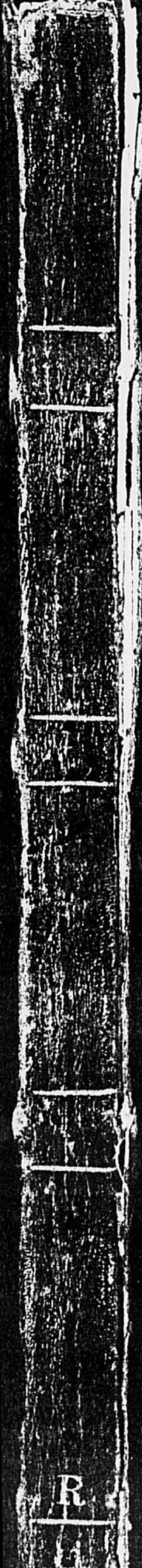


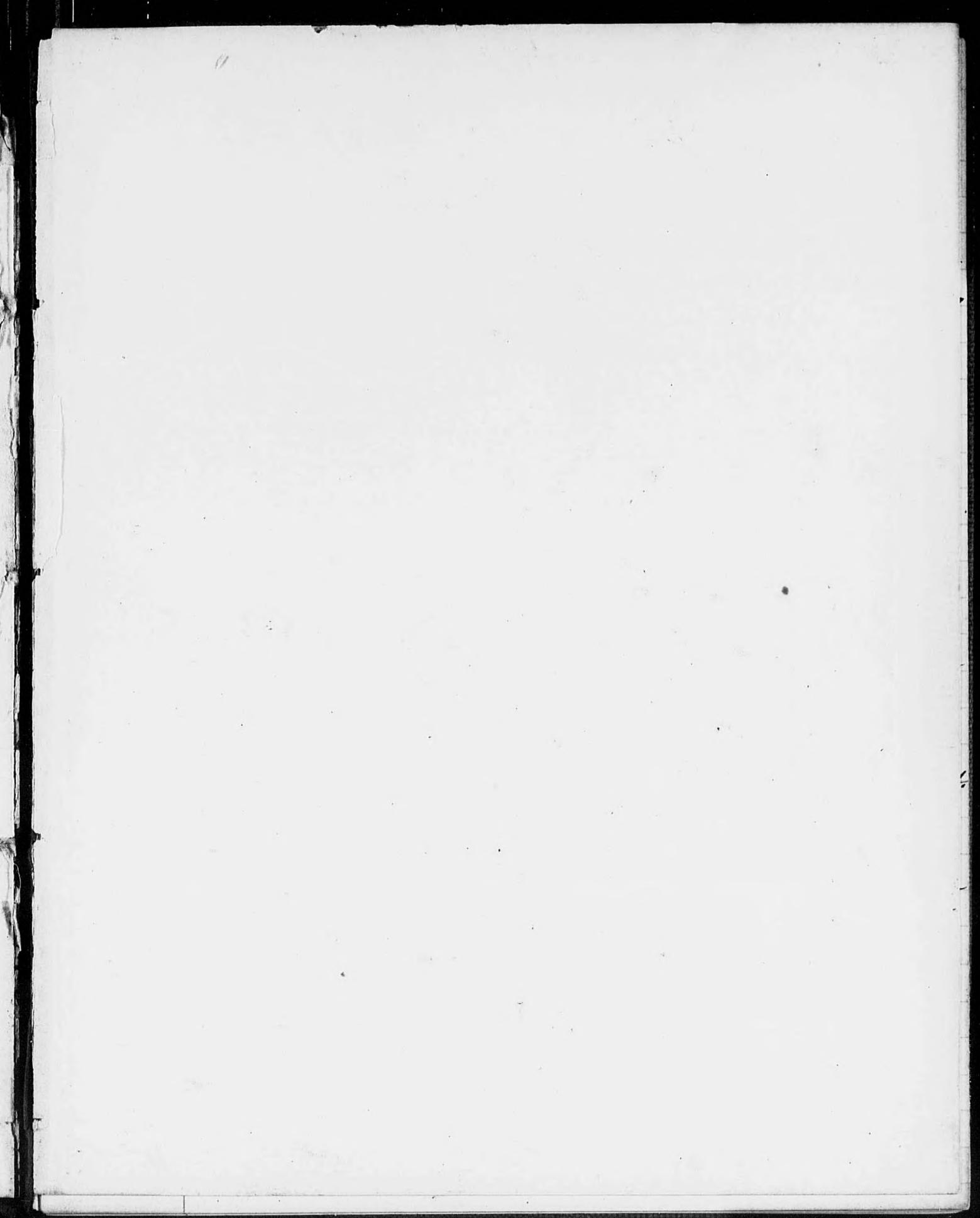
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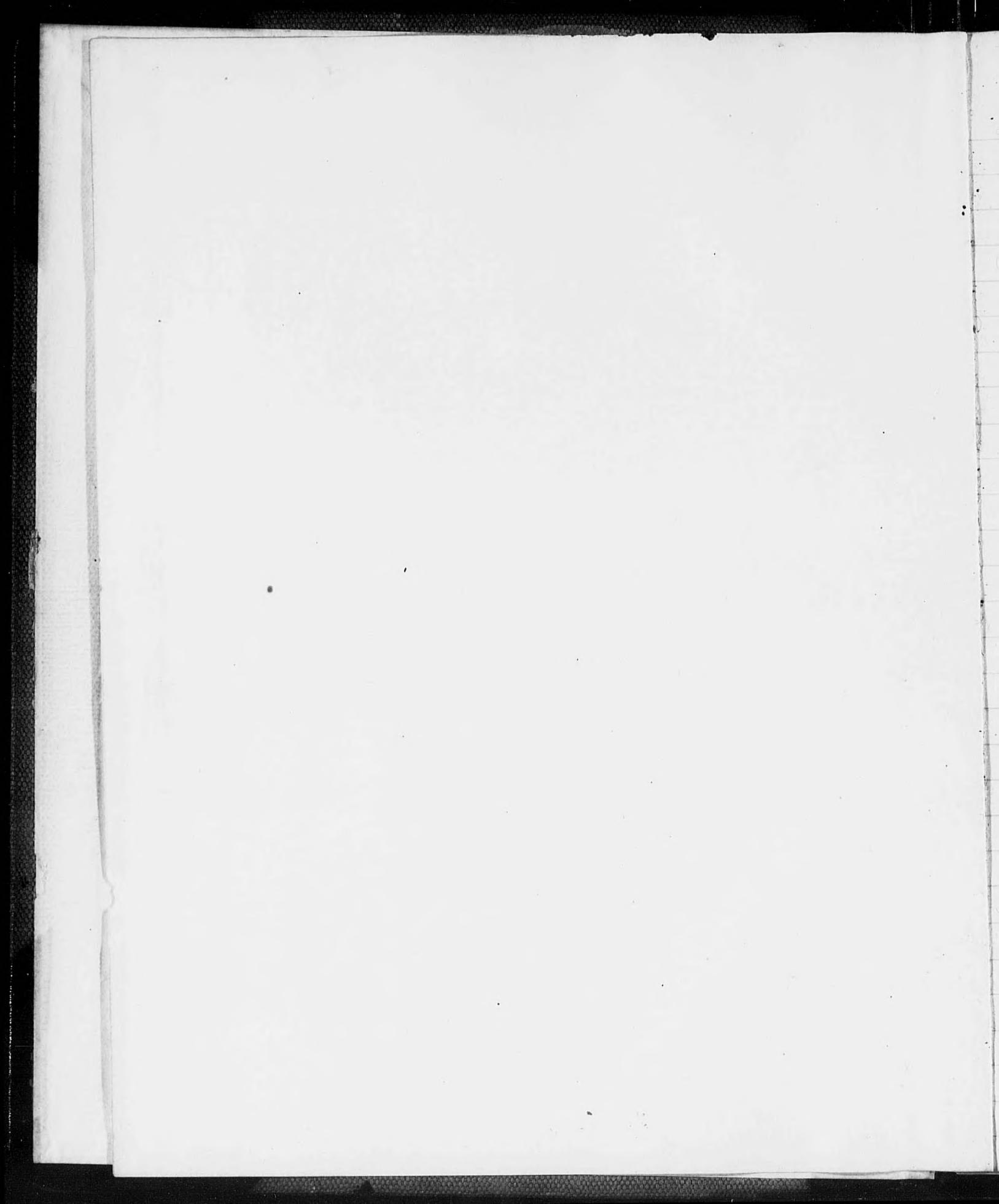


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- 1st Mild and pleasant morning for the first of January Henry to the City with butter and Apples. David and William working in the Medicine department.
- 2nd Henry and hired men killing hogs. Robert & the Sisters doing the washing Timothy chores etc. etc. still doing a little on the Ice house.
- 3rd Pleasant weather. Working at the medicine boxes. Men drawing wood the Ice house altho ready for Ice is not finished.
- 4th Robert and Sisters working on the medicine boxes. Men drawing wood and other stuff. The weather is very mild.
- 5th Drawing wood. In the afternoon Timothy & Sisters Florida, Amanda, Corinne, Lottie, Nellie Garman and Theresa Clutterbuck attend the funeral of Martha Billington at Second family.
- 6th Timothy working in the tailors shop. Robert, David and William Koch working at paper boxes. Hired men drawing wood. Had a slight fall of snow.
- 7 Sabbath Meetings as usual morning for devotional exercises in the afternoon for rehearsals. W. C. Brewster attends our services and sings in the worship. The continues quite moderate.
- 8th Henry to the City with Butter etc. etc. The has turned a little colder. Hired men drawing out manure. Robert, David and William working at paper boxes for the medicine at Church family.
- 9th Timothy working at tailoring. Cold morning. Henry to Pittsfield with Cattle.

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- 10th Benjamin leaves home for New York City  
Henry takes <sup>me</sup> to Canaan Station. hired men drawing  
wood Timothy at tailoring, Robert David and  
William at medicine boxes. Cold morning
- 11th Cold morning drawing wood caring for the  
cattle and other necessary duties. The three Brethren  
working in the medical department.
- 12 Another day with high winds & very cold  
men drawing wood J. Burk working at the  
Ice house Timothy at tailoring.
- 13th Very cold morning Henry to Pittsfield Br. Benj.  
Gates returned from a trip to New York in search  
of business for the families.
- 14 Sabbath Meeting in the forenoon at the Chh.  
in the afternoon at our house. Had a slight  
fall of snow during the night.
- 15th Henry to Pittsfield with butter and Apples etc.  
Washington and help cutting ice on Blk. Smith  
shop <sup>now</sup> the weather looks dubious about getting it in  
as it is thawing quite fast.
- 16th Commenced getting in ice, late in the afternoon  
it got quite rotten. the weather being so warm.  
Robert and his company of Brethren working  
at the Medicine.
- 17th Still getting in ice over a Doz. Men & Brethren en-  
gaged in the business Robert William & David  
working at the Medicine. Timothy at the tailoring  
The weather to day has been first rate.

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- 18th. Finished getting in the Ice, the weather to day was just right for the business. Timothy tailoring William Koch in the Printing Office preparing to do a little job.
- 19th Mild morning a slight fall of snow came during the night. Robert mixing medicine preparatory to bottling tomorrow, William Koch printing a little for the Sisters. Beautiful day for the season.
- 20th. Bottling Medicine in the morning, hired men drawing out manure. Timothy in the tailoring business Boys had a ride after doing their chores; Beautiful weather.
- 21st Sabbath Meeting at the usual hour for devotional exercises Beautiful day
- 22d Timothy to Pittsfield goes over with Chas. Greaves Henry to the City with Butter Apples Etc. Etc. hired men hauling out manure. chilly day.
- 23rd Mild and pleasant morning. William Koch doing a little printing R.H. & D.G. working at the med. Henry leaves home for St. Barrington
- 24th Windy but not cold Henry returns bringing a Calf with him, men drawing wood Robert William and David at the medicine.
- 25th Timothy in the tailor shop helping Sisters make coats. The weather is much colder than it has been lately
- 26th Henry and hired man move P.C. Brewster from Brick Yard to East Nassau
- 27 The weather is a little milder this morning:

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- 28 Sabbath. Meetings at the Center Family  
Beautiful day. At 4 P.M. not a cloud  
is to be seen in the heavens
- 29th Henry to Pittsfield with letter Etc. Etc. Timothy  
helping in the tailor shop; Cold and stormy  
day Men doing the barn chores. Bro. Benjamin  
Gates returns from Ohio via New York City two  
<sup>sisters</sup> return with him who had gone to the city to purchase  
goods.
- 30th Robert David and William working in the Medicine  
shop. We are having a very heavy storm of wind  
and snow almost amounting to a blizzard the  
storm has raged all day & into the night.
- 31st Elder Joseph started on Seed Route on Monday &  
Eldress Harriet to Waterville. Great change in the  
weather since yesterday; Some of the Sisters helping  
at the Medicine Timothy tailoring.

February

- 1st Beautiful weather; Brethren working in the Medicine  
department some of the helping. Hired men  
drawing wood and logs. Sold the old black  
single horse for \$50 00
- 2nd Timothy Eldress Elizabeth & Nancy to Pittsfield  
This has been a most charming day
- 3rd Hired men drawing out manure. Robert  
David and William working the medicine

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- 4th Sabbath Meetings at home all to ourselves  
Fine morning.
- 5th Henry to Pittsfield with Apples and butter; The  
hired men drawing manure, Brethren &  
Sisters put up a batch of medicine
- 6th Robert Valentine leaves home to put out Seeds.  
Hired men drawing out manure Yesterday  
morning Thermometer stood 4 degrees below zero  
this morning at zero. Nice weather.
- 7th Still and quiet weather, Timothy working in the  
tailor shop; The weather has moderated very much  
Some of the young people take a sleigh ride  
Marion working in the tailor shop
- 8th Henry to Pittsfield after a cow takes the G. Rector  
boy with him. Quite a change in the weather  
has taken place it has become quite warm.
- 9th Quite a number are sick at the Chh family  
with La-Gripe. Brethren and Sisters working at  
the Medicine
- 10th Timothy working in the tailor shop helping the  
sisters make coats; This has been a blustering &  
stormy day. in the night about 9 o'clock <sup>saw</sup> we  
a large fire raging on the flats.  
The weather is quite changeable some rain & some  
snow during the day. Robert Halford, David  
Gill, William Nancy Dow, Sarah Cutler & others  
working at the medicine Marion in the tailor  
shop to work. P.V returns from his Seed Route.

- 11th Sabbath No Meetings to day in consequence of several cases of colds. Stormy afternoon; Elder Joseph and Bro. Benjamin visit us this morning.
- 12 Henry to Pittsfield with leather and Eggs this will pass for a stormy day Timothy in the shop doing a little sewing; there are several cases of sickness from colds.
- 13th Bro. Benjamin leaves home; hired men trimming trees Timothy working in tailor shop. Alonzo working in the laboratory Robert washing cloths David & William working at the medicine, last night was very stormy
- 14th Timothy, Marion, Mary K. and Lucy Emerson go to Pittsfield to have some dentistry done Mary became deathly sick riding! We have quite number sick with colds.
- 15th Had a very heavy snow storm which continued most of the forenoon: Robert Halford is down sick with cold so also M. L. Halford & Nellie Carman
- 16th Hired men drawing manure; Robert Halford is quite sick with La-Gripp: This has been a terribly stormy day Timothy in the tailor shop. Mr. this morning about the zero point.
- 17th Had a fierce storm to day; Quite a number are down with La-Gripp. Hired help drawing out manure
- 18th Sabbath No Meetings to day, too many are on the sick list. The severe cold weather the past week has changed to rain

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- 19<sup>th</sup> Henry George to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs  
The weather is quite mild this morning. The school which has been closed the past two weeks in consequence of sickness opens again.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Timothy Washington and Robert Halford to Pittsfield  
Alonzo and 4 Sisters attend the funeral of Bro. Henry Mantel of So. Family age 84 years Dec. last.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Fine mild morning. Elders Elizabeth & Marion are sick with the La-Gripe; Hired men drawing manure R. Valentine starts on Seed Route
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Br. Benjamin Gates to Albany & return. Beautiful day; Men drawing out manure.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Timothy and little boy Willie Gibbs to the City. The weather became intensely cold in the afternoon
- 24<sup>th</sup> Mar. 14 deg. below zero just before sunrise, hired men drawing out Manure.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sabbath, Meeting for devotion at the usual time, Church family attend with us. Very cold day Mar. 12° below zero.
- 26<sup>th</sup>. Henry to Pittsfield with Apples and Butter. The boys and girls commenced going to school again.  
The hired men drawing manure Timothy helping sew at the Office. Beautiful day.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Sisters do the washing; Men drawing Coal  
Beautiful day.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy, Sarah Cutler & Margaret Gill go to Pittsfield to have some dentistry done; The weather was very fine. Men hauling Coal

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Beautiful day. The weather has become quite warm & Spring like: Bro. Benjamin goes to Dayton to look after our temporal interests.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy, Theresa, and Nettie Spencer go to the City. Theresa has two teeth extracted. Fine morning but blustering afternoon
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Getting in wood repairing windows, etc. Hired men trimming Apple trees, Timothy working in the tailor shop. Beautiful day.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting to ourselves. The weather is perfectly delightful. Harry George and another young man come to visit his father.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Henry George to Pittsfield with butter, Squash etc. etc. Timothy in the tailor shop. P.C. Brewster of East Nassau came to see us & took dinner. The weather is quite warm.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Timothy in the tailor shop: David Gill & Sackett Root are both sick, the weather continues warm. Hired help sawing wood.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Continue sawing the wood; Timothy working in the tailor shop. Boys & girls going to school. Making repairs at the Laboratory. Mild weather.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Sawing wood the Church's hired men help and do the sawing. Beautiful weather.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Sawing splitting and piling wood. Beautiful weather for the business.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Continue at the wood, the weather is splendid for such work

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- 11<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting at the First Order, the two families met together the first time several weeks. Nice day.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Henry to Pittsfield with butter and Squashes, Beets, and boys part of the time at the wood Beautiful March weather.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Working at the wood, sawing splitting and piling Robert and Sisters doing the washing, Delightful weather.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Stormy morning some snow Robert taking inventory of Browns stock of Seven Bars.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with beets & parsnips along, Robert and the boys & hired help at the wood
- 16<sup>th</sup> Yesterday afternoon was very stormy, weather to day is quite moderate, sawing splitting and piling wood.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Cool but quiet morning; Sawing splitting & piling wood Henry drawing manure. T.R. trimming plum and cherry trees.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at the usual time 10 A.M. and 2 P.M. Beautiful day.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Working at the wood, finished the sawing Henry to Pittsfield with Apples & butter The weather is very fine Benj. went New Sunday afternoon.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Very fine morning working away at the wood: Timothy to Pittsfield with Eggs etc. Henry goes to Albany

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- 21<sup>st</sup> Continue at the wood splitting & piling  
Hired men drawing manure.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Still working away at the wood Timothy  
hired a man to dig out the Quack from  
among the currant bushes No. Garden.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Stormy day still at the wood; Timothy to  
Brainards on Wednesday to see P. L. Brewster
- 24<sup>th</sup> Henry George returned last night from Albany  
Beautiful morning Except being cold: Working  
at the wood.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting for devotional exercises at the  
Ch. family in the afternoon dining at Center family
- 26<sup>th</sup> Had a slight snow storm yesterday afternoon  
Henry to Pittsfield with Butter Etc. Etc.  
Continue at the wood. Cold day.
- 27<sup>th</sup> The weather is extremely this morning still  
working at the wood;
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield. Cold morning: Boys cleaning  
the hen house and splitting wood Henry and  
his help putting up potatoes.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Put up a batch of Browns Seven Barks in the  
morning in the afternoon working at the wood
- 30<sup>th</sup> Henry and boys at the wood hired men to  
Pittsfield: Alonso making Extract Robert  
putting up medicine
- 31<sup>st</sup> Alonso and the boys working at the wood  
Hired men to Pittsfield with potatoes.  
Fine day Ben. Halford here to see his mother.

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- 1st Sabbath. Hail storm early in the morning  
Meetings at the usual time
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy and Robert Valentine to Pittsfield also  
Henry George: The boys engaged at splitting  
and piling wood Eld. Joseph here
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Frosty morning: Washington to Pittsfield to  
bring Br. B. Gates. Splitting & Piling wood.  
Eld. Joseph here from Waterbliet.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Finished the wood yesterday. Rainy day  
but still the farm teams kept on working  
just the same Henry George has been  
<sup>released</sup> from the farm at his own request.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Cloudy uncertain weather, Br. Benjamin  
leaves for the West to look after the Church's interest  
Daniel Kennedy of Pittsfield is grafting some plums  
trees for us. Rainy day.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Cleaning the Boys shop cellar; Henry goes to  
Dalton about a Cow; the grafting is being  
done: Had quite a snow squall.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Beautiful morning; boys cleaning the  
brethrens privy. Elder Joseph returns to  
Waterbliet.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at home in consequence  
of a snow storm last night.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Henry George to Pittsfield with butter, Eggs etc.  
Timothy trimming plum trees & Quince, boys  
Cleaning out Old Dairy cellar.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Trimming the black knot of the Plum trees,  
having some Apple trees grafted; Fine day.

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- 11<sup>th</sup> Cold blustering day, boys drew some manure and broke the wagon. Sisters picked 25 fowls. In the evening had heavy wind and snow.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Pretty fair weather to day, Henry is helping to do some grafting in the North Orchard; boys drawing manure to the Nursery for Compost.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Plowed a piece in lower side of Garden for Onion, drew some manure on the rhubarb. A man named Hiel Hollister comes to see Monzo.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Fine morning sowed 6 rows Onion seed & one double of Peas set out one row button Onions the lower side of kitchen garden, turned over the Asparagus beds on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting at the 1st Order Beautiful day. Timothy, Sisters Amelia Calver & Emma Jane Neale go to Hancock to see the Ministry.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with butter Etc. Etc., digging about grape vines North end of garden. Farmers putting in Oats on side hill.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Farmers putting in Oats, on side hill we sowed one double row. Henderson first of all and helped Eld. Calvin, digging among the currant bushes, fine day.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Timothy, M. L. Halford & two daughters go to Pittsfield, boys digging quack from currant bushes, farmers getting in Oats, fine day.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Beautiful morning, Sowed Peas parsnip seed Radish and Lettuce, lower side Garden one boy helped Henry spray the Orchard.

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- 20<sup>th</sup> Trimming or rather cutting black knot off Plum trees  
farmers putting Oats; Had an young man visitor  
here from Endfield; Windy day.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Cutting black knot from the plum trees. Henry  
George and the plowed & transplanted about  
11 hundred Strawberry plants in South Orchard
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Sabbath; Rainy morning; Had a nice rain  
yesterday and last night.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with butter, Eggs & potatoes  
farmers planted potatoes last Thursday.
- 24 Cleaning out the quack from the currant bushes.  
Transplanted 6 German prunes & 6 peach trees in  
hen yard; Henry sprayed Plum trees in Nursery.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Beautiful clear morning but a little cool.  
Dug out the quack south of Asparagus bed & transplant  
ed some Sharpless Strawberries & 3 plants choice kind end <sup>of lower row.</sup>
- 26<sup>th</sup> Timothy, Katrine Koch & Violet Platt go to Pittsfield  
about their teeth Alonso and the boy get bean poles  
Beautiful day.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Henry George, Corinne, and Esther go to Town  
Timothy and the boys bring home the Bean poles  
& pea brush; delightful weather
- 28<sup>th</sup> Spended weather trimming Plum trees, tying  
up raspberry bushes
- 29<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings morning & afternoon at home  
The weather is perfect.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with butter & Eggs; William  
Koch tying up raspberries boys sharpening brush for peas  
& digging about Currant bushes; Fine day.

- 1st We had our first meal of asparagus yesterday  
The month comes in warm and dry. boys  
digging out quack where rose bushes used to be
- 2nd Br Benjamin Gates came from Dayton Sunday.  
Timothy finished making a fence for the chickens under  
the pines in the <sup>yard</sup>: Sowed two rows Peas: warm & dry.
- 3rd George W. Jones Pittsfield took 41 bunches Asparagus  
The weather is extremely warm, sowed some Peas  
and set some bean poles next to the peas.
- 4th Finished setting bean poles: Tying up raspberry  
bushes; We are having a very nice rain Br.  
B. Gates goes to Springfield.
- 5th Timothy to Pittsfield with Asparagus: Cherry,  
Pear and Plum trees are in full bloom Boys  
tying up bushes; Beautiful weather.
- 6th Sabbath Meetings as usual morning & afternoon  
Warm & pleasant in the forenoon later in the day rain
- 7th Timothy to Pittsfield with butter Eggs. Alonso  
goes along; boys working at the bushes. fine day.
- 8th Rained during the night Finished Cultivating  
the bushes sticking pea brush: planted 1/2 row  
Hubbard Squash next to the pole beans.
- 9th Timothy to Pittsfield, with Asparagus & Rhubarb  
Boys sticking pea brush & digging quack
- 10th Mary H. Emerson of Philadelphia returns  
thither; Planted 4 rows Corn in Kitchen Garden  
R. Valentine interested in planting Corn in the  
Deming lot. Beautiful weather.
- 11th

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- 12<sup>th</sup> Farmers planted the Deming to Sweet Corn & a piece in the big garden one boy cultivating & weeding Splendid weather for planting but rather dry.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Sabbath. Meetings at the usual time: Had a rather quiet meeting: Beautiful weather. Apple trees in full bloom.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs, Asparagus, Rhubarb & Potatoes. Boys picking up stones, and putting poison on the currant bushes. Cool day.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Timothy Calcining Marion's room No. 10. quite a cool day: Henry plowing a piece in the orchard to be seeded down.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield after Eld. Andrew who returns to his old home with us at the Center Family Florida & Nancy go along with Timothy.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Planted 1 row rust proof White Dutch Beans next to Lettuce farmers hoeing and weeding Lovage & cultivating Potatoes nice cool weather.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Cleaning workman's shop; plowing a piece south of Asparagus bed; planted two rows Case Knife Beans; fine day.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Weeding Asparagus bed, cultivated Peas &c The weather is quite warm and dry
- 20<sup>th</sup> Sabbath. Meetings at home as usual morning and afternoon. Rainy and cold
- 21<sup>st</sup> Cold windy morning, boys weeding Asparagus bed and hoeing Currant bushes. Timothy to Pittsfield with butter, Eggs, Asparagus Etc. Etc. Sisters picking off fur. Andrew Barrett helping them.

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- 22<sup>nd</sup> Sisters all engaged in picking off fur, working in the old mat shop. Henry & Harry spraying trees; Cool and cloudy day. Hoenig bushes.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Henry spraying the apple trees; Sisters working at the fur Andrew Barrett & David Gill helping hoed asparagus yesterday. had a nice rain
- 24<sup>th</sup> We've had an all day's rain and part of the time it was very heavy; Ficed a room Bro. Andrew Barrett and a boy middle room No. 13
- 25<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with asparagus, Butter & potatoes Rainy day: 1 3/4 inches rain fell yesterday. boys helped the sisters pick fur.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Transplanted about 200 tomatoe plants above the corn in kitchen garden, sprinkle helibore on currant bushes to kill worms which are very bad. The weather for some days has been cloudy & disagreeable.
- 27 Sabbath Meetings to day at the 1st Order. The sun shined gloriously this morning.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy with Butter Eggs and potatoes, Sisters still working at the fur; boys transplanted Tomatoes
- 29<sup>th</sup> Henry George goes to Chatham after a sow, had more rain, boys go on the Mountain fishing
- 30<sup>th</sup> Hoenig the peas and resetting the brush Sisters do the washing; Ministry return from Harvard and Endfield Conn.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Rain! Rain! Rain! Boys cleaning cellars & and tool room at workmen's shop.

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy Nellie and Theresa go to Pittsfield  
Rainy disagreeable day boys transplanted  
Hubbard Squash next above Pole Beans.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Rain! Rain! Rain! There seems to be no end to  
the rainy season. Benjamin returns home; Elder  
Henry C. Blinn arrived here at noon from his east-  
ern home, Canterbury.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath, Meeting in the morning in the Churches  
dwelling afternoon singing meeting at Center  
Family. Beautiful day.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs, Asparagus,  
and Potatoes. Brethren working on the road;  
Had a heavy thunder storm about A.M.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Visited with Elder Henry in the morning and in the  
afternoon went with him to the South & Second  
Families; had a slight rain towards Evening.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Elder Henry returns to his home: Cleaning the spare  
garret over No. 13 planted some beans: Elder  
Joseph goes to Albany and back. Cool day:  
Laying new floor in the Wash House.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs and Potatoes cut-  
some Locust trees for fence posts, two boys weeding  
sowed 4 rows radish seed.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Drew home the locust posts: Cultivated Corn beans  
Squashes and currant bushes.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Cultivated Corn, Squashes and tomatoes, & hoed  
them also, Cut the asparagus for the last time this  
season and hoed it over.

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Sabbath Meetings at home Ministry, Elders Brethren and of the 1st Order attend with us. This has been the warmest day of the Month.

11th

Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs, Etc. Etc. Boys working in the garden, The weather has been quite warm to day.

12th

Transplanted one Hubbard Squashes, hoeing the asparagus bed in the North garden very warm Andrew and the Sisters cleaning the mat shop.

13th

Finished hoeing the Asparagus bed North garden Yesterday we reset about 30 tomato plants working at fence posts. warm day.

14th

Timothy to Pittsfield after boxes for Emma J. Neale, Boys hoeing the border North side of garden

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The weather is extremely warm at present Andrew Barrett and Timothy righting the steps North of the house; We attended the funeral of Jane Sutton in the afternoon.

16th

Cleaning out the Old dairy south west room on the lower floor. finished the steps north of house. Very warm day.

17th

Sabbath Public Meeting first of the season quite a number of the people spoke. an uncommonly warm day.

