pinion all used up; James making pattern. Painting & cleaning wheels & c.
- Fri 30 Cold day about 0° and rather windy. Charles and El H. to Pittsfield; they upset & break tops to seat. Working in shoe shop. The men picking up wood around & c. 2° below 0° in the forenoon.
- Sat 31 Cold day. Working up the logs at the mill into fire wood. In the shoe shop & c & c. Pay off the hire men, and so am all square up ready for the new year 1888.

January 1888

- Sun 1 Stormy day rain & snow. Singing in the forenoon. Labouring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 2 Colder and fine. The brethren are situated as follows. El A. writing. Henry Cantrell looking after the out farms. Levi at Windsor. Daniel Prosser picking over beans & takes care of visitors. Charles Greaves pedler Robert Hornmark. Martin Mills. & Daniel Bowly at the cow barn. James & Augustus carpentering. Charles Keif painting waggons. John Weer in the wash house & choring. Harry Bell takes care of the chickens & D. C. Otis & Divine Bell in the shoe shop & c. & c. where ever needed thus we Hermann Preller getting in wood & going to school. Thus we number 17, and have 5 hired men all told.
- Tues 3 Cold & Pleasant. Charles to Pittsfield gets pinion & c for water wheel. Augustus making some new hen's nests. Drawing wood from cow pastures & c.
- Wed 4 Put new pinion in water wheel & it works good. Get wood in cellar. working up the odd wood around.
- Thurs 5 Cold & fine El A. out to Albany returns in the eve. Charles off sleigh riding with 7 sisters. took out shaft in shirt shop. Sent check to Manifes to \$62.46.
- Fri 6 Fine, cloudy, cold, snow & rain. D. C. over to ~~the~~ field with the boys; take shaft along. The men cutting up logs & c in the front lot. painting waggons & c.
- Sat 7 Mild & a little rain. Grind some wheat and corn for the house. B. Williams Wright \$90.00 on the wood chopping.
- Sun 8 A little stormy in the forenoon. Singing in the forenoon. El Calvin over and reports a fire at the South family last night about 8.30. in George Smart's apartments in fine to a small room; George got suffocated in his effort to extinguish it. loss of property very slight. Meeting in the afternoon. Reading in the eve. El A. and Charles Prosser & Ann go to Canaan stay one night. The sisters going to Day.

- Mon 9 Charles Beaves & Charles Keiff to Pittsfield. Wm Kelly over with a load of straw. Eldress Anna & Co return via Canaan corners. D.O. goes down after them; takes 3 sisters along.
- Tues 10 Some stormy. Cleaning & drawing out from east farm & Roy & P. Preparing pulleys for sewing machines &c.
- Wed 11 Cold & windy 6° above 0. Charles over with 5 sisters. D.O. and four sisters attend the funeral of George Smart. Preparing to get ice plow it one way. clean out the ice house. B' Geo up to the on some crops for the sisters.
- Thurs 12 4° below 0° Beautiful & calm. Getting in ice about 45 loads three extra men engaged. C. A. Eldress Anna & Sarah Bodine go out to Hudson; return on the afternoon train.
- Fri 13 A terrible stormy day. Snow, blow, & rain. No ice to-day. commence taking down the brickwork in the ironing room that used to be in the brick shop; calculating to take it clean down to the cellar and cement the cellar all over.
- Sat 14 Beautiful day. Finished filling our ice house. Pay the three men \$3.00 each. Working at the shirt shop machinery.
- Sun 15 Mild & Some rain. Meetings as usual. C. William over, to return the surgeon's tools held by George Smart
- Mon 16 Cold 2° above 0 Drawing ice up to the Springs 18 loads Sleighing rather thin.
- Tues 17 2° below 0 Drawing ice. Stormy in the afternoon. Andrew Reed broke the end of the front rocker going into D' Peirce's C. A. & Charles to Pittsfield.
- Wed 18 Cold & windy; drawing ice. Charles Keiff painting An englishman wome, Walter Shepherd
- Thurs 19 Windy & cold Drawing ice. Took 3 bobs to Canaan 4 corners to get repaired. Ministry returned yesterday
- Fri 20 Finished drawing ice about \$60.00 worth. Took the last of the straw to Pittsfield. Got 1000 lbs of cotton seed meal, & 1000 lbs of cornmeal. Drawing logs. Got wood in the boiler cellar.
- Sat 21 Cold and very windy getting colder all day 0° at noon Charles & James to Pittsfield. The men drawing logs. Walter Shepherd the englishman writes. Elders over South

