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A Domestic Journal.

Kept by Order of Deaconesses.
in the Family

Church Mt Lebanon
Columbia Co. N. Y.

Written by Anna Dodgson.

1873 to 1877.

January 1873.

W 1 We are reminded of the dawn of a New Year
By a beautiful Greeting hung in Dining Room.
Th 2 The Seed Boxes are finished. 66 in number
employing hands to the amount of 18 days works
of first Order and 9 of Second Order
Oren has bought 36 young hens with proceeds
of the old ones sold on Monday & Tuesday.
Fr 3 The Brethren have filled our Ice House
this week and are now assisting others
St 4 Elijah Scott brings his clothes here and must
be cared for by some kind friends!
Sb 5 Tremendious Storm of rain and snow.
M. 6 Very slippery all over the door yard.
T 7. It is concluded for Florinda Sears to move
from the Dairy to the Office. E. G. S. to Dairy.
when the School closes!
W 8. A little snow makes very good walking.
Th 9. Rufus Crosman returns 12 weeks absence.
Benjamine G. returns 2 weeks absence.
Fr 10 Charles Lizer returns 2 weeks & days absence.
St 11 Very cold but fine weather & excellent sleighing
Sb 12 Very stormy and slippery. Men go North.

January 1873

Tu 14	Butchered 3. beeves. for drying &c.
W 15	Elder John Whitely here. Orren H. and Henry C. go to Waterville for the Min Sleigh. Eld Daniel Hawkins deceased at South Family aged 92.
Th 16	Julia Ann tries the tallow &c Henry C. returns from Water. Jan thaw.
F 17	Orren return with sleigh. quit bare ground. Leach helps J.A. about the mince meat It is all done in the Kitchen.
Sa 18	More snow. Florinda moves to the office.
Su 19	Ministry go South. weather quite pleasant.
M 20	This week has contained no very new features to distinguish it from previous weeks except that my chickens furnish a meal of boiled eggs. on Friday, and the annual building meeting was attended on Thursday P.M. in Meeting Room B.H. long. We are generally at our Lake work.
Tu 26	Very fine winter weather good sleding.
W 27.	Ministry leave for Waterville. Ruth Scott here to see Julianna about Elijah Scott

January 1857

Tu 28 Weather continues very cold. Nothing new.
Th 30. Our Square boiler, and old Tea Kettle, are made suitable to use on the Stove, Two new Square iron pans are made and we are furnished with Egg coal. Mary H. and L. Stand go to the Mill to assist in butchering Swine.
Fri 31. A. F. M. H. L. A. Stan. & F. S. to Pittsfield.

February 1873.

Sab 2 Very fine weather. Hope Feb may do better than Jan.
M. 3 Rufus leaves for Green Mountain rout. Last week a New Coal Stove came for seed Shop.
Tu 4 Elijah Scott leaves for Bennington Vt.
Th 6. Elder Peter H. Long. came with Sisters Matilda and Phebe, who have been absent. 6 weeks.
W 5 B. G. Returned yesterday and today brings to the Kitchen a New Warren Cooker. Fine thing this
St 8th. Make Apple sauce to sell. and prepare one ~~lb~~ of Pickles in Brine, and one to be in vinigar. One put up in Novr making in all 1 lb of sauce & 3 lb of pickels Elder Peter attends even meeting.

February 1873.

Sb 9th	Elder Peter attends meeting P.M.
M. 10th	Two new Coal stoves are blacked and set up one in Sisters Setting room, One at basket Shop. E. Peter returns. G. W. goes to Albany.
Wen 12	Matilda and writer go to South Family to take some clothing to Polly Lewis who is to take it to the society at Philadelphia.
Fri 14	Rufus returned from Green Mountain tour. Henry Cantrel Sprained his arm badly at the Thrasher.
Sat 15	Elder Daniel fell and badly hurt his side.
Tu 18	Rufus goes a short peddling tour, B. Gates goes the North Granvill Tour.
W 19	Leah, Elanor & Ella Turror go to Pittsfield.
Th 20.	H. Holister relieves Emma Jane one day E. Cantrell & E. J. Ride a short distance
Fr 21.	Kill a few Roosters, 10 in all 5 being about as large as Pigeons kept by D. Ray. belonging to M. H. Make a little Apple-sauce &c.

February 1873.

Sab 23 Anna goes into the Kitchen Matilda takes charge of the Hens.
Mon 24 Charles starts on the Seed Road.
Tu 25 Benjamine return from Northern Road by rail
Th 26 terrible Storm he leaves his team.
Th 27 S. L. J. L. go to Pittsfield. J. L. gets a narrow piece of Oil Carpet for Br room. No 4.
Fr 28 Julia A. Augusta & Angeline go to Pittsfield.
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March 1873.

Sat 1 Abigail Munson deceased aged 76 years.
T 4 Funeral of A. M. Ministry leave Waterville for Groveland, to settle the Farm business with J. G.
Th 6 Polly Lewis and Jane Shearer Return from Philadelphia, & New York. Making a home in Phila" with the Sisters 522 So. 10th St. They took clothes trifles &c from here, stand two nights social B 15. Robert M. with them
Sat 8 Charles Returns Winter good as ever.
Tu 11 Angeline goes to assist the South Family about dress making.

March 1873.

Th 13	Eldress Harriet. E. S. E. U. D. W. Joseph S. F. Y. go to Pittsfield. Meeting room change
Mon 10	The Office Sisters commence making some Mantles for their use and borrow the sewing Machine.
Tue 14	Angeline returned from South family. five bls of Sugar very nice and good. received. School closes today.
W. 15	Weather still wintry, no signes of Spring.
M. 17	Andrew F. goes on a peddling tour.
Tue 18	Mary & Florinda go to Albany.
Wed 19	Ministry returned from Waterviet
Th. 20	Andrew F returned. Elder Daniel C. has sold in Pittsfield 20 gal of Apple Sauce by the gall we have sold in all 52 gal.
Fri 21	A terrible gale and snow as of winter.
Sat 22.	Anna leaves the Kitchen. Julia A. begins,
Mon 24.	Some sickness, employ for Nurses, not serious,
Tue 25.	William Whiting of 2nd family deceased
Wed 26.	Sarah Turner of 2d fam deceased.
Fri 28.	Clark & William attend S. S. funeral.
Sat 29.	Rain! making a terrible thaw. 30th Snow! snow!

April 1873.

Tue 1	Yesterday I made two small kettles of Apple Sauce.
Wed 2	The Robins begin to talk of spring.
Th 3	We have a letter from Philadelph announcing the Death of Br Thomas Marston, found dead in West-Phila. Sad Misfortune, to the Sisters.
Fr. 4	Jane Clough with her Son and Daugh. arive N. Fam.
St. 5	Emma Clough is received into the Church.
M. 7	Prepare a barrel of pickles for our table.
Th 10	The baskets are finished in bulk.
Fri 11	One hundred Fans splint-finished.
Sat 12	Matilda and Anna just finish Sale work. A Rooster hurt last week, L.S. takes care of him. One poor sick hen. with swelldhead.
Tue. 15	Charles goes to N. Y. William Willson Charlotte Hart and Sarah Dean here from Enfield, Carried our Sale work. M.R. A.D. to the Office.
Wed 16,	Visitors make a flying visit throthe Street
Thur 17	P.M. Visitors leave for Troy and the Sisters then go to Waterviet — The Kitchen whitewashed and cleaned to day. W. W. to Mt Morris.
Fri 18	Put 4 Box baskets together for home use.
Sat 19	C.L. returns. J.S. comes out of Kitchen, M.R. goes in.

April 1873

Mon 21 A Barrel of pickels in vinegar the last of the Brine pickles, half of them from 2d Order.

Tue 22 The weather still continues cold & dry. Julia Ann paints in the Cellar.

Wed 23 The New Refrigerator is moved to the Dairy. Commenced Stating Machine Shop.

Th 24 Plowing commenced this week.

Fr 25 Elder Giles helped Green dig post holes for a hen park. Some new hens are introduced called Crevecoeur a French Fowl. Julia Ann and some girls clean the lower Cellar and Molasses Cellar.

Sat 26 A little more snow this morning

Su 27. Hannah Willson and Jane Clough here They have their visit in the D. Room.

Tue 29th The weather still continues cold & unpleasant,

W. 30 Doctor Allen of Pittsfield here to see Benjam Gates who is suffering with Spinal Meningitis and John Dean who is still confined & feeble

May.

M.* 12 Amelia Calver & Emma Jane N. go with Benjamine to Albany to get school supplies.

May

M	3rd	A storm of snow and rain bidding defiance to the efforts to get in the gardens & crops
Su	4th	Fine pleasant weather for Sunday Keeping.
Mon	5	Clean the Stoop at Wash House.
*Tue	6th	Commence scrubbing in Br's Room,
Wed	7th	Calsimine and finish Br's Room T. Beck helped Anna. No Brs help obtainable. Julia Cleans the Store Room alone.
Thu	8th	Scrub the Herb House, Lower lofts as usual,
Fri	9th	Clean the Garrets. Finish setting Onions &c, Which was commenced on Tuesday. Rain!
Sat	10th	Clean the Drying Room. E. Henry Bli arrives.
*Sun	6	Sarah & L. Tabitha and Elizabeth L. go to Albany E goes to see a Doctor about her Deafness.
Su	11	Elder Henry attends meeting.
M	*12	Clean the wash House. Br John Dean very sick.
W.	14	Commence scrubbing our Shop. Ministry leave home, E.E. Antrells work on Caps.
Th	15th	Clark white washes the mending room.
x	x	" White washes the halls at the Wash H. The Calsimining on the sides done by the Sisters in halls & mending Room.

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Fr 16 J. S. Scrubs north Store room we oil the
Meeting Room wood work in the wash H. Halls & Henry leaves.
Cleaned. P. M. Clean Door yards Elder D. Helps
Sa 17. The Ministry went to Water V. on Wednesday.
Business brought Elder Giles back today.
Two ~~tubs~~ of Clams Brought at Noon.
The Taylorses sewing Machine repaired
at Albany returned to day. Kitchen change
Matilda comes out takes the hens. Anna goes in.
Sun 20 The First Asparagus cut to day. Matilda
and Julia Ann Commence cutting Trocks.
Wed 21 Tan House cleaned 8 hands employed.
B Gates goes to Lowel on cloth business.
Th 22 Orren completes the New Hen Perk, and
chicken yard His faithfulness is deserving
of all praise and the gratitude of the family.
Fr 23 The Seed Shop Cleaned, hands employed
who did not work on the Tan House.
Benj.n returned with Sarah Green, a girl of
12 years Daughter of Job Green. Uncle of C. J. Neal.
The girl is on a visit -
Sat 24 The weather is perfectly fine warm & pleasant.

May

Mon 26 Elder J. H. & E. Clough go to Canaan and bring home Henry Clough to live here.

Tue 27 Elder Daniel took apple sauce made yesterday to Pittsfield.

Wed 28. Our worthy Brother John Dean deceased 8 oc. 20 min aged 76 yrs 4 mo. One of the most worthy and noble men that ever graced a community. A man whose religion consisted in uprightness and whose probity and veracity made a character unsullied and enables him to leave a reputation untarnished to posterity.

Th 29 Sarah A. Mary H. & Adah Zillah go to Pittsfield Elder Daniel drived the team.

Fri 30 The girl Sarah Green returns to her Father. We attend the funeral of Br John. Brown completes the chicken yard inside the large park.

Sat 31 Sarah Dean nearly finished setting out the flower garden west of the Dairy. She has started the seed in letter envelops in her shop. Cornelia and Maria M. finish making soap. We have some cool nights, but the trees are in full bloom, and our old planet again becomes a paradise of beauty. Dorcas & Peter Mills here.

Th 29 Meeting House cleaned to day.

June 1873.

Sb	1	Attend singing meeting at the 2nd Order.
W	4	Samuel Hurlburt here from Water Vliet.
Th	5	Meeting Brick Shop cleaned to day. and the Boys Shop.
Fr	6	S. Hurlburt returns with means to take him to South Union, where he is to reside.
Sat	7	Elder Calvin G. arrives, from Groveland
Sb	8	Public Meeting and Church meeting opened
M.	9	Elder C. visits and is well received.
T.	10	Elder C. acompanies, Eldress Antionett Hanna Wellson Sarah Cutler Margaret Patterson, Eliza Rayson, & John Greaves, to Groveland on a visit. A Company, Orren Haskins Clark Hayden, Adoline C. Maria M. Cornelia F. Lucy B. Go to Watervliet. Joseph Shingerland to N. Y. Tabitha & Florinda to Pittsfield. T. gets a nice piece of Oil Cloth for Bro Room.
Th.	12	The Doctors B. Shop cleaned. C. P. helped.
F	13.	J. L. Cleanes the North Cellar.
St	14	Matilda has had a laborious time with the hens & chickens, There are now 23's all hatched in 4 weeks. Kitchen Change. Aout. J. in

June 1873.