18th

Nellie Carnan a young woman about 20 years old brot. up here from a child goes to New Haven to her Mother. Boys work in the garden Warm day Pastor Polymer of Pittsfield here with his wife

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- 19<sup>th</sup> Picked a few qts. cherries in forenoon; Had a slight rain in the afternoon.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth A. Sears and Nancy Dow go to the City on a visit; very warm day Boys pick a few cherries
- 21 Bot. two crates strawberries, picked a few cherries cultivated the garden, sealed locust posts. Had a very nice rain in the morning.
- 22 Timothy to the City of Pittsfield after the Sisters took over a few cherries; Alonzo & boys picked 2½ bushels peas. Warm day.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Cultivating and hoeing in the garden picked some Peas. Beautiful day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at the usual time quite a strong wind but delightful.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. fine weather; Alonzo and the picking cherries Andrew Barret goes to Shelburn Falls with Ellen Green.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Yesterday Sisters picked 1¼ Bus. Peas, Transplanted about Cabbage plants upper side of garden.
- 27 Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries Alonzo and boys picking cherries. Andrew transplanting cabbages very warm weather.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with cherries Alonzo & the boys picking them, cultivated Cabbages & Squash Etc
- 29<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries; Alonzo & boys picking cherries and hoeing Cabbages.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Elder George Wilcox and Sophia Cosley of Endfield visited here yesterday Warm day

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Sabbath. Meetings both Public & home  
The weather is extremely warm, but a nice  
breeze stirs the atmosphere.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy to with Butter, Eggs and dried apples  
Alonzo the Sisters and the boys picking cherries  
Very hot and dry weather.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Timothy to the City with cherries. Brethren &  
Sisters picking in the afternoon. Had  
a heavy thunder storm.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries. Fine day,  
Brethren & Sisters picking the cherries and assorting  
them for market.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries Alonzo &  
Sisters picking them; Boys hoeing Cabbages  
very cool day.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Again Timothy goes to the City with fruit  
Sisters and boys pick cherries in the afternoon  
Had a heavy thunder storm
- 7<sup>th</sup> To Pittsfield again with cherries took 8 Bushels; Dr.  
Alonzo and <sup>boy</sup> pick some cherries.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Sabbath. Meetings as usual both Public and  
home. Our friend Brewster of Nassau here on a visit  
Had a slight sprinkling of rain.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with Butter and cherries  
Alonzo, the Sisters and the boys pick cherries  
The morning very cool.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield; Sisters do the washing in  
the <sup>morning</sup> and pick cherries in the afternoon Fine  
day

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- 11<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Andrew Barret to Pittsfield with Cherries: Alonzo the boys & some Sisters and a brother from Hancock pick cherries Fine weather, drew in a lot of hay.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Picking cherries is the order of the day; haying goes along slowly. Sisters pick lots of peas. Fine weather. Heavy shower.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries; Very warm and dry again.
- 14<sup>th</sup> To the City again with cherries; Alonzo the boys and Sisters picking them. An extremely warm day.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Sabbath. Public and home Meetings as usual: Beautiful weather.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit. Alonzo, Andrew and Henry and the Sisters pick cherries We've had a very warm day.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Carry over to Market about six bushels cherries Alonzo goes to Waterville: boys hoeing in the garden in the morning afternoon pick cherries.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Picking cherries for home consumption, boys work in the garden some. The weather is very warm & dry: Jennie Burbank here on a visit.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries and currants take over some butter also.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Picking cherries for market & home consumption
- 21 Timothy to Pittsfield take over cloaks and cherries etc. etc. Nice weather. sowed Turnip seed

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- 22<sup>nd</sup> Sabbath. Meetings both public & home  
Beautiful day.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Timothy to the City, Brethren Sisters & boys  
pick 5 bushels cherries. The weather is  
very fine. R. H. Cook of Pittsfield here over  
night.
- 24 Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries: Boys fixing  
the new house: Sisters do the washing
- 25 Timothy to town again with fruit Very  
day: Alonzo returns from Watervliet  
having had a nice visit
- 26 More cherries to the City. In the afternoon  
Dr Newton makes a short call: another  
warm day.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Harry cultivates things in the garden: The  
weather is extremely hot
- 28 Timothy to Pittsfield after empty crates  
takes Maggie Gill along. hot day.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings as usual Devotional in the  
morning singing in the afternoon had thunder storm  
in the afternoon P. C. Brewster here also a woman  
New Haven, and H. George's Niece & husband
- 30<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with butter, Eggs etc. Very  
fine day. Picking cherries and raspberries
- 31<sup>st</sup> Finished picking and selling the cherries  
sold over one hundred bushels. Timothy to the  
City also Andrew and Henry George fine day.

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Boys weeded the turnips. The weather is very warm and fine Elizabeth Gill came this morning to visit her relatives
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter Etc. Etc. Boys working the garden,
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Timothy to East Nassau to see P.C. Brewster Boys in the garden; In the afternoon the boys go fishing. Fine day.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Beautiful weather. Clearing the cabbages of worms Alonzo working at the laboratory Robert, David and William at the Medicine shop.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings as usual both public & home the weather in the morning was quite cool.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with butter, Egg & a few vegetables Robert H. goes along. Boys work in the morning & in the afternoon help Henry pick apples; A man named George Schwitzer comes to get acquainted he is over 59 years old. Beautiful day.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Picked and sorted pears for market; in the evening had district school meeting, had slight shower about 8 O'clock P.M.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Took Emma J. Neal and Gary Wade to the Station. Boys working in the garden
- 9<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with pears had poor sales Brethren mowing the door yard, boys in the garden Fine weather.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Sarah C. Katrine Koch & Lottie Morrow go to Pittsfield with Andrew Barret.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Brethren working in the Medicine Shop.

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- 12th Sabbath. Public and home as usual. Quite a warm day. P. C. Brewster here to Meeting Timothy to the City with Butter and Eggs Boys working in the garden; The weather was some what cooler this morning.
- 14th Mowed down Every alternate row of Red Raspberry bushes below the Smith Shop. quite a warm day.
- 15th Timothy to Pittsfield with Pears. Geo. Schwitter of New York working at the Raspberry bushes; Had a light rain this afternoon the first we've had in two weeks.
- 16th Henry to Pittsfield with two Sisters take over butter. Timothy to Albany, boys working at the raspberries Beautiful weather.
- 17th Pulling the Onions and hoeing the ground over, trimming the door yard. The weather continues very dry and warm.
- 18th Picked the Clapss Favorite Pears in the So. Orchard. Still the weather holds dry & warm
- 19th Sabbath Meetings as usual; had a large concourse of people. Hot day.
- 20th Timothy to the City with Butter and Eggs; Eldress Elizabeth and the boy Willie go along Andrew takes some pears. Had a nice rain
- 21st Timothy to Pittsfield with Pears. Nice cool day brot Louisa Halford home, Robert H. returned yesterday from Lake Pleasant.

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- 22<sup>nd</sup> Timothy and Henry to Pittsfield with apples & pears. quite a cool day, George Schwitter & the boys setting posts in the raspberry patch
- 23<sup>rd</sup> 6 Brethren & boys and 9 Sisters & girls go to Stockbridge West Stockbridge and Lenox and Quechua
- 24<sup>th</sup> Picked about 10 bushels pears & 4 bushels plums; pulled the White Bush Beans; The weather is very warm & dry.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, pears and plums. George S. and the boys picked a lot of pears.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings both Public & home  
The weather is warm & dry; G. P. Crane & family are here came yesterday.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with Butter, Eggs & Pears Alonzo, George S. and the boys pick pears & plums. Cool morning & hot afternoon.
- 28<sup>th</sup> George Crane & family leave for their home yesterday  
picked some plums and pears; The continues dry & hot.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with fruit; two companies of visitors here to day: We are having a very severe drought  
The road are fearfully dusty.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Had a slight rain during the night Geo. Schwitter of Brooklyn returns there to his family; pulling up the currant bushes in the North garden.  
Sisters putting up fruit; Henry to the City
- 31<sup>st</sup> Alonzo picking pears in North Orchard  
boys getting in onions and beans; pulling up the currant bushes in North garden

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Elizabeth Gill of Brooklyn who came Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> returned to day. Henry to Pittsfield. The weather continues very dry and warm.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sabbath Meetings as usual; Had quite a large crowd to day, quite a number of speakers delivered addresses ranging from 6 to 20 minutes.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs. Henry took 12 bushels Pears for which he is to receive \$5. Alonzo and Andrew picked a lot of Pears, Harry picked several Bushels Tomatoes. Catharine returned from Pittsfield Timothy to the City with Pears & plums. Drawing the water from the pond. Hired men digging Potatoes. Had a slight shower last night.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Henry George goes to Chatham to the County fair Alonzo and the boys pick Bartlett Pears.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with fruit Alonzo and the boys picking Pears and plums. Continued warm and dry weather. Had a slight shower yesterday.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Picking and Marketing fruit. Inez Platt sister to Violet came yesterday to visit.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Picking Bartlett Pears also some plums. Had very slight rain. The weather continues dry and warm.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at the usual time a man whose name is Loyd of the City of Chicago gave an interesting discourse.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with Butter Eggs & fruit. Had a very heavy thunder storm this afternoon. the long drought is at last broken.
- 10<sup>th</sup>

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- 11<sup>th</sup> Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Pears & Plums & takes Inez along she is on her way home to New Haven Andrew and boys picking plums. cool day.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield also Henry George & Washington took over 8 Bus. Plums and 2 Bus Pears quite a cool day. Lottie returns from N.Y.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Jennie Hobbs came with Lottie bringing a woman with her. Sisters go on the Mountain for Cranberries. Cool & pleasant weather.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with pears and plums Harry Spencer goes along. Sisters go on the Mountain the visitors go with them. Had quite rain in the night Sisters putting up Tomatoes; Andrew picked some plums. The weather is extremely warm.
- 15<sup>th</sup>
- 16 Sabbath, Meetings as usual. The number of auditors has visibly diminished since the present month came in. warm day.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with Butter Eggs & Pears & Plums. Beautiful day. Andrew and boys picking plums and pears.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Sisters go on the Mountain; Timothy & Andrew go to the City Pears and plums George picked about 1½ Bus plums. Fine day.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Henry to Pittsfield with Apples and Pears Had some rain during the day.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Picking Pears and plums. Had a tremendous heavy rain  $2\frac{3}{8}$  inches. Picked 5 or 6 Bushels Tomatoes Ministry returned from the East last Wednesday.

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- 21<sup>st</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit Henry to So Williamstown after Strawberry Plants
- 22 All the buildings except a large barn belonging to the North Family were burned at the Brick Yard on Tuesday night supposed by some to have been set on fire a small insurance on our portion
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath. Meetings at the usual time The weather has been very fine to day. Phoebe's Niece & her half sister came here Sat. to visit.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs and Pears. The weather last evening turned quite cold after raining Brethren picked 40 Bus. Pears & commenced picking Apples
- 25<sup>th</sup> Picking Apples in West Orchard. Elder Joseph goes to Harvard they had a large <sup>fire</sup> there last week.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Henry Andrew and 3 boys picking Apples in West Orchard, Marion sorting & putting them in bins
- 27<sup>th</sup> We are having a cold Easterly wind storm; picking Apples in the West Orchard & storing them in cellar
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with pears; Henry Andrew & the picking Apples. Warm day. Eld. J. returns.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Picking Apples in the West Orchard; Henry Andrew Barrett & the boys engaged in the business Very nice weather
- 30<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at the usual time and places. Henry Georges Son and his wife here cool day with blustering wind; Benjamin leaves home for New York.

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy to the City with Butter & Eggs. Brethren and boys picking Apples, finished the West Orchard & commenced on the South; Cool day.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Brethren and boys picking Apples & pears in the South Orchard. The Union Village Ministry <sup>make</sup> us a visit. Elders J. R. Slingerland, Napoleon Brown, Elizabeth Downing, Emily Robinson & the Chh. Elder Sister Ellen Ross. Cool day.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Still picking Apples in South Orchard, Windy day. Got in the Winter Squashes two small one horse wagon loads.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Had quite a heavy rain during the night. picking, sorting and storing apples.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Continue the apple picking and sorting Timothy to Pittsfield, with pears. The weather is quit cool.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield, with pears & Quinces Henry, Andrew and the boys picking Apples Marion and a girl putting them away.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Sabbath. Meetings at the Meeting House and at home Weather pretty fair.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield, with Butter, Eggs and pears Henry and the boys picking Apples; good weather.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Rain during the night, the weather unfavorable for picking fruit. Got in 135 Bus. Apples The Mt. Lebanon Ministry go to Waterliet accompanied by the Union Village Ministry.
- 10<sup>th</sup> The heavy <sup>rain</sup> of this morning prevented Timothy from going to Pittsfield. An all day rain

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- 11th Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit; cool and cloudy;
- 12th Picking apples continues with vigor & energy  
Mariah sees to putting in the cellar in fine day
- 13th Rain! Rain! Rain! Robert, David and  
William Koch putting up Medicine.
- 14th Sabbath Beautiful morning, Meetings as  
usual, In the Evening a slight rain  
comes on
- 15th Timothy R to Pittsfield with Butter Eggs and  
fruit Henry and the boys picking apples.
- 16th Henry and the boys continue picking fruit
- 17th Finished picking apples, and commenced  
picking up apples: Fine weather.
- 18th Continue gathering in the cider apples, the  
Sisters engaged cutting roots, Alonzo working at  
the Extract building
- 19th Timothy to Richmond after Currant bushes  
got 200 Fays prolific from A. G. Sharp:  
Henry & the picking up Cider apples. Fine day
- 20 Transplanted about 100 Currant bushes  
on lower side of Kitchen Garden. The weather  
is just splendid for fall work
- 21 Sabbath Meetings as usual, We are  
having delightful weather
- 22nd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs etc. Had  
a raw chilly wind this morning: Workmen have been  
engaged in making a State road between Hancock  
and Pittsfield for over a week

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- 23rd Getting in Cabbages; Henry to Pittsfield with apples, the weather is quite chilly. Alonzo and Andrew working in the Laboratory.
- 24th Sisters mostly engaged at splitting Lovage roots at the old Kettle House; Getting in Cabbages etc. etc.
- 25th Rain! Rain! Rain! an all day drizzle Henry to Pittsfield with Cider Sisters continue at the roots; Killed and dressed chickens for Market
- 26th Getting in Turnips and Cabbages; Sisters finished the Lovage roots; Cloudy misty weather. Timothy to the city with Pears & Junces.
- 27th Getting in Turnips and Cabbages; In the afternoon Timothy Florida and Theresa go to the Springs to see an Eye Doctor. Beautiful day.
- 28th Sabbath Meetings as usual; Delightful weather one week ago last a number of us turned out & went to a fire at the Burnham Farm at Canaan.
- 29th Timothy, Theresa & a little girl go to Pittsfield take Butter & Eggs; Henry George, Harry Spencer, George Ruter & Willie Gibbs go to Albany for a ride out. Beautiful weather.
- 30th Alonzo picking pears; Robert at the medicine David pottering about mending roads. Henry George & his Company returned from Albany at half past 7 o'clock P.M. lousy day.
- 31st Rain! Rain! Rain! We have certainly had enough for two weeks; boys cleaned the hen house. Timothy sorting pears.

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- 1<sup>st</sup> We changed getting up time this morning, rose at half past 5 o'clock Timothy Marion & Violet go to the City, also Henry with apples, Boys get in Turnips Sisters Canning apples
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield, with fruit, Boys finished getting in the turnips. Beautiful weather Alonzo & Andrew making Sister canning apples
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Rainy day, Cleaning the hen house in the afternoon Henry goes to Canaan & Corners with apples.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings as usual; the day has been clear and cool
- 5<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; Head a very stormy day, which turned to snow in the evening. Two of the three boys are going to school.
- 6<sup>th</sup> About 5 inches snow fell last night and to day it has been very cold. Our State elects a Governor & Members of Congress
- 7<sup>th</sup> The ground is frozen hard this morning Timothy delivering Cabbages; Robert Halford working at Church family's Medicine shop. The Election yesterday went Republican so it said by over one hundred thousand majority,
- 8<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield, with Pears. it stormed all day;
- 9<sup>th</sup> Henry to Pittsfield with Apples, Stormy day Washington to Albany. Sold 25 spring beds Burned the <sup>out</sup> chimneys this morning

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- 10th Timothy thrashing & cleaning Beans. Henry delivering Apples; Boys doing chores. Alonzo & Andrew working in the Extract business. William doing some printing; The weather has grown quite Mild.
- 11th Sabbath. Meetings at home, the Church attended with us had a good & profitable time. Quite a cool day.
- 12th Last Tuesday morning Elds. J. Holden J. Anstatt and Trustee B. Gates started for Florida to find a suitable place to locate a Shaker Settlement.
- Timothy to the City with Butter
- 13th Commenced thrashing Rye and Oats yesterday, and are still at it. The weather has moderated very much to day: Henry butchering hogs.
- 14th Finished thrashing, the boys helped do it. The weather seems quite like winter, a storm seems likely to come
- 15th Timothy to Pittsfield with Pears, the demand is not very good for such as we have the Nellis & winter ones.
- Henry to the City with Apples; Quite a change in the weather, it has moderated very much
- thrashed & cleaned up Case Knif Beans.
- 17th Put up batch of Brown's Seven Barks Medicine in the morning; had a shower of rain; in the afternoon the weather cleared.
- 18th Sabbath, Six Brethren & 8 Sisters accompanied by two Reporters went to Braniards & East Nassau and held a meeting at each place the families represented were the Center North & Canaan, we had excellent meetings; this was a new thing.

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- 19th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Catharine V. goes over to see a Doctor. A terrible cold ride.
- 20th A very cold morning; putting <sup>in</sup> glass, preparing for winter. Sisters do a two weeks washing
- 21st T. R. to the Springs Depot after Corn for the hens yesterday; to day goes to Pittsfield, with chickens Harry gets in some wood. warm day.
- 22nd Timothy doing a little at tailoring; Beautiful day Benjamin returned from Florida on <sup>gave</sup> Tuesday <sup>us</sup> an account of the trip this evening
- 23rd Robert H. helping put up Med. down Street, This boy doing chores, getting in wood.
- 24th afternoon we have some rain
- 25th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time this morning & afternoon Church family were with us.
- 26th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter; cold morning In the afternoon the weather moderated some.
- 27th We lost quite a valuable Cow this morning having got scared as is supposed & jumped into the watering tub.
- 28th Timothy & Mary Lodisa Halford to Pittsfield also Washington and Henry George very cold & stormy
- 29th Thanksgiving Day we attended Meeting at the Church family had a good Meeting and a nice day Ministry returned from Waterlot
- 30th Timothy Esther Gill & Theresa Clutterbuck go to Pittsfield attended Meeting at the Methodist Church and took part in the services on the Temperance question. Sisters read - Essay on the subject & were highly applauded.

- 1st Timothy & company returned from Pittsfield had a good time. Business of the family goes on slowly Robert David & William working at the Medicine.
- 2nd Sabbath No devotional Meeting at home. At 10.30 we attended business on the subject of buying a place in Florida to starting a home there. quite a snow storm.
- 3rd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter; Violet Platt goes to her Mother and brothers & Sisters at New Haven: Fine day. Robert & company at the Medicine.
4. th Henry to Pittsfield with apples & pears & some squashes Beautiful day Emma J. Neale to Albany.
- 5 th Timothy to the City of Pittsfield on the North Adams collecting Garden Seeds: Beautiful weather.
- 6 th Brethren putting up Medicine and making Extract another fine day. Timothy returned from North Adams with Ferdinand.
- 7 th Helping at the tayloring one of the boys trimming cherry trees the others go to school. The weather is quite moderate.
- 8 th Men drawing home five word boys doing chores Timothy helping in the taylor shop.
- 9 th Sabbath, No Meeting nearly all the family were attacked in with dysentery, very severely Stormy day.
- 10th Henry to Pittsfield with Butter and apples Timothy helping in the taylor shop. Ganzo & Andrew making Medicine.

- 11th Brethren working at the Medicine, Boys & girls go to school, Timothy helping Marion in the tailor shop fine day.
- 12th Henry to Pittsfield with Apples, Pears & Squashes, brings Alonso's Sister in Law Carrie Hollister to visit us, a woman from Gloucester Mass. brings a little girl to leave. Had a terrible rain storm all day.
- 13th Had a heavy wind storm to day, the woman from Gloucester returns to her home.
- 14th We have been having moderate weather so much so as to take off the snow there has been good sleighing a short time.
- 15th Timothy helping in the tailor shop; Henry drawing manure. The weather is quite warm.
- 16th Sabbath, Yearly Sacrifice day. the weather is quite moderate and pleasant.
- 17 Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter. Had a slight in the morning. Harry boy trimming trees in the door yard the weather cleared up.
- 18th Cold morning; Sisters washing & Ironing boys and girls go to school, Alonso at the laboratory Timothy in the tailor shop.
- 19th Another cold morning Timothy Florind & Carrie Hollister of Salt Lake City Visit the Canaan Family had a good time.
- 20th Andrew, Corinne, and Theresa go to Pittsfield to get some notions for Christmas. The weather was charming. Putting up Apples for Europe

- 21<sup>st</sup> Timothy to the City, doing errands. Frank Galford here to see his Mother and sisters; nice day.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Putting up Apples continues, man from Chatham sees to the business. The weather is quite mild.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath Meeting in the morning at the Church family in the afternoon singing. Cold day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter. Putting up apples for Market, Cold morning 'Mer. 8° above zero.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas, Meeting at home Church family attend with us have a good time.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Cold morning Brethren & boys have put up 98 barrels apples for shipment to Europe. Timothy helping in the tailor shop. Robert, David & William at the Med.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Quite a snow storm during the night, it has increased in fury the day. & piled the snow up in great drifts. Finished putting the apples up.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Q. J. Hollister who came here on the 12<sup>th</sup> inst left this morning for Ohio we have had a beautiful visit with her. A severe cold day.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Mercury has touched the lowest point of the season thus far, this morning: 5° degrees below at noon 5 degrees below zero.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings as usual Morning at the church family afternoon at Center. Fine day.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter etc. Alonzo in the Laboratory Robert, David & William in the Medicine Department. Cold morning but moderated afternoon which was very fine

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Elder Joseph Holden goes to Albany and Watervliet. Fine morning. Sisters do the washing Robert tends the Dairy. Mrs. 6-0 below zero.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy working in the tailor shop. Alonzo at the Laboratory Andrew making gates and doing odd jobs Boys going to school Mrs. about zero.
- 3 Cold morning but clear & fine Eld's Joseph & Daniel Offord go to Hancock to take part in locating a new road through the woods at Hancock Beautiful day.
- 4 Another cold storm came on during the night a few inches of snow fell with great bluster. Timothy helping at the tailoring.
- 5 Brother Robt. Valentine got home after being absent 5 or 6 weeks. Nice day, Mrs. about zero. Andrew and Henry making ladders
- 6 Sabbath, Stormy morning. Held Meeting in the Dining Room. Benjamin gets home today.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter Eggs Etc warm rainy day. Alonzo goes to Hancock boys & girls to school.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Andrew goes to West Pittsfield, twice brings Elder Isaac Anstatt of Watervliet. Had a slight snow this afternoon.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Timothy goes to Berlin to collect the Garden Seeds Beautiful weather. Henry to Pittsfield
- 10<sup>th</sup> Henry making ladders, Harry helping him. we have a terrible Easterly storm. Timothy returns from Berlin.

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- 11th Timothy helping at the tailoring; We are having another than, Thomas Smith of New York comes to see Robt. Valentine.
- 12th Benjamin left for the West on Thursday; Timothy helping at the tailoring; Thomas Smith returns to New York. The weather is quite mild.
- 13th Sabbath Meetings at our own home. Morning & afternoon: In the evening quite a storm sets in
- 14th Cold morning Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs Brethren commenced on the Ice harvest, Elder Jos. Holden returns from New York via Endfield Conn.
- 15th Getting in Ice. Mercury near zero Timothy to the City with Apples and Beets;
- 16th Still at the Ice; snow commenced falling soon after breakfast. Timothy helping at the tailoring. Alonzo & Andrew making Extract.
- 17th Working at the Ice. Our best horse Charley broke the Ice & came near drowning, we are having splendid weather for the business.
- 18th Finished the Ice yesterday Henry & two Sisters go to Pittsfield: Quite a large fire occurred there to day. Benjamin came home on Tuesday evening.
- 19th Marion working at the tailoring, Esther helping teach the young ideas how to shoot. Robert & Sisters making paper boxes.
- 20th Sabbath. Meeting for devotional exercises at the Church Family Singing Meeting at the Center: Beautiful day.

- 21<sup>st</sup> Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs etc  
Elder Joseph is quite unwell with a cold. Robt.  
David and William making Boxes cold in  
the forenoon but a beautiful day.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> An aged Sister at the Church died suddenly at  
early yesterday morning, buried this afternoon  
Fine day, Weather quite moderate.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Robert Halford helping put up Medicine at the  
Church. We attended the funeral of Sister Ellinor  
Potter at 2 P.M. Fine day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Working in the tailor shop. continues. Robert and  
company at the Medicine Cold day
- 25<sup>th</sup> Brethren that work at the Med. making paper boxes  
Alonzo & Andrew making Extracts; Fine day.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Stormy day; Henry went to Pittsfield yesterday,  
boy doing chores;
- 27<sup>th</sup> Sabbath. Meetings at the usual time; Beautiful  
day but cold & clear.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs etc.  
very cold morning; bring a boy home by  
name of Drown. 12 years old.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Doing a little at tailoring; Harry boy helping  
in the Seed Shop, D. Gill at the Med at Chl,
- 30<sup>th</sup> David Gill working in the Medicine Shop at  
the Church Harry Boy at the Seed business
- 31<sup>st</sup> Elder Joseph has been to Albany & returned  
Some of the Sisters working at the Office  
The weather is quite cold but otherwise fine

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy working in the tailor shop. D. Gill at Church medicine Shop. Fine weather.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sisters making Doll Bonnets. Brethren making medicine and sorting apples and doing a little at tailoring. Fine winter weather.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath. Meetings as usual forenoon at the Church, Singing in the afternoon Center Family Mur. at zero. Beautiful day.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs, Robert Hatford goes along. Cold day Henry sorting apples Mercury 18° below zero in the morning afternoon 5 degrees below. Alonzo and Andrew making Extracts, Sisters helping the Office folks.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Mur. 18 degrees below zero. Henry sorting apples Fred Deowes helping him. Sisters continue to help at the Office on fancy work.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Another cold day, Henry and boy sorting apples Sisters making Doll Bonnets at the Office Henry goes to Pittsfield with Apples
- 7<sup>th</sup> We are having a terrible blizzard roads are being blocked in every direction, the water works in the Infirmary are all frozen up
- 8<sup>th</sup> The blizzard continues with unabated fury Takes nearly all the morning to make paths Alonzo and Andrew making Extract
- 9<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at home, We held our laboring meeting in the Dining Room, we've had a blustering stormy day.

- 11th Quite a large force turn out to break roads, the storm has subsided, Sisters do the washing & the Church come & do theirs here.
- 12th Timothy and John Doctor go to Pittsfield with butter and Eggs, the roads are quite hard for traveling not being sufficiently packed.
- 13th Washington to the City, the weather has become quite moderate; Henry and boys sorting apples David Gill, Nancy and Theresa go to Church & help work Henry and boys sorting apples Sisters making doll bonnets, the girls school is abandoned for the winter pretty fair weather
- 14 15th Sisters working at the Church; Timothy <sup>helping</sup> Edress Dorothy at the <sup>weather</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Order, the is very good Bro. Andrew Barrett left for Florida on Wednesday
- 16th Robert and David also Timothy working at the Church; Meeting in the Evening in the Dining Room not present but a few. Nice day.
- 17th Sabbath Meetings at home, in the morning Devotional, in the afternoon Singing in the Evening Sunday school; Beautiful day.
- 18th Timothy to Pittsfield with butter & Eggs. The boy Fred. Drown commanded going to school A man from the City came over & fixed our Organ. Another fine day.
- 19th We attended the funeral of Sister Sarah A. Standish at 2 O'clock this afternoon. The weather has moderated very much. quite nice to day

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- 20th Timothy Robert David & the boy Harry working at the Church; Beautiful winter weather. Henry George goes to Pittsfield in the afternoon.
- 21st Timothy helping do some tailoring at the Church The brethren Robert & David working at the medicine at the Church & Harry at Seed shop The weather is beautiful
- 22nd We having a very severe wind storm, snowed during last night, Brethren still working at the Church
- 23rd Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter & chickens does numerous errands, the day was bright & sunshiny but very cold coming home. some of our family working at the Church family.
- 24 Sabbath Meeting in the morning at the Church in the afternoon singing meeting in our own home Cold and clear weather.
- 25th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Stormy day Sisters do the washing, the Church family do theirs here having no water at home.
- 26th Stormy morning Nancy and a girl working at the Medicine at the Church also Eldress Elizabeth and David Gill.
- 27th Robert working at Tincture, Elizabeth, Nancy & a girl working in Medicine shop at the Chh. Beautiful day
- 28th Robert & Nancy putting up Norwoods Tincture Eldress Elizabeth & girl working at the Medicine at the Church family Beautiful day.

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- 1<sup>st</sup> March comes in like a lamb the old saying is it goes out like a Lion: Henry G. to Pittsfield Timothy to West Pittsfield
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Boys get in wood and doing other chores, some snow fell last night and this morning but the weather is moderate.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath. Meetings both in the morning and afternoon at our house. Fine day.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs Sisters go down street to help at the Medicine, Harry George working in the Orchard Fine morning but a storm came on late in the afternoon.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Another cold windy day: Henry working in the orchard: Boys go to school and do chores
- 6<sup>th</sup> Sisters go down street to work at medicine, Harry splitting kindlings. Robert preparing to dip Med. Pretty good day.
- 7 Monzo making extract; Eldress Elizabeth & Nancy working at the Church's medicine shop, Harry helping R. Valentine put up Seeds, Fine day
- 8<sup>th</sup> Timothy & Harry helping paper Seeds two of the Sisters helping put up Medicine Beautiful weather. Henry sorting apples
- 9<sup>th</sup> Bottling Browns Seven Barks medicine, the weather is getting quite mild.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting at the Church family in the morning Singing at our own home in the afternoon Fine day.

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- 11th Timothy to Pittsfield, as usual on Mondays with Butter and Eggs: Beautiful day.
- 12th Brother Benjamin starts for New York City early this morning. Sisters do the washing; Frank Backus comes over to see the School House stove which seems to be out of repair: Another fine day.
- 13th Sisters helping at the Medicine business Harry helping at the Seed shop, also Timothy doing a little there; towards night the weather grows cold.
- 14th Robert, David and William Koch working at the medicine; Cold day: Monzo making Extract with help of hired man.
- 15 Elder Joseph R. V. Harry & the hired man putting up Seeds. Timothy to Pittsfield took over some butter; Eld. Isaac Anstatt here on business. Benj. returns from New York, had a slight fall of snow.
- 16th Robert and helpers putting up Seeds. We are having a very severe cold snap. The School Dis. No 12 concluded to put in a new heater W. G. Backus <sup>son</sup> put the heater <sup>in</sup> to day
- 17th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time for devotion singing in the afternoon, Cold & clear weather
- 18th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs. also Garden Seeds which were put in out in the City; Cold and windy day.
- 19th Robert Halford helping bottle medicine at the Church Monzo <sup>not</sup> making Extract to day the hired man being sick Cold windy day.

March 1895

- 20<sup>th</sup> Henry George Sarah Butter & L. Morrow go to Pittsfield for a ride, in consequence of the bad roads the wagon was badly broken: fine day.
- 21<sup>st</sup> R. Valentine has gone to New York & Benjamin to Albany; quite a fair day but cool.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Timothy working in the tailor shop. boys helping Henry George draw brush & burn it. Weather is begining to feel a little like Spring.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Boys doing chores of various kinds getting in wood etc. etc. David Ray is quite sick; nice day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting at the 1<sup>st</sup> Order in the forenoon Singing meeting here at 2 P.M.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield as usual with Butter and Eggs; we had rain, hail and snow during the day
- 26<sup>th</sup> Commenced sawing & splitting wood; Robert Valentine goes to New York with beef cattle. Robert working at the Medicine
- 27 A cold wintry morning; sawed wood part of the morning in the afternoon mended canal bank
- 28 Stormy day, sawed wood in the morning in the afternoon drew fertilizer
- 29<sup>th</sup> Sawing splitting and piling wood finished the batch of Browns Seven barks. Med. Cold day
- 30<sup>th</sup> Sawing Splitting and Piling on a small scale, no water of much account. The weather continues cold.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Sabbath Meeting in the morning at Center Family also singing meeting in the afternoon Beautiful day.

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- 1st Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; Robert Halford and hired men sawing wood; disagreeable weather. Eld. Joseph goes to Waterloot.
- 2nd Tried to saw wood but the machinery gave out; Another disagreeable day. Robert H working down at the Church; P.C. Brewster here last night.
- 3rd Sawed wood till 9.30 A.M. when two teams went for coal, no water for sawing.
- 4 Harry Spencer a boy about 16 years & 6 months old leaves us & goes to Pittsfield to live; Sawed a few loads of wood Chilly day; Dr Benjamin goes to New York. Ministry went to Hancock yesterday.
- 5th Sawing, splitting and piling wood can't do much for want of water. Robert Valentine returns from Seed Route; The is a little more mild.
- 6th Done a little sawing wood this morning, got out some plank for hot bed. Washington goes to Albany.
- 7th Sabbath. Meetings as usual Devotional in the morning at the Church, in the afternoon singing meeting at Center Family.
- 8th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; Stormy day hired help working at the wood also H. George and the boys
- 9th Sawing, splitting and piling wood. making hot bed frame, fixing the road leading to the orchard Had thunder & lightning & rain.
- 10th Working at the wood, Robert Halford mixing medicine; A tremendous strong wind and and very cold in the afternoon

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- 11th Sowed 7 rows Combination in my new hot bed: Sawing splitting and piling wood; the ground froze hard last night.
- 12th Finished sawing the families wood; nice day, Honzo working in the laboratory.
- 13th Rainy day; drew the wood from the saw mill, Robert Halford working at the medicine also David Gill & William Koch.
- 14th Sabbath Rainy morning; Church family attend our services forenoon & afternoon.
- 15th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; in the afternoon we had a cold rain.
- 16th Washington to Pittsfield. Robert Halford left home yesterday, gone East somewhere. The weather has been superb to day, the roads are drying up very fast.
- 17th Boys white washing the hen house, Beautiful day Honzo working at Laboratory, while other brethren are working at the medicine.
- 18th Timothy, Sarah Butter & Katherine Koch go to the city. The weather was fine but the road were out rageously bad. Sowed 2 rows Ponderosa Tomato
- 19th Cool and clear morning. In the afternoon burned over the asparagus beds in the North and Kitchen gardens; Henry George doing some grafting.
- 20th Sister Phebe Van Houten passed to spirit life between the hours of two & four o'clock this morning of heart failure so departs from our circle a good sister

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21st

Sabbath Funeral of Sister Phoebe Van Benten aged 77 years and 4 months the ceremonies lasted over two hours many spoke in great praise of our worthy sister, Beautiful weather

22nd

Timothy, Henry George, Amanda Tiffany & go to Pittsfield Timothy with Butter & Eggs the others to do some shopping, rainy afternoon R. Halford returns from Boston.