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- Sun 22 16° below 0°. A fine bright day. Singing in the forenoon. Labouring in the afternoon, Union in the eve
- Mon 23 8° below 0° fine Teams drawing logs from the west hill. Some pipes frozen in the 2^d house. We work at them
- Tues 24 10° above 0° but cold & windy. The men drawing logs. Up to the springs collect the remaining ice bills a total of \$60.60 Engage 40 or more bu of potatoes of W^m Shumway or rather Rufus
- Wed 25 10° below 0° Charles to Lanaan Cows for the lots Marked 2 1/2 doz baskets for the cord barn. Feb Manifeste arrives.
- Thurs 26 A great snow storm last night. Drawing logs in the forenoon. Stormy afternoon. The men up to the east farm in the afternoon.
- Fri 27 3° below 0° Very windy no body could work out; the snow drifting badly! The pipe frozen from ironing room to wash-room. below 0° all day. Terrible.
- Sat 28 10° below 0° 4 below at noon & a mighty wind. breaking roads. Making new door to wash-mill. fixing head block & c.
- Sun 29 9° below 0°. 8° above in the afternoon. fine day. Singing in the forenoon. Labouring in the afternoon.
- Mon 30 9° above 0° Finished cleaning and drawing oats from the Royce Pl. Water pipe frozen at North shop.
- Tues 31 Beautiful day drawing logs. Drawing wood to Samuel Shumway. grind horse & cow feed
- Feb 1 2° above 0 Drawing logs. preparing to cut & draw ice to Columbia Hall. Thompson comes after his cow & heifer & calves pay \$3.00.
- Thurs 2 10° above 0 Drawing ice to Columbia Hall 16 loads the road very much drifted up there Levi returns
- Fri 3 Beautiful day Drew 18 loads of ice; every thing working lovely.
- Sat 4 Raw & windy and awful stormy in the afternoon Drew 14 loads of ice; turned over with one just off the pond. Some rain
- Sun 5 Very mild thawing all day. Meetings as usual. Levi to Lanaan stays over night; & thence to Windsor

- Mon 6 20° above 0 fine day. Teams drawing logs up to Columbia Hall 51 loads in all paid \$51.00, got 67 bu of seed potatoes of Shumway. Wheeling manure from under the shed at Kelly's.
- Tues 7 Cl. F. starts for New York via Canaan. Drawing logs Charles Thompson of Canaan Co's took the two heifers & calves yesterday & paid \$38.00
- Wed 8 Mild & a little stormy. Drawing logs. Tied one of the cords got badly hooked in the udder.
- Thurs 9 3° above 0 The men drawing logs & wood. Got up the new Kettle for cooking her feed. Eldess Anna to Canaan Cl. F. returns on the afternoon train.
- Fri 10 14° below 0 Fine cold day teams drawing logs.
- Sat 11 18° above 0. Teams draw one load each of logs we then let it snow which it did nicely. Paid W^m H. Wright \$59.25 they have cut 121 cords of wood & 483 logs.
- Sun 12 7° above 0. beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon, a company of 9 brethren & 10 sisters to Canaan in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 13 Beautiful mild day like spring. teams drawing logs got wood in boiler cellar.
- Tues 14 Lovely spring like day. Men in afternoon 52° Charles and John Weer to Pittsfield. teams drawing logs D. C. on the west hill and to Canaan Co's with a box of shirts.
- Wed 15 Cold & very windy at 10 A.M. 4° above 0 at night 6° below 0 Charles & company barreling up apples. D. C. to South & Sec families. drawing logs.
- Thurs 16 13° below 0 beautiful but cold day. a change of 65° since Tues. No trains running on the Lebanon R.R.
- Fri 17 13° above 0. D. C. & C. B. out to Albany, leave the horse at Canaan Co's return in the afternoon. Order brick 7000 & cement 30 bbls for brick shop cellar. Drawing logs.
- Sat 18 Lovely day. drawing logs & cement from Canaan Depot sent 2 bbls of apples to Albany. P. W. H. Wright \$41.67
- Sun 19 16° of frost. Singing in the forenoon the Canaan ps ps ps up in the afternoon.
- Done