Sb 15	The Orders are to be read Sb mornings. Commence.
Tu 17	Watervliet Co returned ½ past 5 o'clock.
W 18	The first herbs picked over.
Th 19	The weath. is exceedingly dry, but very fine.
Fr 20	The North family visitors returned from Groveland
St 21.	Joseph S. returned from N. Y. The first strawberries picked. Yesterday we cleaned the Deaconess Room, & E Harriet cleaned the Elder Sisters room, E. U. the upper N. Room.
M. 23	The last meal of asparagus, In all 17 meals
Tu 24	Elder Giles with Lucy Ann Hammond and Susan Channel of Harvard, Lovina Salsberry & Lucy Fairchild of Watervliet, arrived.
W. 25	Ministry returned, weather still very dry.
Th 26	Brisk times picking over herbs strawberries visiting &c &c.
Fr 27	M. R. and writer tack & sand paper some oval Boxes for the store. A slight shower.
Sat. 28	A. Stone & com here to see his relations.
Sb. 29	Harvard & Watervliet Sis here to Meeting
M. 30	Good picking of strawberries
F. 31	Straw berry Cake for dinner

July. 1873

T 1	Straw berry Cake, highth of strawberries
W 2	Harvard Min visitors taken to Depot Alfred Ministry Arrive, Water vlet vis left yesterday, for North Family.
Th 3	Second Co Chauncey Copley Caty Fergus. Sarah A. Neal Mary A. Vanderwater, who have been to Enfield and arrived here on Monday, left with Sisters Lovina and Lucy today. Yesterday we picked the first Peas, a fine lot.
Fr 4th	Matilda and writer have filled odd min making 13 crown caps for the P.h. Sisters. Ironed them today.
M. 7.	Commenced picking cherries, picked 6 bushel. hard work for Sisters.
Th 10	Alfred Ministry leave today.
W 9	Picked 10 bushel of peas.
Fri 11	Picked 5 " " " A. F. sold them. We have plenty of work picking peas. Straw berries and Cherries. I has rained enough to revive vegitation.
Sat 12	On account of haying we omit Meeting. Second Order take the herbs. Kitchen Change Matilda in.

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M. 14 Pick the last strawberries, we have picked 21 bushel, had 20 meals. Clean Pickle Cellar.

T. 15 Elder Giles Assists the Sisters all day picking cherries, we have now secured 21 bushel.

W 16 Our first meal of raspberries.

Th 17 We are looking for rain. O very dry! we need it

F 18 1/2 inch of rain, A cold windy storm

S 19 W. Greaves &c here rain continues

M 21 After washing E. C. J. S. and A. S. go for huckleb.

T 22 Elder Giles goes with Sisters to Ede. lot " "

W 23 Eldress H. and young Sisters pick cherries Andrew helps them we have in all 23 lbs

Th 24 White wash the Hen House to kill the lice.

F 25 Soak and prepare a Bl of Pickles mostly to Sell. B.G. 1/2 Bl. O.H. with com to Ede Lot

St 26 Wortle Berries at their height. The haying in the Big Swamp. finished, except a trifle which the rain blessing has caught.

Sb 27. Rain! No public meeting.

M 28 Eld Giles & O.H with company to Ede Lot. Pick the red cherry currents, in the evening.

T 29 Take care of berries & currents.

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W. 30 Ferdinand and Co with Elder G. Go to Ede Lot again for berries.
Canterbury M. arrive for dinner.
Th 31 Two young women Sister & niece of Eld Polly arrive for a visit.

August.

Fr. 1 Go on the Mount for blue berries.
S. 2 " " We have now secured 1.5 bush. Brethren finish haying.!
Sb. 3 Eldress Joanna visited with the rest of the E. Ministry yester at North. is sick, and as yet remains there. E. Angeling stays with her. They both appear delicate
M. 4 Nurses pick most of their currents at various times to sell.
T. 5 E Cantrel Julia A. Doretta H. go with Henry C. to Washington. Hiram Rude Deceased
W 6 Philomen S. Eldress Ann, Corena B. Nancy D. Charlotte Morrow. Harriet M. Go to Watervliet - Mary Hazard Ann M. to Sharon Springs

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W. 6 Canterbury M. and Aldah Zillah P.
Leave for Hancock, Attend Funeral
Th 7. We hear that Zillah is very sick and
thus deterred from accompanying the
Min to Enfield and from thence to
Canterbury, as was anticipated.
Fri 8 Eldress Polly and Marice Lapsley go with
Wren & Joseph to Han. to see Zillah.
Marice remains to care for her
Eld. H. Roberna. Hattie H. Ella C. Phebe B.
go with Ferdinand to Pittsfield.
Sat 9. Change in the Kitchen Mont A. in.
Su 10 Public meeting very full. Some Chh. Attendance.
M 11 Take the herbs again.
Th 14 Edward. John B. Augusta Dorothy, set out
on a New Y. Journey. Take Phebe Back to her
Aunt in N. Y.
Fri 15 Andrew T. takes some Sisters work to Barrington
and Egremont. Tries Peddling alone.
The earth suffers for rain, In these times
we are getting a very little Johnny Hutton a
vagrant boy we took 3 years ago, leaves with his Father.

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Sat 16	B.G. Leaves with Lemanth Newton, to take her to her Father. Poor foolish girls!!
Sb 17.	A.T. Returns being quite successful.
Sat 16	Mary Hazard & Ann Maria Greaves returned from Sharon &c. Adah Tillah is brought home from Hancock on a bed in the covered carriage. Betsy Crossman & Maria Lapp have been there caring for her. B.C. went on Sabbath last.
M. 18	Sarah A.L. and Florinda go to Manchester.
T. 19	Matilda Adeline Cornelia go to Hancock scrubbing A.T. Tabitha, Rebena go to W. Stockbridge.
W 20	Peddlers all retiren. Report success.
Th 21	Ministry leave for Waterviet.
Fr 22	Edward & Co minus J.B. Return all well.
Sat 23	John B. returns bright and happy.
Sb 24	Our first full meal of Tomatoes. Julia Ann works in the Dairy for Augusta.
W. 27.	Apple Cellar cleaned Matilda presides
Th 28	The first load of Pears sold to day.
Sb 31.	A little rain as usual. No Public Meeting.

September. 1873.

T 2 × First Elderberrying. O.B. J.S. E.J.C. Agnes.
W 3 Elderberrying Cornelia, Dorothy, Emily.
Th 4 Peaches arrive 41 Crates 4 o'clock.
F 5 The first Tomatoes used at Wash house.
S. 6 Gather Plumbs 1½ bushels.
Sb 7. Change in Kitchen. Amelia Sick A.D. stays in.
F 9 A.F. Elizabeth C. E.C. E.J.S. J.T. Elderberrying
W 10 F.G. Elderb. L.T. L.B. L.P. Ottie.
Picked up the Apples and sorted them
Th 11 Commence picking apples yesterday
Maria M. went to Pittsfield with Tabitha
Fr 12 A.D. out of Kitchen Susan Calver been here
more than two weeks boarding but occasion-
ally visiting among her friends leaves today
Sarah Ann Starr & A.D. go with her to Pittsfield.
Cleaned the old House
St 13 Picked the first grapes in the Vineyard
A lovely rain, the most this season
Sb 14 Rainy cold. No public Meeting.
M 15 Matilda & writer Put by the Coops & cut Hen House.
T 16 A.F. A.S. Emma C. Elderberrying.
W 17 We have had a frost so severe as to freeze ice ⅛ thick
on Sab night 14

September. 1873.

W 17	Charles S. Returned absent 2 weeks.
	W. Anderson & F. Gainbin re. absent 1 week
Th 18	Ministry returned from Watervliet.
St 20	Lawyer Andrews. Wife Daughter & young Woman here.
Sb 21	Public Meeting so cold fires are made at M. H.
M 22	Elizabeth C. and writer ride out with Matilda A.
	Mary Andrews & Mary Kinney, Orren Driver. They leave for home P. M. The Lawyer went this morning.
T 23	Sarah A. L. T. L. Go to Albany to attend
	the State Fair which opens on 24
W 24	Eldress H. and Sarah D. Go to Hoosick.
~~Th 24~~	Henry Cantrell & J. H. Go to the Fair.
+ Th 25	Grapes picked for preserves &c.
F 26	Picked over the third kiln of Colts foot.
	F. Lapsley, & Henry C. return from the fair.
St 27.	The Apples are all picked up and sorted.
	The Boys cleared the North Orchard, and Clark & the Boys with a little help from E. D. B. & A. F. have picked all the Apples. Matilda, Elizabeth, Augustee, Maria M. Robena have sorted all the apples. Dolly Sexton 76 years of age has shelled all the beans, which have been used steady for 6 past weeks.

Edward Fuller's from Michigan &c
Sarah L. from the fair
Eldress H. Sarah D. from Hoosick.

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Th 25 Charles Sizer, Joseph S. Jane B. Maria Lo.
Go to Pittsfield to get a coal stove for Infirm
Sb 28. O! How very warm. 83° in the Shade. O! O!
We have had 2½ in of rain with in 10 day!
M. 29 S. A. S. Goes again to Albany to the Fair.

October 1873.

W 1 J. S. E. J. N. L. B. M. B. Go for barberries
find them rather scarce. Th 2nd S. A. S. returns.
Th 2 A number of Sisters to 2nd f. to see corn kiln.
Go with Rufus to get some leavings of seed
Cumbers for pickles, to Brick yard.
F 3 Dolly S 96 years old A. Z. P. & S. J. go with
Orren to Hancock on a visit.
Sb 5 Most Lovely October weather no Pub meeting.
Th 7th Mary H. and Matilda R. go to Albany &c.
Th 10 B. G. returns southern Kopel.
Sat 11 M. H. & M. R. return having been further West.
Caroline Neal arrives here
Sb 12 Closing Public Meeting to day. Will ever m. commence.
T. 14 Ministry go to Hancock.
W 15 Elders from Lower fam Canan Minerva
Louisa Green Thomas Smith here on visit.
And Two Br Henry & Newcom Green of Harvard

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Th 16 Ministry Sisters return to Hancock.
S. A. L. & T. L. go with them to Pittsfield
Emily Smith leaves here for another home
A Stone Cutter comes to repair our
Stone sink in the kitchen.

F 17 A number of Sisters with Elder D B.
Go to see the Chair Factory. Very close
times now for shavins. !!! Each
One runs with an apron full.

Th 16 The Infirmary is supplied with a new
coal stove in the Kitchen, and one in
their Shop. very nice Stoves too.

M. 20th ~~Charles~~, A Rainy day. Fine warm rain,

T. 21st Charles starts for the western seed rout.
The Stone Cutter finishes the cook room
sink, and does a little to the bake room.
leaves in the evening. $ 16 charged.

Wen 22 Fine warm weather, Eld D. has got a barrel
of Quinces. M. R. & writer sort the Hudson apples.

Th 23 10 bbl of apples. 1 of Potatoes, for Hud, 3 for Her.

F 24 Go to Canaan corners. 24th The Ministry
Sisters return from Hancock.

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Th 23 Elder Richard Bushnell, deceased 7 oc P.M. He has had a long time of suffering. been for many years quite deaf. In losing him a Counseler of rare value is missing from our ranks. One by one strength is leaving us.

Sat 25 Eldress Polly leaves for Enfield S.B. J.A.S. go to Depot with her. Find J.M. Peebles, on his return from Australia, who comes to the North to report himself, being by profession a Shaker & Spiritualist. A Mason is making some repairs. The dairy arch, & wash house something at Infirmary and New Shop.

Sb 26 We have a Public funeral at the Meeting House. A very large body of Spectators, 4 20 in Number J. M. Peebles arriving here yesterday from his round the world tour attended & spake. Five teams here from Hancock. In the P.M.

Tu. 3 o.c. Peebles pays us a beautiful visit in the Meeting Room. Second Order attend with us.

M. 27 Peebles leaves for home having been absent 18 months. E. F. Goes to N. Y.

Te 28 Eldress Ann, accompanied by Roby Bennet-

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Jerusia Smith, and Hannah Blake
Goes to Hancock to meet Eldress Polly and
the Newly formed Order of Ministry, Eldress
Jennet Auger being released, Eld Caroline Helfr.
Returning to the charge of Gathering Order.
Eldr Betsy Johnson of Tyrring' Eld Emma
Strowbridge of Enfield are being installed.
Th 30. A Co of Hancock Br & Sis. visit here.
F 31 Work finished in lower room and the
Room cleaned up. A new Copper Kettle in
place of one given from Brickyard the Blue
Dy Kettle, arrives today. George & Orren
having gone to Watervliet Wed. &c. to day.
Supplies are commencing to come in.
2 bbl of Sweet Potatoes, 5 bbl of Sugar.
A Box of Dried Fish. 1 Khd. of Molasses.

We have had a beautiful October month.
considerable rain, quite warm & pleasant.
*Sat 15 Jane Clough here to see Emma & Henry.
Sb 16 Susan Patterson Goes to help Augusta at Dairy.
Minnie to the kitchen.

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Sb 2. Min all go to Hancock. Second Br. here singing. Kitchen change A. D. in Kitchen.