23rd

Boys cleaning out the ashes from the Coal bin in cellar, Henry plowing in the Orchard; cold day.

24th

Timothy Eldress Elizabeth and Minerva Reynolds go to Pittsfield, Henry & boy sprig apple trees, fine day.

25th

Commenced plowing the garden East & West; Henry goes to West Pittsfield after apple trees, Fine day except being

26th

Finished plowing kitchen garden first time, Cleaning <sup>wind</sup> the door yard; Set 50 apple trees in South Orchard dug holes for 22 plums trees, <sup>lower side kitchen garden</sup> Beautiful day.

27th

Transplanted 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  rows Fay Current bushes lower side of kitchen garden, Heavy rain last night with thunder and lightning slight rain to day.

28th

Sabbath Meeting in the morning at the Church Family, cool morning; Singing in the afternoon.

29th

Timothy to East Chatham to attend a Law suit, Henry George to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; Nancy Dow Minerva Reynolds & Annie Lane start for Florida, to help found a Colony of Shakers.

30th

Transplanting plum trees, West side kitchen garden and in the nursery. Had quite a shower of rain this morning which hindered us considerably.

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- 1st Raked a piece in kitchen garden. Sowed 4 Rows Onion  $\frac{1}{2}$  row each Lettuce & Radish 2 double Peas: Beautiful weather, Henry and boys helping in the Garden; Laid down 12 Doz Eggs Timothy and Alonzo to Pittsfield, Henry & boys working in the Orchard: Sowed 2 rows Beet. Fine weather. Sisters Cleaning house
- 2nd House cleaning continues; Set out row Onion sets Sowed quite a bed of parsnip seed in South Orchard Robert and the Sisters finished putting up batch medicine The weather is warm and dry.
- 3rd House cleaning continues; Set out row Onion sets Sowed quite a bed of parsnip seed in South Orchard Robert and the Sisters finished putting up batch medicine The weather is warm and dry.
- 4th Cultivated and Raspberry bushes in the Kitchen North Gardens and below the Blacksmith shop, Set a Cherry tree along side Asparagus bed: Cut Asparagus yesterday & to day first & second time; Spraying trees.
- 5th Sabbath Meetings at home; Beautiful weather, The cherry are just begining to blossom. Sister Louisa Green of Harvard visited here yesterday & attended meetings to day
- 6th Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Asparagus Butter & Eggs, George Rueter accompanies him Cool forenoon but the latter part of the day was extremely warm
- 7th Timothy to the City with Asparagus, Plowed a piece for Peas etc. Sisters are doing some house Cleaning; Very warm weather.
- 8th Sowed 2 double rows Peas and planted 2 rows Sweet Corn &  $\frac{1}{2}$  a Cucumber Seed had a slight rain this afternoon, Henry to Pittsfield.
- 9th Planted one row Cucumber next to Peas then one row Hubbard Squash Seed: Warm day.

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- 10th Timothy to Pittsfield with Asparagus. Trees in the door yard are in full bloom. The weather is very oppressive boys cutting Pea brush. Farmers planting potatoes.
- 11th Sticking poles for Beans, drew home pea brush. Farmers planting potatoes in the swamp lot. The weather is fiercely hot for the season; Cherry trees in full bloom yesterday.
- 12th Sabbath, We are having a delightful rain Meetings at home all to ourselves.
- 13th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs Etc. Cold morning Mar. 33° nearly a freeze cold north west wind. Boys cut bean poles on the mt. stuck some in the garden. Despite a frost this morning we hope 'twill not kill the Apple, Cherry & Pear blossoms; Planted pole Beans.
- 14th Rainy day. Cleaned the shop cellar, Henry drew manure from horse barn vault. Lay down Eggs
- 16th Cleaning Horse cellars; stuck some Peas brush hoed small truck such Onions Peas Beets & parsnips. Weather continues cool.
- 17th Working in kitchen garden, resowed Beets Lettuce Radish & parsnips. Fine day. Planted 2 rows Evergreen Sweet Corn & 1½ rows W.D. Case Knife Beans
- 18th Fine day; put things to rights in the garden Alonzo and the George R. setting posts in the Raspberry patch. Timothy Marion & Corrine ride out
- 19th Sabbath. Meeting at the Church Family: Singing Meeting in the afternoon cool & fair weather.
- 20th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs. Boys hoed current bushes in kitchen garden, Cool day. Isaac Haights barn and stock were burned last night

May1895

- 21st Fixing fence above the bee yard; Cultivated the Raspberries and currents; Washington to Pittsfield the weather is clear and cold.
- 22d Henry, Amanda and 5 girls & 2 boys go to Pittsfield to see the street parade of wild animals also R. Halford and one boy, M. Louise Halford went over Monday.
- 23rd Putting wire up to keep the raspberries in place. The weather has turned a little warmer.
- 24th Timothy to Pittsfield with Asparagus and Rhubarb, Boys planted <sup>nearly</sup> 4 rows pole Beans Golden Champion black & rows Rust proof white bush. Warm day.
- 25th Yesterday morning Catharine Van Houten's half Sister and Niece came to visit her; but same beam poles the weather has become quite warm.
- 26th Sabbath. Meetings as usual Morning & afternoon Beautiful day.
- 27th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter Eggs & asparagus. Rainy day. Washington to Pittsfield, R. Halford Putting up Medicine; Monzo at the Laboratory.
- 28th Cool damp morning: Boys cut asparagus in the morning beside doing other odd jobs, washed the kitchen ceiling in the afternoon.
- 29th Margaret Wood of Hartford Niece to Catharine returns to her home yesterday; Transplanted 50 tomatoes
- 30th Timothy to Pittsfield with Asparagus & Rhubarb; took a woman to W. Pittsfield. a hot day.
- 31st Warm night at 9° P.M. Mur. ranged at 84° Transplanted about 100 Tomatoe plants; Sisters cleaned the Molasses & Kerosine Oil Cellars.

June

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- 1st Mercury at 5 O'clock this morning stood at 80 degrees. Cultivated Corn, Squashes Peas and Tomatoes, a very hot day.
- 2nd Sabbath Meetings at the Center Family; The weather is extremely warm
- 3rd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs and Asparagus Had quite a nice rain; Brother William Koch was found dead in the dry Kiln between 8 & 9 P.M. The Coroner from <sup>Hudson</sup> came to investigate the cause of William Koch's death, an autopsy was performed and the Dr. pronounced it heart failure. Mowed part of the door yard.
- 4th Beautiful morning. In the afternoon we attend the funeral of William Koch which was quite interesting had to bury the body during a smart shower
- 5th Timothy to Pittsfield with Asparagus & Butter; cool day, took the girls for a short ride; Eldress Eliza Stratton of Canterbury made us a visit
- 6th Timothy, Alonzo, Robert and Henry George have to attend an inquest on the death of William Koch. Fine day, Mr & Mrs. Gellatly make us a short visit this evening
- 7th Beautiful weather; Cultivated the garden and hoed part of it, Transplanted about 50 Tomato plants R. Healford and Henry George go to Pittsfield
- 8th Sabbath, Meeting at the Meeting House, first of the season, but a few spectators, Quite a warm day. Eldresses Johanna Kaine & Eliza Stratton of East Canterbury were present

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- 10th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs  
R. Halford returns with him. The weather was extremely warm, transplanted 90 Tomatoe plants  
Robt Valentine returns from New York
- 11th Mowed part of the door yard for the cows; hoed Beans and Squashes, Josiah Barker Elder at the Church family Waterclift made us a short visit  
The weather is very warm. Connie to Pittsfield.
- 12th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Boys hoeing in the kitchen garden, Sarah Ann Neale of Waterclift has come to live at the Church family Sister Ann Cummings of Endfield N.H. visits here.
- 13th Beautiful day, mowed grass and hoed currant bushes in the North garden. Farmers hoeing corn, Alonzo goes to Pittsfield.
- 14th Mowing in the nursery or vineyard, Hoeing and weeding the kitchen garden; Fine day.
- 15th Hoeing in the garden, finished all the wire we had about the raspberries below blacksmith shop. Fine day.
- 16th Sabbath, Public Meeting at the usual time, Singing in the afternoon; Beautiful weather.
- 17th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Connie Bishop returned home; Boys hoeing in the garden, The weather is getting very warm.
- 18th The sisters have a three weeks washing to do today. done a little mowing and helped do the washing pick ed about 12 qts. cherries; Hot day. Went out with Sisters Warm morning Timothy to Pittsfield with some Cherries. Transplanted 100 Cabbage plants. Warm day.
- 19th.

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- 20<sup>th</sup> Got in some grass; picked the first meal of peas after supper. The weather is very warm & dry.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Picked some cherries about 9 qts. transplanted about 6 Tomato plants yesterday and a few today.
- 22<sup>d</sup> Lottie Morrow <sup>rainy</sup> returned from Pittsfield, last evening. Had a nice last night and vegetation is very improved thereby. Beautiful day.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath Meeting at the usual time, had about 20 spectators present at Public Meeting; very warm day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; Fine weather picked over 7 Bushels cherries.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Took a load of cherries to Market the price is quite low, continue cherry picking:
- 26<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries, Brethren & boys picked 8½ bushels, Sisters sorted most of them Sarah Cutler & Esther Gill to Pittsfield, fine day.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Carried 8<sup>19</sup>/<sub>32</sub> Bushels cherries, had a slight rain on the way over and back. Robert, David Gill and the Sisters working at the Medicine.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy & George Renter to Pittsfield with cherries, had about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch rain last night Brethren pick cherries Transplanted about 300 Cabbages
- 29<sup>th</sup> Warm & close weather got some berry baskets on the west hill; Transplanted balance of cabbage plants, picked and sold 2½ bushels cherries.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings as usual both Public & home The weather has been very fine.

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- 1st. Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs: Brethren and boys picking cherries. Fine day.
- 2nd Timothy to the City with cherries, Brethren & boys picked over 250 qts. to day. Beautiful weather Fred goes to Pittsfield.
- 3rd Henry George goes to Pittsfield with cherries, Brethren and boys picking cherries and getting in grass. Beautiful weather one brother and 3 Sisters here from Hancock after cherries.
- 4th Henry George again to town Timothy to Lebanon Springs, picked about 4 bushels cherries; had a slight rain this evening.
- 5th Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries, H. George over with three sisters; Boys picked a few cherries had two or three slight showers.
- 6th Timothy to the City with fruit. More rain got wet through in coming home from town picked a few cherries
- 7th Sabbath. Meetings both Public & home at the usual time; Beautiful day. P. C. Brewster of Nassau here on a short visit
- 8th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs, Fine day. Brethren, Sisters & boys picking & sorting cherries, R. V. returned from New York
- 9th Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries; Had quite a rain while coming home; Picking fruit
- 10th Jones to Albany, Timothy & Henry George to Pittsfield Albany & boys picking cherries Fine day, rather cool morning

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- 11th Timothy and Henry to town with cherries; Picked only 3 bushels to day. 2 young men here.
- 12th Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries; Henry cultivated Cabbages & Tomatoes, picked 2 bus cherries after 3.30 O'clock. Fine day.
- 13th More cherries are taken to town a little over two bushels. In the afternoon had a violent hail and thunder storm doing.
- 14th Sabbath. Public Meeting as usual in the morning. In the attended the funeral of Eliza Davis Second Family. Beautiful day.
- 15th Timothy to the City with Butter & Eggs: Brethren & boys picked over six bushels cherries. Beautiful day. Two Sisters from Watervliet visit us to day.
- 16th Henry goes to Pittsfield with cherries, carried over about 6 bushels; Had quite a rain, picked a few quarts cherries, & one bus. pease.
- 17th Alfred George bro. to Henry came yesterday to see him: Henry goes with him to So. Williamstown, to see Henrys son. Fine day.
- 18th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Cherries. Henry returned from Williamstown, warm and dry weather Elizabeth Gill is here.
- 19th Finished picking cherries, plowed & raked a small piece for Turnips, another hot day.
- 20th Timothy to Pittsfield for R.V. with tools plowed, Raked and sowed a piece to Turnips an extremely hot day.

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- 21<sup>st</sup> Sabbath. Meetings, both Public and rehearsal another very warm day.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Henry George and the boys building fence lower side of So. Orchard along the Canal; hot day.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Henry and boys finished the fence. Beautiful day. Sisters picked some raspberries, Robert repairing Medicine bottles, picked some pears.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Alonzo goes to East Nassau to see P.C. Brewster and get some chickens, he brot. 20. Henry George away from home. Beautiful day Boys picked 5 bush. pears.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Henry picked some apples for market. Timothy to Pittsfield with pears. Beautiful day.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Henry to Pittsfield with apples and pears; Finished picking peas Fine day.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Cultivating and hoeing the kitchen garden warm morning; Had quite a rain with thunder & lightening
- 28<sup>th</sup> Sabbath. Meetings Public & Singing as usual we had two inches rain yesterday
- 29<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. The boys working in the garden; Fine day. Had rain in the evening quite a shower.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Robert preparing to upset up medicine; Had a tremendous heavy rain in the afternoon, the Sisters picked some berries in the morning.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Put up a batch of medicine. Laura Babcock of Berlin came to visit bringing her daughter in Law & children. Ministry returned from their tour of the Societies Hancock Endfield & Watervliet

August 1895

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- 1st Henry goes to Pittsfield with apples, taking the Bay Willie with him; a Mr Seeley of Stockbridge visits us bringing a Congregationalist Minister along; Rainy day; Lura Babcock & her relatives return home.
- 2nd Timothy to Pittsfield with Pears and Cherry Sauce also some apples. The weather pretty fair threatening and lavery. Farmers mowing Oats.
- 3rd Rainy afternoon, transplanted some celery plants Elizabeth returns to her home in New York. Mary R. Jones came to visit Timothy R. her brother & her sister Eliza Rayson.
- 4th Sabbath. Public & Home Meetings at the usual time, we had quite a shower in the early morning but the weather came off fine.
- 5th Timothy to the City with Butter Eggs etc. etc. Warm day: Theresa Clutterbuck's Mother came this afternoon to see her daughter, B. Gates returned from Florida.
- 6th To Pittsfield with pears and apples Timothy with 9 bushels pears & Henry with a load apples. Warm day Farmers getting Oats. slight rain in the evening.
- 7th Showery in the early morning; Timothy takes his Sister Mary to Pittsfield, Farmers working at the Oats; Ed. Jones here on a visit. Heavy shower this afternoon,
- 8th Henry Eldress E. Theresa & her Mother go to the City; Washington & Ed Jones also drive over finished picking Bloodgood Pears. Fine day
- 9th Will. Barnard came last evening, Timothy to the City for his Sister Mary, this afternoon she goes to the No. Family to visit Eliza Rayson; Fine day.

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- 10 Henry to Pittsfield with Pears, thinned & weeded turnips warm weather; we have a superabundance of visitors just now.
- 11th Sabbath, Meetings both Public & home as usual; Robert Halford's nephew & his wife make a visit here this afternoon, nice day.
- 12th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; Boys helping Henry pick apples, had quite a rain during the night; Picked about 1/4 Bus Tomatoes.
- 13th Henry to Pittsfield with apples; Fine pleasant weather, do a little in the garden, Robt. & David putting up Medicine Monzo making Extract.  
Roast our first meal fresh Tomatoes.
- 14th Timothy to Pittsfield took over two young women. Picked some Bartlett pears.  
Warm day.
- 15th Henry and boys picking Pears, Warm day, Timothy sick with Diarrhea.
- 16th Henry and one of the boys took over 25 bushels pears and averaged a trifle over one dollar per Bus. Two Brethren & 5 Sisters attend the funeral of Alvira Houlet of Hancock.
- 17th Timothy takes his sister Mary to Pittsfield and brings home, M. H. Wood niece to C. Van Routsen whose health is very poor. Warm & dry weather
- 18th Sabbath Public and home Meetings as usual quite a large concourse of spectators to day the weather is very warm

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- 19<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs: Fine day. Henry also goes to town with pears & apples the boys pick apples & pears
- 20<sup>th</sup> Henry and a boy go to Pittsfield with Apples and pears Picking apples & pears. Farmers thrashing Oats: Beautiful weather; Catharines Neices return <sup>to</sup> their home.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Chat. Tabot and wife and some friends make us a visit. Henry and George Rueter to Pittsfield with fruit. Cold afternoon. Picked a meal of peas.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Timothy to the City with Butter and pears; cool morning. Finished thrashing Oats.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Eldress Elizabeth goes to Pittsfield with Henry & returns Gathered the Case Knife Pole Beans. Warm day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Picking apples and pears, farmers putting in Potatoes harvested the top Onions, pulled some Beans: warm day.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at the usual time. Visitors from Endfield Conn. present with us: Fine day.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs and pears; R. Halford returns. Beautiful weather, picked apple & pears.
- 27<sup>th</sup>. Henry to Pittsfield with Apples & pears; fine day: Visitors from Endfield with us today: 4 of them.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Henry go to Pittsfield with Apples & pears: Fine weather. Picked bush Tomatoes.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Quite a nice rain last night. Put up 25 gals. Tomatoe this morning: Fine day.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Henry to Pittsfield with Apples & pears Fine day
- 31<sup>st</sup> Rainy day; Henry to Pittsfield with pears for Elder Joseph. Picked some fruit

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- 1st Sabbath Public and Home Meetings as usual  
Beautiful weather
- 2nd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs and Pears  
Henry to town with Apples. Cool & clear.
- 3rd Henry to Pittsfield with Apples & pears; cool morn-  
ing, P.C. Brewster here a short time, picked some  
Tomatoes also some pears.
- 4th Timothy & Henry to Pittsfield with fruit, Sisters &  
the boys put up Tomatoes about 31 gals: fine day.
- 5th Henry and Geo. Renter take 2 loads of Apples and  
pears to market, get a fair price: fine weather.
- 6th Henry to Pittsfield with Apples and Pears, finished  
picking Bartlett pears, warm day: Pulling Onions.
- 7th Found a few more Bartlett pears and picked them  
Henry to Pittsfield with apples, Timothy takes a few  
pears. Very warm day.
- 8th Sabbath Meetings as usual morning & afternoon  
The weather is fairly charming.
- 9th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. H. G.  
goes with apples, Cool morning but warm in  
the afternoon. G. R. picked 12 bush. F. B. pears.
- 10th Timothy to Town with fruit and poultry  
Henry digging a ditch South of horse barn,  
warm day picked Tomatoes.
- 11th Henry to the City with Apples, Sisters and  
boys putting up Tomatoes, warm weather.
- 12th Washington, Corrine and Esther went to the fair  
Ministry go to Hancock.

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- 12th Timothy Eldress Elizabeth & Catharine Van Nooten go to Pittsfield, Robert, Henry Catherine Koch & Louisa Halford take an outing.
- 13th Timothy to Pittsfield with pears; Boys gathering fruit; Sisters caned a few peaches, Henry, Katrina and Louisa Halford returne from their outing.
- 14th Henry to Pittsfield with apples or rather pears, got onions in from kitchen garden, Cold day great change in the weather.
- 15th Sabbath Public and Home Meetings same as usual; Cool morning, hard frost this morning: Hail fire to day.
- 16th Timothy to the City with Butter and Eggs: Boys husk Corn and pick Pears; Lowery morning.
- 17th Eld. Elizabeth Henry 3 boys & 2 girls pick about 5 bus. Cranberries; Timothy to market with pears, fine day.
- 18th Rainy day; Sisters put up Tomatoes, sorted several bushels pears for Market.
- 19th Timothy to Pittsfield with pears, Henry and George R. after bbls. Fine day.
- 20th Picking Apples & pears and Cranberries an exceedingly warm afternoon.
- 21st Picking apples and pears. An exceedingly hot day; The Church family picked several bushels Tomatoes Farmers husking Corn.
- 22nd Sabbath Public Meeting at the usual time, Bible Class in the evening: George Gibbs father to three Gibbs children has come to take them away. Hot weather

September

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- 23rd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs: Henry takes 14 Bushels pears to Market; Tremendously hot weather boys picking apples.
- 24th Timothy, Marion and Theresa go to Pittsfield to do a little trading, Henry and boys with dr. George Clark & his boys pick apples; cool day.
- 25th Picking apples, Beans and Tomatoes, Farmers are cutting corn for silo, Nice weather.
- 26th Timothy and Robert Halford to Pittsfield take over some pears: Sisters putting up Tomatoes; We had a very heavy thunder storm last night accompanied with lightning,
- 27th Picking Apples full drive also pears, Ministry here from Hancock Fine weather for gathering the crops putting in ensilage.
- 28th Picking apples and pears, and filling the silo Sisters putting up Sance: The weather is just perfect for doing up fall work.
- 29th Sabbath Meetings as usual; But few spectators present
- 30th Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs: Henry takes Marion Scott to Canaan Station to take the train for New York. She withdraws from Society We have lost a good woman & an excellent worker, The weather is quite cold, picked Grapes and Tomatoes. Henry and boys pick apples two men painting the school house.

October · 1895

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- 1st Timothy to Pittsfield with pears, Henry and the boys picking apples, Alonzo picking grapes; Sisters doing up fruit We've experienced a very cold day.
- 2nd Timothy to Pittsfield again with pears; Henry and boys picking apples, Alonzo David & Robert pick pears. Sisters making ketchup.
- 3rd Timothy to Margaret Wood & Josie Robertson, found but one there Josie Henry and boys & Canadian boys picking apples: Beautiful weather for the purpose.
- 4th Henry and boys & Canadian boys picking apples Timothy and boy pick some pears, Fine weather Robt. and company put up Medicine.
- 5th Timothy to Pittsfield with pears, took a Lady friend along to take the train for Hartford Conn. Robert Valentine having the Silos filled: Beautiful day.
- 6th Sabbath. Public Meetings discontinued, had our meetings at the usual time at home at Center Family, cool frosty morning P.C. Brewster here.
- 7th Timothy goes to the City with Butter & Eggs: Etc. Etc Henry and boys picking apples, cool morning but fine in the afternoon
- 8th Rainy morning, The weather has turned quite cold; picked some Quinces and pears. Alonzo running the Extract works.
- 9th Timothy to Pittsfield with pears, cold very cold crossing the mountain; Henry and the picking apples.
- 10th Henry and the picking apples, Timothy sorting & picking pears. Cool weather. Theresa <sup>her</sup> Butterback withdrew yesterday from the family, went to Mother

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- 11th Timothy to Pittsfield with pears, got good prices ranged from 75¢ to \$1.50 per bush. Alonzo picked some pears and Henry & the boys picked apples; Weather clear & cool.
- 12th Timothy to the City took Louisa Halford and daughter Ida the latter to have teeth attended to. Rainy day; finished getting in the picked apples.
- 13th Sabbath Meeting at home in consequence of rain part of the Church family Brethren at Meeting with No. Family
- 14th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Fine morning Louisa Halford returns; Henry to town with apples
- 15th Henry to the City again with fruit raw disagreeable weather. picked a few pears and sorted some. P. C. Brewster here for awhile.
- 16th Timothy to Pittsfield with pears & Quinces; weather is rather cool; Henry goes to Pittsfield also.
- 17th Harvested some of the beets. Timothy to the City again along at the laboratory. Robert and David at the medicine cold weather for the time of year.
- 18th Doing chores fixing the wagon; Henry to Pittsfield George returns from Albany having been absent 5 days, the weather has been a little warmer to day.
- 19th The has been quite decent to day finished getting beets got in the bean poles.
- 20th Sabbath Meetings as usual Center Family go down to the first order. Cool day.
- 21st Timothy to Pittsfield with butter and Eggs; A cold day. Pulled the Turnips, picked some pears.
- 22nd Henry after Bbls. Getting in Turnips & Cabbages; Windy morning but pleasant afternoon.

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- 1st Sabbath Meeting at the Church Family in the morning singing in afternoon at our family fine day Sister Rhoda Blake passed quietly & peacefully away at about 6 O'clock P.M. in the 88th year of her age. She was a well tryed veteran.
- 2nd Rainy day can't go to Pittsfield to day as usual with Butter: Commenced diggin grave for Rhoda's body. Alonzo and hired man working at Extracts.
- 3rd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter: had a bitter cold day Hired man made Coffin for Rhoda's body: Sisters did the family washing with R. Halford's help.
- 4th Cold morning nearly zero weather this morning, water pipes frozen at 2 O'clock we had the funeral of Sister Rhoda Blake, quite goodly turn out of the families,
- 5th. The North Family are in sore tribulation over the defection of Elder Daniel Offord for whom there has been great love and affection for his faithfulness and zeal as a Believer. Henry George to town with Apples and pears. Disagreeable day with some snow.
- 6th Another cold & rough day: Henry to the City again took over a pig; Timothy sorting beans, Alonzo work in at the Extract house.
- 7th Cleaned and picked over beans; Robert Valentine returned from New York whither he had been on business
- 8th Sabbath Meeting of the two families for worship Bro. Benjamin Gates is home from Florida
- 9th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter etc: goes to Adams No. Adams & Berlin to pick up Garden Seeds

- 10th Henry George to Pittsfield with Apples, The weather is cold & clear, Robert working at the medicine, Alonzo at the Extracts. Fred Drown a boy left us several weeks ago came back.
- 11th Timothy returned from Leland Route, cold day Martin Jones has come into our family to live he used to live at the Church.
- 12th Doing chores. Robert and Martin working in the medicine shop Timothy did a thrashing. Arthur Bruce of East Canterbury on a flying visit looking at the stock.
- 13th Cold morning. 6 Degrees below zero. Fred cutting up kindling;
- 14th Henry George and Robert Halford go to Pittsfield & bring home Leonie Bishop who has been visiting friend in the vicinity of New York; cold day.
- 15th Sabbath. Yearly Sacrifice day. a very quiet time no meeting a cold day.
- 16th Timothy to Pittsfield with butter, Alonzo goes to Hancock and makes a visit at the Office. cold morning, in the afternoon the weather moderate.
- 17th Henry George goes to Pittsfield with Apples. Martin Jones goes along to settle a <sup>little</sup> business he has
- 18th Alonzo making Extract, Henry working in the No. Orchard, Rob. H. & Martin in the Medicine shop
- 19th Timothy to Pittsfield M. L. Halford & Esther Gill go with him. Warm day.
- 20th The weather is quite mild: Margaret N. Wood Catherine Neiss came yesterday to visit her.

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- 21st Timothy Eldress Elizabeth & Lydia Carman go to Pittsfield, to make a few purchases for Christmas holidays.
- 22nd Sabbath Meeting for devotion at the Church family. Singing at our house, fine day over head but muddy under foot.
- 23rd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter etc. Margaret N. Wood, Catharine's Neice returns to Hartford. Henry George & G. Rueter also to Pittsfield fine day.
- 24th Cleaning up beans, doing chores etc. Etc. preparing for Christmas. The weather is exceptionally mild.
- 25th Meeting at the usual time ten o'clock the Chh. family attend. Meeting in Evening, some presents given.
- 26th Elizabeth Gill who has been visiting here started for Conn. this morning Amanda Tiffany guest Pittsfield to see relatives. Fine mild day.
- 27th Henry George to Hancock after Amanda Tiffany Puts a batch of Brown's Seven herbs medicine Quite a change in the weather it has turned cold. Doing chores, getting wood etc. etc.
- 28th Sabbath Meeting at the Chh. family; Ministry go to Canaan attend meeting with them. Fine day.
- 29th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; Robt & Martin working in the Medicine Shop. Had some rain in the afternoon
- 30th The weather is quite moderate, Robt & Martin help the Sisters do the washing. Had 2 inches rain last night

Brethren & Sisters in Center Family  
Dec. 31st 1895

Brethren		Sisters	
	Timothy D. Rayson	Elizabeth A. Sears	
	A. G. Hollister	Florida Sears	
	David Ray	Catharine Van Bonten	
	G.W. Jones	Hannah R. Agnew	
	Robt. Halford	Amanda Tiffany	
	Henry George	Leonnie Bishop	
	Sacket Root	Lottie Morrow	
	Martin Jones	Sarah Cutler	
	George Reuter	Katrine Koch	
	Fred. Drown	M. Q. Halford	
		Esther Gill	
Increase		Jemel Spencer	
	Martin Jones	Zyda Garman	
	Fred. Drown	Isabella Gibbs	
		Ardella Gibbs	
Decrease			
	Esther M. Scott	Phila	
	Andrew D. Barret	Florida	
	Nancy Dow	Florida	
	William Koch	Deceased	
	Phoebe Van Bonten	"	
	Rhoda Blake	"	
	Harry Spencer	Pittsfield	
	Willie Gibbs	to the World	
	Annie T. Clutterbuck	Newark	
		N.J.	

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- 1st Cold day. Brethren working in shop, boys & girls are going to school; sisters mostly in the kitchen. Frank Halford here to visit his Mother.
- 2nd Another cold day; Robt Halford & M. Jones working at the Medicine, boys & girls to school. Had Meeting last evening Recitation & reading.
- 3rd Working in the Medicine Shop; hired men to chopping fire wood. The weather is growing colder.
- 4th Another cold snap is brewing, Timothy helping in the medicine shop.
- 5th Meetings, at home both devotional and singing. The weather is becoming exceedingly cold.
- 6th Mercury 18 degrees below zero, so cold that Timothy didn't go to Pittsfield with butter. Helped Robt. at the Medicine.
- 7th Mercury 12 degrees below zero. Timothy to Pittsfield with butter & Eggs. Had a slight snow storm; Mary L. Halford & daughter Ida leave Community got to Pittsfield to live. Robt. Halford & Martin in the Med shop.
- 8th. Another cold day; Thermometer 10° below zero A. woman from Springfield Mass. brought two boys one ten the other seven years old. nice looking boys for us to adopt.
- 9th Working in the medicine shop; Alonzo at the laboratory. Cold morning, Henry to Pittsfield with Louisa Halford things.
- 10th Mrs. Clara M. Sherman of Springfield that brot 2 children goes back. Fine day.
- 11th R. Halford & Martin Jones working at the Med. Fine day.

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- 12th Sabbath Meeting for devotional exercises at the Church family, Singing at Lester family's. The weather is clear and cold & much wind.
- 13th Timothy to the City with Butter and Eggs; The morning was quite cold but the afternoon was nice sawing ice.
- 14th Getting in and packing the Ice house; Timothy helping at the Seed Shop. Alonso making Extract. Nice time to work at Ice business.
- 15th Continue getting in Ice, Cold morning; Timothy helping in the Seed Shop and tailors shop. Cold weather increases some.
- 16th Finished getting in Ice; Timothy helping do some tailoring at the Church. Washington had a finger badly mashed. Wesley Bland stays here to night.
- 17th Henry to Pittsfield, Wesley B. leaves this afternoon. Timothy, George and Fred help at the medicine fine weather.
- 18th Timothy helping at the Seed Shop: Boys get in wood Robert H. and Martin Jones working at the medicine Alonso at the laboratory. Fine day.
- 19th Sabbath Meetings at our home both devotional and singing; Stormy day.
- 20th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; Henry has two men here helping pack apples as well as to help sort them; Very cold morning.
- 21st Henry and George sorting & Barreling apples two men helping; The weather is quite moderate.