February 1888

- Mon 20 A general thaw wind & rain. Sorting turneps &c.
- Tues 21 Pleasant getting colder. El. P. & Charles to Pittsfield
Start the saw mill put in the new saw.
- Wed 22 Send 32 bbls of apples to Albany via Canaan. D.O.
out to Chatham to stop fertilizer went from there
to Pittsfield & walked all the way home. Sawing &c
- Thurs 23 Teams drawing logs &c. got 65 bu potatoes from
Geo Gillett engaged 100 bu at 62 1/2 ct per bu.
- Fri 24 Charles & James to Pittsfield Two teams drawing
brick, unloaded the remainder. Charles Thompson
got three heifers.
- Sat 25 Mild & stormy moved some lumber. ground
60 bu wheat & rye for the cows & 60 bu horse feed.
A man from Washington arrives John Pleging.
- Sun 26 Meeting with the brethren in the forenoon Laboring
in the afternoon. Reading & singing in the eve.
- Mon 27 Teams drawing brick from Canaan depot. The mill
some out of order, Mr. Shumway here to help rig it.
- Tues 28 nearly 0° Finish drawing the brick & commenced draw-
ing the fertilizer. Charles to Pittsfield John Pleging
arrived yesterday.
- Wed 29 Finished drawing the fertilizer, two 100 lbs bags stolen
from the car in broad day light. 20 bbls apples shipped
to Albany Mother's day had meeting over 2 hours in
the eve. Sisters Mary Hazard & Emma Neal
attend, and the Elders from Canaan.
- March
Thurs 1 Mild & pleasant. drawing logs together in the woods
D.O. to Canaan depot. get 32 1/2 bu early rose potatoes
of John Spier. pay \$2.50
- Fri 2 Drawing logs. Charles to Pittsfield with 3 sisters
D.O. to Canaan depot Otis along. Paid hired men
- Sat 3 Windy & cold. Ministry brethren over to see John
Wreck. D.O. to Canaan Depot. get shits at Lebanon
- Sun 4 2° above 0 cold wintery day. Singing in the fore-
noon. Laboring in the afternoon, reading in the eve.
- Mon 5 0° fine day. Chasley took oxen to Pittsfield they
weighed there 3570 lost 60 lbs gain over heavy lot
\$133.83. they lost weight ever since we commence to
feed them grain.

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- Tues 6 Cold near 0°. John Wier succeeds. D. O. takes him to Canaan depot. Drawing logs. Levi returns on the Lebanon R.R.
- Wed 7 D. O. out to Albany, and to Troy to answer to a subpoena about William D Spenser who left the Society some 38 years ago and who has been dead about 20 years. Home in the eve. drawing logs
- Thurs 8 Drawing out wood & logs. Levi starts for Windsor via Canaan. El. F. takes him down.
- Fri 9 Drawing logs together & some home. D. O. & Charles to Pittsfield; get egg cases, Oil, grate to furnace in the wash-house.
- Sat 10 The men drawing out wood. Charles to Shelton depot for wheat sent by a mistake we buy it Paid William H. Wright in full on the wood job total \$274.24
- Sun 11 Mild & some snow. Singing in the forenoon, Laboring in the afternoon. Reading in the eve.
- Mon 12 Stormy day snow & blow An awful day getting colder & snowing rapidly.
- Tues 13 Just awful the storm continues there never was such drifts in the dooryard a little below 0° the snow piled up in front of the house half way up the deacons windows clean over the roof of the parlor room up to the road. it was only with the greatest difficulty the barns &c were reached
- Wed 14 Some more snow last night, beautiful calm day shoveling &c the barn yards have so much snow in them we cannot turn the cattle out
- Thurs 15 Breaking roads no more. There never was such a blockade on the railroad in the east.
- Fri 16 The road open to Canaan depot round the flats, take two boxes of shirts down on the west hill to see some potatoes. Elders Ann carried to the infirmary.
- Sat 17 Cold wind & clear day get 75 bu of potatoes of Thomas Cooly. Otis to Canaan Depot with butter &c shoveling snow. The Ministry start for Waterlot all but Elders Ann
- Sun 18 2° below 0 but beautiful day. Singing in the forenoon. Reading in the afternoon. Laboring in the eve. The road not yet opened between our house and the office.