T. 4th Eld D. has got in all about 3½ bush Quinces, not very fine quality, but pretty high.

W. 5th Ministry leave for Waterviel. In changes, the Min have taken the Riding Carriage from the Min at Hancock, it being much better than theirs. Orren and George have been to Waterviel to get the sleigh which moves in the trade.

Th 8th Charles Sizer returns from western seed tour. E. E. From N. Y. The money panic still prevails to an alarming extent, fearful of consequences if it continues. What is to be done?

M 10 School commences. E. J. N. Teacher Betsy E. J. Assistant Companion.

Th 13 Mary H. Sarah A. Hand. Maria L. Pick Turkeys at North F. Cottage, 20, turkeys. for feathers

M. 17 Sarah Ann & Florinda go to Albany. A heavey snow falls to lay on all winter

T 18 last evening and today, Sisters return. The west Veranda at Dairy is enclosed by a new door and window thro the kindness of Br. Orren Haskins, The Girls Shop closed up. for the winter. Bonnet-weaving finished.

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+ Th 20. Hands straighten the first poplar this season. weaving Com Fen 11

F 21. Eld Daniel goes to Watervliet on business with Ministry. Some excitement is afloat in regard to some outlaws who spent last ~~man~~ all night at our workmans house, have robbed a house of $1700 in Lenox, got supper at Hitchcocks &c. There seems to be three of the Co. Quite suspicious characters,

St 22d Eld D. returns from Watervliet, we learn by News paper & letter that a fire at Enfield N. H. destroyed Herb Kiln, $1500 damage North F. Elders and Singers from there and Canaan go to Convention at N. Y.

+ F 21. M. H. S. L. F. S. M. L. go to 2nd Order to pick Turkeys. 36 in No. Finished by Noon.

M 24. Last Monday 17. We commenced to wash and iron one day, iron Caps at Taylors Shop. 24: after washing the Sisters all who could that was 8 Sis. picked out Butternuts 5' Bushel.

T 25 About 4 oc P.M. we are startled with the intelligence Br George Curtis is Dead. He worked in the Shoe Shop A. M. but

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had previously been rather indisposed. It was 4 weeks and three days since he returned from Groveland where he spent 11 months.

Th 27. Thanksgiving. Attend the funeral of Br George whose loss is deeply felt in the 2d Order where he resides, and by the whole Church. In the eve at Joe, we attend a beautiful visiting meeting in the Meeting Room, with North St. Elders, giving an account of a Convention they with a band of singers attended on Sabbath last, 23 Nov. in New York. by invitation of Spiritualists. J. M. Peebles &c.

Sa 30. Change in Kitchen. A. D. out J. A. S. in. The weather has been uniformly cold for the season, good sleighing for three weeks We were caught in the cold, long before prepared for it, and are looking for Decm. to behave in a more decorous manner. About the commencement of this month, we began to attend wed eve. Reading meetings in the Dining Room. Read Life of Peebles.

December. 1875.

M. 1st. A fine day prepare for making Sauce.
T. 2nd. Matilda and writer Make two Kettles of Apple Sauce. All the Sisters turn out and cut a few Quinces, and finish. The A.M. picking out Butternuts
We learn a Robbery has been committed at the Tan House An old tool chest was relieved of its heavy tools, filled with the nicest of leather amounting to
and taken, all the Keys being replaced properly. We hear Sheriff Kellog of Pittsfield is in pursuit of information regarding the stolen goods, the thief being arrested at Lenox. at the Curtes Hotel. The day is remembered as one of those stormy days of wind and snow which nearly bid defiance to all Crinoline travel. Terrible wind N.E.
W. 3rd. Weather quite blustering but growing warmer, B. G. Frederick & the Tanner go to Lenox with intent to identify the Leather, The Man has escaped with his booty, but is being pursued, weather more mild Rain!

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Th 4 C. F. & B. G. leave early for Pittsfield to see about our interests. The man is taken, was tried the eve previous, and is lodged in Pitts Gail, to await trial in January next — untill which time property cannot be recovered.

F 5 On Wed, 3rd three young Beeves were slaughtered for getting dried Beef. The work was all performed in the Kitchen. C. S. cut out the thigh Muscel for dried Beef. &c.

Sa 6 We learn H. A. Stone the leather thief was bailed and returned to N. Y. Friday eve.

Sb 7 Very pleasant Fall weather. Second Order to Sing

M 8. Our Sale work commenced.

W 10. Rhoda Offord deceased at North Family aged 34 years. A highly esteemed Sister. Preperations for return of Ministry, no arrival

Th 11 A letter eve mail from Ministry stating their return may be on Saturday & may not.

Fr 12 Three Sisters help pick out butternuts. 10 mins past 5 Alarm of fire; we see the Kiln in flames. Usual muster for such terrific occasions, The day had been

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12 F unusally foggy and dark, and the eve was the darkest possible, no wind very mild no snow, and the pond full of water. Our Neighbors responded to the continued ringing of the bell. from Stolens brought up, 9 men 7 Fire extinguishers, the North Family an Engine, 2 extinguishers, and by 7 o'clock the fire was so far subdued that the crowd of faithful friends dispersed. The walls and the kiln west of the chimney are uninjured. They were drying sawdust. loss about $400.
Ferdinand got out his team a very fine one to take the men home. One of the horses was taken sick, A man was dispatched to inform Henry C. He and James L. & Horace H. went immediately, and remained all night. C Wickersham watched the fire, all night carying water to keep it subdued commenced raining about 2 o'c. much to his advantage.
C. L. returned from 2 days Seed Tour.

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12 Fr The funeral of Rhoda Offord attended to day. Seven of Second Order Sis and Five of ours with 4 Brn attend by invitation.

13 St. Dark and rainy! Rains all day. All day!

M 15 About 5 oc P. M. Ministry return from Watervliet. Put up 32 gall of Apple Sauce for B. G.

W. 17 A Barrel of Molesses sent in by Edward Louden the fish Dealer takes 5 gall apple Sauce to sell.

Th 18 Eld Daniel goes to Pittsfield with apple & Sauce.

Fr 19 Four Sister pick out Butternuts till 3 oc.

St 20 Pick & dress 25 fowls chickens for Market. 30 mill.

Sb 21 Fine! pleasant! cold! General opening Mind day!

Tu 23 Margaret Patterson died aged 40 at North Family.

We. 24 Henry C. goes to N. Y. on business. the Ice plow. Julia Brooks deceased aged 70 at South Family.

Th 25 Christmas. The funeral of Margaret attended. three Br & four Sisters attend E. C. S. P. A. T. E. J. N.

St 27. Henry Cantrell returns.

Sb 28 Funeral of Julia B. attended, P. J. M. L. attend. Change in the kitchen J. L. comes out. Matilda & tour commences.

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M 29 Charles goes the Northern Seed road, by team. W. Anderson with him to Petersburgh. home the same night. The Turkeis are brought down from Brick yard in sleigh alive 45 to be all picked and prepared for Market today! A plentiful and beautiful snow covers the ground. fell yesterday and to day.

T. 30 The turkeis taken to Market to day. Matilda goes in the Kitchen this Morning, having staid out to assist on the Turkeis. The coldest day we have had for 6 weeks.

Circumstances omitted thro mistake.

Sept 5 The Girls order broken up. they move in the House.

" 25 The Gass works fail; we resort to Ker. Oil. The Office Sisters have not been to N. Y. City. We have had a cold Nov. since then very mild and open weather, The past seasons about as usual, with early frosts, we had good crops of cherries and strawberries, Medium of apples. few plumbs ½ cask of pickeled cucumbers ½ of green tomatoes, few peppers. Ripe Tomatoes late and Scarce. Dried no Apples.

December.

List of Sisters Sale Work.

	Emeries made by Angelic aged	100.	
	Splint Baskets 1628 Splint fans 96 +	1628.	= 1724
	Pocket Reticles and Needle Books	600.	
	Poplar Boxes variety 130 Showcases B. C. 16 +	130 =	146
Poplar	Ovals 72. Hearts 48 Octagon 36 =	156.	
"	Dollar Box 78 Cornice 60 Pianno 20 +	158.	
"	Pendant Box basket	100.	
	Feather dusters 103 flat Brush 15 =	118.	
Knitting	for Stockings 5 Feetings 30 Mittens 6 Gloves 8	49.	
"	Rag mats for carriages	3.	
Cushions.	Velvet & Merino Tomato & Square	1000,	
"	Gent 700, Lady. 500	1200.	
	Foot rests 24 Holders 30. Hair Pin B. 10	64	
lbs	Composition 1600. Cheese 254 But 32		
bbls	Sauce 1½ Pickles Cucum 4 =	5½.	
Gall.	Sauce 120 Pick Cum 15 Toma 15 Stewed 15 variety	7.	
Dressed	Turkeys 70 Chickens 30 =	100.	
Days W.	Seed Boxes 18. Butternuts 2½ herbs Medium.		
Bags.	Flower seed raised by S. D. R. G. A. C.		

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Home Statistics.

We have now in the First Order 80 souls m 26 f 54.
Three sis live at the Shop. four at infirmary four at Office
2 bro. at office 2. bro sleep at infirmary. all the rest
in dwelling House. 2 sis work in the house.
We have killed this year 140 fowls. 115 consumed.
Have had 9475 eggs = Exchanged 19 Doz for
2 Boxes of Corn Starch for the table. Hatched
this spring 268 chicks. Have now on hand 130 fowls.
55 of which are old and oldish hens.
Chese Made this year 1555 Stored 950, sold 254 ℔ cheese.
Butter Made 2914 consumed 2582 Stored 300 sold 32 ℔ Butter
Elder Berries Stored 100 Gallons. Preserves and
nice pickled fruits 473 Gall. Apples gathered
3 bbls of Cider after being boiled.

January 1874.

Th	1	We are ushered in to a New Year by beautiful early songsters who make our house ring with heavenly melody. A fine serenade! go to the Office Meeting House and Aged Sisters Shop. evening Singers have another song for eve Meeting.
F	2	Julia Ann cuts Basket stuff.
S	3	Very warm snow fast disappearing C. S. Returns.
T	6	A most tremduous wind sleet and rain A Co of Elders Hancock Chh. visit today & Return!
W	7	Terrible rain all night and all day. No snow.
Th	8	The remainder of the Beef. killed 6 weeks since Salted. The winter being unfaborably warm.
F	9	B. G returns from Canada. 3 weeks absence
St	10	Fine warm spring weather. Eld Daniel informs us we have now 150 bush winter Apples
SB	11	We hear 50 of more than 100 letters replying to an advertisement inserted in the N. Y. Sun & Times by some unknown person It seemed to say Men wanted, and a Home offered to all who choos to live a pure life. Letters and circulars were sent out to meet the inquiries.

9 Turkeys for New Year Dinner very nice

January 1874

M. 12 Make Apple Sauce put up 14 Gall for B.G.
Sarah A. and Tabitha go to Albany.
Tu 13 Forty one Turkeys and 6 Roosters dressed
by ten hands. Philomen helped. J.S. killed.
Elder Peter Long. Eldress Lydia and Louisa,
from Groveland arrive with L.A. & P.L.
We 14 Ministry at North Family Making Lace Caps
Th 15 Weather very cold quite a snow
F 16 Elder Peter returns, Fine winter weather.
Sa 17 Groveland Sisters at North Family till tomorrow
Sb 18 Visitors to P.M. meeting not to Prayer meeting
M 19 Warm and Rainy Curious changable weather.
Tu 20 Amar Peas of Enfield here to see Ministry.
Ministry go to Canaan to Make Lace Caps.
We 21 Visitors to 2 family & South Family.
Th 22 " To Hancock. It has been cold but now warm
F 23 Visitors return Rainy but growing colder
Amar Peas leaves here to day.
Sa 24 Fine weather resembling April
Sb 25 Very fine but cold for this winter A.D.
Commences turn in the Kitchen M. R. out,
Want of snow: idle times for lumbermen & Teams.

January 1874

M 26 Elder Giles goes to Enfield Con.
Tu 27 Eldress Lydia an Louisa go to Canaan.
W 28 Anna Meiswell Brings back Frank her Son
W 28 Elder Daniel B. goes with El Tho to Enfield Con.
Th 29 Rufus Crosman Eld Lydia & Louisa leave for Waterviet, Anna Meiswell for Philadelph.
M 31st Ministry Return from Enfield
Th 30 Clear an cold, last friday in the month, Look for a cold February! Now See.

February 1874.

Sb 1st Ministry at 2nd family.
M 2 Colder than it has been some snow Henry and Co try the ice at the Springs find it too thin; Put up 1½ Gall of Sauce B. C.
W 4 Ministry leave for Water vliet Sisters by Rail.
Th 5 H. & Co recommence getting ice at and for the Springs.
Sb 7 Ice finished at Springs. Ward a Boy 14 leaves. James Richardson of South Union Ky. arrives from Canterbury, where he has been

February 1874

St 7 in place of Nicholas Briggs who is at South Union Teaching in Singing.

Sb 8 James K. a lively good Brother visiting Meeting &c.