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- 22<sup>nd</sup> Henry and boys sorting apples: Robert, Martin, Sarah, Lutter, Katrine and Timothy working at the Medicine. The weather is very moderate.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Robert, Martin, the Sisters and Timothy working in the Medicine Shop: Henry and the boys sorting apples. Beautiful weather.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Henry and boys still working at the apples, Robert & Co. putting up medicines, Humpy day.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Robert, Martin, Sarah and Katrine working at the Medicine, Timothy helping also. Henry and boys finished sorting apples yesterday.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting in the morning at the Church no other meeting to day, a very quiet time. The weather is very fine for the season.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; Henry goes to the City also. Quite a cold ride over the Mt. Sent off the batch of Med. put up last week.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Gill here again been to see her Mother at So. Berlin, Emma Jane & Carrie return from New York. Fred. Drown goes away. Cold day.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Timothy working at the Seed Shop; Robt. Valentine leave home for Hartford, Boston & New York. The weather is quite nice.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Mongo working at the Laboratory Robt. & Martin at the medicine Shop. Timothy at the Seed House. We have a very mild day.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Timothy helping at the Seed House. R. Galford has gone from home.

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy helping at Seed House, Washington is very sick and besides has a bad finger that was badly crushed at the time of getting in Ice. Had quite a storm to day.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. Sabbath. Stormy morning Meeting at home but few to attend R. Halford away & Washington sick makes our number small with others being away to attend the sick.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>. Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs: The weather in the morning was quite cold. afternoon it moderated very much.
- 4<sup>th</sup>. We've had a stormy day, Monge in the Laboratory and Timothy in the Seed shop, Martin at the Med. shop
- 5<sup>th</sup> Rainy, Snow going off rapidly. Timothy working at the Seed House. R. Valentine returns from Boston & New York, had a litter of pigs last night.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Rainy day. Yesterday morning R. George left home for somewhere, working in the Seed Shop
- 7<sup>th</sup> Snow fell during the night after the rain ceased. Timothy working in the Seed House. R. Halford returned from a trip to New York.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Catharine Van Houten age 78 - one Month & 20 days passed to Spirit <sup>life</sup> about 10 O'clock last night after a long, lingering sickness of Cancer. The weather to day has been very fine.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Funeral services of Sister Catharine Van Houten at 2 O'clock, quite a large attendance, all the families, being well represented and many beautiful testimonies delivered by brethren & sisters in her honor, Peace to her gentle Spirit.

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- 10th Timothy to Pittsfield, with Butter and Eggs.  
The above is a mistake no one went to Pittsfield it  
was too stormy, heled at the Seed House
- 11th Timothy to Pittsfield to day for we had a furious  
wind storm to day; Washington goes to Springfield  
to try and sell some beans.
- 12th Elizabeth Gill leaves for Springfield, we took her to the City  
A fine storm raged nearly all day. Alonzo making Extract  
David Ray is quite unwell.
- 13th Timothy working at the Seed House; A wild stormy day  
Robert and Martin at the Medicine department  
Alonzo making Extracts.
- 14th Timothy helping put up Garden Seeds at the Seed Shop  
Robert and Martin working in the Medicine business  
The weather which was rainy yesterday has turned very cold
- 15th Seed Shop business is progressing nicely, Seeds are nearly  
all put up and many are sent off to their destination  
Robt. and Martin working in the Med. shop: weather is warm.
- 16th Sabbath Meeting at the First Order: A very cold day.  
The weather is very changeable.
- 17th Doing chores most of the day; Fixed up a stove in  
the hired mens shop cellar. Mar. 20 degrees below  
Zero this morning froze pipe in wash House
- 18th Timothy to Pittsfield with butter and Eggs. J. Doctor  
goes along to drive the horses, very cold morning  
mercury 10 degrees below Zero. Benj. came from <sup>yesterday</sup> Florida
- 19th Doing chores; Robert Halford & Martin working  
in the Medicine shop - Alonzo making Extracts  
The weather is pretty fair

- 20<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Washington to Pittsfield, had a very cold ride, Robert & Martin working at the medicine. Alonso is quite unwell.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Another cold blustering day; Our School district kept the day as Washington's anniversary birth day instead of Saturday which is not a school day. quite a large number in attendance, exercises quite interesting
- 22<sup>nd</sup> We filled a batch of Browns Liver Barks med. to day <sup>weather</sup> The has moderated very much.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath, Meetings both devotional and singing at home. The weather is quite nice to day
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs J. Doctor goes along to drive the team.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Alonso & Co. is pushing the Extract business quite sharply, cold day.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Timothy, Esther Gill and Lydia Carman go to Pittsfield do some errands, Mercury at zero this morning Robert Halford is unwell.
- 27<sup>th</sup> The weather has moderated considerably; Benjamin is staying at home Alonso pushing the Extract business Robert and Martin at the medicine.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Alonso, busy at the extract business Robert & Martin are putting up medicine, Getting in wood Etc. The weather is quite warm; Fred. Couse is here.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Rain! Rain! Rain! We've had steady rain all day; Timothy and small boys helping in the medicine shop, had some plank sawed for stable floor.

March 1896

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- 1st Sabbath. Meeting for devotion at the 1st Order  
The day has been quite soft and moist, but little rain
- 2nd Timothy to Pittsfield with butter and Eggs John Doctor  
goes along to drive team; An extremely cold time coming  
home. Mongo staid at Lanan last night
- 3rd Stormy and blustering day. Had a cow killed which  
proved unfit to be eaten. Henry George returned  
from Florida.
- 4th Thermometer about zero. Timothy & George Renter  
helping at the medicine. Washington working in the  
printing Office.
- 5th Dr. Benjamin Gates has gone to New York. The  
weather has moderated considerably to day. Robert  
Timothy, Martin and Sarah working at the medicine
- 6th Timothy and Washington to Pittsfield, doing errands.  
The going was pretty good by wagon. Robert, Martin  
and Sarah finished a batch of Seven barks.
- 7th Rainy day George and the boys doing chores,  
getting in wood
- 8th Sabbath Meetings at home Stormy day not  
many attended singing meeting
- 9th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; The weather  
was extremely cold in coming home; R. Valentine  
returned from New York
- 10th Timothy and George Renter to Pittsfield after Boxes  
Beautiful weather.  
Robert Halford and Martin Jones do the families  
washing Mongo making Extracts.

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- 11th Timothy, Sarah Butter and Nettie Spencer go to Pittsfield; The weather was not very nice rather cold. Robert is quite unwell. Moved David Ray up to the Wash House to where C.V.H. died.
- 12th Quite a heavy storm <sup>of snow</sup> has fallen during the day & some four or five inches fell last night: Robert H. is very sick of Diarrhea.
- 13th Henry to Pittsfield with Apples, Robt. Halford is a little better but still quite unwell. Weather has moderated a trifle.
- 14th Fine morning: Henry making Extracts R.H. still confined to his room Washington doing a little in the printing Office: More snow.
- 15th Sabbath Meeting in the Morning at the Chh. Afternoon Singing at Center Family; snowy.
- 16th Timothy and hired man to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Robert Valentine goes to New York with a pair of Cattle to sell. Stormy day.
- 17th About 8 or 10 inches of snow fell yesterday & last night and drifted some. the weather turned warmer thro. the day.
- 18th The weather is beautiful to day. Cleaning Old honey room in the Old Dairy Robt. Halford & Martin working at Medicine business George Reuter goes to Albany to his Mother.
- 19th Snow and Rain. A very rough day; R.H. and Martin working in the Shop.
- 20th Another bad day, men working in the swamp Robert & Martin in Med. Shop: H.G. with David Rea.

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- 21<sup>st</sup> Timothy takes Lydia Carman to West Pittsfield to take the train for New Haven to her Mother & her brother & sister
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Sabbath Meetings at home: Beautiful day
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; Cold morning, in the afternoon we had a disagreeable snow storm! Henry taking care of David
- 24<sup>th</sup> Robert & Martin do most of the washing: Robert Valentine returns from New York Mar. 2° below zero this morning Washington cleaned hen house
- 25<sup>th</sup> Monzo working at Extract; Cold morning. Esther working in the Tailor Shop. Sent Lydia Carman to her Mother on Monday but instead of going there she went to Albany
- 26<sup>th</sup> Henry dug the grave for David's body he having passed to spirit life about 6 O'clock this morning; warm day.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Another snow squall during the night and a cold wave with it: Put up a batch of Seven Barks this morning.
- 28<sup>th</sup> W. George goes to Pittsfield with apples etc. etc.
- 29<sup>th</sup> W. Willey hire man leaves. The weather is quite moderate Sabbath, held funeral services for David Rea being a very stormy day but few attend.
- 30<sup>th</sup> The morning was rainy, but the day turned out beautiful. Henry George grafting some apple trees. Brewster is here from E. Nassau
- 31<sup>st</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs: Bro. said overnight and left his home this morning Very fine day: but the roads are bad.

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- 1st Preparing for sawing wood; Benjamin comes home from New York. The weather over head is charming. H. L. grafting
- 2nd Robt. Halford and Martin Jones working at the Medicine Timothy at the Seed shop Alonzo at the Extract works Stormy day.
- 3rd Timothy to Pittsfield took Calf Skins and some Top Onions. H. L. & hired men working at the wood. A cold windy day.
- 4th Stormy day, wind blowing a gale with snow Brethren and hired help working at the wood. R. Valentine returns, gone three or 4 days
- 5th Sabbath, This is Easter Sunday a great Festival day among Episcopalians & Catholics, had Meeting at the Church family, the weather has moderated.
- 6th Timothy to Pittsfield, with Butter and Eggs Emma J. Neale rides to West Pittsfield, & a little boy for company Beautiful weather but bad roads.
- 7th Sawing splitting and piling wood, stormy day; Alonzo & helpers making Extracts; Robert & Martin do the washing
- 8th Sawing, Splitting and piling wood; Beautiful day R. Halford and Martin Jones working at the medicine, Alonzo at the Laboratory
- 9th Continue at the wood business in full force The weather is splendid just now
- 10th Sawing splitting and piling wood continues Robert Halford and Martin are helping to day The weather is very fine

- 11<sup>th</sup> Sawing wood again Robert and Martin helping H. George to Pittsfield, also R. Valentine fine day.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at home both devotional & singing The weather has been superbly grand to day.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Warm and sultry weather. The roads are almost impassable Brethren & hired help working at the wood.
- 14<sup>th</sup>. Sawing Splitting and piling wood. The weather continues very warm. Washington trimming trees & also is Henry George. R. V. goes to New York
- 15<sup>th</sup> Finished sawing the wood. Continue splitting and piling. Washington is doing some grafting. The weather is delightful.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Piling wood in the new building. Benjamin goes to New York. Eld. Elizabeth & Esther helping pick fur. The weather is extremely warm.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Cleaned Sisters privy. Yesterday the Mercury stood at  $82^{\circ}$  in the shade to day  $81^{\circ}$  Men picking up stone on the Oat field. Robert and Martin working at the medicine
- 18<sup>th</sup> Cutting down plum trees, that are ruined by black nott Harrowed the Asparagus beds. Finished the Medicine
- 19<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting for devotional exercises at the Church Family singing at home. The weather is much cooler than it has been for some days passed.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield, with Butter and Eggs. Beautiful weather. Henry George summoned to Albany by his brother Robert and <sup>Martin</sup> at the medicine business

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- 21<sup>st</sup> Clearing the door yard of old foxtail grass had a piece of ground plowed for peas. The weather has turned quite cool.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Eldress Elizabeth, Esther and Janett helping pick fur down street. also three brethren help. had a hard rain last night.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Fixing fence in around the chicken yard Sowed peas and beet seed; Sisters still picking fur. Beautiful day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy & Washington grafting pear trees in the North Orchard; W. George to Pittsfield; Sisters and Martin picking fur. Fine day.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Set 38 plum trees yesterday and to day some bee yard & some in hen yard. Nice day for the business R. H. felling wood in the new building.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at home. Beautiful day. Timothy, Henry Reed & Caroline Bishop go to Canaan to see Emily Afford who is sick unto death.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Alonzo to Pittsfield, with Butter and Eggs: Washington and Martin finished setting out trees and grafted plum trees in hen yard; Fine day.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Washington Plum trees in the Nursery Henry G. and Robert Halford Setting Plum trees in South Orchard; Dull day.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Finished grafting the Plum trees in Nursery: W. George and Robert setting out Apple trees.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Grafted some trees in the Blacksmith shop yard and lower side of garden: Set gooseberry bushes one south of Dairy & in No. Garden W.G. finished setting apple trees

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1st

We have cherries and pears commence blossoming to day  
Sowed Onion Beet and Parsnip seed lower side of garden  
Beautiful day weather very dry. Had 1<sup>st</sup> meal asparagus after  
Timothy helped Eld. Calver in the church's kitchen garden  
Washington planted some potatoes in the No. Garden: Farmers  
planting potatoes in the lot North of Sec. Families red barn.

3rd

Sabbath Meeting in forenoon at the church; Singing  
in the afternoon at Center family, weather cool & dry.

4. th

Timothy and Robert, go to Pittsfield with Butter  
Eggs & Rhubarb and a few bunches of Asparagus  
a Mrs. Clara Sherman of Springfield stayed here  
over Sunday & left for her home to day.

5 th.

Cutting Asparagus in morning and tyed it in the  
afternoon 40 bunches for market Robert H trimming  
Raspberry bushes below the blacksmith shop.

6 th.

Timothy, Eldress Elizabeth & Sister Amelia Calver go  
to Hancock T.R. to Pittsfield with Asparagus: R.  
H. & Martin cut asparagus & potatoes

7 th

Fixing hen yard fence and cutting asparagus for the  
Pittsfield market and trimming the raspberry bushes: The  
weather is extremely dry, no rain for several weeks.

8 th

Timothy to Market with Asparagus; Robert and  
T.R. trimming raspberry bushes: Washington &  
Martin Calverning their room.

9 th

Robert finished trimming raspberry bushes  
Timothy and Martin and branching Asparagus  
for Market: Sowed or rather planted two rows Corn  
The weather continues fearfully dry.

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- 10th Sabbath Meeting for devotional exercise at home  
Singing meeting as usual; Hot day
- 11th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs and asparagus  
Robert Halford goes along; Cutting asparagus and  
watering fruit trees.
- 12th Planted 1/2 row Cucumber & 1/2 row Summer Squash  
Henry George to Pittsfield, Washington doing a job  
of printing for Emma J. Neale
- 13th Timothy to Market with Asparagus, Farmers plowing  
and dragging the ground for Corn in the lot next  
below kitchen garden. G.W. Jones digging post holes So.  
of New building.
- 14th Plowed a piece of ground in kitchen garden for  
Beans planted 1 row W.D.R. Cultivated the cur-  
rent bushes: G.W.J. fixing grape vines by the Dairy
- 15th T.R. to Pittsfield with Asparagus and Rhubarb  
Planted 1 row White D. Runner beans, hoed Peas  
and cut asparagus; Had a very slight shower.
- 16th Planted another row WDR beans & one row  
White Kidney Rust proof and 1 row Hubbard  
Squash. The weather continues dry.
- 17th Sabbath Meeting at the Church Family. Had a  
slight shower of rain in the afternoon.
- 18th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter Eggs & Asparagus  
R. Halford returns home after an absence of one week  
A young Englishman came yesterday wants to join.
- 19th The drought is finally broken as we had a nice rain  
to day; cutting asparagus and doing chores Henry to  
Pittsfield this afternoon

- 20th Timothy to Pittsfield with Asparagus. G.W. Jones goes along. Hoed Beets, Onions and Parsnips.
- John Henry Hallett a young Englishman came Charing and making fence in front of the old bee yard: Monday mom. Cob day.
- 22nd Finished the fence by bee yard, fixing up grape vine south end of Dairy.
- 23rd Mowing door yard and finishing up the grape vines by the Dairy. Weeding Onions & Sowing Parsnip Seed. Beautiful weather.
- 24th Sabbath Meeting for Worship & also Singing both held at home; very slight rain.
- 25th Timothy to the City with Butter & Eggs. Henry spraying the orchard last Saturday.
- 26th Slight rain this morning. Sowed two rows Little Gem Peas above parsnip; Washington fixing the door yard, Cut asparagus & Rhubarb.
- 27th Timothy to Pittsfield with Asparagus Butter & Rhubarb. G.W. Jones grading the door yard.
- 28th Jennette Spencer a 14 year old returns to Aunt in Brooklyn after living here 4 years. Transplanted 19 Tomato plants. Had a light shower.
- 29th. Plowing kitchen garden, put up a batch of Seven Barks Medicine! Beautiful day.
- 30th Washington to Pittsfield. Robert, Martin & J.H. Hallett working in the shop; hoeing Corn, Cuc. & Squashes.
- 31st Sabbath Meetings at home both morning and afternoon. Had a fine rain to day. M. Egerton of Harvard makes us a visit.

June1896

- 1st Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter Eggs & Asparagus; R. Valentine came home with him: Washington & some help mending road
- 2nd Brethren and hired men working on the highway on Cherry Lane so called.
- 3rd Working on the road. In the afternoon representatives of all the families attend a District school picknick held in the Cherry orchard below the school house we had a very good time.
- 4th Hoeing in the garden. Cultivating the asparagus bed. Transplanted Tomato plants next to Corn.
- 5th Finished cultivating asparagus bed Set out more tomato plants. The weather is very warm & dry.
- 6th Satted the asparagus beds 5 Bbls. on the two beds. Planted a row White bush beans below the pole beans weather warm & dry.
- 7th Sabbath Meetings at Center Family both devotional and rehearsing.
- 8th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs Had a heavy rain about one inch fell this morning. Eldress Harriet returned from Waterville.
- 9th Brethren and hired help working on the highway; Set half row Tomatoes. Fine day.
- 10th Had a heavy rain last night  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in. fell at 8 A.M. it is raining hard. Garden is being washed very badly

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- 11 Brethren and hired help continue working on the highway; Had a slight rain this afternoon. In the afternoon Timothy goes to Town.
- 12th Doing chores in the house; Washington to Pittsfield. Transplanted some Early cabbage plants; Hired boys digging post holes No. End of North Garden.
- 13th Hoeing Beets Onions and Parsnips & cultivated Squash Tomatoes and Beans. Fine day.
- 14th Sabbath Meeting for devotional exercise at the church family. Rainy day. Two Sisters from Enfield N.H. here on a visit.
- 15th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. R.H. goes along; Cool and cloudy day. G.W. Jones and hired help work on the road.
- 16th Hoed Beans and some Squash, also the border no end commenced weeding Onions; Washington & Henry working on the highway.
- 17th Nothing doing in the garden on account of rain; Had a visit with the Endfield Sisters; Set fence posts North end of North Garden.
- 18th Hoeing and weeding in the garden, and picking Strawberries which are very fine; Beautiful day.
- 19th Timothy and Ferdinand Gainben take the Endfield <sup>sisters</sup>, riding; Beautiful day. Finished weeding Onions, hoed Corn & Tomatoes.
- 20th Hoeing and weeding in the garden; Henry and Martin picking Strawberries all day; Picked some peas towards night. Beautiful day.

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- 21<sup>st</sup> Sabbath Meeting for worship at Center  
Family singing in the afternoon, more rain.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Timothy and Martin to Pittsfield with Butter and  
Eggs, Hoeing in kitchen garden, Picked over a  
Bushel of Strawberries & a few cherries.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield again take Butter for New  
York, Bring home Cabbage plant & transplant  
2 rows; after supper pick Peas. A Mr. Burdick  
and wife of Conn. came to visit.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Cut the grass in part of the door yard in the  
morning, Mr. Burdick and wife leave for  
their home, Cultivate and hoe Corn Currant  
bushes & Tomatoes; Cool weather.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Emma Jane Neale returned from New York  
Hoing and Cultivating in the garden.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield; Helped putting Paris green  
on the Potatoes; Fine weather; Picked 35 qts. cherries
- 27<sup>th</sup> Mowing the door yard for the cows and also nursery  
picked some cherries, and did a little hoing; A nephew  
of Henry George is here from Albany.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting at the 1<sup>st</sup> family for devotion  
singing at the Center.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs John  
Hallitt hoeing in the garden; Monzo working  
at the Laboratory Fine day.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Commenced mowing for hay. Mowed the door  
yard, Sisters and Martin on the mountain after  
Huckleberries & Strawberries;

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- 1st Henry George transplanting strawberries on the old patch, hired men working at the hay. R.H. mowing grass in the nursery for the cows.
- 2nd G.W. Jones with Eld. Joseph Holden on the mt. running a line between Hancock land and ours Timothy and Robert H. mowing grass for the cows Picking cherries & finished the <sup>first</sup> crop of peas. Moved the old Bee yard. In the afternoon we had quite a thunder shower. Hired men working at haymaking.
- 4th Timothy and Robert H. go to Pittsfield take a few qts of cherries, stop at Hancock on the way home & take dinner. This has been a very quiet 4th or independance day. Some relatives of Henry George here on a visit. This has been a gloomy day.
- 5th Sabbath Meetings at the Center Family several visitors attend, had a quiet but good meeting.
- 6th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs, Amanda goes to see her relatives; Henry George goes to Williams-town with his sisters and aunt.
- 7th Timothy Washington Martin Carrie Sarah Butter & Esther Gill go to Pittsfield to see Circus Parade, had a heavy thunder storm rained very hard, the farmers drew in 5 load of hay.
- 8th Three Brethren, 3 Sisters and 2 boys go after huckle berries get about 50 qts. Beautiful weather. A man from Phila. named Howell comes to visit.
- 9th Finished picking cherries, took some to Pittsfield warm day, R.H. & J.H. Hallett working in the shop

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- 10th Picked some currants, took them and cherries to Town, Farmers cutting grass & getting in hay: Beautiful weather. Robert's two sisters here a short time
- 11th Cultivating and hoeing in the garden, John H. Kallett a young Englishman who has been living here a time goes to Second Family to live; Very warm weather.
- 12th Sabbath No Meeting of our Family, all sad because we are expected to move this week to first Order. Eldress Elizabeth & Alonzo attend.
- 13th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs, Robert and Martin working at medicine, Had a tremendous shower this afternoon about  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. of rain fell in 15 min. or so.
- 14th The weather looks dull for haying, the medicine business is quite dull but we are doing a little at it Alonzo is making Extract. A woman from Springfield came Friday to see her two boys, returns to day.
- 15th Put up a batch of Browns Medicine this morning Alonzo has moved his desk down to the Church Family. Marion Scott of Philadelphia comes to make a visit. More rain.
- 16th Some of the family moving down to the Church family H. R. Agnew and Alonzo, Amanda Tiffany and Janette Spencer go to Endfield Conn. Marion goes to Pittsfield to live
- 17th Marion went to Pittsfield yesterday afternoon three women relatives of E. Gill came to day to make a visit. L. Morrow moved to So House yesterday hired men getting in hay, fine day.

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- 18th Brethren commenced taking their meals at the 1st Order on Thursday where we expect to move in the course of a few days.
- 19th Sabbath Meeting at the 1st Order No more meetings at the old Homestead, the family is broken up.
- 20th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Sisters are engaged in packing things to be moved.
- 21st Yesterday in the afternoon we had a nice rain. Laura Babcock comes to see us, pick some pears and Raspberries Fine day.
- 22nd Timothy to town with Pears & Raspberries, Took Esthers relatives to West Pittsfield Depot
- 23rd Laura Babcock returned to her home yesterday Brethren & Sisters are moving to the 1st Order
- 24th Henry George to Pittsfield with Apples & Pears Ministry Sisters here helping clean up the waste places.
- 25th Quite a soaking rain yesterday H. Jones and G. W. Jones move to the Church. Finished batch of med.
- 26th Sabbath Meeting at the 1st Order: Fine day.
- 27th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter Eggs, Etc. Geo. P. Crane of Woodbury Ct. came Saturday to visit & leaves today with Timothy
- 28th Timothy to Pittsfield with Apples & berries. Farmers reaping Oats and getting in hay. Warm sultry weather.
- 29th Timothy to Pittsfield with Apples and Pears: Sisters pick Black berries. Warm day. Wash Carpets Etc. Etc.
- 30th Moving more furniture and the Organ it went to the Brick Office. Hot sultry day farmers at the hay.
- 31st Final dissolution of Center Family. Timothy to West Pittsfield. Sisters working at wash house fine day.

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- 1st Getting in hay and cutting Oats in Denning Lot  
Picked the first ripe Tomato of the season  
R Valentine returns after of 3 weeks in New York
- 2nd Sabbath Meeting at the usual time & place  
3/4 inches rain fell last night. Beautiful day.  
A large turn out to attend the funeral  
of Emily Olford of Canaan she has been a  
patient sufferer for many years.
- 3rd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Beets, Eggs &  
black-berries a very warm day. Sisters pick  
large quantities of berries.
- 4th. Kicing, Cabbages, Fixing up broken down pole  
beans. Sowed 12 rows Turnip Seed in 1st orders  
garden Farmers laying in the swamp.
- 5th Timothy and Robert Halford to Pittsfield got to  
Dalton the Electric Cars, had a nice ride  
Robert Valentine to Albany
- 6th Picked the Blood-good pears, got 5 bushels good  
fruit; Farmers got in the Oats from Denning Lot  
An extremely hot day; Elder Josephine from  
Waterville and returns
- 7th Timothy to Pittsfield with pears warm day  
We had the most terrific thunder storm  
<sup>night</sup> ever witnessed here that any one  
remembers to have seen
- 8th Robert Valentine went New York yesterday. We've  
had an extremely hot day Robert Halford  
& Martin Jones working in Medicine Shop.

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- 9th Sabbath. Meetings at the 1st Order  
The M<sup>r</sup>. ran up to 90° or more the heat is  
excessive
- 10th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; the  
heat is terrible, brot Sadi Neale from Hancock  
hired help working at the Oats.
- 11th Hired men cutting Oats on the side hill most  
of them have to be cut by hand; picked some black  
berries; the weather continues very hot, M<sup>r</sup>. over 90°
- 12th Timothy and Alonzo go to Pittsfield take 1½ crates  
black berries. Mercury over 95° degrees; Farmers  
working at the Oats; Sisters picking black berries.
- 13th Hired men in the Oat field P. G. picked some  
apples for market. The weather continues in the nine  
ties the is terribly oppressive.
- 14th Henry and G. W. Jones to Pittsfield, Henry takes apples  
Robert Halford & Martin Jones working in the  
Medicine Shop; The M<sup>r</sup>. still keeps up above 90°
- 15th The weather is a little cooler this morning but grows  
hot, hot, hotter; Men at the Oats.
- 16th Sabbath. Meetings at the Church as usual Fine  
day
- 17th Timothy and Robert Halford to Pittsfield with Butter  
and Eggs, Hired men working at the Oats Robt.  
Valentine returns from New York cool day.
- 18th Rain during the night. Finished haying  
and harvesting; Benjamin to Albany  
R. Halford & Martin working in Med. shop

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- 19<sup>th</sup> Eld. Calvin, G.W. Jones, Ferd. Mainbeam, E. Cantrell  
Esther Gill, Nevah Martin, Daisy Wells, & Minnie  
go to Pontiac Lake for an outing.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Robert, Timothy and Martin working in  
the Medicine Shop. Ferdinand to Pittsfield  
with fruit. Beautiful weather. Millie  
Hart who used to live with us is here on a visit
- 21<sup>st</sup> Quite a number of Sisters and two brethren go on  
the mountain after huckleberries.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Emma J. Neale returns from Lake George  
whether she went on Wednesday. Hired men  
Cutting Sage.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath Meetings as usual morning & afternoon  
had quite a hard rain during Meeting
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Robert to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs  
Picked some Bartlett pears. Fine day.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with pears; Henry and G.W.J.  
go to the City also; hired men digging Potatoes.
- 26<sup>th</sup>, Timothy, Corinne and Millie Hart go to Pittsfield  
had a nice time; The weather is just charming
- 27<sup>th</sup> Fitting up Machinery for cutting Corn fodder Beautiful  
weather; Trimming Raspberry bushes.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield picking up Garden Seeds and  
selling some pears
- 29<sup>th</sup>. Robt. Valentine to Albany G.W.J. to Pittsfield; R  
Halford sick; Benj. Gates returns from New York.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at the Church as usual.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Setting up the  
Engine for cutting fodder Corn. Slight rain.

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- 1st Commenced cutting ensilage for Silo, the weather is quite cool: R Galford & Martin at Medicine Shop;  
Timothy to Pittsfield with Deers; hired men cutting Corn for Silo: Millie Hart leaves for Pittsfield to visit there  
Benjamin leaves for Florida.
- 2nd Sisters and 2 Brethren after huckleberries: Had a very heavy thunder storm in the afternoon  
Cutting fodder Corn, Bell Stewart visits us.
- 3rd Coal morning; Cutting fodder Corn, trimming raspberry bushes, Had a slight shower this afternoon or rather this evening.
- 4th Sabbath Meeting in the morning as usual in the afternoon we met with the North Family: Had rainy day over 2 inches fell Butter  
Timothy and Thomas Wells to Pittsfield with Eggs  
Hired men getting in fodder Corn: Beautiful day.  
A number of Brethren & Sisters pick about 40 bushels Cranberries: Hired men cutting Corn stalks.
- 5th Timothy to Pittsfield, a large number of Brethren and Sisters go for Cranberries get about 90 bushels; Henry and some men and boys picking apples.
- 6th Henry and a company of outside boys are picking the apples, Several brothers & Sisters pick Cranberries  
The weather is very warm.
- 7th Brethren and Sisters go on the mountain for Cranberries
- 8th Timothy to Pittsfield also Jas. Little: After Cranberries again; A very hot afternoon  
Henry & Company picking apples: Hot day.
- 9th
- 10th
- 11th
- 12th

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- 13<sup>th</sup> Sabbath No Meeting to day, the brethren & sisters  
are worn out from picking Cranberries the past week
- 14<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City with Butter & Eggs; Robert H.  
putting up Medicine. Alonso at the Laboratory making Extracts: Cloudy day
- 15<sup>th</sup> Thomas Wright, brother to Eldress Dorothy visited  
at the Chh. last week & went to Boston on his way  
home last Saturday: T.R. to the City with pears.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Ferdinand & Eld. Calvin to Pittsfield; Martin and  
Timothy picking pears, Henry & boys picking apples  
Beautiful day. R.V. returns from New York.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Filling the Silo with Corn fodder: Picking and  
Sorting pears also picking apples. Dull day.  
Robert Halford working at the medicine
- 18<sup>th</sup> Had quite a thunder storm last night, Timothy to  
Pittsfield with pears, Ferd. & Thomas of the Chh Family  
also go to the, fine cool day.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Picking Apples and pears; Had a very heavy  
rain thunder and lightning. Florida Sears returns  
from Albany, where she has been visiting. R.V.  
goes to Albany and elsewhere.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting as usual: Timothy, Washington,  
Corinne and Esther go to Hancock and attend  
Meeting morning and afternoon; Weather cool  
and fine. R.V. returns home.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs,  
Brethren picking apples and pears: also  
Tomatoes for Canning: Beautiful day.