March 1888

- Mon 19 2° above 0. Fine day. Charles & Walter to Pittsfield
Took 28 bbls of potatoes all but 28 lbs to depot. the
potatoes we got of Gillett. Got more potatoes of
Thomas Cooley.
- Tues 20 Cloudy. Shoveling snow &c Took some wood
over to the infirmary in Eldress Arm.
- Wed 21 South wind & rain 7/8 of an in making quite
a flood The granary cellar flooded have
to move the potatoes, put them in bags, & pump
the water out. Let the cattle out of the barn
for the 1st time since the great snow storm of
the 12th
- Thurs 22 4 or 5 inches of snow last night. D.O. to Canaan
with Eldress Anna & Ruth. Crosson is very
low. Ruth stays.
- Fri 23 Cold & blustering. Sister Margaret Turner passed
away last night about 12 o'clock. We make the
coffin. Charles starts for Pittsfield but cannot
get over. Drawing wood to the springs.
- Sat 24 3° above 0 Fine & windy. Take coffin to Canaan
and inter the remains. Charles & James remain
to wait & watch over B^r Crosson.
- Sun 25 Beautiful day Singing in the forenoon.
Afternoon attend the funeral of Sister Margaret
B^r Crosson passed away while we were in
meeting.
- Mon 26 Drawing wood. Charles & Divine to Pittsfield
Made coffin for Crosson's remains
Very stormy afternoon.
- Tues 27 Mild. Drawing wood. 9 brethren & 10 Sisters
attend the funeral of B^r Crosson Middleton
Some from the Chh. & Sec^d family.
- Wed 28 Mild The sleighing about gone
Get William Shumway to come and look over
the brick shop cellar. Grinding feed &c
- Thurs 29 A little snow put timbers under the wall
in brick shop cellar. Engage Hugh Galligan
for 8 months for \$28.00 per month

April 1888

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- Fri 30 Working at the mill. The men drawing logs together in the woods. Charles to Pittsfield with waggon, awful going.
- Sat 31 Pleasant. Drawing logs together. Put the waggons & trucks together that have been painted. running the mill &c.
- Sun 1 Frosty A.M. Reading in the forenoon. The elders & Charles with three sisters attend the funeral of Elizabeth Govey at Center Family. Eve Laboring Meeting.
- Mon 2^d Rany day $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch Hugh Galliger commences to work. John Dwyer to move from the cottage Working the Mill painting blinds &c.
- Tues 3 Beautiful frosty day Finish drawing the logs together in the woods Running the Mill &c.
- Wed 4 Pleasant day El. A. & Charles to Pittsfield. Drawing lumber, put some of the sleighs away.
- Thurs 5 Some rany sawing wood boiler & kindling running the mill but it does not go 1" rate. Start the splitter.
- Fri 6 Sawing wood took some to Wm Kelly & Charles Charles moves into the cottage. Charles to Canaan depot for Levi
- Sat 7 Cool & windy Sawing & splitting. Charles to Pittsfield The mill running. R. A. some hurt with a cow
- Sun 8 16° of frost. Fine day Singing, Laboring, & Union Meeting.
- Mon 9 Beautiful day Sawing timber for Sec Family. Levi returns to Windsor via Canaan
- Tues 10 Frosty A.M. Charles to Pittsfield. Drawing manure from the Springs to the row of apple trees. Stormy P.M. Timbers under the Mill rolled out.
- Wed 11 Some rany. Contractor from Chatham here to see about the Brick Shop when we engage him. His masons \$3.50 per day & Laborers 1.25 Shumway about the mill.
- Thurs 12 Elders Anna Sister Martha Clara & Adela with the Canaan Elder sisters out to Albany. Sister Martha & Adela go on to Balston. They've caught a gin under the Kettle for her feed. Shumway working at the Mill. B^c Geo comes out to Albany.
- Fri 13 Sisters & D. O. return via Canaan awful going. Sawing slabs. El. A. & Co digging post holes in the hen yard to divide it.

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- Sat 14 Stormy most all day. Charles to Pittsfield. W^m Jell
to Canada depot for fertilizer. Fixing hot bed frames &.
- Sun 15 Beautiful day H. Halstead from Willow Brook
comes with his half witted son. Singing. Laboring
& Reading meetings
- Mon 16 H. Halstead returns with his son. John Welch
started work in the brick shop cellar. Thompson
of Canada to two heifers giving his note. Giving feed.
- Tues 17 Beautiful day C. A. & Charles to Pittsfield Sawn
some wood. took vinegar casks out of brick shop
cellar Sister Martha & Adela return. via Canada
John Weer returns walking over the mountain
- Wed 18 Some stormy. C. A. & Augustus out to Hudson.
Drawing brick & John Weer received into
the family again.
- Thurs 19 Finished drawing the brick. Shoveled out the road
to East Farm. John Phlegging withdraws
Trowbridge from New York arrives.
- Fri 20 Stormy tearing up floor at brick shop. running the Mill
South Family drawing in some logs.
- Sat 21 Cold. Charles to Pittsfield running the Mill
drawing flour & c from depot.
- Sun 22 Pleasant & cool. Singing Laboring & Union Meeting
- Mon 23 Pleasant. Running the Mill. Sawing wood & c
- Tues 24 Some snow Charles to Pittsfield Sawing & splitting
wood working at the Mill, & c.
- Wed 25 Pleasant C. A. & Co making fence in the hen yard
Sawing & splitting wood running the Mill & c
- Thurs 26 The 1st spring day. Sawing & splitting wood
running the Mill The work going on in the
brick shop cellar Belt broke at the Mill and
did considerable damage
- Fri 27 Lovely day Sawing & splitting wood, at the Mill.
- Sat 28 Summer weather Sawing wood running the
Mill & c
- Sun 29 Mer between 80° & 90 The Canada People up in the fore
noon Geo Sanford up with them. Laboring in the evening.
- Mon 30 Beautiful day. putting in oats west of the cabin lot
planted some corn & potatoes in 1st garden.