M. 9 Washing put off for Ice to be gathered from Saw Mill Pond. for Chh. families Put up 5 gall. of A. Sauce for Sarah A. Lewis.

T 10 Friday a boy 14 leaves today Frederick Langnage The very finest of winter weather. All hens in this vicinity except those residing at Ministrys Barn have suspended Payment. L.A.L. & T.L. go to Pittsfield with Edward Bring to us 7 1/2 gall of very good Oysters. Lucy Hammond and Patience Vining here on a visit. William Offord of N.F. Deceased.

W 11 Washing and ironing done Finish our Ice Men commence drawing for Filden Our folkls having engaged to supply the neighbors. Rufus Crossman returned from Groveland.

Th 12. Finest and best of winter weather But signes of a thaw.

F 13 The thaw increases P.M. + Rain! Ice harvest finished, till weather changes

St 14 James K. leaves today for Watervliet. Jacob Moor boy 8 year old leaves today Fresh Cod 100 lb arrives

February 1874.

M. 16 Charles Sizer setsout on Western seed tour.
Sl 22 Change in kitchen. Anna Out J. Ann. goes in.
M. 23 Make Applesauc. Put up 17 Gall. for. B.G.
T 24 Shop work going on.
W 25 Recommince On the Ice against Springs
F 27 Finish getting ice at Big Hotel. C.S. returned.
Sl 28 Get ice on our Mountain Pond.

March. 1874.

T 3. Elizabeth C. Matilda K. Anna D. go in Co with Philomen Joseph H. Henry C. to Hancock. to learn about making Hoods. Brin to Pittsfield. Elder Robert meets with an accident by a fall.
W. 4 Sarah Ann L. Florinda S. go to Albany.
Th 5. We have warm and fine weather since March.
F 6. A Storm is commencing quite threatening.
M. 9. Aug S. and Anna Clean up the old pickle ~~bbls~~ and meat ~~bbl~~. and clean the south corner of the Cellar where our few pickles were stored, to prepare for the beef. Salt of course.
Sat 14. A week of severe cold, N. W. wind has relieved the Listers from a whole week of milking!!!!!

March 1874.

F 17. The brethren unitedly commence the wood
W 18 Ministry return the going is intolerably
muddy. Elder D. Eldress Ann & Polly come
in the Carriage arrive about 7 oc. Eldr G.
Came on the Cars with N. H. singers
Br James Russel. Isabella Russel.
Eudora . Quite an arrival.
Th 19 Attend to visiting, in Eve, attend
singing school. First & Second Order.
Fri 20 Visitors to 2nd fam, stay all night, go to
2d Order on Saturday
Sat 21 Br finish the wood!! Make Apple
Sauce for. Bro. for Albany 14 Gallons.
Change in the kitchen Julia Sam stays
in, Matilda goes in. Anna out alone.
Sb 22 A general Public singing meeting
North family, Second fam & South.
Meeting commenced 7 oc. but at 11 oc.
M 2 Another singing school in the eve. 7 o clock.
M 23 Visitors at the North, spend eve, rel 7 o clock
T 24 Some opportunity with singers for singers
singing school in the eve. 1st & 2d order.

March 1874.

George Hazling and wife arrived.

W 25 Visitors leave 2 oc. P. M. for Hancock.

Th 26 Hattie Hazling leaves with her Father.

M. 30 Make a kettle of old dried Peach sauce with some cider in it for office.

31 Tu Much stir about singing in these days. Elder Abraham arrives here, to see Ministry.

April 1874.

1 W. Eldress Ann affords us much pleasure by taking her staff and hat and goin around the family to collect a contribution for some singing Books She visits all south of the Church on her Mission. Successfull.

2 Th. Elder A leaves to accompany his singers home.

3 F. Agnes Fordice leaves, Lucy Shaw taking her away.

Sb 5 Ministry attend Meeting at the North.

M. 6 Elder Daniel Boler goes to Enfield. The New Singing Birds arrive. 50 for the 1st Order.

T 7 We hear the pleasant news the Martin Box a little building standing east of the Girls Shop. is tomorrow, to be taken down. or at

W 8 least it is now commenced.

April. 1874

Th. 8. Galen Richmond of Watervliet here

F. 9. A fine snow indicating a New Winter G. R. returns. Much talk in these days about a Hen House!!.

St 10. S. A. L. & T. L. Go with Orren to Pittsfield A very blustering day follows a fine Morning. Elder D. Boler, Arrives at Hancock Depot at 10 oc. P. M. and amid snow and storm footed it over the mountain!!!!

Sb 11 Very cold unpromising weather.

W 14 A new coal Stove set up at the Office

M 12 Eldress Polly goes with Ann Eliza Co. to N. Y. to see about some Lace.

Th 15 Elder Otis and Hewit Chandler here The Sills are cut for the Hen House.

F 16 Terrible smooth snow storm, tho not very cold. Eastern Br return.

St 17 The Little Martin Box is being safely removed to the swamp. The Sills are drawn to N. F. mill to saw. The Meeting House is being painted inside by two hired men, under Eld. Giles supervision. hired by Second fam. Dinnered at office.

April 1874

St 17 Benjamine goes to Harvard to assist in a Law suit. Clark goes with him. Weather much finer. Kitchen chang. A.D. in.

Th 15 The kitchen white washed once over, and the lower Cellar All done by C. Siz J. Glass. W. Anderson. Frank after Dinner.

St 18 Nancy Osment former of Harvard buried to day.

M 21 + Rufus returned, Orren commences to remove the Old Hen Houses to prepare for the New Ones. Make at Kitchen a kettle of Old Peach Sauce to sell for tenants &c.

W 22. Rufus with hired Men commence to take down the Old Dairy at Brick yard for a hen

M. + 20 house. + We have had a Thunder Storm on Monday eve, following an all day rain. Listers singing schools are being attended at Basket Shop. Nearly every evening.

F 24 The Shed or small roost is moved South. quite a pleasant day, the last Friday

St 25 Oil the Cook Room floor. E.C. A.D. The Bee house Moved B.G. & Clark return. A tremenduous snow storm. hail and wind. Not a heavier snow this winter John Crocker here.

April 1874.

M. 27 Bosworth and Louisa Crocker leave with their Father. P. M.

T. 28 A. F. Mary and Dorothy go to Pittsfield.

W. 29. Snows all day. Was not very cold. 10 in of snow now on the ground.

Th. 30 Elder Daniel with hired men & teams commence drawing stone from little shop cellar to New Site for Hen House. The month of April has been very snowey It is said 18 inches of snow have fallen.

May 1874.

F. 1 May comes in fearfully & what a snow! The teams are all engaged drawing the stuff from old Dairy at Brick Yard. In the snow, the road is blocked with snow high as the horses. & what a May!!

Sa. 2 All the teams go to Washington for lumber for the kiln. Mud! Mud!

Su. 3d Medium Sleighing in the street.

M. 4th Elder D. and Boys commence digging for the new Hen House.

May 1874

T 5. Harvard Ministry, arrive. P.M. Two Sisters Sarah Taylor, and Aurilla White come from Watervliet to accompany the Ministry home and thus get a journey. George Price came with Sisters, George Dewolf here to visit the Cantrells. Uncle to them.

W. 6 Visiting attended to. A woman appearantly quite deranged called to see Anna Amanda Vanzant. Weather growing more spring like.

Th 7 George P. leaves. Bussiness all moving Joseph. Jane & Maria go to Pittsfield with F.L.

F 8. Matilda & J.S. commence to clean the Shop. William A. Whitewashes. Sid is calsimined

S. 9. Warm and pleasant. Digging for the Hen house nearly accomplished. G Dewolf leaves.

Sb 10. Harvard Ministry, and visitors attend Meeting. Second Order Come to our Meeting Room

M 11. Visitors interested here to day.

W 13 × Scrub upper lofts of the Herb House. Visitors go to Hancock H. Min also.

Th 14 Eld Daniel Eldress H. and Matilda go to Pittsfiel and accompany Zillah to Hancock, where she is to stop at Nast F. and leave with Min for Har.

May 1874

F 15× Suppose H. Ministry Watervliet Sisters Alonzo Holister and Adah Zillah Potter, leave this Morning for Harvard.

Sat 16 Kitchen Change. J. L. in Anna Out.

Sb 17. Most beautiful weather, the week past the garden has been ploughed and is nealy all set out, On Friday the Ministry left for Watervliet by rail, leaving their team to be used here a fortnite.

T 19. Edward gets for 1st Order & Office 5 0 Shad.

W 20 Some of the Sisters commence scrubbing in the Garrets.

Th 21. Clean the Tan House 8 hands only

F 22. Finish cleaning Garrets & M.R. Small cloths Room.

S 23 Clean Door Yards. Susan has been employed the past week at the Office Extra. Elder D. has finished leveling the Door yard, where Little Shop stood, Set 14 young pear trees between B. Shop & houses Some young trees set south of Office. Office Refrigerator erected Made by G. W.

Sb 24 Go to 2nd Order to P. M. Meeting. Fine weather.

May

W 27th Matilda & writer go to South & 2nd about eggs.
Th 28. Sarah Dean very sick Anna with Clark sets out the Dairy Garden M. scrubs B. Pri
F 29. Finish Garden. The menders have cleaned the Drying room without assistance.
S 30 Finish the Drying Room J. K. R. S. E. P.!! The Dusters made by Elizabeth Can and Doretta are finished, and Betsy C. and Elizaitt have moved to the East Shop to commence making Corn Brushes. Watching with S Dean commences.
Sb 31 Second Order here to singing Meeting.
+M 32 Clean the Wash House.

T June 1874

T 2. Matilda & writer commence working and drying Tomato Figs. in the air
+W 1. William Anderson Edward Sarah Ann Lewis & Florinda go to Albany in Min Carriage, the team will be driven to W. by William
W 3rd William returns from Waterbeet
Th 4 Meeting Room cleaned & Seed Shop. by Kitchen Sisters

June 1874

F 5 Matilda & writer clean Retiring Room. Elder Daniel goes to Watervliet to give notice to Min of Sarah Deans approaching dessolution

Sat 6. Eld D, returns with Ministry Sisters. Weather very warm, we have been trying to hatch chickens under the wood house, but find it a failure. Only 14 chicke from 5 Hens, 55 eggs.

Sb 7. From 2 hens we get 14 chicks.

M 8. Weather fine for drying our Figs.

T 9. Ministry Sisters return to Watervliet. Matilda Hannah Blake and writer clean the porch windows. Boiling Hellbore to kill current worms. Maria Manning and Cornelia paint and do Mason work, after making the soap &c in lower Room. Meeting House doors oiled.

W 10. James S, Washington J. Tab L, Anna D, go to Pittsfield with hired Teamster. Tomato Figs finished yesterday. Pulp when prepared 71 lb, unweighed after drying.

June 1874

Th 11 Last night a skunk ate 8 youn chicks!
Clean the Brick Shop all over.
F 12 Clean the Deacons Room. And the
Meeting House finished to day. 6 chicks
the remainder of yesterdays brood ate last night
St 13 I neglected to mention a company of the
2d Order have been to Watervliet! they
returned on Tues 9. If I recollect right.
Eld Robert. Horrace. Nancy. Cathrine,
Lucy Ann. & Elizabeth L. Watching continues
Sb 14. The atmospheric effluvia declares
the chick & eggeating Skunk is caught
at the Hen yard!! Kitchen change
Julia Ann. out. Matilda in
We commence meeting at Meeting House.
T 16 Harvard Co arrive. E Myrick Phillip
Mahew, Elds. Maria Foster E. Grover. E Persons
W 17 C. S. goes to N. Y. on bussiness.
A Man at Brick Yard taken with
Small pox or Yellow or Scarlet fever!
Rainy! Disappointment on a contem-
plated Pic Nic at Nassau, between Water
vliet & Lebanon young people.

May June 1874.

Th 18 Still unsuitable for the excursion. The Ministry arrive after supper to the discomfort of the excursionestes who hoped they would remain till Friday. The Sick man deceased. !!! Charles L. Returned.

St 20 The visitors are leaving the Chh. the last place to visit. Weather raw & cloudy.

Sb 21 Meeting with visitors; they labor at the leading point of the circle.

T 23 James Goodwin. Elizabeth L, Sarah E arrive at North F. from Groveland. Harvar visitors ~~leave~~ after visit Church.

W 24 " " leave after dinner for Hancock.

Th 25 Emely Helmer. Maria Phelps. here to see Eldress P. Matilda &c. Nancy Bishop ~~land~~ a woman to visit Corena.

F 26 James Goodwin leaves. Watching with Mother Sarah D. discontinued She appearing some better.

Sat 27. Pick the first strawberries 8 qts.

T 30 Groveland Vis. visit the Church.

July 1874

W. 1. The contemplated Pic nic, between here & Waterville, comes off today. Beautiful fine day, Four Carriages, 24 people, leave here at ½ past 3 A.M. Elder Albert arrives ½ p 5 with Mary French, Elizabeth S. Barker Our excursionists all at home by 7 o'clock breakfast. Strawberry Short cake for usal home fare

Th 2 Elder Albert and a young Br. who came with him leave with the Groveland Sisters.