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- 22<sup>nd</sup> Timothy to the City with Pears. Sisters Canning Tomatoes for Market; Rainy day.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Henry and hired help picking apples, Martin Jones helping Ferd. Gainbein Timothy Cornelius French & her Cousin go to Pittsfield; Cool day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sisters putting up Tomatoes for Market at the Church Family, picking apples at both families; Fine day.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit, G. W. Jones out of condition for business. Brethren picking apples with help of hired men & boys.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Beautiful weather; Picking apples, gathered in the Winter Squashes. Working at the Medicine Sabbath Public Meeting to give the Neighbours an opportunity of attending the funeral of William Thrasher who passed away Thursday age 100 years 5 months & 13 days it was a nice funeral.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Market with butter, Eggs & apples. Brethren in both families picking apples. Cloudy disagreeable day.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Picking apples continues with Energy unflagging T. R. to the City again with Pears & Quinces Hired Men cutting Corn.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Henry George and hired boys picking at the Old Homestead of Center family. It in rain during the night

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- 1st George Baxter of New Endfield N.H. left here this morning for Watervliet to visit the people there visited here about a week, he's a very nice man apparently about 35 years old.
- 2nd Timothy to Pittsfield with apples took Bbls with one horse; Henry and hired boys picking apples, hired men finished cutting up Corn. Cool weather.
- 3rd Rainy morning Sisters with Brethrens help put up yesterday 136 Gals. Tomatoes in Cans. Robt. V. returned from New York on Wednesday 31st Ult.
- 4th Sabbath Meetings at the usual time, a cool and cloudy day. nothing out of the common transpires.
- 5th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Rainy disagreeable day.ough a hired man goes to Williamstown with a load of Lambs. Robt. Halford at the Medicine Alonso working in the Laboratory.
- 6th Several Pittsfield are surveying for a New State Road across the Mt. 1 mile is already graded, this side Hancock. Henry George to Pittsfield with apples. Lowry weather; Scarcely any sunshine this week.
- 7th Rainy morning Timothy to Pittsfield with chickens to sell and make market for butter;
- 8th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Pears. Hired men getting in Potatoes.
- 9th Timothy to West Pittsfield Depot with Cloak, in the picked Corn and Pulled Beets in the afternoon
- 10th Timothy & Robert got in Corn and Beets in the morning, afternoon Timothy went West Pittsfield after Amelia Salter's Sister in Law

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- 11th Sabbath Meetings at the usual time; The North family attended our morning Meeting which was very good. Amelia's Galvers Sister was present.
- 12th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs & Squashes Brothron and the helpers pick some apples, slight rain in the morning. Anna Neale comes to see her sisters Nanny Galver leaves here on her way West on a business trip towards her home in Hagerstown Md, Rainy day
- 14th Picking apples continues with unabated vigor when ever the weather Timothy chores etc. etc.
- 15th Timothy takes Anna Neale to Pittsfield; Beautiful day; Finished picking apples picked some Winter Pears yesterday
- 16th Picking up cider apples, and taking them to the Mill, pulled pole Beans. Weather moderately fine
- 17th Team to Pittsfield with Turnips & Potatoes. Fine day. David Gill came last evening & staid until this morning, he goes to Berlin.
- 18 Sabbath morning and afternoon Meetings at the usual time; Rainy day.
- 19th Timothy to the City with Butter a few Cabbages Henry and hired boys picking up cider apples The weather was raw and windy
- 20th Rainy and very windy carrying apples to the Cider Mill. David Gill, staid here last night, he goes to Conn. to day.

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- 31st Raining, Timothy and Washington to Pittsfield with butter Cabbage potatoes Etc. Henry takes apples to Cider Mill
- 22nd Picked some Winter Nellis pears. Hired men digging potatoes and drawing them in also pulling turnips, pretty fair weather.
- 23rd Timothy and Joseph Quinn to Pittsfield Joseph gets a suit of clothes except pants. Carry over turnips, in the afternoon deliver cabbages on the flats.
- 24th Henry Calver came Thursday & leaves for his home in Washington this morning. More rain
- 25th Sabbath Meetings at the usual time. Bro. Benjamin Gates came home this afternoon.
- 26th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs & pears. The ground was frozen hard this morning the afternoon was pleasant.
- 27th Finished getting Cabbages. Beautiful day.
- 28th Timothy to Pittsfield again took over pears & Squashes, brot the Ministries things from Hancock Fine day.
- 29th Put up a batch of Browns Seven Barks: a little rainy in the forenoon. H.G. abused one of the Sisters
- Bro. Benjamin left home again for Florida
- 30th Timothy goes to West Lebanon on business for Emma Jane. Hired men working at the Garage.
- 31st Henry George to Pittsfield with apples. Timothy to West Pittsfield with cloak to go by Express. The weather is beautiful

- 1st Sabbath Meeting in the morning at the usual time, Ministry were present, Beautiful day.
- 2nd Timothy, Washington and Henry George were all three to Pittsfield, Timothy with butter Henry with apples; The weather is delightful, hired men harvesting the crops.
- 3rd To day the people are very much interested in choosing a chief Magistrate of this great country, it has been one of the most beautiful Election days I ever knew, the weather has been charming
- 4th Timothy to Pittsfield, Robt. V to Canaan and Chatham picking up Garden Seeds. Hired men getting in crops.
- 5th Rain Rain Rain! Brethren working in the house, Robert Valentine leaves for New York City R.H. & J.R. working in the Medicine Shop.
- 6th Sarah Neale goes to Albany and Watervliet, had a heavy rain and thunder storm last night about  $1\frac{3}{4}$  inches, this includes what fell yesterday.
- 7th Dug the parsnips and put them in the cellar, one team to Pittsfield with old rags. Beautiful day.
- 8th Sabbath Meeting in the morning as usual North Family attend our Meeting Rainy day.
- 9th Timothy and Robt. Halford to Pittsfield with butter cold chilly wind; The roads are extremely bad. Robert Valentine returns from New York; Elder Jos. Holden & Emma J. Neale to Pittsfield
- 10th Timothy goes to Adams & North Adams to collect Garden Seeds. Benjamin returns from Florida. Weather pretty fair

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- 11th Washington goes to Westfield to an old friend of his Henry George goes to Pittsfield & brings Timothy home had a heavy rain coming home
- 12th Fred to Pittsfield with apples Timothy to Berlin to collect Seeds Etc. Had a another shower in the afternoon Alonzo goes to Endfield on a visit Timothy returns from Seed Route had poor sales Washington returns from Westfield where he had been visiting Fred. Couse.
- 14th Robert and Sarah Cutler working at the Medicine at the Center; Washington fixing the water works there We are having a very cold snap.
- 15th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time.
- 16th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; Elder Calvin leaves for Endfield & Canterbury N.H. for a visit Beautiful day
- 17th Cut the asparagus: shipped 25 cases Tomatoe to New York to the Hotel Endicott. Elder Joseph, Robert V. & one or two Sisters go to Chatham on Court business Henry George & Katrina Koch. go to Pittsfield.
- 18th Timothy, Tabitha, and Ernce Cantrell go to Pittsfield Robert Halford working at the Medicine; Fine day.
- 19th Timothy to Pittsfield, took over some Pears and done a few errands, brot. Alonzo from the depot The weather has turned very cold.
- 20th Peddling cranberries; Mercury has dropped down to 20 degrees, quite a cold snap. A Cousin to Corinne & his wife are here on a visit

- 21st Stormy day; John Kroctor & Henry George to Pittsfield with apples and potatoes; Corinne's Cousins leave for their home at White Plains
- 22nd Sabbath Meetings at the usual time had a good meeting, quite a number spoke; Fine day.
- 23rd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Hired men getting out manure at the Center Family. Cold morning, Mercury
- 24th Elder Joseph and Robert go to Chatham on Court business Timothy peddling, Rainy day; Brethren return from Chatham.
- 25 Topping & splitting Lovage roots; Brethren tried to mend the House roof at Center Family that was. Had some rain
- 26th Thanksgiving Day Meeting as usual in the forenoon; in the afternoon 6 brethren fixed the Center Families dwelling house roof
- 27th Robert goes to Albany and Hudson; Elder Isaac Anstatt of Watervliet here to see the Ministry Finished cutting Lovage roots for R. V.
- 28th Rainy day, Henry George to Chatham after barrels. Robert returns from Albany & Hudson Timothy moved some things from Center Family
- 29th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time North Family attend with us. Weather cooler but quite moderate
- 30th Timothy to Pittsfield with butter and Vegetables Robert Halford, Henry George & Joseph Quinn go to Albany for an outing; cold day.

- 1st Robert V. goes to Lowell Mass. to sell roots Timothy takes him to Pittsfield; R. Halford, H. George and Jos. Quinn return: A stinging cold day.
- 2nd Washington and Martin go to Pittsfield with fowls and Squashes: Timothy doing a little tailoring and Robt H at the Medicine Muc. 10 deg. above zero.
- 3rd Thermometer 4 deg. above zero; Ferdinand and Martin to Pittsfield with fruit, Robert H. working at the medicine.
- 4th Henry George goes to Pittsfield with apples and cranberries; Robert Halford at the medicine Mercury 8 deg. above zero.
- 5th Robert and Timothy working in the medicine shop Henry George drawing
- 6th Sabbath No Meeting Yearly Sacrifice day. Weather for the time is splendid.
- 7th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter Eggs; Alonzo goes to Pittsfield with William Anderson
- 8th Robert Halford, Henry, Washington, Martin, Thomas and the boys put up a batch of Browns Medicine John Hector to Pittsfield; Beautiful weather. Working at the Medicine at Center Family
- 9th The weather is very mild Eld Joseph, Robert Eldress Harriet & Emma Jane go to Chatham.
- 10th Timothy goes to Pittsfield for Carson Winters who used to live here when a boy & young man.

- 11th Robert H. Timothy, Martin, Cornelia French & S. Butter working at Center Family on the medicine, very mild weather. Eld. Galvin returns from visiting Endfield Canterbury Harvard and Shirley.
- 12th Washington to Pittsfield; Henry cutting up wood. Robert H. & Timothy working at the medicine; Cornie doing the Dairy work at Center House.
- 13th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time in the morning. In the afternoon Singing Meeting. Fine day.
- 14th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs, brings Sarah Neale home from Station she had been to Albany on business. Beautiful day.
- 15th Mercury 14 degrees above zero about 6 o'clock A.M. Alonzo making Extract Robert Halford putting up Medicine Henry George to Pittsfield
- 16th Robert, Timothy, Martin, Cornelia, Sarah Butter and Katrine Koch working at the Medicine at Center Family
- 17th Robert Halford and the same company as yesterday are at the medicine to day; Henry George to Pittsfield, also Robert Valentine & Washington. Cold day.
- 18th Finished labeling Browns Seven barks, commenced last week on Tuesday; Washington to West Pittsfield. Cold day Thos. Wells cutting a tree for basket stuff.
- 19th Timothy helping in the tailor shop; Robert packing the medicine in Casses for shipment.
- 20th Sabbath, Meeting in the morning at the usual time North Family attended with us, singing in afternoon.
- 21st Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs John Doctor goes along; Washington, Amelia & E. Cantrell to the City, for Christ<sup>x</sup> presents.

- 22<sup>nd</sup> Henry George to Pittsfield with apples; cold day  
Mercury 2° above zero about sunrise; R. Valentine  
returns from Western Seed Route.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Robert Halford goes to visit his Sister & her family at  
Lenox. Cornelia French goes to Albany to visit her Cousin  
Henry S. to Albany, Ferd. & G. Duncan to Pittsfield; cold day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Snowed nearly all day yesterday about  $\frac{7}{8}$  inches fell.  
G. W. Jones, Corinne & Esther go to Pittsfield. Mercury  
6 degs. below zero, coldest day we've had yet.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas day is being kept as usual by having a  
Meeting for devotional exercises in the morning.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Timothy, Sarah Neale & S. Wells go to Pittsfield cold  
morning. Alonzo and hired man making Ext.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Sabbath. Meeting for devotion in the morning, in  
the afternoon singing as usual. Mercury before  
breakfast 4 degrees below zero.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, and Eggs & Poultry  
Alonzo and hired <sup>man</sup> making Extracts John Doctor goes to  
Pittsfield with Timothy; a bitter cold morning
- 29<sup>th</sup> Thomas Wells, Martin Jones, and hired man working  
in Seed Shop. Timothy doing a little in the tailor  
shop; Robert V. goes to Hartford Ct. to sell Sage.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Emma Jane Neale goes to Albany to get  
some goods; Timothy helping Eldress D.  
at the tailoring, the weather is moderating.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Henry George & a boy go to Pittsfield to sell Cran-  
berries; Sarah Neale goes over about teeth:  
Moderate weather; Timothy in tailor shop.

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- 1st. Timothy helping do tailoring; Sisters sorting Cranberries at the Medicine Shop. Thomas Wells and Martin working at Seed shop; Cold day.
- 2nd Henry George goes to Canaan for Cornelia who has been spending a week with relatives in Albany. Ferdinand and Washington to Pittsfield, R. Halford comes home with Washington; Mild weather.
- 3rd Sabbath. Meeting at the usual time in the morning North Family attend with us. The weather is quite warm; Robert V returned last evening.
- 4th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs. The weather has been warm & close to day considering the time of year; roads are very muddy.
- 5th Robert Halford and Martin Jones working working on White's Medicine at the 1st Orders Med. Shop. A fine mist & rain fell nearly all the morning, farmers cutting corn stalks; Timothy tailoring.
- 6th Timothy helping Eldress Dorothy; Washington helping cut up corn stalks; Yesterday Robt. Valentine went to Chatham on Court business; Colder weather.
- 7th. Robert & Martin mixing Medicine; Washington helping the farmers Elder Calvin & George D. getting out basket stuff; Cold day.
- 8th Brethren and Sisters putting up White's Medicine Eld. Calvin & George D. getting out basket stuff. Beautiful day over head.
- 9th James Glass burning brush last evening; Ferdinand to Pittsfield with Apples, Brethren at the Medicine. The weather is cold and clear.

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- 10th Sabbath. Meetings at the usual time  
North Family attend with us. The weather  
has been quite mild.
- 11th Timothy to Pittsfield with butter & Eggs  
Robert and Martin putting up Whites Medicine  
Cold morning
- 12th Three Brethren at the Medicine, Thos. Wells  
helping in the Seed Shop. Rob. Valentine goes to  
New York with cattle to sell. Cold day. Temp.  
dropping fast towards zero.
- 13th Henry and Thomas Wells go to Pittsfield, with apples  
Robert, Martin and Sisters at the Medicine  
Timothy helping at the Seed shop. Cold day.
- 14th Robert, Martin and six Sisters working at the  
Medicine; Ferdinand goes to Pittsfield, with apples  
Thomas Wells helping at the Seed shop; Cold day.  
James Glass burning brush.
- 15th Timothy and Thomas Wells helping at the Seed  
shop; Robert & Martin at the Medicine business;  
Elder Calvin & Geo. Duncan at basket stuff
- 16th Alonso making Extracts, Henry George sorting  
apples, Timothy working at the Seed shop, Robert  
Halford at the Medicine. Moderate weather
- 17th. Sabbath Meetings afternoon & Morning at the  
usual time. A little stormy with slight snow
- 18th. Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs  
Elder Calvin and Geo. Duncan to Pittsfield to get  
basket stuff pounded out. Had a small blizzard  
accompanied with snow.

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- 19th Robert packing White's Medicine; Timothy at the Seed shop to work Morn. 8 degrees below zero.
- 20th Along busy making extracts, Timothy helping in the Seed shop; Elder Calvin at basket stuff Morn. six degrees below zero this morning
- 21st Timothy working in the Seed Shop, R. Halford working at the Center Family A.G.H. at Laboratory
- 22nd Elder Calvin working at basket stuff, Timothy at the Seed shop; Robert and Martin at Center Family
- 23rd Robert Valentine returned yesterday afternoon from New York; Emma Jane returns to night on 8.30 train. Stormy day
- Timothy at seed shop, R. Halford at Center Family
- 24th Sabbath Meetings at the usual time North Family here in the morning: Fine day.
- 25th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs: Morn. 6 degrees below zero: Ferd. Ganbin to Pittsfield. Henry G. & Robert Halford sorting apples at Center Family
- 26th Henry George & Robert H. sorting apples Timothy in the seed shop to work. Stormy cold day.
- 27th Brethren and hired men commenced getting in ice, Timothy helping in Seed shop R.H. & H.G. at apples
- 28th Frederick Sizer over 90 years old died about 4 P.M. yesterday: about 1 foot snow fell to day.
- 29th Considerable snow fell last night: R.H. sorting apples
- Timothy putting up Garden Seeds: Fair weather
- Geo. Duncan working at the basket stuff: Timothy at the Seed shop: Robert H. at the Medicine
- 30th Sabbath, Funeral of F. Sizer 3 P.M. A large number came from other families, many testimonies given: Fine day.
- 31st

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- 1st. Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs & Squashes.  
Mercury below zero, fine winter weather. Hired man in  
the Seed shop to work. Ferd. to Pittsfield with Sisters
- 2nd. Robert & Martin in the medicine shop, Alonzo in the  
Laboratory making Extracts; Timothy in the Seed Shop.  
G.W. Jones to Pittsfield with two Sisters
- 3rd. Timothy working in the Seed Shop. Robt Halford  
and Martin at the med. business, Jas. Glass & Thos.  
Wells chopping fire wood. Beautiful day.
- 4th. Robert, Timothy, Martin two boys and two sisters  
putting up a batch of L. Brown's Medicine;  
Alonzo making Extracts. Fine winter weather
- 5th. Timothy working at the Seed House; R. Halford  
and Martin putting up Medicine at the Center  
Family. R. Valentine returns from New York
- 6th. Robt. Halford & Martin working at the medicine  
Timothy at the Seed House; Jas. Glass chopping  
cord wood on the Mt. A little stormy to day.
- 7th Sabbath. Meetings at the usual time the  
North Family attended in the morning quite  
a rainy day.
- 8th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs, & Squashes  
Robert Halford goes along. The weather is quite  
moderate; Alonzo making Extracts.
- 9th Henry and Robert sorting apples at the  
Center Family; Timothy putting up Seeds.
- 10th Continue putting up Seeds. Henry sorting  
and barreling apples; the weather is quite  
Moderate Alonzo making Extracts

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- 11th Jas. Glass and Thomas Wells chopping cord wood; Henry at the apples, G.W. Jones helping the Farmers cut Corn fodder: Cold day.
- 12th Timothy working in the Seed House: Snow commenced falling last night & continued all day. Finished putting up apples.
- 13th Robert and Martin working at the Medicine, Timothy at the Seed shop to work, We are having good winter weather. Alonzo is making Extracts.
- 14th Sabbath. Meetings at usual time. North Family meet with us, we have a good time love pervades our home. Weather is delightful
- 15th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Mar.  $26^{\circ}$  above zero this morning: Washington and party cleaning off the ice before getting it in. R. Hulford and Martin working at the medicine.
- 16th Brethren & hired help getting Ice Timothy in the Seed House, R. Hulford at the Med. R. Valentine to New York with cattle: Fine day.
- 17th The weather is quite moderate; at the Ice again; Timothy still at the Seed House, Geo. Turner goes to Nassau on Seed
- 18th Henry drew the apples to the depot; Ferd. Ganbin goes to town with apples: Timothy, in the Seed House G. W. Jones & three Sisters visit Mrs. Lillard: Fine day.
- 19th Geo. Turner goes to West Stockbridge, Lee & Lenox to put out Garden Seeds, P. V. returns from New York; A boy about 16 years old came yesterday from New York to live here Fine day.

- 20th Timothy, Florida Sears and Julia A. Scott go to Pittsfield, had a fine day. G.W.J. over also Robert H. and Co at the Medicine.
- 21st Sabbath Meetings at the usual time with the North Family present quite a good meeting; Beautiful day.
- 22nd Timothy, Alonzo and hired man go to the City with Butter and Eggs. The weather was quite chilly. R. Halford & Martin in at the medicine Henry George to town with two Chh. Sisters
- 23rd Rain last night and snow this morning Robt. Valentine goes on a Seed Trip. Timothy at the Seed House, R. Halford putting up Medicine
- 24th Mercury stands at 18 above zero this morning, Alonzo making Extracts Timothy at the Seed House, R. H. at the Medicine.
- 25th Timothy goes to Pittsfield & put out Garden Seeds on Commission; R. Halford & Martin working at Medicine at Center Family, Jas. Glass chopping fire wood. Beautiful winter weather.
- 26th Elder Calvin & Geo. Duncan working at basket stuff Jas. S. Glass chopping fire wood Alonzo making Extracts Timothy at Seed Shop.
- 27th Finished picking over black wax Beans commended yesterday, R. Halford at the Med. shop at work of Jas. S. Glass Chopping fire wood Alonzo at Ext.
- 28th Sabbath Meetings as usual the morning service was unusually satisfactory, Beautiful weather, Mer at Lowest point 8 above zero

- 1st. Mercury 8 degrees below zero. Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs. Alonso making Extracts R. Halford at the medicine shop, Ward B. Whitcomb & Ted Langford are here on a visit, they used to live here.
- 2nd Robert Halford at the Medicine Shop; Alonso making Extracts. W. B. Whitcomb & Ted Langford leave this afternoon, quite a mild day.
- 3rd Rainy day, Elder Calvin at the Carpenters shop in Dr. Brick Shop, Robert Halford at the medicine shop; Timothy helping Office Sisters, Fanny Tyson of Endfield, Conn. here on a visit; warm weather.
- 4th. William Mc Kinley of Ohio becomes to day President of these United States <sup>for</sup> four years. Eld. Joseph Holden is here leaves for Hancock and Endfield tomorrow. Cold day, Timothy doing a little tailoring.
- 5th. Mild morning, Elder Joseph goes to Hancock Washington takes him and goes on to Pittsfield. Timothy commences sizing broom corn.
- 6th. James S. Glass chopping cord wood on the Mountain. Timothy Sizing broom corn, Robt. Halford at the medicine shop to work R. Valentine returned.
- 7th. Sabbath Meeting at the usual time 10 A.M. singing in the afternoon; A most beautiful day Canaan people met with North family Timothy and Robert Halford to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; this has been beautiful day.
- 8th Timothy Sizing Broom Corn; R. Halford at the medicine shop, Dr. Benjamin Gates returned to day from Florida. Cloudy & windy day.
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- 10th. Elder Calvin working in the Carpenters shop at Brick Shop, Timothy sizing broom corn, George Duncan at the basket stuff getting it ready for Sisters; The weather is quite warm.
- 11th Making Extract, Sizing Corn and getting out basket stuff is the work brethren is doing; fine day.
- 12th Robert Galford is weaving Carpet, A. G. Hollister is making Extracts George Duncan at basket stuff Fanny Tyson returns to her home Emma J. to Albany.
- 13th Jas. S. Glass chopping on the Mountain, Robert H. weaving, Emma returns; Eld. Joseph was here a short time; Benjamin goes to New York.
- 14th Sabbath Meeting at the usual hour, Canaan people & North Family Brethren attend; the Canaan folks visit us in the afternoon
- 15th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs Robt. Galford weaving Carpet, Martin in the shop helping size bloom Corn; cold day.
- 16th Martin sizing bloom corn at the Seed House, Timothy to Pittsfield with Potatoes and Sage; cold day.
- 17th Bro. B. Gates returned from New York yesterday; Eldress Dorothy & Emma Jane go to see the Minister at Endfield Conn; making brooms and carpets by Brethren.
- 18th Martin finished sizing bloom Corn; Geo. Duncan working at the basket stuff Timothy sewing brooms The weather is moderating very much.
- 19th Making brooms & Carpets. weather quite warm.
- 20th Timothy working at brooms, R. H. at Carpets Bro. Beny Gates left for New York yesterday; <sup>Thunder</sup> storm and rain

- 21st. Sabbath, Meetings as usual morning & afternoon  
The weather is quite moderate
- 22nd Timothy goes to Pittsfield with butter and Eggs; the brethren commence sawing wood: The weather seems quite like spring: making brooms.
- 23rd A cloudy and dull morning; brethren working at the woods. Timothy M. Hazard & E. Sears go to Pittsfield call at Hancock & make a short visit. Extremely bad roads.
- 24th Splitting and piling wood and making Brooms  
Stormy day R. H. weaving Carpets,
- 25th Alonzo making Extracts Corinne taking care of Dairy at Center Family Stormy day
- 26th Brethren and hired men do some thrashing, Timothy in the Seed Shop working at brooms; Robt. H. weaving Stormy day: Jos. Lunn in the shoe shop.
- 27th Finished thrashing Oats and Barley, Stormy afternoon  
Timothy, Sarah Neale & Gary Wade go to Lebanon Spa. to do some trading
- 28th Sabbath Meetings at the usual time; Elder Joseph here for a short time, Br. Levi Shaw & R. Valentine return from New York. Cold day.
- 29th Timothy to Pittsfield with butter and Eggs: Brethren and hired men Sawing splitting and piling wood; Beautiful day.
- 30th Fine Spring morning, all hands engaged in the various branches of business. Finished sawing wood.
- 31st Brethren splitting & piling wood: R. H. weaving Carpets, Timothy working at Brooms, Alonzo at the Extract business. Beautiful weather.

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- 1 st Brethren splitting and piling wood, Geo. Duncan working at basket stuff Robt. Halford weaving carpets Washington takes charge of the farm.
- 2 nd Finished the wood business yesterday Robt. Halford mixing medicine at Center Family Timothy still at the brooms. Beautiful day.
- 3 rd Brethren sent off batch of White's medicine Farm teams drawing out manure, the wood business is finished for the season beautiful day.
- 4 th Sabbath. Meetings as usual morning and afternoon The weather is delightful
- 5 th Timothy goes to Pittsfield Rainy morning the weather clears before noon Geo. Turner launching up Brooms R. H. & M. Jones Mixing Med. at the Center Family that was.
- 6 th Ferdinand goes to Pittsfield with apples, damp morning R. H. Martin, Alonzo, H. G. T. R. and Katrine & two boys put up a batch of Seven barks medicine.
- 7 th Timothy to Pittsfield with Brooms and vegetables, Robert and Martin working at the medicine, Hired men drawing out manure; fine day.
- 8 th Elder Baldwin working at the Machine shop Timothy helping Sisters at carpets; Alonzo working at the Laboratory; R. Halford sick: dull day.
- 9 th Timothy helping Sisters make Carpets G. D. working at basket stuff; Stormy day.
- 10 th Jas. Glass works at the barn taking care of cattle; G. W. Jones at the horse barn taking care of horses. The weather has partially cleared off.

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- 11<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at the usual time; Weather to day has been quite fair.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs, Robert Valentine goes to Boston & Albany. Beautiful day. Farmers drawing out manure.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Elder Calvin working at the Machine Shop; Robert Halford and Martin working in the medicine business; A very wind day.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Making Carpets, Scraping the road; Alongo working at making Extracts; Robert and Martin at the Medicine Cool weather.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Emma Jane & Elizabeth Cantrell go to Albany on a little business trip; Robt. Valentine returns. Rainy day R. Halford putting up Medicine.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Beautiful morning with slight frost, Robert H. on the sick list. Timothy and Thomas Wells making fence on the side hill, a warm beautiful day; Farmers getting out Manure; Eld. Calvin to Hancock.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Rainy day, Timothy to Pittsfield. Robert Halford and Martin doing a little in the medicine business
- 18<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at the usual time. The weather is just splendid.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs, Washington and Ferdinand also go to the City. Very changeable weather the morning was very fine & the afternoon stormy.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Had a hard frost this morning; Mar. 16° above zero; Eld. Joseph comes over from Hancock & Benj. Gates from Florida.

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- 21<sup>st</sup> Robert Halford working at the Medicine  
Timothy and Thos. Wells making fence on  
the side hill; Eld. Joseph returns to Hancock.  
Bro Benjamin is still here.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Timothy and Thomas Wells making fence on the side  
hill, Herd man drawing out manure; Bro. B.  
Gates leaves for Waterville and New York: Fine day.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Cleaning up the door yard and drawing  
out ashes on the garden, a very warm day  
A youth of New York who has been here  
about 3 or 4 months returns to his friends
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy burning brush at the Center Fam-  
ilies nursery, in the afternoon Eld. Calvin  
Timothy A. H. Gov. W. J. & others plant about 3 acres  
potatoes
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at the usual time; We have  
charming weather; R. H. went to New York yesterday.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs, the  
weather to day has been very fine.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Washington to Pittsfield, a great change in the weather  
occured in the night, snow & rain & cold
- 28<sup>th</sup> Timothy & Thomas Wells mending fence in the  
swamp, This is a mistake tis a rainy day.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Mending fence in the swamp, R. Halford  
returns from New York, beautiful day.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Finished mending fence in the swamp  
Elder Calvin making some wire gates  
for hen yard Ferdinand to Pittsfield  
Sister Amelia Calver returns from Washington D.C.  
after an absence of about 6 weeks.

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- 1st Timothy R. and Thomas Wells finished making fence on the Mountain, Jas. Quinn quite sick last night windy & cool day.
- 2nd Sabbath Meeting in the morning at the usual time, in the afternoon Timothy, Washington, Emma Jane and Esther Gill attend the funeral of Eldress Lois Wentworth of the East Family, had quite a rain
- 3rd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs, Sister Amelia Calver along to Hancock. the weather has been a little showery; R. V. to Hudson.
- 4th. The kitchen Garden <sup>at Center Family</sup> is planted to potatoes, Our Garden here at the Church family has been plowed to day; this afternoon attended the funeral Olive Chapel South Family; J. R cutting up plum sprouts in Nursery. Timothy and Robert to the City, Brethren raked the kitchen garden. Farmers put in Oats last week weather has been perfectly charming to day.
- 5th Thos. Wells & Timothy sowed vegetable Seeds in the kitchen garden; farmers planted potatoes, Fred drew a load of chips from the Paterson woods, very fine day.
- 6th Cut Asparagus & had the first meal to day took 26 bunches to Pittsfield; Cool & clear weather
- 8th Cutting down Plum sprouts in Nursery at Center Family's old home; Go to Canaan depot for passenger but find none.
- 9th Sabbath Beautiful morning, Eld. Wm Wilson & J. Macbald of Endfield N. H. attend our Meeting in the morning. Beautiful day.

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- 10th Elder Calvin, Robt. Valentine Emma J.  
Neale, Levi Shaw & Wm Anderson go to  
Hudson on Court business. Timothy to the  
City with Butter & Eggs. Rainy afternoon
- 11th Henry George returned from Watervliet whither he  
went on Saturday. Elder Calvin & Company came  
home last evening. Beautiful day.
- 12th Ferd. goes to Pittsfield with apples. Alonso & the Eastern  
Brethren visit the Second & South families, rainy day  
Cut asparagus at both beds.
- 13th Elder Calvin G. Reed conducted the funeral ser-  
vices of the late Elder D.C. Brainard at our home, it  
was a large & very impressive funeral many friends &  
neighbours attended. Rain! Rain! Rain!
- 14th Cut both asparagus beds at Center Family &  
trained some quince bushes beautiful day.  
The Endfield brethren go to Hancock.
- 15th Timothy to Pittsfield with asparagus & Rhubarb  
Ministry return here after <sup>an</sup> absence of about four  
months R. Valentine went to New York yesterday  
via Hudson
- 16th Sabbath. Meeting in the Morning Ministry in  
attendance also No. Family Beautiful day.
- 17th As usual Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter Etc.  
Farmers plant potatoes, cool weather.
- 18th Finished planting potatoes, Sowed 5 rows Onion  
for Eld. Joseph in Old Sea Garden. R.V. returned from  
New York having gone there last Friday: slight shower
- 19th Brethren planting potatoes

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- 19<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with asparagus & Rhubarb Etc.  
Sowed onion for Eld. Joseph also small sage bed
- 20<sup>th</sup> Farmers plowing for Corn; Ferd. to Pittsfield also  
Eld. Joseph and Washington; Judge Longley of Hudson  
& Mrs. Lawyer Andrews and daughter with him.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Rainy morning Timothy to Pittsfield with asparagus  
Farmers planted 3 pieces sweet Corn. The Hudson company  
<sup>go on</sup>  
Elders Joseph and Calvin and some of the Brethren  
planted Corn yesterday. Timothy cleaned a lot of beans  
R.H. & T.R. to the depot Beautiful
- 22<sup>nd</sup>. Sabbath Meetings at the usual time  
Beautiful weather.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Eggs, Asparagus & pie  
plant. Rainy morning. R.H. at the Medicine.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Ferd. goes to the City with Apples, Asparagus & Rhubarb  
Rainy day; Cut asparagus Etc, & Cleaned up shop.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Robert Valentine goes to Hudson with Sarah Neale  
Timothy to Pittsfield also Ferd. & Sidney Wells.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Henry George to Pittsfield, hired man planted Beans  
& Cucumbers at Center Families Garden rainy day.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Plowing, dragging & Planting Corn; H. George to  
Pittsfield: Cutting down Plum sprout at the Center.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Geo. W. Jones to Pittsfield R.H. working in the  
Med. shop at the Center. S. Neale home from Al-  
bany whither she been on business yesterday
- 29<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meetings at 10 & 2 O'clock quite good  
The weather is very fine.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Hired man plowing & dragging in the big garden  
Timothy to Pittsfield: Decoration day cool & cloudy.