May 1888

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- Tues 1 Warm & cold. drawing sand & gravel. Henry Johnson here to look at some cows.
- Wed 2 Plowed kitchen garden. Drawing cement, oats, sand &c
- Thurs 3 4' of frost. Sister's house cleaning. Mary Lane comes and takes her little daughter Maude away. Drawing sand, grinding &c
- Fri 4 Drawing sand. Drilling oats plowing &c. House cleaning.
- Sat 5 A little rain. Drawing sand. Drilling oats. Grinding for the South family &c
- Sun 6 Singing laboring & Union Meetings. 13° Ice up with some sisters to get some teeth out. He pays telephone bill.
- Mon 7 Cool & windy putting in oats & sowing fertilizer at the Oak farm. Drawing sand. The contractor Baldwin & 7 men arrive to commence work on the brick shop cellar.
- Tues 8 Pleasant day drawing gravel, & ashes. Plenum here. Charles goes for eggs. protecting the newly planted trees.
- Wed 9 A lovely day. Work going on finely in brick shop fixing fences &c. house cleaning.
- Thurs 10 Warm day. Drawing sand. finished the ashes sowed some in the North orchard & kitchen garden.
- Fri 11 Warm & showery. Tear out the timbers from buzz saw room. Charles & Robert to Pittsfield fixing fences &c
- Sat 12 Nice growing time. Commencing cementing the cellar. Getting the new timbers in. Charles to Canaan Depot. Levi returns. Rows to pasture the 1st time.
- Sun 13
- Mon 14 1/2 in rain. Charles to Canaan for Contractor Baldwin and oatmeal.
- Tues 15 Cool & some rain. Levi returns to Windsor saving timber. Take plaster off ceiling in girls shop.
- Wed 16 2° of frost. Fixing fences in the Mountain. rain. Charles to Stock bridge for lime. Robert Forman's seeds.
- Thurs 17 Cool. E. A. & Charles to Pittsfield white wash the kitchen & bake room. Turned the cattle on the Mountain.
- Fri 18 Some rain. harrowing the potatoe ground putting timbers in brick shop. sowing potatoes &c

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- Sat 19 Wm Kelly to Pittsfield for plowing. Charles to Pittsfield D.O. to Albany. B B Baldwin \$225.00. fixing the fence on the flats. Turn the cows out nights.
- Sun 20 Cold Steam all day Reading. Elders & Deaconsesses to Chh's dwelling about School. Laboring in the eve
- Mon 21 Cool. Charles to Canaan depot for the Masons Sowing fertilizer on the west hill; the machine broken
- Tues 22 Cold Steam to Canaan for back ours do not arrive they bring some others but they are not the same size shall take them back.
- Wed 23 Steam to Canaan for back. Charles finishes sowing the fertilizer on the 11 acre lot on the West hill 3 tons
- Thurs 24 Charles to Pittsfield. Harrowing the potatoes and planted North garden west side, squash potatoes and beans.
- Fri 25 Drawing manure to young orchard preparing the potatoe ground. getting sea brush bean poles &c
- Sat 26 Charles to Pittsfield The Masons get thro and go home. Drawing manure on the orchard B B Baldwin \$115.75
- Sun 27 Singing. A company to Canaan in the afternoon Union in the eve
- Mon 28 C. A. starts for New York via Pittsfield getting out stuff for the brick shop harrowing &c
- Tues 29 Planting potatoes very late. all hands engaged. Thunder shower last night.
- Wed 30 Finish planting potatoes. Plowing cabin lot C. A. returns
- Thurs 31 Clearing round the brick shop. plowing got barley of South family. sowed some on the flats & seeded down.
- June
Fri 1 Plowing for corn sowed fertilizer on cabin lot ground feed
- Sat 2 Steam up to drill in Sherrways oats. commence drilling in corn Sowing pine logs

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