F 3 Sa Lewis. F. L. go to Pittsfield.

S 4 S. F. and the Youth and Boys ride out. The Old West house shingled by Elder D. B. and some young help. We are having a great supply of rain with much thunder and lightening. Rather cool & unpleasant.

S. 5 Mary J. & Eli. Barker attend Meeting.

M. 6 Commence foundation to Elen House. and the Ministry to Roofing Old Joiner Shop.

W. 8 Sarah Dean Olive B. & Field go with Waterville Sis. to Canaan. from whence they will return to Waterville.

T. 9 Susan Calver & a Cousin arrive.

July. 1874

F 9	A woman leaves a large girl at 2nd Order.
S 10	A number of Cheshire people here
Sb 12	Over 3rd rainy day. every thing spoiling with so much rain & smuge! Awful!
M 13	After a shower we pick the last general picking of extra early Peas. 10 rows have yielded 5 bushel of shelled Peas.
T 14	Eldress Harriet and girls glean the Pea vines. Yesterday Mary Hazard and Amy go to Sharon Springs.
W 15	The weather is of the very best kind very warm fine hay weather.
Th 16	Susan C. & Nephew. Henry C. Webster. go to the neighbors visiting
F 17	Orren gets the windows from Pittsfield for the South Front of Hen House.
St 18	We have had the last strawberries. in all Six Bushels. Louisa Blanchard, formerly of Harward, arrives to day.
Sb 19	First meal of currents.
W* 22	Firs whortle very Picking on the Mountain Susan C. & Nephew & Louisa B. leave today

July 1874.

Th 23 Picking Currents at Brick yard for B. G. and at home, Some of the Nurses bed to sell. the others for wine for office about 12 bush in all.

F 24 Herbs to look over the first this season Current Jell made for B. G. wine got out &c. Berrying at Eddy Lot yesterday Poor at best Elder John Cloutman here from Harvard, Jenison and two women here!

St 25 Brrying on the Mountain. Jen and Co leave. We are commencing 6 week tours in the Kitchen, the Bakers have tried it two turns & the Cooks one. Cooks change this week. Rufus and Joseph go to Pitts with Currents 8 bush Rather confused.

* M. 20. The foundation to the New House is finished. Laid by Thos. Heminway, Paid for by Eld Dan. with apple money.

T 21. The Hen House is Raised!! The Min are working with commendable Zeal and kindness on the building!

St 26 Eldr John Cloutman to meeting &c.

M. 27 Current picking the order of the day.

T 28 Picking Currents for Market.

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T. 28 Br Daniel Frazier of North Family, goes with Elder John to be Elder at the gathering order at Shirley!

W 29 Rainy so the Current Market fails

T. 30 Joseph Slingerland & little Henry go to Pillsfield with 8 bushel of current.

F 31 A company go to the Mountain for whortleberries, get 2 bu 3 pk !..

Matilda makes Jell to sell. for S.A.B.

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August 1874

1 St. The Hen House is Shingled. Ministry, working faithfully every day with Orren. Elder Abraham P. of Enfield her

Sb 2. Showery. Eld Abm to meeting &c.

×M. 3 Current picking finished at vinyard The Office for wine and to sell. 6 bush. To Elder Daniels account 8 bushel. The remainder are used for the fam.

W 5 Ann Maria Greaves and Amelia Calver go with Elder Abm to Harvard Shirley and thence to Canterbury. Music is the thing

August 1874

M. 3 Ten fowls picked for sale. The window frames to Hen House painted.

Th 6 Eliza Barber deceased by a stroke of paralysis, living only 48 hours.

F 7. George Wickershem has painted the wood work in the sitting room, and Julia Am in the lower hall.
The Br are doing the haying on shares at John Adams Having finished ours on Tuesday last. Most lovely weather.

St 8. The Min and Orren, are driving the clap boards speedily on to the Hen House Haying finished at John Adams. Annd comes out of kitchen to see to her pickles &c. J. A. S. goes in.

S 9th Attend the funeral of Eliza Barber.

M 10 The family is decreasing Rufus C. and Andrew F start for the Green Mountain seed rout. B.G. with Sarah A Mandish Maria M. & Cornelia F for New York. Charles Sizer western seed trip !!!! A few of us left at home.

August 1874.

F 11 The Ministry leave for Waterolid.
W 12 Matilda and Anna commence painting windows for the new Hen House.
Th 13 Haying finished I suppose.
Florinda with 2d order go to Barrington.
F 14 The new Kiln and the lower west Barn are painted and the painters released.
W 19 Rufus and Andrew return from Green Moun.
Th 20 Cut and stew some apples for winter.
F 21 Florinda and Rhoda B. go to Williamstown.
We finish painting windows G. W. painting the street fence. Isadora Turner leaves age 15
St 22 Sarah A Standish Maria Manning.
Cornelia F return from Bedford.
W 26 Clean the Apple Cellar. Sarah A Lewis, Tabitha & Andrew go to Marthas Vinyard to sell our manufacture &c. Wealthy M. here to see Maria
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Th 27 Almira Gainbin here to see Ferdinand.
T 28 Eldress Paulina here with Rebecca Jackson and Abby Brown Philadelphia Shakers.
St 29 Visited N. F. C Sizer returns from seed tour Wes Sisters returned from the Vinyard good success.

September.

T 1 Andrew F. returns from the Vinyard.
W 2 Two companies go to Stephen town for blackberries. get about 5 bushel for wine. Sister E. J. B. A. D. M. L. E. U. D. W. D. H. E. C. Four Br in company.
Eldress P. and Colored Sisters leave for Home, by way of Canaan, where they make a visit.
Th 3 The Peaches arrive. 27 Crates. very good
Two small meals of Sweet potatoes.
F 4 A Company of Enfield visitors Waits Warner Wilber Phelps Emily Curtis Avrill Copley Delia Demar. Ella Boles. All young people
S 5 Elder Daniel went to N. Y. Thursday, returns with a nice little Boy, age 10 Edwin Moss.
The first tomatoes worked at wash house.
Sb 6 Enfield visitors attend meeting.
M 7 Charles S. leaves on seed tour.
T. 8. The Hen House upper loft is papered with Gaftar paper by Matilda and Anna.
W 9 The first Elder berries gathered. Black berries for Office wine. got out, and for B. G. commenced. Cut apples for the first time Small cutting dry at 2nd Order.
A. F on a Broom tour. Enfield visitors leave.

September.

Th. 10 Another load of Elder Berries.
Getting out Black berries for wine and
making Bugle and Sarsaparilla Syrup.
Makes employment for Nurses & M.K. & A.D.

F. 11. A great day this. Maria De wit goes with
Eldress H. and others for Barberries.
A large lot of tomato stewed & put up
Elder Berries looked over and stewed.
The syrup boiled down. The wine
set and sweetened, the barrels cleaned,
The weather dry and warm & Sisters tired.

S. 12 An invitation being extended to attend
the funeral of Peabody's wife, E.F. H.H.
J.S. Brethren & S.S.L. M.H. J Scot
Eunice E. E.J.N. accept the Invitation.
The onion seed is cut in the Garden.
Black berries for wine B.G. 18½ bushel.
Nurses 4 bushel. Tabitha 4 bushel.
The labor on the wine is wholy performed
by the Sisters, except putting the
berries in the press. Brethrens help
being impossible to procure.

September 1874.

Sb 13 Meeting without visitors!

M 14 The third and last load of Elder berries.

T. 15 Matilda & Anna, do the second days work of papering with Gass Tar paper at New H. House. Elder Berries and tomatoes make more than a days work.

W 16. The cap ironing done the first time for three weeks. Tomatoes finished & barberries picked off and preserved.

Th 17 The first load of colts foot. Cauliflower Pickeled. Yellow tomato fig making, &c.

F 18 Tomatoes have to be gathered in the rain the first rain for some weeks, William thus far has picked all his tomatoes. T. L. & A. B. go to Pittsfield with C. F.

St 19. A very heavy wind blows off the Apples terribly. in P.M. All hands turn out and pick up apples in West Orchard some think 200 bushel! H. Cantrell returns from the Agricultural Fair at Rochester where he and Joseph H. went on Tuesday.

September

Sat 21	Ministry return from Watervliet. having been to Groveland. Commence pecking Apples A white frost predicted for Morning.
T 22.	Slight frost doing no damage. We are visited with the fearful calamity of Fire! Our New Herb Kiln, not yet entirely complited is burned to the ground, Loss estimated $1,500. We received as usual, prompt aid from our neighbors.
W. 23.	Cutting apples, drying in 2d Order Kiln. Yesterday ~~we~~ a woman brings two boys, Joseph & William Bird aged 9 & 11.
Th. 24	Sarah Dean. Elanor P. Sarah A. Spencer go with Elder Giles to Hancock. W. Perkins lays the drains at New Hen House.
Fr 25	Last evening we had an Apple bee. the brethren, with the Ministry except El Dan attending to grace the occasion.
St 26	The West Orchard finished 498. Bas brought in this week. Preperations making to recover the Kiln. the heater being uninjured.

September

M 28 Apples to sort and cut occupy the day & eve
T 29 " " " " " " "
W. 30 The kiln is progressing finely: the Min lending their continued assistance It is covered and nearly ready for use. A Rainy day, giving sisters a rest.

October 1847.

Th 1 Pick 10 baskets of Green Tomatoes, The Cider is boiled at the Labratory
Fr 2 Rainy A.M. Matilda &c writer work at papering the Hen Boxes.
St 3 Br commence picking apples at lower Orchard. where there is a good crop.
Sb 4 Meeting at Meeting House. Four Sisters visit from 2nd Jam Sapper in house Kitchen
M 5 Finish the lower Orchard.
T 6 Nurses making Buckthorn syrup. The first fire made in the New Kiln.
W 7 Eldress Harriet, Ella Carrol, Emma Clough with Ferd go to Pittsfield for a Kiele. We finish papering the Hen House with Gass Tar paper.

October 1874

Th. 8th The last tomatoes worked at Wash H.
I think on Tuesday Mor. we had the
first heavy frost this season. uncertain when.

F 9th B. G. takes Minnie to N. Y. to meet her
Mother. E. Cantrel, and Angeline go to
Richmond Depot. with them.

Sat 10th Very uneven weather quite rainy yesterday
the grapes were picked in vineyard.

Su 11 Public Meeting closed for the Season.

M. 12 Weather favorable for business.

T. 13 We finish our apple harvest in doors
and out, By cutting evenings which
has received liberal patronage from
Min. Eld Br & Sisters we have cut and
dried 12 bbls of Apples. Thro the kindness
of Elder Daniel we have not been called
upon to pick up apples in any Orchard
except the West. and that only one P.M.
The Apples have been dried at 2nd Order.
Br. Clark. attending to the business.

W. 14 Cut pears and Quinces, and commence
putting Wash House in Order.

October 1874.

Th 15th Pick over Colts foot 2nd Order Sisters help afternoon finish cleaning up Wash House About 1/2 past 11 Elder Daniel took covered Carriage loaded with J. K. A. V. K. S. S. D. O. B. to see the famos Brick Yard Village take dinner and finish with a short ride. Arrived home about 5 o'clock.

F 16 The Ride repeated for Dolly S. aged 93. Betsy H. Sarah B. Phebe Ann. Leah Taylor. Not including the Brick yard visit & dinner. Yesterday the Office Sisters went to Pittsfield Elder Giles went to Enfield with Forbs Munson. Purchased a New Ol. Carpet for School H.

F 16 last eve we missed some rubbish in form of old clothing &c from stock at 1/2 [illegible]

S 17. The dried Apples are stored in the Cellar. Green tomatoes and Peppers completed in Pickle. and the end has come. Elder Giles and Forbs M. returned.

Apples for 1874 except early.

Bushels 700 for Fall & winter use.
,, 185 ,, Dried for Sauce &c.
,, 346 ,, Cider
1231.

Gallons of Cider Boiled 243.
Whole amout of Cider 617.

October 1874

Sb 18. Anna goes into the Kitchen.
The weather unusually fine for season.
F. 20. S. B. B. C. Phebe J. go to Pittsfield.
W 21. Elder Calvin Reed who has been for more than 6 years in the West fam Groveland returns to 2nd Order Mt Lebanon for Elder.
An Organ is brought into the family belonging to Ministry, being bought with proceeds of Brick yard. by Ministrys Order.
Th 22 Ministry except Eld Daniel, go to Canaan to see about papering their shop. go over to Pittsfield and get the Paper. Matilda Elizabeth S. Lucy B. go with them.
Nancy Lockwood of North Family deceased about 10 o clock P. M.
Fr 23. Eldress Harriet quite sick
S 24 A Drove or flock of Sheep 1040 stay in the Barn yard. en route from Michigan to Northhampton
Sb 25 We hear that Anna Brosman deceased last night 1/2 past 10 o clock. Two saints indeed entering the heavenly Portals at one time. happy change for them.
beautiful weather fine and warm.

October 1847.

Sb 25 Meeting P.M. attended at 2nd Order.