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- 1st. Margaret Bedell of Athens on the Hudson is here on a visit came last evening. Timothy and Ferd. to Pittsfield with Asparagus, we have a very cool day. Monge & Washington fixing the steam pipes at Laboratory.
- 2nd Henry George, Mary Hazard and Cornelia French go Pittsfield. Gov. Black & wife and Lou Paine & wife were here to day. brethren hoed potatoes, fine business.
- 3rd Timothy, Cornelia and Lance Wells go to Pittsfield A. Haldorff at the Med. Monge & J. Little at Laboratory. Eld. Calvin building roof from fence to privy.
- 4th. Cutting asparagus working at Browns Med. Eld. Joseph to Hancock, Emma J. N. and Elizabeth Cantrell to Albany. Nice day.
- 5th. Robert H. goes to Pittsfield to spend Sunday. Timothy over with asparagus. The Ministry go to Harvard, slight showers.
- 6th. Sabbath Meetings at the usual time, 2 visitors were present a man & woman; Fine day.
- 7th. Ferdinand to town with asparagus, Timothy with Butter, Eggs Etc. Cool day.
- 8 R. V. transplanted Tomatoes at Center Family's Kitchen garden T. R. and hired boys hoe currant bushes Cloudy day 2 women here with children from New York.
- 9th Rain! Rain! Rain all day long, two women of New York remain over to day.
- 10th The New York women left for their homes this morning; H. George to town R. H. returns.

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- 11th Ferdinand & Washington go to Pittsfield R.H. & S.R. in the Med. shop, Set out some Tomatoe plants west side Seed Garden. H.G. & 4 boys working on the highway.
- 12th Brethren working on the Public road. R.V. goes to New York, Timothy Pittsfield, this has been the finest day this week.
- 13th Sabbath Meetings at North Family in the morning; in the afternoon cut asparagus.
- 14th Rain last night & this morning Timothy to Pittsfield; Elder Calvin & boy set Tomatoe plants quite a heavy thunder storm in afternoon.
- 15th Hoeing & replanting Corn Elder Calvin, Timothy Ferd., Joseph Quinn, Geo. Duncan, Martin two boys and Washington engaged in the business.
- 16th Sarah A. Neale Carrie Wade & Timothy to Pittsfield Elder Calvin bring Ministry Sisters from W. Pittsfield Station Brethren hoeing Corn Beautiful day.
- 17th Brethren hoed corn in the field west of Pond G.W.J. killed a swarm of Bees this Timothy to Hancock: Eld. Joseph returns; fine day.
- 18th Timothy to Pittsfield also Ferdinand, in the afternoon hoed potatoes; Geo. W. Jones sold Several head of Cattle. The weather has been charming.
- 19th Finished hoeing potatoes Seven men & two boys: Sisters picked enough Strawberries for a meal Henry George working on the road R. Halford at the med shop: fine day.

- 20th. Sabbath Society Meeting, to organize  
for Public Meeting: Had quite a shower.
- 21st Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs: Brethren  
and boys hoeing potatoes: Eld. Jos. & Ferd. go to Canaan;  
Levi Emma Jane & Eliza R. go to Canaan.
- 22nd Sisters as usual do the washing: L.S. & R.V. go to  
Canaan, Timothy to Pittsfield R. Hulford & Alonzo  
put up Norwood's Tincture. Fine day. 6 calves to N.Y.
- 23rd Robt. and Levi are to Canaan having the land surveyed  
that belonged to the late Upper Family & now worked by  
Levi Shaw: G.W. Jones to Pittsfield
- 24th Two Sisters from Watervliet are here on a visit: Brethren  
got in 6 loads of hay yesterday & 5 today: warm day.
- 25th Eldress Augusta, Sarah A. Neale and Timothy go  
to Pittsfield also G.W. Jones: Sister Anna Dodgson  
passed to spirit life about 10.10 A.M.
- 26th Brethren getting in hay: Ferd to town Marion Scott  
& C. Langford come to stay over Sunday.
- 27th Sabbath. Funeral of Sister Anna Dodgson at  
2 O'clock P.M. held in the Meeting House quite a  
delegation from Hancock also a number of outsiders present.  
The weather was very fine Ministry attended.
- 28th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs: M. Scott goes  
home with T.R. and William & wife comes to Lebanon.
- 29th W. Langbridge leaves. T.R. & G.W. Jones to Pittsfield, rainy  
afternoon
- 30th Rain! Rain! Rain! Fixing wagon  
for painting

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- 1st Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries; Washington over with two Sisters; H.G. & Alonzo picking the cherries, Farmers getting in hay; fine day.
- 2nd Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries, yesterday Sisters picked over two hundred qts. strawberries and cherries, picked cherries; Beautiful day.
- 3rd Drew in 15 loads hay yesterday; Timothy to town Anna Langford & daughter return to their home getting in hay & picking cherries; fine weather.
- 4th Sabbath. Public Meeting at the usual time Weather perfectly charming.
- 5th. Brethren working at haymaking Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and cherries, an extremely hot day. People are celebrating.
- 6th. War up among the Nineties, extremely hot: Timothy to Pittsfield, farmers cultivating and Mowing A.G. Hollister & H.G. picking cherries.
- 7th. Henry George to Pittsfield with cherries, brings home James Little who has been absent about a week Joseph & Henry Rayson came to the No. Family to day to make a visit. Had a heavy thunder storm. Picking cherries at Church & Center farms: 3 Sister of Hancock Chh. family pick cherries this afternoon, very hot day. H.G. to Pittsfield.
- 8th. Picking and sorting cherries, Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit. Judge Bishop of Boston made a short call Yesterday a large company of Hancock Sisters were here picking cherries Joseph & Henry Rayson visiting here here at Chh. On extremely hot day.
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- 10th

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- 11th Sabbath Public Meeting and Singing at the usual time; a very warm day.
- 12th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs, picking cherries is the order of the day Brethren and hired men engaged in haying:
- 13th Joseph and Henry Rayson of Philadelphia return to their homes; Rain! Rain all day rain Timothy to Pittsfield also Washington.
- 14th Had a heavy rain this morning over 6 inches fell since yesterday morning picked some cherries this afternoon
- 15th Brethren and hired men mending the road that was washed out badly on the flats; picking fruit Beautiful day.
- 16th Picking cherries, took over 3 bus. to market to day getting in hay, cutting Sage Etc. Etc. Fine day.
- 17th Fine morning; Henry Gorge to Pittsfield took 3 crates cherries; Directly afternoon we had a heavy thunder storm, considerable hay will be spoiled.
- 18th Sabbath Public Meeting at the usual time not many spectators a few from Pittsfield
- 19th Timothy to town with fruit and Butter Brethren & hired help getting in hay; W. Hazard & H. R. Agnew go to Hancock on a visiting tour
- 20th Timothy to Pittsfield, H. George & Alonso picking Cherries; Brethren and hired haying; fine day.
- 21st Timothy to town with cherries, Eld. Joseph goes over with J. R. Henry, Alonso and 2 hired boys pick cherries, had another storm.

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- 22<sup>nd</sup> Henry George and Thos. Wells go to Pittsfield with cherries; Rainy day, picked about 2 bus cherries
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Timothy to the City with fruit; Another thunder storm; The roads between here and Hancock are ~~detestable~~
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit, Teams drawing Coal; Linker fixing the Meeting House roof. Had a heavy thunder storm.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Public Meeting as usual in the morning. Some of the Brethren picking cherries and others working at the hay; fine day.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Timothy to town with Butter Ferdinand with cherries Alonzo picking cherries: pretty good day.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Timothy, Washington and Joseph Quinn to the City; Had some rain on the way home H. George and Alonzo picked some cherries; G. W. Tilden & wife made a short call at the Office: Annie Neale here.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Picked some cherries and took them to Market, had a hard steady rain all the way from Pittsfield. Haying is suspended for the present.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Had a tremendously heavy rain during the night about 3 inches fell. Dull cloudy day. Alonzo picked a few cherries.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Market with cherries; Had a slight drizzle of rain; Ben. Galford called, picked some cherries.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Ferd. to town with Early apples Timothy collecting Garden Seed, Joseph having teeth fixed more rain this Evening.

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- 1st Sabbath Meetings at the usual time both Devotional & Singing; Slight rain, very few spectators present.
- 2nd Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter Eggs: Monzo & 9 Sisters go on the Mountain after Kneeberry a slight sprinkling after dinner
- 3rd Timothy to Market with cherries & Raspberries, fine day Brethren and hired help get in hay: The Corpse of S. A. Spencer an old resident died in hospital away from home was brot home to day and interred
- 4th Picked some Early pears. H. George & Robert Halford to Pittsfield with fruit. Eld. Calvin working at the Machine Shop. Fine day.
- 5th Henry George to Pittsfield with Pears Etc. Rain during the night & up till about 9.00 Timothy picked some cherries Monzo at the Laboratory
- 6th Commenced putting up a batch of Seven Barks Medicine for L. Brown, Washington, J. Wells Geo. Duncan Allen Wells & 3 hired men at the hay Had a Thunder storm about 5.30 P.M.
- 7th Brethren and hired help haymaking R. Halford and four Sisters working at the Medicine Beautiful day.
- 8th Sabbeth Public Meeting as usual, In the afternoon held funeral services of the late S. A. Spencer
- 9th Timothy to the City with Butter & Eggs: Elder Joseph here from Waterlooville: Brethren drew in some hay, quite a rain this afternoon.

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- 10th. Drew in 5 loads hay to day, Had a heavy thunder storm this afternoon Brethren putting up Med. Farmers under R.V. cutting grain on the Hatch Lot Henry G. to Pittsfield.
- 11th Robert Halford and company working at the Med. Had another thunder storm: 1½ rain fell to day.
- 12th. Washington, Ferd. & H. George to Pittsfield yesterday Another tremendous thunder storm.
- 13th Elder Joseph leaves for Watervliet via Hancock. Shipped a batch of Seven Barks to day Timothy to Hancock after H. R. Agnew. Beautiful day; Picked Bloodgood pears in dooryard & nursery, also apples in So. Orchard Brethren getting in Oats. Splendid weather.
- 15th Sabbath Public Meeting as usual: Had another thunder storm
- 16th Robert Halford goes to New York via Pittsfield and Albany Timothy to town with Butter & Eggs Henry George takes apples & pears. Fine day Picked all the Bloodgood pears we have; Elder Calvin repairing the walks, the weather is cool. Sister Matilda has relatives here on a visit.
- 18th Henry George, Corinne B. & Esther Gill go to Pittsfield: Robert Halford returns. S. A. Neale and Carrie Wade start on a trip North.
- 19th Henry George to Pittsfield with pears and apples. Farmer yet in hay: H. Calver, <sup>wife</sup> here. Timothy & Henry to Pittsfield, Farmers at the Oat harvest, Fine day.
- 20th

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- 21st Henry to Pittsfield with fruit; John C. Winters & a neic here in addition to the Calvers Farmers get in hay.
- 22nd Sabbath. Meetings morning & afternoon as usual, a few spectators present. thunder & rain 2.30 P.M.
- 23rd Timothy to the City with Butter, Eggs & Fruit; The Calvers & Winters leave, H. George brings home a new wagon; Fine day.
- 24th Rain! Rain! Rain! Henry G. & Ferd. to the City; picked  $\frac{1}{2}$  Bus. plums.
- 25th Timothy, Ferd. G.W. Jones & H. George to Pittsfield; Thomas Rayson & wife of Phila. Came this evening to make a short visit; had a shower.
- 26th H. George to Pittsfield Farm teams to Canaan for freight, Brethren & hired help haymaking.
- 27th Timothy to the City with Dears. The State of Mass. is making a road across the Mountain which makes bad teaming; Farmers getting in hay; Fine day.
- 28th Thomas Rayson & wife have gone home, Robt. Halford has gone to attend a funeral at Lee Mass. Farmers get in hay; Beautiful day.
- 29th Sabbath Public and home Meetings as usual  
Beautiful weather.
- 30th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs Henry George also, goes over with apples. Had a slight shower in the morning & a very fine afternoon.
- 31st Timothy to the City with fruit, also Ferdinand Brethren & hired men getting in hay; Fine day H.G. picking apples for market.

- 1st Henry George goes to North Adams with a load of apples, Picking Bartlett pears at the Chh. and Center Families. Beautiful day.
- 2nd Timothy & Henry to Pittsfield with fruit; had a slight rain in the morning & considerable during the night Dr. B. Gates is <sup>now</sup> from Florida
- 3rd Henry G. Corinne, Katie Wells & Sarah Kinney go for Elder-berries Timothy picking pears at the Center. Benjamin leaves for Florida Fine day.
- 4th H. George to the City with fruit; picked some pears & plums: G. W. Jones off the hooks; Fine day.
- 5th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time. quite a good sized company present: Eld. Joseph here Beautiful day.
- 6th Timothy to the City with fruit & Butter & Eggs Eld. Joseph is still here, Sarah A. Neale goes to Chatham to exhibit fancy articles; fine day.
- 7th. Eld. Joseph leaves for Watervliet Henry George goes to Pittsfield with Pears & Plums: getting in Rowen or Aftermath.
- 8th. Sarah A. Neale, Corinne, S. C. Esther, Anna Maria Greaves, Eld. Calvin & Timothy go the fair at Chatham Beautiful weather. Jas. Salter & wife came
- 9th. Timothy and S. Butler to Pittsfield took some plums & pears: very warm day.
- 10th. Washington & the girls go to fair, drive down: Another hot day.
- 11th H. George to Pittsfield with fruit; Put 21 Bbls. Bartlett pears in Ice house: Hot day.

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- 12th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time  
Beautiful weather.
- 13th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs. Jas. V.  
Calver & wife leave, one for Boston the other for  
home in Md. Had a slight rain. hired man  
digging for leak in water works pipe
- 14th Timothy to the City with fruit; Beautiful weather  
conting the digging. Farmers digging potatoes.
- 15th Sisters Canning pears; Timothy to the City;  
Still looking for the leak in the water pipe;  
Beautiful weather.
- 16th Sisters Canned Tomatoes yesterday. Timothy  
to Pittsfield again with fruit Ferdinand,  
& 2 boys go to the fair at Pittsfield; very  
fine weather
- 17th Timothy & Sarah Butler go to the City; cloudy weather,  
Washington & a hired man fixing water pipes. Henry  
George picking <sup>apples</sup> at the Center.
- 18th Henry George shipping Apple at West Pitts-  
field Ferd. to Pittsfield. Still searching for  
water. Cool day. Put up batch medicine.  
at the Center.
- 19th Sabbath. Meetings as usual morning &  
afternoon Slight frost this morning but fine day.  
Emma J. Neale goes to New York on business
- 20th Timothy and Washington to Pittsfield with fruit  
and butter also Henry George Rainy day,  
Elder Calvin goes to Waterloiet to see the  
Ministry & James Little to Albany.

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- 21<sup>st</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit; Men digging ditch for laying pipe, Henry George picking apples: Ferd. was to market also. Cold day.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield again with pears, prices range very low Carrie Hollister Sister in law to Alonzo is here visiting came on Monday.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> H. George to Pittsfield with fruit Washington and two hired men go to Pittsfield for 7.50 feet Iron pipe for Water works. some rain
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit, Rainy day: Sarah Cutler returned from Albany whether went on Wednesday Men working at digging ditch.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Henry G. goes to Chatham after Bbls. picked a few pears and plums Ferd. to Pittsfield with fruit A.W. Jones also to the city
- 26<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting at the usual time in the forenoon, Beautiful day, only a few spectators.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Henry G. to the City with fruit also Washington goes to town with Butter, Cold windy day Men finished laying pipe for Water Works.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Henry George to Canaan, R. Malford to West Pittsfield Ferd. to Pittsfield R. Valentine finished Silo, Sharp frost this morning, Mar. 30 degrees
- 29<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Canaan Station after Sister Angelina Cox of Waterloiet who comes on a visit, C. Hollister starts for her home in Utan Fine day
- 30<sup>th</sup> Martin Jones getting the School House ready for school to open tomorrow. Beautiful weather; Eld. Josephs onions got in yesterday.

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- 1st Timothy to Pittsfield, Ferd. and hired man picking Apples H. George & hired help are gathering fruit at the Center, Washington to Pittsfield also; Beautiful weather
- 2nd Fixing the house furnace which is out of repair Henry G. to Chatham after Apples Bob. R. H. putting up batch Seven Bark Cool day. G. W. Jones to Pittsfield Ferd. goes over with fruit.
- 3rd Sabbath. Meeting at the usual time; No outsiders present; Beautiful day. Mar. 28.<sup>o</sup>
- 4th Eld. Joseph Slingerland of Union Village Ohio came last evening and went on to Endfield Ct. this morning to see the Ministry. Marcia Bullard & Lottie Tremper are here on a visit
- 5th Commenced School term yesterday, Ada & May Rhulhausen of North Farnsley; we are now having Beautiful weather.
- 6th Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit, we are having trouble water works connected with Wash House Alonzo & Jas Little making Extracts; fine day. The pipe for conveying water to the Wash House from pond was filled & stopped with mud Cleared it out this afternoon.
- 7th Ferd. and hired man picking apples at Chh. & H. George & hired man & boys at the Center, Fine weather, but cool.
- 8th Timothy, Robert Halford & Ferd to Pittsfield about M. a fire broke out & burned an old dwelling at East Farm & set the woods on fire
- 9th

- 10th Sabbath Public Meeting as usual; Robert Valentine arrives from New York, M<sup>r</sup>. 24°  
11th G.W. Jones & Allen Wells to Pittsfield with Butter  
Marcia Bullard & Lottie Tremper go to Hancock  
on their way home Windy day.
- 12th R. Valentine returned from Hudson this morning  
he had been to attend a Law suit which is post-  
poned till tomorrow; Rainy day: R. W. to Pittsfield.
- 13th. Timothy & Sarah Cutter, Timothy with fruit Sarah  
<sup>to Pittsfield</sup> to have her teeth filled by the dentist; Men work  
at the Water pipes, Fine weather.
- 14th Continue at the water works; Ferdinand picking  
apples so also is H. George Timothy to the City  
with fruit; Beautiful weather.
- 15th Timothy, Sarah Neale & Angelina Cox go <sup>to</sup> the  
City; Still working at water works, Robert V.  
and Orrin Jane returned from Hudson last  
night where they had been to attend a law suit.  
The case was decided in favor of Shakers.  
Ferdinand & boy to Pittsfield, with fruit working  
still on the water works. G.W. Jones to town also  
Yesterday M<sup>r</sup>. rose to 85° in the shade.
- 16th Sabbath Meeting postponed, cause why, fire  
in the woods brethren turned out to fight it in  
the Saps bush & on the Mountain; warm day.
- 17th Timothy to Pittsfield Washington was over also  
Hired men drawing Coal for the house; cool  
day:
- 18th

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- 19th Ferdinand to Pittsfield with apples, Henry George & hired man & boys picking fruit; fine day.
- 20th Timothy to Dalton with a Cloak for Mrs. A. Garfield Henry 7<sup>th</sup> & 2 or 3 Sisters ride out. Cool & windy day.
- 21st Robert Halford left home yesterday for New York on business; Eld. Calvin, Ferd Henry & Maria Lapsley go to Pittsfield; cool day.
- 22nd Robert Valentine & Leo Shaw to Pittsfield to identify S. J. Wells signature before the Court. Timothy & Geo. Duncan Ceiling Cap E. side Med. Shop.
- 23rd Angelina Cox of Water violet left here on Wednesday R. Valentine to Pittsfield, G. D. & T. R. finished Ceiling Cap at Med. Shop. Fine weather.
- 24th Sabbath. Closed the Public Meeting for the season; had a free meeting a number spoke.
- 25th Timothy & G. W. Jones to Pittsfield, Robt. Halford returned from New York via Boston. Beautiful day.
- 26th Emma Jane goes to Albany for goods; working at the hydrant near the Office. Beautiful day.
- 27th Mixed & dipped a batch of Whites' Medicine. Amelia G. W. Jones E. C. & a boy & girl to Pittsfield. Fine weather.
- 28th Timothy to the City; Robert Valentine to New Lenox R. Halford & 4 Sisters putting up Medicine.
- 29th G. W. Jones to Pittsfield, Robt. H. & Sisters put up 15 Gross & sent them to New York.
- 30th Putting up Pictures; Ernest H. Crosby here; cool day.
- 31st Sabbath. We had an address today by E. H. Crosby of Rhinebeck an Apostle of Henry George the advocate of Single Tax. Same who died a few days ago.

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- 1st G.W. Jones & Timothy R. to Pittsfield; Ernest H. Crosly Rhinebeck. We were much pleased & edified by his masterly address & his visit. Rainy day: R Valentine returned from New York
- 2nd Rainy day; E.H. Crosly returned to home <sup>his</sup> yesterday. <sup>fell.</sup>  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches Rain in two days.
- 3rd Ferd. & Washington to Pittsfield; Had a slight rain this morning: Teams bring glass from Depot.
- 4th. Teams drawing glass bottles; We finished putting batch Whites Medicine or rather we finished dipping a batch; Beautiful day. Putting up Whites Medicine, Horizo making Extract, Eld. Calvin working Machine shop
- Ferd. & J. Quinn to Pittsfield; fine day.
- 5th Eld. Calvin to Pittsfield with Ferdinand. Robt Halford goes over with Timothy, Washington goes over also; Cool and Cloudy.
- 6th Eld. Calvin to Pittsfield with Ferdinand. Robt Halford goes over with Timothy, Washington goes over also; Cool and Cloudy.
- 7th Sabbath Meeting at home North Family attend with us, Head a slight sprinkling of rain.
- 8th Timothy, Washington & Allen to Pittsfield, The Ministry came over from Hancock & made a short stay. Stormy afternoon.
- 9th Rain! Rain! Rain! Emma J. Neale goes to Northampton R. H. working at the medicine.
- 10th Timothy, Henry, Ferd. and R. Valentine to Pittsfield two men come to fix boiler at Extract works; Cold day.
- 11th The men fixed the boiler & returned home to Pittsfield; Rainy afternoon.

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- 12th Stormy day Finished putting up a batch of White's medicine. Henry Cantrell came to day to visit, Eldress M. Offord of Endfield St. is here to spend the evening.
- 13th R. H. putting up Med. Timothy helping. Several men draw Coal in the afternoon; Cold day.
- 14th Sabbath Meeting at home North Family attend with us; much sympathy was expressed in regard to Ste. M. J. Anderson who had a stroke of Apoplexy on Thursday morning.
- 15th Timothy, Washington & Allen to Pittsfield R. H. in the med. shop, More rain this P.M.
- 16th Washington, Ferd. H. Cantrell, H. George & Adeline Cantrell to Pittsfield, Hamilton De Graw of Waterloie here on a visit Stormy night.
- 17th Making paper Med. boxes 2 brothers & 3 Sisters: 3 teams drawing Coal from West Pittsfield: Cold day. Boys and girls going to school.
- 18th Timothy goes to North Adams on Seed Route R. Nealford to Lenox to see his Sister; Teams drawing Coal; Cold day.
- 19th Timothy gets home thro. a snow storm, Sr. Martha J. Anderson passed to spirit life about 2 O'clock A.M. A much beloved Sister
- 20th Stormy, rough day: Hamilton De Graw visits the Sisters to day:

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Sabbath. Meeting at the North Family this afternoon to attend the funeral of Sister M. Jane Anderson, one of the most gifted women of the community, a loving Christian soul about 53 or 54 years old; a very large attendance.

22nd

Timothy and Washington to Pittsfield; Hamilton De Graw of Water violet leaves here for Hancock. A cold rough day. There was 2 speakers at M.J.A.

23rd

G.W. Jones to Pittsfield; R.H. & T.R. working in the <sup>Funeral</sup> Med. Shop at the Center. F.R.V. goes to Albany & N.Y. Farm team drew some Coal from West Pittsfield for Med. Shop; Robt. Timothy & Sisters folding papers.

24th

Thanksgiving Day, we had Meeting at 10 A.M. with the North Family altho the room was cold we had a good meeting.

26th

Getting ready to put up a batch of Med. Elder Joseph was here this morning; Rainy afternoon.

27th

We dipped a batch of Browns Med. this morning & commenced Labeling this afternoon. Robbins of the firm of R & G. Pittsfield came yesterday to see about putting a boiler for heating the Dwelling House. Cold day.

28th

Sabbath Meeting at the usual time No. Family attends with us, had a good meeting. Cold day. Timothy and Washington to Pittsfield Stormy day. C. Monzo & James Little working at the Extract.

29th

Had a man from Robbins & Gamwell, Pittsfield to take out <sup>old</sup> ~~had been used~~ boiler for heating house. Eld. Alex. Work, Rosetta Hendrickson, Rachel McDonnell & Isabel Graves of Water violet came to the funeral of Elders Am. Taylor.

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- 1st To day we attend the funeral of Eldress Ann Taylor, who had lived in the Ministerial Order for 35 years was Elder <sup>sister</sup> 12 & Deaconess 4 years, & 86 yrs. old.
- 2nd Putting up Brown's Med. The Brother & Sisters of Waterliet returned to their homes this morning Cold day
- 3rd G.W. Jones Henry George & 2 hired men go to Pittsfield after a steam boiler for heating the Dwelling House stormy day: 2 brethren & 4 sisters at the Medicine.
- 4th Teams brot. Sand & brick, Stormy day: R.H. & R and S. Butter working at the Medicine Henry George
- 5th Sabbath Meeting at the North Family in the forenoon, Singing in the afternoon at home. Snow & raw.
- 6th G.W. Jones to Pittsfield, with Butter Timothy also to the City after the man to put in the boiler for heating the house: R.H. & S. C. & S. H. putting up Med.
- 7th Cold morning: Two men from Pittsfield came to day to put in the boiler, P. Valentine leaves for New York City: Working at Browns Med.
- 8th Teams Drawing Coal from West Pittsfield, preparing for the boiler. Ministry come to take up their abode with us: Fine day.
- 9th H.G. George to town after fixtures for the boiler, Timothy, Robert and 3 Sisters at the med.
- 10th The men working at the boiler H.G. helping finished the Med. yesterday, The weather is like Spring time

- 11th Working at the boiler. R. H. Shumway doing a job in the Office. The weather is very mild.
- 12th Sabbath. Meeting at 10 A.M. North family present. Rainy day; Singing in the afternoon.
- 13th Washington to Pittsfield with Butter; The men are at the boiler getting along with it very nicely. The weather is like spring time.
- 14th Cleaned bottles yesterday and to day for another batch of Browns Med. The men continue at the boiler, have nearly done: A very stormy day with tremendous high winds.
- 15th J.R & R.H. folding Circulars for Browns Med. The men are working away on the boiler. Rainy day. Alonso at the Laboratory, & J. Donavan helping Timothy and Thomas Wells to Pittsfield. The boiler men are fixing boiler in Ministry's house; We had a  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. rain yesterday. This has been a fine day.
- 16th Finished putting in the boiler; R.H. and T.R. at the Medicine Shop; Eld. Calvin at the Machine shop to work. G.W. Jones carried the men over the mountain. Timothy Robert H. and Washington go to Pittsfield each on his own business; a very cold ride home.
- 17th Alonso making extract. Tabia Ann Marie G. move into the room created by Edress Ann.
- 18th Sabbath is being kept as yearly sacrifice day.
- 19th Mercury about 8 degrees above zero.
- 20th G.W. Jones to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Elder Joseph, Martin Jones & Geo. Daneum digging the cellar deeper for coal. Snow Squall in afternoon.

- 21st Elder Joseph and two Office Sisters go to Pittsfield  
Hired men drawing Coal from West Pittsfield  
depot R. Halford working at Med. shop, cold day.
- 22nd Teams drawing coal: Timothy & Robert cleaning  
bottles for White's Medicine. Along at the  
Laboratory. Cold day; H. George to Pittsfield  
Timothy to Pittsfield. The men are drawing Coal for  
the house boiler: Jas. Glass burning brush, had a snow  
squall this afternoon.
- 24th Ferdinand goes to Pittsfield, Timothy to New Lebanon  
Elder Calvin cutting discs for pin cushion, Mercury  
at zero. Had a heavy wind storm.
- 25th Christmas day Meeting in the morning at 10 O'clock  
the weather is very cold and bleak. In the evening the  
young people had an entertainment it was very nice
- 26th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time & continued till  
nearly 12 O'clock; Had a light fall of snow.
- 27th Timothy & Lancelot Wells to Pittsfield with Butter  
and Eggs. Hired help commenced threshing Oats  
machine broke down: Cold day.
- 28th Elder Joseph goes to Springfield to Benjamin G.  
from thence to Albany and home here R. Valentine  
returns from a three weeks seed trip. Cold day.
- 29th Timothy to West Pittsfield took S. A. Neale over  
to depot & boat. Elder Joseph home very cold.
- 30th Timothy to Pittsfield boat Sarah J. Neale home she  
had been to Albany: Fine weather.
- 31st Elder Calvin, Henry George & Washington to Pittsfield:  
Had heavy fall of Snow

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- 1st More snow there is now about 2 feet  
The weather is quite moderate Elder  
Isaac Anstatt was here over night, went  
home this morning.
- 2nd Sabbath Meetings as usual No Family meet  
with us. Had a good season of worship Mercury  
this morning about 7 o'clock  $14^{\circ}$  below zero.
- 3rd Elder Joseph & Washington to Pittsfield with  
Butter & Eggs; James Little an aged man  
who has lived here about 6 years leaves the  
Society, we are sorry to part with him; Stormy.
- 4th Another stormy day; Eld. Joseph working at the  
Chair factory. Sisters washing.
- 5th Timothy Washington Sarah Butter & Esther Gill  
goes to Pittsfield, quite a good <sup>day</sup>, John Doctor  
also goes over for R. Valentine & brings Cloth
- 6th James Burk came to look after the gas business; hired  
man to Pittsfield with Pigs; Warren Fowler Insman  
agt. to see about insuring Laboratory & Med. Shop.
- 7th James Burk here doing some tinkering at Office  
and Gas works also changing Radiator from one  
room to another, weather is quite moderate.
- 8th The snow is going off quite rapidly; G.W. Jones  
takes Jas. Burk to Pittsfield
- 9th Sabbath Meeting at the North Family in  
morning Singing in the afternoon.
- 10th Washington to Pittsfield Elder Joseph  
Levi and Timothy to Albany; Henry George,  
S. Butter & E. Gill go to Berlin: Beautiful day.

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- 11th Washington to Pittsfield brot. home 2 Bbls. 21  
 Gasoline: Elder Calvin & Geo. Duncan working at Fancy Box stuff. The weather is quite mild.
- 12th Timothy & Washington to Pittsfield. Sloppy day: R. Halford at the Medicine Shop Henry George & 2 men sorting apples. 22
- 13th Elder Joseph Holden & Timothy go to Albany on business relating to property matters. The weather is very mild: Washington to Pittsfield. 23
- 14th G.W. Jones to Pittsfield & down to New Lebanon 24  
 Elder Calvin & Geo Duncan working at basket stuff preparing it for Sisters; cold day.
- 15th R. Halford working at Medicine Shop at the Center The weather grows colder with a light fall of snow. 25
- 16th Sabbath Meeting in the morning by our selves: Ministry go to South Family cold day 26
- 17th Washington to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs cold morning Sisters working at Wash house, R. Valentine to Pittsfield 27
- 18th Robt. S. Sadi A. Neale & C. French leave for New York this morning to buy some Koon skins Timothy working in the Seed shop: cold day. 28
- 19th Levi Shaw and Timothy go to Pittsfield & sign Deeds of Conveyance for land in the town of Washington Berkshire Co. Mass. Ferd. & 2 Sisters to Pittsfield; beautiful day. 29
- 20th It snowed during the night & then turned to rain R V & Sisters return from New York Timothy helping in the Seed Shop; disagreeable weather. 30

- 21st Timothy helping put up Seeds Eld. Jas. & G.W. Jones to Pittsfield. R.H. carting apples to Station R. Valentine and 2 Sisters returned to day instead of yesterday.
- 22nd R. Valentine is having a lot of hay pressed at the East Farm Timothy helping in Seed Shop R.H. at the Med. Shop
- 23rd Sabbath. Meeting for devotional exercises at two o'clock P.M. The morning was very stormy
- 24th Washington to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs Timothy goes along; snap ping cold day. Alonso at the Laboratory Robt Halford at the Med. shop.
- 25th G.W. Jones to Pittsfield with basket stuff: Elder Joseph & Robert Valentine to West Pittsfield
- 26th Washington to Lanan, hired man drawing wood: R.H. J.R. J.Z. H.G. & G.D. dipped med. this morning; Stormy day.
- 27th Putting up Medicine: G.W. Jones, Eld. Calvin & George Duncan to Pittsfield with basket stuff. Fine day
- 28th Timothy and Robert putting up medicine Elder Calvin & George Duncan working at Machine Shop; Mar about  $4^{\circ}$  above zero.
- 29th Robert & Timothy working at the Center Medicine Shop; Alonso started yesterday for Endfield Ct for a visit; this has been a clear cold day.
- 30th Sabbath. Meetings at home at the usual time Mar.  $12^{\circ}$  below zero about 6.30 A.M.
- 31st Elder Joseph goes to Pittsfield with G.W. Jones the latter with Butter and Eggs: very stormy day;

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- 1st. We are having a heavy Snow storm during the morning, snow is nearly or quite 2 feet deep on the level.
- 2nd The Ministry leave for Waterliet go via Hancock Teams drawing coal Henry George clearing the pond of snow & helping the Ice 2 Bros. & 5 Sisters working at the Medicine
- 3rd Mar. ° below zero Brethren from North Family helping us get in Ice, The above is a mistake, Teams drawing Coal; Working at the Medicine. R.V. to Pittsfield also Fed. with apples.
- 4th R. Halford & Timothy mixing a batch of Browns Medicine at the Center, 5 Sisters working at Whites medicine The weather has moderated very much. Four Brethren and three boys dipped a batch of Brown Medicine; We the Trustees & business men of the Society paid the Taxes this morning. We are having a thaw Emma Jane, R.V. & Washington to Pittsfield
- 5th Sabbath Meetings at the usual time North Family by attend morning Service. The weather is fine.
- 6th Washington and R. Halford to Pittsfield, Timothy gone also, Beautiful day: Henry George getting things ready for harvesting Ice
- 7th Brethren and hired men getting in Ice; very fine weather for the business, R. Halford in the shop; Alonzo returns from Endfield.
- 8th Working at the Ice: H.W. Jones to Pittsfield The weather continues very mild. Robert & the Sisters working at the Medicine.
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- 10th Brethren and Hired men working, finished  
the job Robert and the Sisters working at med.  
Beautiful mild weather.
- at the ice
- 11th Brethren and Sisters working at the Medicine  
Two of the Brothers covered the ice with Straw  
The weather continues mild: Lincoln's birth day kept  
Brethren and Sisters working at the Brown's Medi-  
cine: Ferd. & H. George go to Pittsfield with fruit  
quite a mild morning, snow disappearing fast.
- 12th
- 13th Sabbath Meeting at the North Family, had  
a profitable time: The weather is very fine  
Three of the male members of our family absent.  
Elder Calvin goes to Pittsfield, with Henry George  
Emma Jane starts for Florida; will meet Eld. Joseph  
and Eldress Harriet in New York & will proceed on  
with them R.V. to West Pittsfield: snow squall in after  
noon
- 14th
- 15th We are having a very severe snow & wind storm  
R. H., T. R. & S. Cutler working at the Medicine  
at the Center; P. Valentine went to New York yesterday
- 16th Two Brethren & three Sisters working up at the  
Medicine Shop: We are having the worst storm  
of the season, it is something of a Blizzard.
- 17th The storm has finally ceased and the sun shines  
out clear and bright Mercury this morning 4° be-  
low zero, Robert and Timothy putting the Medicine  
into the Cases
- 18th Shipped Browns Medicine this morning; Weather  
is quite moderate in the afternoon turned to rain.  
Packing Whites Medicine.

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- 19<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield with Eggs, Brought Emma's Niece and daughter to visit. Robert returned from New York. The weather is quite moderate.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting in the morning by ourselves at the usual time we have had a very stormy day.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Timothy and Robert at the Medicine Shop preparing a batch of Medicine: Washington to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs took Emma Jane's Niece to town a very stormy day.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Folding papers for the medicine: Stormy again This is the Anniversary of Washington's Birth Day a legal Holiday the weather grows colder.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Robert, Timothy and Two Sisters working at the Med. Shop, folding circulars & making pockets Ferd. and J.W. Jones to Pittsfield, some snow fell.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Mixed a batch of Browns medicine this morning Timothy working in Seed Shop in the afternoon; Fine day.
- 25<sup>th</sup> We bottled the batch of Browns medicine this morning & commenced labeling this afternoon Washington & I. hired oxen to Pittsfield Pittsfield to Pittsfield Timothy, Robert & Sarah Butterfield working at it the weather to is just splendid
- 27<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting at the usual time the day has been very fine. W. Campbell of Boston came to see the Trustees.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Ferd. J.W. Jones, Sister Amelia, Daisy Wells, Kat Wells & the Wells boys go to have their photos taken Beautiful weather Henry Campbell returns to Boston

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- 1st Working at the Medicine, Sisters do the washing  
The weather is quite moderate <sup>to</sup> day G.W.J. and some  
Sisters go to Pittsfield: Elder Calvin & George Duncan  
work at the machine shop.
- 2nd G.W. Jones and hired men go to Pittsfield, with hay:  
Robert Timothy Sarah Butter Cornelia & Fanny Kirby  
working at the medicine Henry George riding out  
with some Sisters beautiful day.
- 3rd Timothy Robert and three Sisters putting up Med.  
G. Turner working in Seed Shop: Robert Valentine  
started yesterday on Seed Route; Beautiful day.
- 4th G.W. Jones & hired man to Pittsfield with hay, sent  
a small batch of medicine A.J. White's & Co. New York  
Morn. 12° above zero, about 6 A.M. Fine afternoon.
- 5th Cool morning, Brethren working at the medicine;  
Washington down to Canaan trying to find new milk  
cows, Beautiful weather.
- 6th Sabbath Meetings at the usual time; our numbers  
are gradually waning: The weather to day very fine.  
G.W. Jones to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs  
Timothy Robert and Sarah Butter working at  
the Medicine Nice mild weather
- 7th Working at the Medicine in the afternoon; T.R.  
takes Eldress Augusta to West Pittsfield Station  
she goes to Albany. Emma Jane returned from  
Florida; Beautiful day.
- 8th The morning seems like Spring finished  
the medicine. A woman  
brings 2 children a boy & girl to leave

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- 10 th. Putting up White's Medicine; G.W. Jones starts out to buy some cattle: Beautiful day.
- 11 th. Timothy to Pittsfield, brought a man who wishes to join the Society by the name of Beveridge of Brooklyn, Washington goes to look for cattle. Warm day.
- 12 th. Robert Valentine returned yesterday from a Seed trip. We are putting up Seeds and working at the Med. The weather is quite warm
- 13 th. Sabbath Meetings at the usual time; Warm & cloudy weather.
- 14 th. G.W. Jones to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs. Timothy to town putting out garden Seeds; Eld. Balow working at the machine shop: Cold raw weather.
- 15 th. Washington looking up stock. Timothy to Hancock Robert mixing medicine, a young man of New York comes to join: Beautiful day.
- 16 th. G.P. Crane of Woodbury Conn. came this morning to make a short call: We dipped a batch of White's medicine today. Cold chilly weather.
- 17 th. Teams drawing Coal from West Pittsfield; G.W. Jones Geo. P. Crane leaves for his home this morning <sup>to Pittsfield</sup> Robert and Sisters putting up Medicine.
- 18 th. Timothy cleaned single horse harness Robert & Company working at the medicine; Washington looking for pigs: Fine weather.
- 19 th. Robert and 2 new comers putting up Medicine: Rainy morning Timothy mending mats, and helping in the shop.

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- 20<sup>th</sup> Sabbath, Meetings at the usual time  
Beautiful weather.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Geo. W. Jones to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs.  
Timothy and Martin making hot bed: Robert & two men working at the medicine.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Robt Valentine goes to Lowell to get orders for roots to be raised: Commenced Sawing wood  
Stormy with snow.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Sawing, Splitting and Piling wood 3 Brethren,  
and 3 hired men at the Saw Elder  
Calvin Ferd. & 3 others piling; windy day.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield, Washington to W. Pittsfield  
Station; Brethren Sawing wood etc. etc. The  
weather is quite mild.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Still at the wood, Martin sowed some  
Tomato Seed in a box; Beautiful day;  
Sisters at the Office Cleaning house.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Finished Sawing the wood G. W. Jones off  
somewhere: Sowed 2 Rows Livingston's P.  
Tomatoes. Beautiful weather.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Sabbath. Meeting this morning as usual  
we had threatening weather but it cleared up.
- 28<sup>th</sup> G. W. Jones to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs.  
Very slight showers, chilly day.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Rainy day, Brethren working in doors to day.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Timothy to Pittsfield took Sarah A. Neale to Hancock  
Washington and H. George to Pittsfield: Beautiful day.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Robert Valentine returned this morning; Snow  
last night; R. Halford goes to Lee & Lenox.

- 1st. Cold windy morning; H. George working up some old cord wood Hugh Galigher comes to work for R. Valentine.
- 2nd. Stormy day: Kied men drawing out manure, H. George splitting wood: G.W.J. on a tare,
- 3rd Sabbath. Meeting at the North Family; Cold freezing day, attendance quite fair.
- 4th Washington to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs The Mercury stood at 15 above zero this morning. had a snow squall this afternoon.
- 5th. Snow fell last night to the depth of about 2 inches and to day about 3 inches; Cleaned up the Machine Shop and barns.
- 6th. Timothy, R. Kalford and Washington to Pittsfield T & W. attend Mrs. W.L. Backus funeral, Cold stormy day. Eld. Calvin making bottom to wagon.
- 7th Another very cold morning; Robert & his boy making paper boxes for medicine Timothy & Washington down to Lebanon Center.
- 8th Four teams drawing Coal from West Pittsfield Elder Calvin working at the Machine Shop Beautiful day. Sisters Cleaning house.
- 9th Teams drawing coal same number as yesterday: Hard frost this morning but the day turned out beautiful it really seems like Spring.
- 10th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time: Had a slight shower this morning.

- 11th Timothy and Allen Wells go to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs, Jas. M. Peebles of Indianapolis Ind. here on a visit, speaks on Spiritualism & travels around the world; Fine day.
- 12th Teams plowing on the side hill, Sowed 2 rows Cabbage Seed in Cold Frame; This evening James M. Peebles gave us a lecture on Spiritualism Occultism with a little touch of Shakerism.
- 13th Two teams plowing on the side hill for Oats Sisters' Clearing House, Another Meeting in the evening with Jas. M. Peebles the No. Second & South families attend splendid weather.
- 14th Teams harrowing for Oats on the side hill, J. M. Peebles took his leave this morning of the Believers. Beautiful day slight rain or mist toward night. Old Calvin goes to Richmond about some kind of plants.
- 15th Rainy nothing doing on the land: Geo. Platt a young man that used to live here is visiting us.
- 16th Cloudy, misty morning Henry G. goes to Lenox with two hired men after an animal: Geo. B. Platt leaves
- 17th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time the North Family here with us: Beautiful day.
- 18th Washington goes to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs Elder Joseph is here from Endfield Conn. transplanted Tomatoes in hot bed Windy day.
- 19th Men dragging land for Oats: Snow & rain in the afternoon Elder Joseph goes to Hancock.
- 20th Fixed a piece of fence at the Center No. of Infirmary Rainy day; G. W. Jones to West Pittsfield.

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- 21st Spred some manure in kitchen garden R.  
H. Mixing a batch of Seven barks; cutting up sprouts.
- 22nd Timothy and Washington to Pittsfield; hired men preparing ground for Oats; Fine day.
- 23rd Rainy day Filled a batch of Seven barks Med. in the morning
- 24th Sabbath Meetings as usual excepting the absence of North Family, caused by rain: We are having a great deal of rainy weather much to the detriment of getting in crops.
- 25th Washington to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs  
Rain! Rain! Rain! Putting up Med. Hired men drawing out manure. Sisters are engaged at house cleaning.
- 26th R. Gafford, S. Butler and a boy working at the Medicine; Timothy and Chas Blomgren go on the Mountain for sea brush, Team goes over to the West hills after potatoes another one to West Pittsfield: slight sprinkle this morning.
- 27th Washington to Pittsfield with Potatoes, Etc. Mary Hazard, Sadi A. Neale and H. George to Pittsfield; The weather cool cleared up.
- 28th Timothy and James Glass mending fence in the Swamp. hired men drilling Oats, heavy rain.
- 29th Sisters working at Loon skins getting off the fur R. H. and Co. working <sup>at</sup> the Medicine.
- 30th Washington to Pittsfield Manuring the Kitchen garden: Timothy & Jas. Glass at mending fence: Set out 4 Plum or Plum trees.

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- 1st. Sabbath Meeting with our friends of the North Family as usual; Beautiful day. John Beveridge of New York takes French Team of us this morning
- 2nd Washington and Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; Rainy morning; Sisters pulling fur
- 3rd Rain! Rain! Rain! Sisters are in full blast pulling fur. Cutting sprouts in Nursery at Center - And still it rains, Sisters picking fur a few brethren help them R. Halford and his boy working at the medicine
- 4th Continue at the Coon skins, both brethren and Sisters; More rain; Elder Calvin and Several brethren transplant strawberries in the garden west of Asparagus bed.
- 5th Still pulling fur from Coon skins beautiful day Timothy and Martin go on the mt. for sea brush.
- 6th Beautiful weather; Ferdinand to Pittsfield with Apples. G.W. Jones goes to West Hells after Potatoes. Brethren and Sisters working at the Coon skins.
- 7th Sabbath. Meetings at the usual time. North Family attended with us. Beautiful weather in the morning. G.W. Jones to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; commenced plowing kitchen garden. Sisters and some Brethren pulling fur; Beautiful day.
- 8th Robert Halford goes to New York! Plowing dragging and raking kitchen garden Sowed Onion and Beet seed; Beautiful day.

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- 11-th. Mr. Parker Insurance Agt. of Pittsfield here on business: We contemplate insuring the Laboratory Medicine Shop & Dwelling at the Center Family.
- 12th Timothy goes to Hancock to sow an Onion bed for the East Family; Washington preparing the ground for Onions & Roots; rainy afternoon.
- 13th Timothy detained at Hancock owing to rain Elder Calvin goes to Richmond for raspberries roots Had a terrific thunder storm this evening.
- 14th Beautiful morning T.R. returns from Hancock Washington sows a bed of Onions, but Asparagus both at Church and Center
- 15th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time 10 A.M., cool and cloudy morning Rainy afternoon.
- 16th G.W. Jones goes to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs Timothy goes with G.W.J. takes Asparagus & a R. Halford returns from New York: Rainy afternoon.
- 17th Cut asparagus and bunched it for market; Hired man digging a ditch for water closet drainage; Sisters continue work at the fur.
- 18th Finished pulling the fur, Dug two post holes on Cherry lane tenement addition; Cut asparagus; Beautiful weather, sowed row beets next to Sage
- 19th commenced planting potatoes, R. Valentine goes to Pittsfield with Lamb's and asparagus: Had a heavy thunder storm this afternoon.
- 20th Finished planting one lot of about acres of potatoes; Elder Calvin working on addition to cottage on Cherry lane; warm & cloudy day.

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- 21st. Timothy, Robert Halford & Washington to Pittsfield  
H. George goes to Albany. Beautiful day.
- 22nd Sabbath Meeting at the usual time. The weather is  
just charming to day.
- 23rd Washington to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs. Timothy  
goes along with him. It rained all the afternoon
- 24th Rainy morning; Robert Valentine to Pittsfield  
cutting asparagus. Elder Calvin working down  
at the cottage in Cherry Lane; H.G. returned
- 25th Cloudy morning resowing peas, quite a large  
percentage have rotted in the ground; Elder  
Calvin working down Cherry
- 26th Rob. Valentine and Washington to Pittsfield P.V.  
with Lambs for Market; Thos. Wells & boys sorting  
potatoes. Rainy day.
- 27th Rain! Rain! Rain! Emilie Kane formerly  
of this family but recently of Phila. has returned to  
to take up her abode with us.
- 28th Robt. Valentine Robt. Halford & H. George to Pittsfield  
Timothy & John Beveridge working in the Bee yard  
Rainy day.
- 29th Sabbath. Meeting at the usual time at the  
No. Family. A very dull & cloudy day.
- 30th Robert Valentine, Timothy & Washington to Pittsfield  
Eld. Calvin & Geo. Duncan on the addition to the  
Cottage on Cherry Lane Beautiful day.
- 31st. Farmers planting potatoes  
Planted sweet Corn Squash and Cucumber in the  
Kitchen Garden Beautiful day.

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- 1st. Robt. Valentine, Ferdinand G. W. Jones all the boys & nearly all the girls go to Pittsfield: plant Corn and Beans & sow more Peas: Beautiful day.
- 2nd. Farmers plant Corn in Lime Kiln lot; planted 9 rows Whit Dutch Runner Beans & 4 rows Hubbard Squash in Kitchen garden. R. V. to Pittsfield.
- 3rd Boys weeded the Onions, Beets, Parsnip, Lettuce, Oysters Carrots and part of the Radishes, planted Royal White & rust-proof snap beans: Farmers plant Corn.
- 4th Finished planting Beans, plowed a piece for Tomatoes west end of kitchen garden & set out 5 rows; R. Halford & G. W. Jones to Pittsfield cool day.
- 5th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time No. Family attend with us: The weather is superb.
- 6th Robert Valentine to Pittsfield with Asparagus and G. W. Jones with Butter; Very warm day transplanted 7 rows Tomatoes west end of the garden a bed of Clover had been plowed under.
- 7th Finished transplanting Tomatoes 18 rows in all West End of kitchen garden; Elder Calvin & Geo. Duncan working on lean to; fine day.
- 8th Transplanted more Tomatoes some Sister Amelia Galver raised Warm day.
- 9th Transplanted another row of Tomatoes. 2 Brethren from Maine Societies and also Eldress Harriet Goodwin from same place are here.
- 10th Farmers are plowing in the swamp; hoeing in the garden Peas, Beans Etc. Finishing up the lean to on Cherry Lane.

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- 11th Had a heavy thunder storm this morning Eld. Calvin, Timothy, Geo. Duncan & John Bevere working at the Cottage on cherry lane.
- 12th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time, The visitors from Me. & also the North Family attend with us, Had a heavy rain last night another rain this afternoon Cut asparagus.
- 13th Finished at the Cottage; The Brethren from Alfred & Sabbathday Lake Me. left here this morning for Watervliet; more rain.
- 14th Brethren and hired men working on the road, Had a heavy thunder last night & this morning G.W. Jones to Pittsfield.
- 15th Robt. Valentine & Timothy go to Pittsfield; Beautiful day with the exception of being rather cool, Eld. Joseph to Hancock: Farmers
- 16th Eldress Harriet Goodwin of Alfred Me. started for her home this morning; Timothy R. Galford, J. Beveridge & Chas. Bloomgren working in the garden fine day.
- 17th Finished transplanting Tomatoes; hoeing beans Tomatoes & Corn, warm pleasant weather, Elder Joseph to Pittsfield; Farmer hoeing Corn.
- 18th Transplanted some Tomatoes & Cabbages, hoed beans Washington to Pittsfield; Farmers hoeing Corn, Fine day.
- 19th Sabbath Meetings as usual morning & afternoon Had a heavy thunder storm this afternoon.
- 20th Washington to Pittsfield also Robert Valentine Brethren and hired men working on the road Had a slight shower this afternoon.

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- 21st Had another rain last night G.W. Jones to Pittsfield, R. Valentine also went to City Robt. Halford goes to New York: Cool day.
- 22nd Farmers hoeing and weeding, Eld. Joseph went to Hancock yesterday, James & Henry Balver are here, buried their Mother to day in the New Lebanon Cemetery: Had heavy thundering & a little rain
- 23rd Esther Hill left Society for third time yesterday Jas. & Henry Balver leave for their homes Robert Halford returns; Cultivate the Beans Etc. in the garden.
- 24th Robert Valentine & Timothy go to Pittsfield with Eggs, Cherries & Asparagus, Farmers hoeing Corn warm day, hoeing Peas in kitchen garden.
- 25th Cultivated Tomatoes, hoed Peas, and transplanted Early cabbages: Had a heavy thunder storm.
- 26th Sabbath Meetings as usual, very warm day Beautiful day, the Ministry go to Hancock.
- 27th Hoed and weed the young Onions also the beans & Cucumbers; G.W. Jones to Pittsfield The weather has been splendid to day.
- 28th R. Halford goes to Hudson, W. George to Pittsfield with fruit Rain during the night, picked cherries at both families, more rain in the afternoon.
- 29th Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries, J. Beveridge hoed the in the garden Farmers hoeing corn & potatoes: Quite a warm day.
- 30th Picking cherries at both Families Farmers hoeing corn & Potatoes. Sisters Cleaning the Meeting House: Warm day.

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- 1st Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries; Eld. Joseph and Henry picking cherries: Transplanted 11 rows Cabbage Plants, Beautiful day.
- 2nd Henry George to Pittsfield with cherries, Robert Valentine & Timothy also to Pittsfield Mary Rayson Jones of Phila come to visit.
- 3rd Sabbath, Public Meeting first of the season; An extremely hot day, picked three &  $\frac{3}{4}$  bushels of cherries.
- 4th G.W. Jones to Pittsfield with Butter Timothy over with cherries: Brethren picking fruit very warm morning afternoon Delightful
- 5th Timothy to Pittsfield Took his Sister Mary with him and 4 crates of cherries, Brethren picking cherries; hoeing Cabbages & at haying.
- 6th Geo. Turner goes to East Nassau with fruit Brethren picking cherries Beautiful day.
- 7th Brethren & hired help haying and picking cherries, Timothy and Geo. Turner marketing them: Marion Scott of Waterliet here on a little business: Had a warm day.
- 8th A warm day: Getting hay and picking cherries Timothy and George Turner peddling cherries
- 9th Timothy & Ferdinand to Pittsfield with cherries, had quite a shower this morning; Fred Levard's Mother & brother & Sister came today to visit.
- 10th Sabbath, Meetings at the usual time not many spectators this morning; Brethren picking cherries in the afternoon.

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- 11th Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries. Washington also to town; Farmers working at the hay. Quite a cool day. M. R. Jones is here for a short time.
- 12th Brethren and hired men laying Timothy & Fern to town with cherries and several are picking them. Very fine day.
- 13th Washington to Pittsfield, had a slight rain this morning. Timothy to Pittsfield this afternoon with Brethren picking cherries, no laying to day.
- 14th Timothy to Pittsfield with fruit; Brethren picking cherries and working at the hay making. Had a very warm day; M. R. Jones goes home.
- 15th Fernians and Chas. Seward to town with cherries Timothy also to the city; The Brethren picking cherries and working in the hay field; fine day.
- 16th Eld. Joseph, Emma Jane & Ann Maria Greaves go to Lenox with cloaks. Timothy to Pittsfield, Brethren laying & gardening; fine weather.
- 17th Sabbath. Meetings at the usual time; But a few spectators present. This is a charming day.
- 18th Washington to Pittsfield with Butter. Elder Joseph goes along. Brethren laying and picking cherries; warm and dry weather.
- 19th Timothy to Pittsfield with cherries. Brethren picking & preparing them for market. Had a heavy thunder storm in the night.
- 20th T.R. to Pittsfield with cherries; Brethren at haymaking had light yesterday morning. This has been a terribly hot day.

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- 21st Ministry left here this morning for Watervliet  
Timothy to market with fruit; Brethren picking  
cherries and working in the garden & hayfield.
- 22nd Timothy again to Pittsfield with fruit George Dan-  
can goes along John Beveridge works in the garden  
Hired men haying Beautiful day.
- 23rd id Plowed and raked a piece of ground for  
Turnips and sowed 12 rows, Haying  
goes on slowly; teams took medicine to deposit.
- 24 Sabbath Meeting at the usual time not  
many spectators present; Weather very warm.
- 25th Timothy to town with Butter & Eggs; Farmers  
hay-making, Brethren picking cherries; warm day.
- 26th Had a very nice rain which continued nearly  
all the morning; Emma Shaffers Aunt goes  
to home came last Thursday.
- 27th The horse Dan is quite sick with a cold; Eldress  
Dorothy, Timothy and Helen Severd go to Pittsfield  
on dental business; Farmers haying
- 28th Timothy picked a few cherries in the afternoon  
Rainy morning.
- 29th Brethren and hired help at the haying; Timothy  
and Jon. Beveridge go to Pittsfield Robert &  
boy cutting on stamps Alonzo at Laboratory.
- 30th Working at the haymaking; doing a little gardening  
had a slight shower this afternoon.
- 31st Sabbath Public Meeting at the usual  
time had a small audience but a  
quiet respectful one Very warm day.

- 1st Timothy and Sydney to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs: Rainy day, G. Duncan picked some Early Pears
- 2nd Brethren picked some Early Pears and done some haying in the swamp: In the evening held the annual dist. school meeting at the School house Had a heavy thunder storm last Evening; fine day.
- 3rd Emma Jane goes to Albany Timothy to Pittsfield and Robert Valentine to New York; Farmers at haymaking quite a warm day.
- 4th Brethren and hired men at the hay: Along making Medicine for London England Annie Peale came to see her Sister.
- 5th Robert Halford & Henry George go to Pittsfield Had a tremendous heavy thunder storm last evening: This has been a beautiful day.
- 6th Timothy to Pittsfield Ferdinand was over also, the Brethren and hired men working at the hay beautiful day. 2 women are here to stay over Sunday.
- 7th Sabbath Public Meeting as usual, the number of spectators was rather larger than has been this season Washington to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs: Had another heavy thunder storm: Cutting Oats on the side hill.
- 8th Had a heavy rain last night: Eld. Joseph here this morning he's from Waterlote
- 9th Robt. to Pittsfield, Rainy day; tryed to hoe paths in kitchen without much success.

- 11th. Timothy, Helen Seward & her Mother go to the City to have teeth filled; Ferd. also goes to Pittsfield Henry George goes from home; Cloudy weather.
- 12th Picked some pears, got off some weeds from the garden path out Lobage, and Peppergrass Seed Cloudy morning drew in hay in the afternoon.
- 13th Henry George takes R. Halford to Pittsfield on his way to Lake Pleasant Ferd also to town This afternoon had a Meeting concerning New State Road East of the Village.
- 14th Sabbath. Meeting at the usual time a good sized audience of outsiders. Beautiful day.
- 15th Robert Valentine takes Sarah Hinkie to the depot she goes to her Aunt in Phila. Annie Neale leaves for Pittsfield. Washington to town with Butter; fine day.
- 16th Ferdinand goes to Pittsfield with fruit; Levi & Timothy to meet town assessors to have taxes reduced Farmers getting in Oats. Fine day.
- 17th Rainy day. Elder Henry C. Blinn of Canterbury came this afternoon to tarry with us a few days to recruit his health.
- 18th More rain Ferdinand, Amy, Reed, Sarah Cutler & Cornelia French go to Pittsfield.
- 19th Rain! Rain! Rain! all out door work nearly suspended, Oats lying most a week on the ground A man here to buy our Gas Engine.
- 20th G. W. Jones and his two hired men go with the Gas Engine to West Pittsfield, make hay in the afternoon. Beautiful day.

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- 21st Sabbath Meetings as usual morning and afternoon, there was a goodly number of spectators to day.
- 22nd G.W. Jones goes to the City with Butter and Eggs  
R. Halford & Co. putting up Medicine for Lyman Brown: Rainy afternoon
- 23rd Working at the Medicine; Henry to Pittsfield with fruit, making fence. Had a tremendous thunder storm rain fairly poured down. Eld. Henry returned
- 24th Ferd. H. George Corinne Bishop & Sarah Cutler go to Pittsfield the Brethren take pears. Had another terrible thunder storm, the side walk between Chh & Center Family is very badly washed
- 25th Mending the wash outs caused by yesterdays flood R.V. to Pittsfield picked plums & pears.
- 26th Picked pears and plums; Henry George goes to Pittsfield with pears. Fine day.
- 27th Henry G. to Pittsfield with pears. Another fine day Farmers getting in hay, others cutting Sage.
- 28th Sabbath Meetings at the usual time Had another beautiful day; quite a large attendance of outsiders.
- 29th Washington goes to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; Robert Halford goes along; Eld. Calvin Timothy fixing the crossing East of the House Fine day.
- 30th Henry George to Pittsfield with fruit J.B. and G.D. picking plums and cutting Sage; The weather to day has been delightful.
- 31st Henry George to the City with plums & pears Wesley Platt here on a visit he lived here when a boy. Beautiful day. Mar. 90°

- 1st Timothy and Henry both go to Pittsfield with pears and plums; Brethren & hired men working at the hay. The weather is extremely warm.
- 2nd Wesley Platt left this morning Henry to the City with fruit Finished haying this afternoon; Another very hot day.
- 3rd Robert Halford & G.W. Jones to the City; pulled Elder Joseph's Onions. Farmers commenced digging potatoes; Thermo. up among the Nineties
- 4th Sabbath Public Meeting at the usual time in the afternoon singing nearly all attend; Hot day.
- 5th This is a legal holiday a law enacted about the year 1886 or 88 made it so & was called labor day 3 breth. went to the valley to hear Senator Dayley of Chatham & Judge J. Rider Cady of Hudson speak
- 6th Elder Calvin, G.W. Jones, Fred. and several boys went to Pittsfield yesterday the weather was very warm. J.R., R.H. & H.G. went to hear the speakers referred to, G.W. Jones away from home; Picked about 15 bus. tomatoes brethren & hired help digging potatoes, a warm afternoon.
- 7th Robert Valentine goes to New York City; Sisters pick up tomatoes for Winter; Had another severe thunder storm. Timothy to Pittsfield.
- 8th Picked about 14 bus. Tomatoes Pulled some Onions Elder Joseph here this afternoon; R.H. to Pittsfield
- 9th Timothy and Sidney go to Pittsfield take some fruit Brethren & hired men dig potatoes; The weather is nice and cool; Jennie Burbanks here awhile.
- 10th

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- 10th Washington to Pittsfield, Henry George picking apples Ferd. to town; Timothy and a boy pulling onions; Cool day.
- 11th Sabbath Public Meeting at the usual time, very few spectators present. The weather is quite cool.
- 12th Washington to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs Picking pears & plums and digging potatoes The weather is decidedly cool.
- 13th Washington to Pittsfield again; picked the Sheldon pears and some plums Levi Shaw and R. Valentine go to Albany about the State road.
- 14th Yesterday the Covenant Male Members of the Chh. Family & some of the Sisters gave the Town the right of way for State Road: Beautiful day Girls and Boys go to the fair.
- 15th Washington and Ferd & the girls to Pittsfield P. H. Alford returns from Bethel whether he had been on a little business; Cool day.
- 16th Commenced picking apples, Henry goes to Chatham after bbls. Timothy topping onions & picking tomatoes; Sisters on the mt. for berries.
- 17th Sisters go the mountain after Cranberries, boys and also go along; Timothy getting in onions The weather is much warmer
- 18th Sabbath Public Meeting, but few outsiders Elder Charles left the meeting fine day Timothy and Allen to town with Butter and Eggs; Breth. & hired commenced picking St. Corn; Nice day.
- 19th

- 20th Farmers picking sweet corn: R. Valentine  
dryng corn Timothy, Amelia & Emma Shaffer  
take a ride over to Mrs Browns: Cool day.
- 21st Timothy to Pittsfield with Onions and pears:  
Sisters go for cranberries, R.V. to town, Henry  
Cantrell arrived here from the West: Cool day.
- 22nd Ferd. goes to Pittsfield with apples Timothy goes  
over also Farmers commenced yesterday to pick the  
Sweet Corn: Fine day.
- 23rd Brethren and hired help picking apples and  
sweet corn and pears: Had quite a rain  
last night: Warm day.
- 25th Sabbath meeting still open to the Public only a  
few spectators, very cool day: commenced heating house.
- 26th Timothy and Helen to Pittsfield with Butter & eggs  
Farmers husking sweet corn: J.B. picked pears.
- 27th Brethren and hired men picking & husking corn  
H.G. & his help and Ferd. and his help picking  
apples Timothy to Pittsfield: Fine day.
- 28th Finished the sweet corn, got in the Winter  
squashes & onions; drew a load of roots, Cool day.
- 29th Timothy and Sidney to Pittsfield also H.G. Helen  
& Stanley Wells: A.W. took a woman & her children  
over: Beautiful day. Brethren picking apples.  
Team goes to depot with medicine for England
- 30th Hired help & Brethren digging potatoes: Fine day.
- 24th Saturday, Rainy, Timothy to Pittsfield with  
Tomatoes and pears.