M 26 C. Sizer. Joseph Slingerland Henry Holester George Wickershem all leave home, C.S. on seed Rout, the rest to N. Y. J.S. H.H to find health in D.P. Millers establishment the Water Cure. G. W. for Philadelphia

T. 27 Office Sisters, S.A. Lewis. Florinda L. with Edward, and Eldress Adoline Sears and Elizabeth Sears. the Sears, for Water Cure. Deaconesses for New York trade.

Th 29 Jane Blanchard and Maria Lapsley leave for New York. Water Cure.

T. 27. Ministry commence to repair the inside of the upper rooms of their Shop. Matilda and some hands from South Fam assist

W. 28 Matilda & hands still assisting

Th 29 The Hen House is stained Already to day Matilda and Julia Ann Stain Robena helps the Ministry

St 31 M. R. J. S. finish staining Hen House.

Th 29 Elder Daniel C. with Clark Haden sets out for Enfield N. H. where for the present C. H. will remain

November. 1874.

Sb 1 Second Order Come to singing Meeting.

M 2. The Hens enter their Palace, tho they seem rather loth to quit the old haunts, It has been a matter of interest to prepare a nice and commodious House for the fowls, and Br Oren has with little help, accomplished the feat. As it has fell to the Sisters lot to take charge of the Poultry, it has of course devolved upon us a new burden, and the expense of the House has been met by sums accumulated with Sisters Work, except the foundation, drains &c, which Elder Daniel covered with proceeds of the Apples, $100. The Sisters $150

T 3 The Office Sisters return by eve train.

W 4 One and half bbls of clams arrive & go out

Th 5 Joseph S. & J. B. M. L. Return yesterday, Julia Ann & E Sidle ride to Valley.
T. L. Sarah Ann Spencer go to Pittsfield.

F 6 Another bbl of clams. Not wanted, goes to 2d Fam.
The hens let out for the first time

November 1874

St 7. Our long absent Sisters Ann Maria and Amelia, with Br James Russel of Enfield return to us again. Eunice and Dorothy go to meet them at Hancock, Elder D. is left at Old Enfield

Sb 8 Second Order attend P.M. meeting. A.M. meeting devoted to welcome our's home.

M. 9 Twelve fowls dressed after washing Br James Russel is here to assist in the science of music, our Sisters have been to Enfield to learn to use the Organ, and with them to play, he will now commence a series of teaching which will be given freely to all the Society.* Every day Br James and one of the Sisters will go to 2nd Family P.M. Spend an hour with the boys A.M. School commences. Ann Maria and Amelia are considered sufficient company, for the school, so Betsy C. is released. I must mention. evenings The general school is attended by 1st & 2nd Order and 2nd fam Brethren.

*For the Family at Enfield

November. 1844

T 10 Elder Daniel returns in company with Eldress Joanna and Eldress Dorothy.

+W. 11 Andrew F. Sets out on a Green Mt Seed tour.
A Bl of Clams are sent to Phebe Ann. Jones.

T. 12 Another Organ is brought in by G. Brown. Set in the School House.

F 13 A fine Player comes over from Pittsfield bringing another Organ. We have a crowded House, all being pleased to hear him play.

St 14 Change in Kitchen A.D. out J. L. in

Sb 15 Eldress Harriet commences a Kitchen tour attend meeting at 2d Order with Eastern Elders! ~~A.A.~~ Elder Frederic and John Greaves meet with us. to relate what they saw and heard at the Eddy Brothers in Vt. the Materelization of Spirits, very edifying and interesting. The 2d family South fam. 2d Order of Eastern Elders attend.

+W. 11 Eldress Adoline returned with Edward.

M 16 The Eastern Elders attend singing School.

T 17 " " " " Leave here for Hancock, Orren receives a sever blow lifting a Stone which will probably confine him

November. 1874

W 18 Our Ministry leave for Water vliet.
yesterday we put up 2 bbl of provision
to go to the Sisters at Philadelphia.
F 20. We get the first snow this Season.
S 21 Eldress Caroline Whitcher and Ann Cummings
arrive here unexpectedly by eve train.
expect them to attend eve. meeting.
Sb 22. Vist Att. P.M. Second Order attend with us.
M. 23 Turkeys killed at Brick Yard. Mary H.
with Elizabeth Eunice Adoline C. S. Stand
Dorothy go to Brick yard for dry feathers
The fowls are brought to wash House
to pick, finish about 5 oclock. P. M. 70 Tu
A Stormy day, rain wind and snow.
T. 24 The Elders and Br & Sis, return from
a large meeting at Steinway Hall. N. Y.
P. M. Eldress Caroline W. & Ann Cumm
Go to North Fam & leave by eve Train
Th 26 Thanksgiving! Andrew F. returns from
Green Mountain Seed Tour.
F 27. Weather mild fair and fall like!!!
Sb 29. Storney attend our first singing school at School House.

M. 23 Henry Can leaves to accompany Eldress D. & J. K. home to Canterb.

December 1874.

Tu 1 Sarah A. L. F. go to Pittsfield.

Th 3 Henry Cantrel returns from Canterbury &c.
Sale work commenced on baskets &c by ad.

M 5 Rufus gets in wood to lower R. for winter use.

Sb 6. Attend meeting at 2nd Order.

M 7. Dressed 15 young fowls for Table and
10 from Brick Yard for B. Gates.

T. 8th Andrew F. goes on seed business, toward S.Y.
Henry C. and Wesley B. to Albany & Water V.

Th. 10 H. C returns with 3 fowls from 2nd Fam.
and other items from Ministry

F. 11 Carson Winters and Anna Neal, here
on a business visit—

S 12. A. F returns, Carson & Anna leave.

Sb 13 Matilda goes into the Kitchen.
Second Order attended Meeting P. M.

W. 16 Ministry return from Water vliet.

Sb 20 Yearly opening gift attended to. First nice snow.

M 21 Snow of no account. Mary H. Sarah A Stan
Elizabeth C. Adoline Rebecca. Andrew F.
with 5 Sisters and two Br. go to brick yard
to dress Turkeys. 74 in number finish 5 o'clock
P. M.

December 1874.

M. 21. After washing and ironing we dress.
15 Hens, for Market.

T. 22. Orren takes the hens to Market, gets 15 cts ℔, being just 100 ℔, we get $15. Rufus Crossman and William Anderson, take the Turkeys good success, Anna makes the first Apple Sauce for the season. Sold 16 gall.

Th 24 The large Cock sent from Waterviet and died sickin

F 25 Christmass, P.M. A general singing school attended in our Meeting Room, by families.

Sb 27. Singing school at School House, to be attended in like manner for the present.

M 28. A Rainy day resembling April Quite warm ~~fine~~

T 29 Orren has prepared a Hen Hospital at the Dairy wood House where he removes some young chicks appearing to have colds

W 30 A. F with Mary & Florinda go to Pittsfield.

Th 31. Weather cold, very cold, 10° below Zero.
So the good old year is passing away, leaving in its train its ills and errors, for repentance, with its lights and rights to illume the coming year!

Angeline T. Weaving poplar M. M. Gilt Cannell

Supplement 1874.

The past year has been favorable on the whole so far as earth needs are concerned. Intellectually, some progress is being made in singing thro the continued efforts of J. Russel. Ann Maria and Amelia, evening schools except Saturday. Twice a week. One hour in A.M. for first Order, the same second Order. Every P.M. at 2nd Family. Twice a week for Boys school, So the Teachers time is filled.

During the year but one death has occurred, Eliza Barber. 3 males all boys, and 3 girls have left; and 3 little boys have been gathered. We now number in first Order, 26 males 49 fem = 75. Selah Tillah Potter is still at Canterbury.

Sale Work Done by Sisters 1874.

Splint	Baskets	140	
Poplar	Baskets	622.	
	Needle Books Pocket Rel & pinflats	450.	
	Pocket Cushions	650.	
Poplar	Work Stands 18. Corn Brushes	24	Doz
	Emeries	800.	
	Cup Mops. 120 Holders	40	
	Feather Dusters	27	Doz.
	Powders papered	1800	lb.
	Cards of Court-plaster	24	
Knitting	Feetings Stockings Gloves & Mitting	58	pr.
	Shaggying Rugs	6	
	Apple Sauce, Old dried peach	Peach 40 + Apple 106	gall.
	Fowls Dressed	255	
	Tomato Catsup 20 gall Bottle Stewed	10	gall.
	Tomato figs	80	lb.
	Current-Jell. 96 lb &	Jars 4	Doz
	About 7 days works on herbs,		
	7 " " for 3 Sisters on sale mats.		

Butter sold 108 lb. Cheese sold 105 + 60 lb. Cheese given 53 lb.

Blackberry Wine 7 bbls. Bitter Bugle syrup. 48 gall.

Sarsaparilla Syrup. 64 gall. Buckthorn Syrup 26 gall.

Bottled 36 gallons. Nurses.

January 1875.

F 1 New Years hymns songs &c. usher in the Season as usual: but no very remarkable demonstration.

M. 4th Preperations are making for getting ice!!!

T. 5th Elder Soloman Rankin arrives. Sarah A. Lewis confined to her room with severe sickness of dropsical appearance.

Th 7th Finish getting our Ice. filling the House A fine snow has fallen making Wood hauling possible.

F 8th Commence drawing wood, piling it at the Wood Houses, expecting to saw it with a Steam saw hired.

S 9th Elder Otis Sawyer and El. John Vance arrive.

Sb 10 All the visiting Brn attend singing school. Anna goes in the kitchen. M. R. & Julia A Out.

M. 11 Eastern Elders return.

T 12 James Good Win, here on Short business.

W 13 " " Returns.

Th 14 H. Cantrell & Joseph H. Go East on business.

F 15 Elder Solomon R. ~~returns to~~ leaves for Han & Watervs,

Sb 17 Attend meeting at 2nd Order.

January 1875.

M. 18. Very cold indeed No water for Milling, Killed and dressed 30 young fowls for Market. Rufus Crossman very sick, has been unable to wash. A F. washed last Mon. Isaac. L. this week.

22 F. The principle business of these times is singing sing sing sing. I moves on with a Zeal praiswor-thy. and snow, wind or cold offer no impediment to climbing the hill of science toward the School H.

23. St. Elder R. with Br James Russel, Joseph S. and some Sisters from 2nd Order Ride to Pittsfield.

24 Sb Stormy attend meeting alone. Br James and William An. at North Family?

25 M. Water so low owing to extreem cold. that none is used for Machinery at Wash H. However, all goes on very well.

28 Th. Elder Daniel & Elder Giles go to Gloucester on unexpected business. T.L. to Pittsfield with Elder Robert & 2nd Order Sisters.

January 1875.

Th 28 P.M. Ferdinand takes Eldrs Harriet, Ann Maria Emma Jane, Eunice, with Br James Rapel to ride. A severe snow storm comes up, quite to their discomfort.

F 29. Weather quite moderated, O! how cold the past 3 or 4 weeks have been, Awful cold!! Br Charles Sizer returned yesterday.

Sa 30 Attend meeting together with Br James R. the last.

February. 1875.

M 1st. A general farewell from the singers to Br James R. at the school house, a fine affair I understand.

T 2nd Washington Jones accompanies Br James to Waterville where he makes a short tarry.

W 3. The eve singing school is led by Elder Calvin.

Th 4. A Lyceum is opened for the educational, & moral, mental and intellectual benefit of community.

Sa 6th. We rise to our duties but a heavy atmosphere overhangs many of the more sensitive part of community. What awaits us? Alas! a few short hours have told. At 1/2 past 11 the first signal

for dinner continued to peal its notes and soon the appalling cry of Fire!!! startled every nerve, and sent the blood in a distracted counter course thro' the system. We rush for the scene of disaster, which proves to be the, Sister's shop and woodhouse combined under one roof, standing a few feet back of the large centre dwelling house 1st Order. Can it not be extinguished is the cry.

A few moments and despair is written on the visage of all. The large dwelling is now in danger. All available help is turned to throwing water from the windows hoping to keep the building drenched enough to withstand the heat and flames which madly bend their fury toward its spacious side. Some of the more cautious have been taking out clothing for some minutes fearing the consequences. Now the wild cry rings thro' its spacious halls.

Save Your clothing and Lives for the Building is Going!!! O the rush the confusion of the Scene, tho all are comparitively Silent in speech. Work fast! fast, faster save all you can. Next the frightful cry. Leave the Building every person or your life is lost. Already the flames are leaping thro' the well rooms and playing down the stair railing. We reach the Street to behold our giant dwelling clasped in the arms of the Fiery Fiend. Eldress Harriet who has remained in the Elder Brethren's room with Eld Daniel C. and Frederic to get out all possible, is helped from the window and descends on a ladder to the ground in safety. Look out for the Hospital, and Meeting house is the next cry. Henry Tilden and employees now on the ground render very valuable service; yett for safety we are ordered to clear the building. O the havoc

in that new beautiful building. Soon the shout, The Ox barn is on fire call some of the assistance there. The animals are loosed and all saved but two Oxen that perish in the flames. The Icehouse Gas house and Store House back of that are all burning. The school house is in danger. O Lord "who tempers the winds to the shorn lamb." Will thou permit us to be entirely consumed. The wind is blowing a strong gale from the north west and every thing is frozen so cold is the day. All are running from place to place watching the few things saved and expecting some new outbreak. Energy has conquered and the Hospital saved tho it stands with a charred face, having caught twice but by the heroism of Gilden and Elder Biles to command the spot to was extinguished, meanwhile the ministry's shop has burned to the ground and

all those mentioned that caught the grasp of the tyrant. The flames now begin to subside, They have telegraphed to Pittsfield and in 50 minutes time the engine with 1,000 feet of hose is on the spot the whole is soon in working order and the danger begins to subside. We now begin to carry back the things to the Hospital and think the fiery deluge has spent its force. Eight buildings have been destroyed. The Wood shed and sisters shop as one, the large dwelling, Store house Ice house Gas house Ox barn Cart Shed and Old cider mill. loss estimated at $125.000 to $150.000.
So soon was everything destroyed that not a third of even the clothing was taken from the dwelling one side of all the stoves in the cellar and Kitchen. Furniture, bedding and the like Not even the dinner all prepared. Not an article was taken from the sisters shops the inmates barely escaping with their lives; we are now subjected to live on the contributions of

of our Friends. To what extent our good friends will provide momentary relief is a question of time, for we are really destitute. The Sisters are making preperation to lodge in the wash House tonight if they lodge at all as many as can. The Deacons Matilda Anna & Julia Ann have their bedsteads which are nearly the only ones saved conveyed to their shop where for the present they will locate. others occupying shops in the building generally do the same Brethren creep into their shops, thankful thus to find even a shelter.

February 18/5.

Lb 7. A very strange sabbath, scattered in every conceivable manner, some at 2nd Order, some at Dairy Cottage deserted some at North family and and at South House the remainder at Wash House. The North Family proffer every possible assistance taking Sarah Bates, send four sisters to assist in ironing which is done to day, and four to help in the infirmary from Canaan. The South Family came with a team yesterday about 4 P. M. and took Joanna Ketchel, Maria Dewil, Angelic Wadley & Mary Ann Mantle. Dolly Sexton, Betsy Haskins, Eliza Sharp and Elizabeth Bates to 2nd Order Those three aged Sister Dolly 98. Eliza nearly 80 & a cripple. Betsy 82. were helped up there on the icey ground. The beautiful Infirmary which has been the pride of the Church, is the most forlorn of all things, Every thing in it has been torn out, and the floor is covered with ice 1½ inch deep. The west side is completely charred, and the door ceiling almost split out in an effort

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Sb 7 to remove a large case of drawers. Terrible indeed is this ordeal of fire. Those Sisters staying in the wash House shiver over a few embers in the Ironing room stove and try to make a little tea for breakfast, partaking of some food sent from Our kind Neighbors.

M. 8th Four Sisters from Canaan come and help us wash, and get the ice from the floor which has been 1½ thick ever since the fire from the wash room to the Hall door. Eight of us go to the North to dinner & 4 Br. Now there is going on such a sorting of beds, and bedding, and the triffling remains of perniture and clothing saved from the flames, which are stored at the Meeting House. as the pencil of an Artist or the pen of a ready writer would fail to portray. Our good dresses the North Family kindly took charge of, storing them in the 2d House. Also much of the Ministries.

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M. 8 But the beds and bedding, loose drawers, and remnants of furniture, were cast promiscuously on the Meeting House floor. for it must be remembered the Ministries shop shared the same fate with the House. To the honor of Eldress Antionette, she ordered all the Stuff placed in piles in such a way that we could the more readily look them out, And so the sorting work goes on.

P. M. Managers attend at the Office to hear decisions to rebuild our House. For the present we are to have a kitchen in the wash H. Cooking in the soap room and eating in the Ironing room.

T. 9 Our friends have, ever since the fire, been forwarding baked provision, Bread, pies and dough nuts. with mashed potatoe So amid all our sorrow, we need not go hungered, An effort is made to provide sleeping rooms for Br. at Brick Shop. Boys, taking the Boys room west, and Elder Daniel, John Brown, Ferdinand Go

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Tu 9th and Isaac L. in the East Room Henry Cantrell and Lafaette in Taylors S. Frank in Shoe shop. Rufus in Coopers S. Andrew in his Shop. Orren in his S. James Smith in his. Charles Sizer James Glass and William Anderson at Seed Shop. Frederic Sizer at Tan House. Elder Abraham comes with Clark Hader who has been staying at Enfield in exchange for Br James Russel, Clark will sleep at Wash House.

W. 10 The furniture belonging to Deaconess room being saved, is removed from Meeting House to Deaconess Shop. Our friends in the Villiage are providing for our comfort in clothing bringing in donations as liberally as was provided for the Chicago disaster. Thus far we have weather 10 o below 0 most of the time Awfull.)

Th 11. William Anderson returns from a Northern seed Rout, He is

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Th. 11 very much depressed as the fire has robbed him as well as many others of his valables. It is decided for the Dress Makers and Taylors to occupy the former Girls Shop, now vacated, George W. will sleep there, in South Room The large sewing Machine and Counter, formerly used in Deaconesses Shop, is moved there and one formerly used by Eldress Polly will also be placed there. We have an extra washing, on account of so much soild cloths Sheets &c. Also dress 20 chickens which are divided between us and 2nd Order. We have to day a thaw.

F. 12. We final a strong N. W. wind and tho we have thought the walking horrid, it was nothing to compare with what it is now, A perfect glare of rough ice, Ther. 10 below 0 and growing colder. It seems every thing is against us. A small inferior cook Stove is set up in the ironing room, to accommodate for the cooking of 12 sisters in the Wash House. The Sisters locating

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F 12. at the East Shop, have to defer moving till the weather moderates. Dry wood is kindly brought us, by all the families in the Village, and nine large loads from Hancock. as we have lost our dry wood with the Wood House. Elder Daniel Boler, who received severe injuries at the fire, is still very low But fortunately a Dr from Australia being here on business is skillfully attending to his case. and we hope he may still be spared to us. I think four Sisters are lodging at Infirmary and are eating there at present.

S. 13th We are informed that our Worthy Br John M. Brown deceased about 6 oc. A.M.!! We are indeed deeply shocked with this intelligence. Our Br has been indisposed previous to the fire. and was at the time at the infirmary under treatment He was ~~at the~~ in a warm bath when the alarm

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Sat 13th was given, and as the infirmary was in eminent danger, and every thing cast out, he of course fled for his life, quite improperly clad for his condition. He immediately resumed business, tho quite unfit for service, added to this he had kept the records and Journals for some years, and being a man of rather more than ordinary intellect, had a hoard much on which he set great value, and which would have been valued by all had it been preserved. All this seemed deeply to depress him, and hasten his death by apoplex as the Dr. termed it. His loss is deeply lamented by all. A New Cook Stove, the Great America is got in to the Soap room or Cook room. Elder Daniel Crosman, who received severe injuries at the fire and was by no means recovered, is taken to 2nd Order to be cared for. Clark is sick and is taken to North Family for the same purpose. Elder Peter S. H. Long here from Groveland

Michael Hathaway returns from South Farm. Elizabeth B. from 2d Order. Dolly has gone to 2d Family

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Angelic and Joanna return from South Am

Sb 14th We attend meeting at school House and receive the best of counsel from our loved Ministry, whose efforts for the comfort of the family have been unceasing unselfish God like and worthy the cause for which they toil. P. M. We attend the Funeral of Br John at 2d Order. But the ground is so frozen, I learn the grave cannot be dug, or the corps interd at present It lies in the Elder Br. Shop.

M. 15th Eldress Ann and Ann Eliza Coburn, go to Waterviet with Elder Peter. The weather is now awfully cold and rough, Erren coming over the Mountain was blown out of his sleigh, with his Buffolo robes loosing his hat, thus being much exposed. Made Apple-sauce in lower room, Sell 10 gallons.

T. 16th I think the Sisters are settling in the East Shop. They are Elizabeth S. Eunice C. Robena G. Dorothy W. & Amelia C. & Dorretta.

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Wd 17th Elanor commences to move into the Infirmary Garret. B. Crossman into the mending room to work J. K. Sick at Infirmary In the Infirmary I learn will be for shop & room Elder Sisters in N. W. Room. Sarah B. and Angelic in South West room, To lodge having shop room at Wash House. Ann Maria Cornelia Susan, Emma Lucy. Etta. Maria Manning and Ella Carrol, in North East Room in Wash House Leah and Emma Jane in middle room,
Br Clark returns some what recruited, Elder John Whitely and Simon Athelton here on donation business. Elder Otis and Elder John here last week on the same errand.

Th 18 The Tank has come to accompany the stove. 6 Boxes of clothing & bedding from Canterbury are opined to day, under the supervision of the Ministry, into whose hands we choose all sent from other socities should be committed. Eldress Polly attends

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Th 18 with us to the distribution of clothing for Sisters and with the Taylors for the Brethren, Thus relieving much of the burden necessarily felt that all are cared for properly.

Fr 19 The Br and Sisters are now quite comfortably supplied with bedding & clothing for the Winter. We learn that our loved Br Philomon is dangerously ill with Diphthera and as he has long been sanguine in his belief that medicine of all kinds is poison, and a curse at that and in water alone is found the healing power, it is feared he must yield his toiling, stormy, industrious, valuable life to his belief.

St 20 Things begin to assume a more calm appearance, Moderate weather a nice snow men drawing sand and some sawing wood by hand to piece out the dry wood. It is settled to build a Brick House

February 1875.

M 20 We are unfortunate in having the aqueduct frozen, so we loose the use of all our Wash House Machinery!!! The water at East Shop is frozen so that cannot be used The Elements seem to work matters rather against us. Elder Daniel Crosman returns home on Thursday, 18 inst.

Sb 21 Br Philoman deceased 8 o'c. Sat eve. Sorrowful indeed to record, The weather is awful cold, Funeral attended P.M. but when the interment will take place we cannot tell.

T 23 Aprons night caps stockings and sundry articles sent from Chfield & Pl. & Conn. are spread on ironing room tables and Sisters kindly invited to supply all their present needs.

W 24 A large Box containing bedding & clothing sent from South Union Ken. & opened by Mrs & Deaconess at sisters porch, beautiful good clothing.

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W 24 Angelic moved to the Infirmary

Th 25 Sarah Bates is moved from 2nd Order to Infirmary. Eliza Sharp from 2d Order to the Cottage in Dolly place she remaining at 2d family. We eat in the Ironing room for the first time in order Brethren & sisters all.

F 26 Betsy Crossman taken with inflamatory rheumatism goes to the Infirmary. 5 Doz. pails and 10 tubs arrive from Enfield N. H. from Old Henry Cummings, Also sheets and pillow Biers, with very much valuable clothing comes from both Enfields. A Man in Albany has given Eldress Ann a beautiful stove, and she has received for us much provision from Watervliet, Cheese, Butter dried Beef and tallow shortening. with rice, sugar, and Apple and pear sauce.

St 27 We arise as usual, with heavy hearts but thankful that we are thus far gathered into order. It being three weeks to day since our doleful misfortune, But we think we have been carilys

February 1875

M. 27. and humbly admonishing ourselves plead
for divine protection, and promise reformation
P.M. dinner just over the whistle, the only alarm
we have had since the fire is heard long
and unusual, and lo. Fire at the Herb House
is heard ringing in the air, all repair thither
but the fire is in the N. W corner of the
Press Room, causes severe suspicions of in-
cendinary but is soon to all appearance
extinguished, We return trembling with
fear and nearly exhausted. Soon after 2 oc-
the Alarm is heard again, we look out
and the horrorible fact reveals its self
the blaze is issuing from the Cupola of the
doomed Herb House! Consternation seizes
every frame, We drag ourselves again up
the Hill. No power can save the building.
We work to relieve it of its contents, several
teams are on the ground, and all
possible to be is saved. The whistle
continues, and in due time the fire
brigade whom by this time we welcome

February 1875

Feb 27 as saviors, are on the ground as
with extinguishers Hon Henry Tilden
bringing in full force well manned
a $420, Engine purchased on Thursday.
A line is formed to the pond, and
by well directed efforts and Herculean
exertion the flames are confined
to the Herb House alone, injuring no
other building tho the Cart House
and barn stood so near that a Bridge
connected the herb house & cart House.
Meanwhile the inmates of the 2d Ward,
seeing no possibility to escape the flames,
which for 2 long hours threatened
them like Demon tongues of fire,
cleared their North & Shop and large
dwelling House all except the base-
ments. But thank God! the buildings
are saved. And after 3 o'clock, the last
post of the burning mass was with
difficulty thrown over, the crowd
began to disperse, and the terrified

February 1875

M 27 Br and Sisters of 2nd Order, commenced to again enter with their good and chattles into their Houses, It is to be hoped the New dwelling House received no material injury as it was not drenched But the north Shop, is completely drenched, But neither building is injured on the outside. O! There is still a power that has lent aid to save those closely surrounding buildings, but without the engine, All our feeble efforts would have been futile.