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- 1st Finished digging Potatoes, Got in Garden  
beds Brethren picking apples: An extremely  
hot day; J. L. Hopkins of New York here.
- 2nd Sabbath Public Meeting with but very few auditors  
J. L. Hopkins of New York attended services he leaves  
this afternoon for his home via Lenox: Warm day.
- 3rd Timothy & Allen Wells go to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs  
Farmers sorting potatoes, very warm weather;
- 4th Ferd. to Pittsfield with apples Farmers sorting  
potatoes & putting them in the Cellar Robert  
working at the medicine: Hot weather.
- 5th Rainy day, Robert Valentine goes to New York  
Esther Gill was here last night Sedgwick goes  
to Pittsfield with a load of potatoes.
- 6th Timothy to Hudson, Farmers cutting fodder  
corn: Hanzo at the Laboratory R.H. at the  
medicine; Cool day.
- 7th Ferd. to Pittsfield with fruit, Farmers getting out Chick  
ory, young brethren picking apples Timothy to the  
city, quite a cool day.
- 8th Elton Sedgwick hired man goes to Pittsfield, boys  
topping onions; Rainy morning. Hiram Turner  
drew a load of coal.
- 9th Sabbath Public Meeting at the usual time  
Cool day; R Valentine returned from New York
- 10th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs,  
Farmers getting out Chickory R.H. putting up Med.
- 11th Cutting up fodder corn: Timothy to Pittsfield H.G.  
taking cider apples to the Mill, fine weather.

- 12th Timothy to Springfield to see Ministry; Allen to Pittsfield after boxes for E. J. Neale; Farm team drew a load of coal for school House; H. G. to Pittsfield
- 13th Farmers harvesting beets. Etc. Etc. Robt. Valentine having his thrashing done; Timothy goes to Hudson; Fine day.
- 14th Timothy returned from Hudson, Farmers finished getting in the beets; Robert Galford & Company dipping a batch of Browns Medicine; Cool day. Robert Galford and others working at the medicine Levi Shaw & Timothy to Pittsfield. Rainy disagreeable day Farmers move some coal.
- 15th Sabbath Meeting at home North Family attend with us. Cool day.
- 16th Timothy and Robert & 3 sisters working at the Med. Allen & Lance Wells go to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs; Fine day but cool.
- 17th Two teams helping North Family draw coal Brthren and Sisters working at the Medicine sharp frost last night; team to West Pittsfield.
- 18th Sadi A. Neal goes to Albany, Timothy and Allen to Pittsfield; E. Sedgwick to Shaker Mill after bran;
- 19th What is written for yesterday occurred to day yesterday was a rainy day, to day weather is fine, commenced getting in turnips.
- 20th Working at the Medicine & shipped it.
- 21st Rainy day, yesterday a man came to fix the roof; Team to the Depot after glass bottles.

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- 23rd Sabbath, Meeting at home at the usual time North Family attend; slight rain in the morning.
- 24th Timothy and Sarah Cutler and a boy to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs; H. George & Mrs. Wells also go to Pittsfield, Beautiful day, the cooler here.
- 25th Henry George and Allen go Pittsfield with apples Elder Joseph comes over to help us about G.W. Jones Three men come to do thrashing: Beautiful day.
- 26th Elder Joseph returns to Hancock; Emma Shaffer goes to her aunt at Albany, Commenced to do the thrashing, buckwheat and oats, rainy day.
- 27th Finished thrashing; 9 & 10 hands engaged at it a man from Pittsfield repairing the roofs: cold & windy day, Mrs. Kate Clark here on a visit.
- 28th Timothy to Pittsfield, G.W. Jones goes to New York to be cured of drunkenness; Robt. Valentine goes with him; R. Halford preparing to dig a batch of medicine; Cool day.
- 29th Two teams after coal for Laboratory, got in Carol Timothy goes to Hancock to pay taxes, H. George to Pittsfield: Dipped a batch of medicine, quite a cool day.
- 30th Sabbath, Meeting at Home, Rainy day Five men & one youth staid out of Meeting.
- 31st Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter, Farm teams drawing Coal, Alonso at the Laboratory Robert Halford at the medicine; cool & windy day.

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- 1st Amelia goes to New York to see her bro.  
Henry, The Ministry spend part of the day  
here: Teams drawing Coal for Laboratory Mr.  
Duncan fixing shed at Sedgwick. Fine day.
- 2nd W.B. Bull and wife here yesterday, Teams draw-  
ing coal; Timothy goes to Pittsfield with squash  
& cranberries; cool weather.
- 3rd Sadi Neale & Mary Hazard went to silk mill  
in Pittsfield Tuesday to do some work & returned  
to day, teams finished drawing coal: Fine day.
- 4th Teams plowing the North Cow pasture, one of  
the cows has a bad teat: Timothy peddling  
cranberries Sadi & Cary go to Pittsfield.
- 5th R. Halford goes to Pittsfield Timothy also goes  
over and two teams go over with hay: John  
Heegan commenced work in our blacksmith  
shop; Cool and clear. 2 Sisters of Endfield here.  
Sabbath, Meeting at usual, there present one new  
convert & one visitor from the No. Family also Daniel  
Offord recently from Colorado & 3 Sisters from Endfield No.  
Allen goes to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs R.  
Halford comes home with him, Teams plowing  
Two men heaping manure in Cow yard cold day.
- 7th Pulled a lot of Cabbages yesterday, Finished  
pulling cabbages and got them in: rain of  
of to Election, Fine weather.
- 8th H. George Eldress Dorothy & Cornelia go to Pittsfield  
also Ferdinand & Martin Jones; teams drawing  
out manure; Beautiful day.
- 9th

- 10th Rainy! Rain! Rain! Brethren and Sisters splitting Lovage roots in the fruit room, hired men
- 11th Timothy to Pittsfield with Sage & Squashes cold north west wind Brethren and Sisters finished the Lovage.
- 12th Team goes to Station for bottles in the morning Two Sisters of Endfield N. H. Edres E. Hart and Address Rossetta Cumming are here on a visit.
- 13th Sabbath Meeting in the morning at the usual time had a slight rain this morning.
- 14th Timothy and Allen to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs had a disagreeable morning; Corinda Sister leaves here for her home in Lowell.
- 15th The Endfield Sisters leave here for Hancock Teams plowing in No. Cow pasture; Emma Jane & Gary Wade go to New York; Hard frost this morning.
- 16th Timothy and Allen to Pittsfield, Robert V. also teams continue plowing, R. V. at the Medicine. Beautiful weather.
- 17th Rainy day; Elder Joseph here from Hancock men plowing, butchered a small pig; Emma Jane and Gary return from New York.
- 18th Timothy to Pittsfield with Squashes Etc., Etc. Robt. Valentine goes to New York on law suite
- 19th Rainy day; teams go to depot after Molasses R. V. & Timothy working at the medicine; H. G. goes to Pittsfield.

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- 20th Sabbath Meeting for devotional services as usual, Fine day.
- 21st Timothy and Allen to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs: Teams getting out manure on the garden Emma Jane goes to Albany & returns, Amelia and Minnie Forshey go to Quechay & back; teams draw in corn fodder Beautiful day.
- 22nd Teams drawing coal from West Pittsfield, R.H. working in the shop at the medicine.
- 23rd Thanksgiving day Meeting at the usual time Stormy time, get in the young cattle: The Ministry came from Hancock.
- 24th Timothy and hired man go to Pittsfield for a man to repair boiler at the Extract works J.R. stays all night in the City.
- 25th Henry George, Ferdinand and Chas. Seivard go to town, Timothy returns. Yesterday was a very stormy day.
- 26th Sabbath Meeting by ourselves, less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an hours duration Stormy day.
- 27th Timothy and Sedgwick & hired man go to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs: One team drawing cord wood from the mountain; cold day.
- 28th Henry George & Allen go to Pittsfield; Team goes for wood. Elder Joseph started yesterday for Saratoga to box suff for Sisters work Clear & cold.
- 29th Teams after fire wood, Hiram Turner quits work here & moves to Elephanttown Cold day, killed a pig: Louis Turner commences work here.
- 30th

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- 1st Timothy and Henry George to Pittsfield; Teams take medicine to depot in morning & draw wood in afternoon R. V. also to town. H. Turner quit & moved out yesterday.
- 2nd Putting on Cement on the Centers Families roof by T.D.R. H.C. G.D. and Chas. Seivard; Beautiful day. Teams drawing wood from the mountain.
- 3rd Ferd. and Henry George go to Pittsfield with Apples. Teams drawing wood and Corn fodder Robert H. fitting up stoves in medicine Shobs; fine day
- 4th Sabbath Meeting as usual North Family with us, had a very good & satisfactory meeting.
- 5th Timothy and Sidney Wells go to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs, had a rough day; Teams draw hay & logs
- 6th Timothy to Pittsfield after men from Robins, Gamwell & Co. to put in a pump & heater at the Ex. works. R. Valentine goes on Seed Route in Pa. via New York; the Teams draw Cow & horse feed & Coal; Cold wind storm.
- 7th Henry G. & J. Wells go to Pittsfield. Timothy also goes over, Hired men saw wood this morning. Emma J. Neale, Eld. Joseph & Lance Wells go to town; Clear & cool.
- 8th R. Halford and Fred Seivard working at the medicine We are putting a new pump and heater at the Laboratory; hired men drawing wood, Cool day.
- 9th Teams drawing Coal, Having Cottage No. 3, <sup>Cherry Lane</sup>, pa-pered, Mar. 10 degrees above zero. Henry George to Pittsfield with fruit Etc.
- 10th Ferd. to Pittsfield with fruit & Eggs Teams draw coal: Robbins & Gamwell's men go home

- 11th Sabbath Meeting with North Family as usual; A very cold day.
- 12th Timothy & Sidney to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs Elder Joseph goes to New York City: We are having a nice snow fall: Teams finished drawing coal.
- 13th Louis Turner moves into Cottage No. 3 Cherry Lane John Beveridge working in the Seed Shop Klomz, at the Laboratory; men finished repairs on boiler to day.
- 14th Teams drawing wood, Timothy and Levi to Pittsfield Brethren helping in the Seed department: Mar. 12 deg. below zero about 6 A.M.
- 15th Timothy goes to Adams & North Adams on Seed tour Teams drawing wood Sedgwick butchering heifer and pigs; A very cold morning.
- 16th Old. Joseph, Henry George & 2 boys go to Pittsfield Timothy returns from No. 7 So. Adams; Beautiful weather in the afternoon.
- 17th Ferd. to Pittsfield with fruit and Eggs; Henry George to Town,
- 18th Sabbath This day is being kept as Yearly Sacrifice day; We have no Meeting for Devotional Exercises weather is quite moderate.
- 19th Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs: Elder Joseph went to Hancock on his way to New York yesterday. Cold and clear weather. Teams draw coal
- 20th. Timothy and Robert Halford leave for New York City; or rather intended <sup>to</sup> but did not, drawing coal
- 21st. Finished drawing Coal North Family drew 2 loads A. Cantrell goes to Albany; We are having quite a thaw.

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- 22<sup>nd</sup> Elder Calvin, R. Halford, S. George, Ferd. Ganebin,  
and Fred Seivard go to Pittsfield; L. Turner goes  
with a load <sup>of</sup> hay for Backman & Everyman. Warm day.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Teams load hay for market, we have lost our nice  
sleighing; our range has sprung a leak and Bro.  
Daniel Offord is fixing it for us.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Teams take 2 loads hay to E. W. Backman Pittsfield  
Bro. Daniel Offord helping about the Gas works  
Br. Robt. Valentine returned from So. Seed Route.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sabbath Meeting in the morning at 10 O'clock North  
Family attend, in the afternoon we meet at their home  
have a royal good time a feast of intellectual & spiritual  
food. Fine day.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Lancelot Wells to Pittsfield with Butter  
& Eggs People are keeping this as Christmas.  
Quite a cold morning.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Timothy and R. Halford leave for New York go on  
the New York New Haven & Hartford R.R. Nice day
- 31<sup>st</sup>- Timothy & Robt. Halford return from New York  
in a severe snow storm

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- 1st Sabbath Meeting alone at the usual time in the sitting room: Mercury this morning at zero.
- 2nd Henry George to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs: Elder Joseph goes to Hancock. Mar. about 14 deg. below zero about 12 in. snow fell on Saturday.
- 3rd Henry George goes to Pittsfield Timothy goes also, the weather has moderated very much to day. Teams draw wood from the mountain.
- 4th Timothy and Ferd, and Henry George go to town carry over Apples, Eggs and Squashes and bought a new double Harness for New Team of horses. The snow which came Sat. is nearly gone Teamsters drawing in corn stalks; George Duncan making fancy boxes for the Office: Timothy writing up yearly returns. The weather continues mild.
- 5th. The Ministry leave for Watervliet; Henry takes them to the Depot at West Pittsfield. We have a very stormy day of wind & snow R. H. unwell.
- 6th Teams drawing wood from the sap bush lot: blustering cold morning, R. Halford on the sick list; Timothy tinkering clocks.
- 7th Sabbath Meeting at the usual time 10.00 A.M. Elder Calvin, R. Halford & Ferdinand absent on the sick list. The weather is cold and clear.
- 8th Timothy & Sidney Wells to Pittsfield with Butter & Eggs Henry George, Florinda Sears & Julia Scott as to the City fine, clear and cold.
- 9th Butchering hogs. Mercury 24 deg. below zero before sunrise; Isaac McMinn helping Sedgwick kill the pigs Colds are quite prevalent.
- 10th

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- 11th Mercury away down 14 degrees below zero; Sedgwick & Fred. Beivard go to Pittsfield with a load part R. H. & Timothy working at the Medicine.
- 12th Thermometer 4 degrees below zero; R. H. J. R. & Sarah Butter putting up Medicine. Team plowing Ice, several of the family are down with severe colds.
- 13th The weather has moderated considerable. Getting in Ice 7 hired men & 6 Brethren, part of the time; some rain R. H. & Sarah at the Medicine.
- 14th Timothy to Pittsfield with Squashes had a rainy day; our sleighing is going very fast it has nice but a short time finished a batch of Med., to day.
- 15th Sabbath No Meeting, so many are sick with La-grippe; Mercury this morning at 32 degrees F.
- 16th Timothy to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. Teams drawing wood. Cold morning but quite <sup>a mila</sup> afternoon, Sacket Root and old man over 90 died yesterday.
- 17th The funeral services of Sister Polly C. Lewis were held in our house & conducted by Ebden Calvin, quite a number of speakers took part Brethren from here & no family go to the grave.
- 18th Butchered 2 hogs to day; teams drew hay from swamp barn this afternoon. The weather has turned cold.
- 19th Mercury 2 deg. below zero. Sedgwick took the pigs to market, Timothy and Ferd. go to Pittsfield teams draw some wood.
- 20th Teams go over the mountain one to the mill the other to the depot. Cold morning; Along making extract R. H. folding circulars.

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- 21st Sedgwick goes to depot after Coal; Monzo at work in Laboratory, Ferdinand goes to Pittsfield. The weather is quite mild: Jos. Dunn confined to his room.
- 22nd Sabbath, No Meeting people are mostly confined to their rooms with colds, the weather is quite mild
- 23rd Henry George goes to Pittsfield with the Butter and Eggs: Timothy not able to go to the City: Timothy Donovan discharged on account of intemperance
- 24th We have had a stormy day, being quite windy & cool. Chas. Seward working at the dairy and in the wash house helping R.H. do the Laundry work. in afternoon at jewel cases, Geo. Duncan & Chas. Bloomgren making cedar boxes, Henry George has been to Pittsfield with apples. Teamsters drawing coal from West Pittsfield.
- 25th A number of the inmates of our home are down with the gripp: Sister Mary Hazard seems to hover between earth life and her spirit home. No school this week on account of the Principal Sta. Ada Brown being sick
- 26th Mar. 22° above zero, cloudy & N.W. wind a cold blustering day and mercury sinking. Teamsters still drawing coal. The New York State road hands are working on the job. They are sinking a ditch in the ravine that runs between Church and North Family; H.G. trimming apple tree brush.
- 27th Sabbath, No Meeting to day on account of so many being sick in the Church and North Families, New Cases are being added to the sick list - Bros. Alonso Hollister & Robt. Alford succumbed to day. Mary Hazard & Matilda Reed also Timothy Rayson seem to be slowly recovering, Yet so many are sick there barely enough well ones to do the work

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- 30th Mercury  $10^{\circ}$  above 0. Wind N.W. Cloudy weather calm cold Henry George goes to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. The hands are working on the state road; Geo. Duncan with Chas Bloomsgreen help is making Cedar boxes. Timothy R. is some better but Sister Mary Hazard is sinking.
- 31st. Last night clear and star light to day the atmosphere is cloudy calm and cold. & in the calm & quietness of the morn Sister Hazard and old veteran in the service quietly passed out to join the Angel host. She was in her 88th year was 87 years 2 months & 19 days, & died without a struggle at 7.45 A.M. She officiated in the Trustees Office for many years faithfully and acceptably she was truly a Mother in Israel.  
A company has been cutting & storing Ice in the ice house by the blacksmith shop.

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- 1st R.V. to Pittsfield and orders a coffin in which bury the remains of Sister M. Hazard two men came & placed the body in the coffin: To day the brethren & helper finished storing the ice
- 2nd Elder Calvin with G. Seivards help made a box to inclose M. Hazards coffin in. The ice tools are put away ready for use next year if needed
- 3rd The storm that has been brewing for several days has finally reached us. The funeral services of Sister Mary Hazard commenced at 2 P.M. & lasted one hour & 40 minutes they were very solemn & impressive, many friends from Pittsfield our town came to pay their respects.
- 4th Robt. H. & H. George go to Pittsfield on a little business.

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- 5th Sabbath, Meeting in the afternoon at two o'clock North Family met with us It has been a snowy day.
- 6th Henry George goes to Pittsfield with butter and Eggs; Two men from town came to fix the boiler at the Laboratory. hired man took them to the depot one team drawing wood. Cold & clear day.
- 7th Sent off a batch of Seven barks; Robbins of Pittsfield also Mr. Russell <sup>maker</sup> boiler came over to consult with us about putting in a new one at the Laboratory. snowy day: teams drew some wood.
- 8th We've had quite a heavy snow storm to day, teams not doing much out. Timothy, Ferdinand & John Beveridge helping in the Seed Shop.
- 9th Timothy and Robt. H. go to Pittsfield; Mar. this morning 4 degrees below zero, Eldress Dorothy is laid up with a sprained ankle, Men sorting potatoes, G.D. & C. Liver making boxes; Sadi Neale & C. French go to Albany.
- 10th Sadi and Leonelia return from Albany. Mar. 4° below zero; Men sorting potatoes R. Halford working at the Medicine, set up a coal stove in dairy.
- 11 Teams drawing wood from Mt. & Medicine to depot Ferd. & J. Beveridge working in Seed Shop; Monge still confined to the sick house. Mar. 18° below zero Robt. V. returns from New York.
- 12th Sabbath No Meeting in the morning; on account of the extreme cold weather, in the afternoon we had singing Meeting. Anna Marie Greaves and Timothy go to see Chas. Greaves who is dangerously ill.

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- 13<sup>th</sup> Timothy goes to Pittsfield with Butter and Eggs. and Squashes and beets; it has been a stormy day about a foot of snow fell: One team drawing wood.
- 14<sup>th</sup> A terrible blizzard is raging this morning it commenced during the night. Mercury yesterday was 4 or 5 deg. below zero, can't do anything out doors to day.
- 15<sup>th</sup> R. Halford working at the medicine shop: Teams breaking roads and drawing hay from swamp barn. The weather has moderated very much; Timothy got Squire Haight to make out eviction papers to serve on Frott Pratt: George Duncan making jewel boxes
- 16<sup>th</sup> Mercury 14° above zero, atmosphere is calm & clear. Teams drawing hay from swamp, Pay our taxes to day R. H. working at the medicine shop. Beautiful day.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Ferd. & Timothy go to Pittsfield with apples and 1 pig. Teams drawing coal for William Anderson, Robt. H. working at medicine; Beautiful day.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Timothy to the City: The teams after brick near Lenox Monzo making extracts Beautiful weather to day quite warm R. H. at the medicine shop.
- 19 Sabbath Meeting at home, North Family attend quite a snow squall came up during meeting.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Timothy and Sidney go to Pittsfield with butter and Eggs, one team to the depot the other drawing wood the weather is quite warm.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Three teams go for a New boiler for Extract works also brick lime and Cement to set the boiler quite a warm day. snow is going rapidly

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- 22nd This is Washington's Birth day, the girls are to have an entertainment this Evening; Robt. is putting up a batch of Whites medicine. The weather is quite warm and the snow is going off.
- 23rd Teams drew some posts from the mountain yesterday to day they are drawing out manure: Timothy, J. Beveridge Robt. and 3 Sisters putting up medicine.
- 24th Elder Levi and Timothy go to Albany; cold day. Teams drawing out manure R. H. J. Beveridge and Fred S. working at the medicine.
- 25th Robt. Halford, Timothy, J. B. and Fred. working in the medicine shop. Teams drawing manure, the weather is quite cold. H. G. drew home 2 bbls. Gasoline
- 26th Sabbath, Meeting at the usual time. North Family attend with us. Had some little sleet and rain.
- 27th Timothy to Pittsfield with butter and Eggs, one team drawing out manure; cold afternoon R. Halford working at the medicine.
- 28th We put up a batch of Seven barks medicine in the morning and put 2 bbls. Gasoline in the storage tank; Teams hauling out manure: Cold mornin but moderated in the afternoon.

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28th Set out 19 Tomato plants next to pole beans

June 4 Set one row Tomato plants & finished another  
.. 5 Set another row Tomato plants  
.. 6 Planted one row white bush beans

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April 16 Sowed 2 Rows Beet, 5 rows Sage &  $\frac{1}{4}$  rows V.G. Danver  
Onion

18th Transplanted Tomato plants in hot-bed.  
Sowed 2 Rows Bell Pepper

27th Transplanted Several rows Tomato plants in hot

30th Transplanted 4 Hungarian prune trees two lower side <sup>bed</sup> ~~bed~~  
Kitchen Garden, 1 in old Bee yard & <sup>in</sup> lower row plum trees  
in Nursery.

May 10 Sowed 12 Rows Yellow G Onion, 9 rows Edmand J. Beet

.. 11th .. 3 rows Parsnip 1 row Carrot, 3 rows Veg. Oyster  
2 rows Lettuce 2 Radish 1 Peppersgrass, 6 double

31st \* rows Prem. Gem peas, #8 E.B. Corn & 8 rows Country  
Gentleman S. corn 8 Blk Wax Beans

June 1 9 rows

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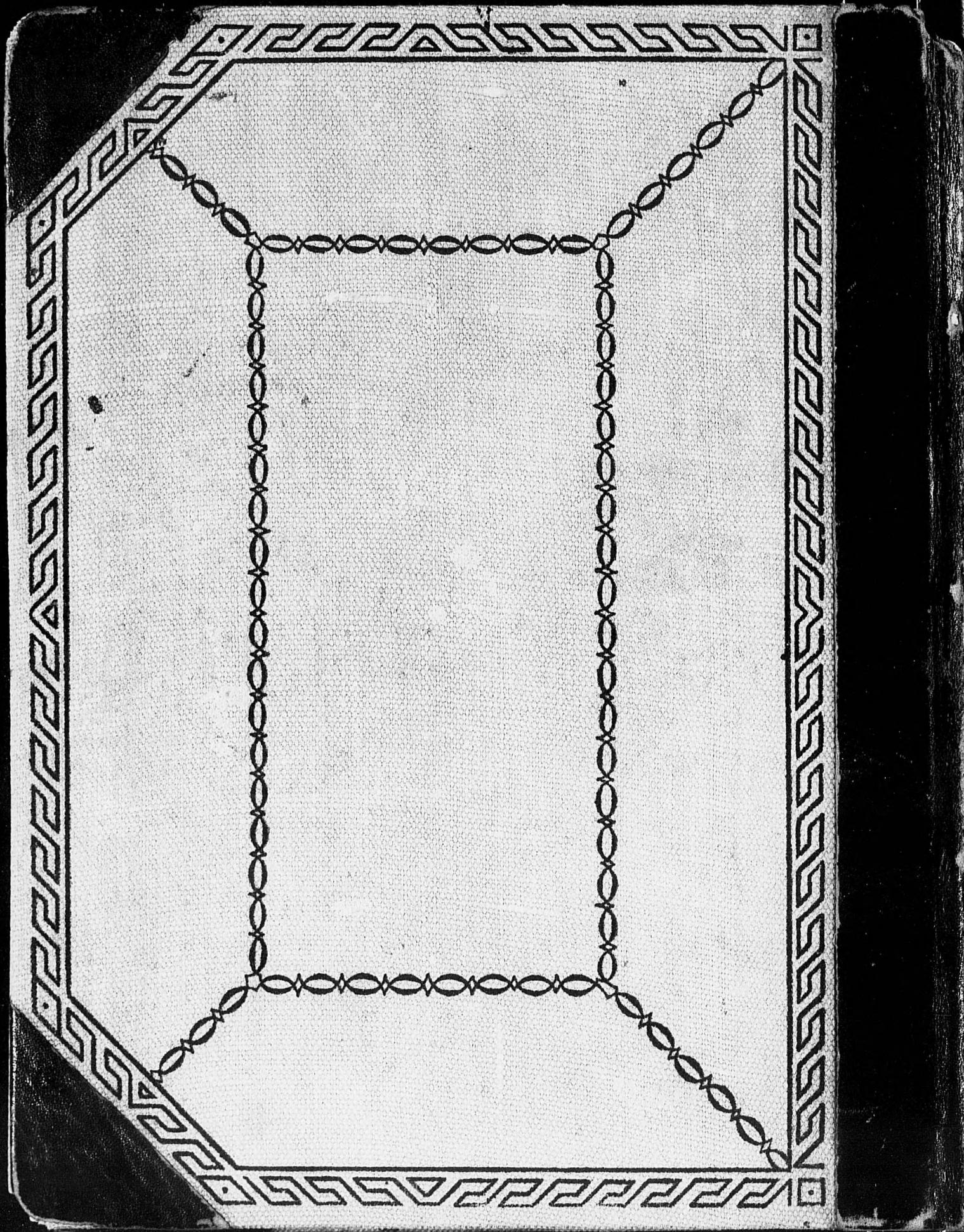
- May 1st Sowed 4 Rows Yellow Gobles Onion, lower side garden  
 " 1/2 row each Lettuce & Radish next to Onions  
 " 2 Rows Long White Parsnip  
 " 2 double rows Henderson's first of all. Peas  
 " 2 4 Rows Edmands Blood Turnip Beet. next to Parsnips  
 Set out one row Onion Sets next to Current bushes  
 " 3 Rows Howard & Morrow Perfection Dwf Peas  
 " " 1 double row Bliss Abundance tall "  
 Planted 2 rows Shakers E. Sweet Corn next to "  
 14 Planted 3 1/2 " White Dutch R. Beans next " Squash  
 9 Planted one Hubbard Squash & 1 row Cucumber below Sq.  
 , 17th " 2 rows Evergreen Sweet Corn next to Ea. Corn  
 " 1 1/2 " White Dutch Case Knife Beans

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- April 23 Sowed 6 double rows Henderson's 1st of all Peas North side of Workman's shop 4 rows Edmand Blood Turnip Beet & 2 rows Hansons Early Lettuce.  
 24th Transplanted 18 Abundance Plum trees in the Bee yard and 7 in hen yard and 25 Burbank in hen yard  
 May 1st Sowed 2 Rows Onion lower side garden next currant B.  
 also 2 Rows Beet and one row Parsnip next to onion  
 " 9th Planted a Sweet Corn  
 12. Planted 1/2 Row Cucumber E. F. & 1/2 row S. S. Squash  
 15 Planted one row White D Runner pole beans  
 16 Planted another row pole beans and 1 row Hubbard Squash and row bush beans.  
 26 Sowed one double row L. Gem Peas. Sowed 1 row Parsnips

- April 14 Sowed 6 rows Yellow Globe Onion lower side of garden.
- " 2 " Little Gem Peas next
  - 19    3 Double Rows Henderson's first of All Peas
  - " 3 " " Bliss Everbearing "
  - " 4 Rows Long Smooth parsnip
  - " 1/2 " Scarlet Turnip Radish
  - " 1/2 " Hanson's Lettuce.
- 24th Transplanted 6 German prune in hen yard 2 in first row & 4 in 3 row; One Peach Stump the World in 3rd row 3 Elberta 4<sup>th</sup> row 1 stump T.W. above Wash house 2 Old Nixon in horse radish patch 1 Late Crawford by the Dairy 1 Blk. Tartarian Cherry in the Kitchen Garden by Asparagus bed.
- May 2 "
- 2 Sowed 2 double rows Yorkshire Nero Pease next to Lettuce 7<sup>th</sup> Planted 2 rows Dutch Runners
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Planted 1/2 row Hubbard next to Pole Beans:
  - 10 Planted 4 rows Corn 2 Perry's Hybrid & 2 Cox next to Hubbard Squash.
  - 11 Planted 1/2 row Crookneck S. & 1/2 row Ea & C. Cucum.
  - 18<sup>th</sup> Planted two rows White Case Knif Beans next to White Runners.
- June 1 Transplanted 1/2 row Hubbard Squash
- 6 Planted 1/2 rows rust proof white Beans & sowed 4 rows Scarlet Turnip radish
  - 25<sup>th</sup> Sowed 2 rows Little Gem Peas below asparagus.

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To our Sister Mary Hazard

We have gathered here this afternoon to offer our last tribute of respect to this sainted sister I would be glad were I able to paint in glowing colors the life work of her whose body lies cold and inanimate, but can offer only such feeble words as are mine to express my reverence and respect for the dead <sup>I was</sup> I want to say but would prefer a truer term a living and active spirit. We may eulogize the virtues of our Comrades and say many beautiful things of them and truly so too and if we can weave into the warp and woof of our lives those virtues we so much admire in her who has passed beyond the pale of praise or censure we shall indeed live to some purpose. Mary was one of the people, there was no work that she con-

considered to menial to engage in, she seemed to take genuine pleasure in active work; she was at it early and late and I am inclined to think she was prone to work beyond her strength, be that as it may she was indeed a bright and shining light in our home.

Angels friends from the mansions above I doubt not will form a <sup>strong</sup> <sub>convey</sub> to their celestial home, where we read there <sup>is</sup> night the inhabitants therof need neither the light of the sun neither the moon for the Lord God is the light thereof. Let us rejoice and be glad that the spiritual sun sheds his beams for our comfort and solace while traveling the homeward journey. Peace  
sweet peace to our sainted Sister