Sb 28. No Meeting nor sabbath devotion will be attended to day Many of us repair to 2d Order to assist in getting things right which by night begins to look quite natural again. Teams employed in carting bbls, boxes &c from the street. Yesterday was comparatively mild and snowy No wind but last night the N.W. spent its fury causing the cinders and sparks to fly fiercely among the buildings. The whole affair including the New Herb Kiln is suspected to be the work of incendiaries!

March 1875

M. 1st Very cold and unpleasant.

T. 2nd We are informed that a Committe of investigation is to be held here to day, which really is a Town Court. Judge from Hudson Sheriff from Chatham, a Jury of our best men in Town. They arrive by 11 o'clock Train, Occupy North East Room at Brick Shop. About 7 oc, a verdict is rendered, convicting Charles Harris an employee in of Hall establishment, of maliciously and designedly fireing said building. He is placed under arrest and conveyed to Lebanon Springs. The most tremendous East Wind that ever blew, Blows to night frightening what little sense we had left, almost out of us. Some unsecured ladders on the meeting House by their wind prank, greatly alarm the Ministry; Elder Giles we fear will suffer from burning his hand at the recent fire.

March 1875

Sb 7th It seems to hardly possible to seperate the days of the past week since Tuesday. Every Team is engaged in Drawing Sand and Brick, we have good Sleighing Elder Giles and George Wicker [Shaw], work at drafts for the anticipated dwelling House, and we have all had a chance to see and examine them! On Sat 6th Charles Harris came under guard to take what he owned and be settled with. His very name has become an alarm.

Deacon Change. I forgot to mention, at the time of our first fire Feby 6, a change was contemplated in the Deacons Order. Charles Sizer being engaged in the seed business felt that it was sufficient burden for him. Orren is to act in his place, and Andrew F takes the Ministries Team. This change was made Feby 6th 1875: without cerimony as no moving or speaking had to be done.

March 1875.

M. 8th Weather rather mild, I forgot to mention the erection of a New and beautiful Bell, which was rung for the first time on Saturday 6th, I understand the Bell was paid for by our Friend Waterbury. The bell stands between the Infirmary and Wash House.

T. 9th The snow keeps falling, and we have a fine prospect of the brick and sand being drawn for the House which is be built to replace our dear Old House.

W. 10th We are cheered by the presence of Eldress Joanna Vainn, who has come to see our sorrowful condition.

Th. 11th Things begin to be a little calm, and Matilda and writer commence Sale work the first of this week.

F. 12th Aren is converting the back shed into an Ice House, Ours being burned.

Sa 14 We are having it a little warmer Bide to 2nd Order where we attend our meeting P. M. with Eldress Joanna.

March 1875

Sb 14 After meeting Officials stop to hold one of the ordinary business meeting, which results in ordinary business ignorance

M. 15 Mary H. and Tabitha go with Joseph H. to Pitts — Henry C. takes Eldress Joanna Julia Ann and Cornelia to Hancock. Where they receive from the gathering family additional kitchen furniture. All spare teams from Hancock join those of Lebanon in drawing sand & brick

T 16 A thaw is progressing rapidly which on low land must cause a freshet.

W 17 A portable oven given by Sophia Helfrage Gathering Order Hancock is received Elder Hervey arrives from South Union

T 18 Weather growing colder. Elder Hervey sets out for Canterbury to meet S. U. singers who are tarrying there.

F 19 very cold almost to 0. good for ice

S 20 Snowing rapidly. 7 teams start early for Cheshire for white sand. O! it was an awfully blustering snowy cold day. Teams returned after 7 o'clock awful

March 1875

Sb 21 Meeting at 2d Order. Ride up. snowey.
M. 22 El. Giles E. F. James L. Charles L.
George W. Washington J. 2 Hirelings
Burt & Bridgwood Jas rs Under
Subpena. Go to Hudson to appear be-
fore Grand Jury, against Charles Harris.
T 23 E. J. B. Matilda R. Amy R. Emma C. lough
Go to Hudson as above stated, All
except El Giles who goes to Watervliet &
G. W. to Albany return 1/2 pas 5 Train.
W 24 El. Daniel Boler, is suffering from a
very tedious Boil. He is still at work.
T 23. Some men are covering the block of
Ice, left by the fire. New Ice is being
drawn to the south East Shed, which
is to be an ice House for the Kitchen
19 loads no trouble in getting ice, Zero.
weather continuing. Cold! Cold!
13 Italians come ready to live in the
aven wood House, do their own cooking
&c, but the weather seems pretty cool.

March 1875

Th 25 Old Trip formerly Kitchen Cat is killed and a short time since 2 Cats belonging to Wash House shared the same fate. Feeling unable to support unnecessary Cats, Black Tom now hold sole possession.

Fr 26 Matilda and writer stop sale work for the present, intending next week to commence making Frocks.

Sa 27 Immoderately beautiful winters day.

M 29 After washing and ironing we pick out 3 bbls of butternuts. rather poor picking. The month has been rather cold, but nothing so bad as February.

April 1875.

F 2 Some boxes of articles sent by our friends of Union Village arrive to day. Shipped on 27 February.

Sat 3 We have been engaged the past week in making Frocks, made 85 besides a thousand other duties.

April 1875

Su 4th We walk to the 2nd Order to Meeting for the first time.

M. 5 For the first time for many weeks, some time before the fire, we to day have the use of our Wash House Machinery. I should think a week ago, the men finished sawing the wood with hand saws, the Machine Shop being unfit for use.

T. 6 We have word that Dolly and Mary Ann Mantle were to return home Mary Ann has been staying at South 1st family and Dolly at 2nd family. Elder William Reynolds, of Union Village, and Olivia Conkling and Ann McGill. of Waterviet arrive here.

W 7th Elizabeth removes from the South East room at Wash House to Infirmary Garret with Elanor. Susan Patterson to North East Room Wash H. with Maria Manning. Ella Carrock left yesterday for Boston.

April 1875

Th 8. Said Sisters return P. M. 1 oclock. Dolly to the Cottage, and Mary Ann at Wash H. Borrow 2 bed steads from 2nd family, Leah occupies one and Mary Ann One. Elder Hervey, Jane Cowan & Mary Clark. of South Union, recently from Canterbury where they have been exercising on singin arrive, Making Home at North Family.

F 9. visiting among the Sisters.

St 10 The last Boxes of Donation opened to day. We have received from Canterbury 6 Boxes of clothing and Bedding among which were nearly a bushel of shoes and socks. 2 large 3 ft Boxes containg Brethrens clothing. Flannels made new for the occasion From Enfield 2 bbls. of clothing. 6 Doz pails and 5 pr of tubs. this from N. Hamp. Enfield Conn. 3 Boxes, containing Woolen and Cotten sheets and clothing of great value. besides New Knives, Sissors, thimbles pins needles & thread Hancock 2 cuts of New summer Frocking

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Besides some clothing and much help in fitting our kitchen and a portable oven, ~~Tyrringham~~ also provision Beans turnips &c.
Tyrringham some clothing, 1 bbl of Maple Syrup. 10 cheeses. some Beans ~~clothing~~ and other sundries.
Watervliet 2d family Butter Cheese and shortening and first family Tomato and Butter with clothing from every family according to their ability.
Gathering Order Butter Cheese & dried Beef & dried pears
South Union a large 3 + 3 Box of clothing some dried peaches and 3 new comfortables. Many nice silk handkerchiefs in their valuable Box. and nice blue hoods
Union Villiage 4 Boxes from in which we find besides clothing, rolls of New Cotton and worsted, worsted a piece of striped cloth 2 pieces of fine cotton cloth & one piece shrunk, about 30 nice dresses 5 new rose blankets &c. I have kept no regular account of the fore-

From Alfred and Gloucester we received 30 yds of poplar Tow and $30 of ready made articles for the store with other helps in sale business.

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going liberal donations, but merely from memory made my statistics, just to leave a slight impression of the kindness of our Gospel Kinsfolk. Added to this we learn a Car load of flour 84 bbls has arrived from Urban Jons. South Union From Groveland a span of fine Horses. from Harvard and Shirley some Beans and dried apples. Every family in the Villiage have helped to clothe us and furnish all they could for our comfort.

Sb 11 We have Elder William and Elder Henry with Sisters to Meeting Elder Wallendick A. M. Meeting after Meeting Elder Harvey gave a long but pleasant discourse on the proper line of faith and duty of Believers, very edifying & instructive.

F 9th I forgot to state that on Friday Lawyer Andrews & his wife Matilda spent the evening here collecting information to be used in court in case of Harris.

On this page Robert Valentine takes charge of Brick Y. B. Y. and G. W. assuming whole charge of Building.

April 1875

M 12 Weather quite warm Mikey cleanes out the Hen House An effort is being mad to get the water thro to the Dairy.

T 13 We have a heavey fall of snow, tho the weather is quite mild.

Th 15 Eight Sisters and a No of Brethren are Subpenied to appear On the 22nd at Hudson, to attend Court.

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Sh 18 After meeting Min. El. Dea. &c stop to hear Br Edward he being the only Trustee present, say Some out farms might be sold if anyone would buy them.

M. 19 Ministry go to Handcock. receive intelligence of the death of Eldress Lucy Fuller, who deceased on Friday last of Typhoid fever.

W. 21 Eldress Ann. with Mary and Tabitha go to Albany. Eldress Ann goes to Waterwhet.

Th 22. Word was received on Tuesday that the Court would suspend the case of Harris Mon 26 inst. S. Elder Daniel Boler and Elder Giles leave today for Waterwhet, leaving Eldress Polly at home alone. She Sleeps at the Office.

April 1895

Th 22 Mary and Tabitha return from Albany.
F 23 Finish making light summer Frocks.
M 17 Elder Daniel has cut some basket stuff. and C. F. and A. M. G. are zealously trying to make some baskets for the store.
M 26 This Morning brings the time for the long dreaded trial of Charles Harris. It is quite pleasant after breakfast. Edward. George W. Washington Jane B. Amy R. Matilda R. Ann Maria G. Robena G. Emma C. Lucy B. leave in two carriages for Canaan. en-route for Hudson. Washing ironing and boiling a Hog. that died occupies all left at home. and pretty busy at that.
Tomorrow.
T. 27. Charles Lizer. James S. Robert V. two little Boys. Cornelia F. Maria M. Tabitha L. Florinda S. Etta Clark? Novia leave after Breakfast for Hudson. Return at evening F. L. Florinda Etta. Robert V.
W 28 Florinda Telegraphed to Hudson again.
Th 29 Listers all returned from Court. a verdict of Guilty being rendered on the House.

May 1875

Sat 1. Last evening the remainder of the Br, returned from Court bringing word that Harris is sentenced to Clinton Prision for a term of 14 years!! Charles Sizer took a little Boy Edwn. Morse to New York to his Mother. while absent. Perhaps it will be well to state that R. E. Andrews was employed by Br. Edward, to assist the District Aty. and at his house 8 Sisters were lodged & boarded. the rest of the Sisters staying at Waterberries Every kindness was offered to our people and high applause to the Witnesses.

april M. 26 I should have mentioned in proper place, that the Diggers are dispersing as the work is drawing to a close. and to day the Masons come on, ready to commence the foundation.

M 3 Matilda and writer Wash the windows and clean up the Hen House.

T 4 Matilda & writer assist in scrubbing the Store. Cor & A.M. in the Office.

May 1875

Th 4 The remaining diggers commence digging a large Drain to meet the gutter of large Drain

W 5 A woman brings 2 girls one 11 the other 9 years old Adoline and Louisa Cook. They are taken here. The remaining Number of Diggers leave today. The North Family have suffered from flood in their house Sabbath night in consequence of repairing the roof. and to day the roof on the K. took fire by sparks from heating the Tar. but fortunately was discovered without harm.

Th 6 Etta Clark a Thief and unprincipled girl left with her Uncle and Aunt.

F 7 Franklin Thomas leaves, much regretted. Eldress Polly. Mary Hazzard & Elizabeth L. go to Pittsfield

Sa 8 The weather remarkably cold and backward. We have in the night a Violent Thunder Storm

Su 9 And this morning looks bright and more springlike, a slight show of green grass. Matilda goes into the Kitchen

W 12 Sarah A. L. & Tabitha L. go to Albany with Edward. Brethren commence

May 1875

T. 12 Setting out onions Garden being just ready for ploughing (7 Boxes of preserves arrive from Grovel and 50 lb dried Peaches)

Fr 14 The Mason work is progressing rapidly their being now 40 hands employed This week there has been some coloring of Drab Coats Black. Quite a serious job Done at 2nd Order and pressed there by our Listers.

M. 17 Commence laying sawed Stone on the foundation. Zimena Gates here.

T 18 Ann Goodwin here on a visit.

W 19 Rainy workmen quit A. M. work. P. M.

Th 20th Links, wash bowls and Bath Tubs. arrive and are stored in Meeting House.

Fri 21 Fine weather Commence framing in the street. Address Lydia & Ann Eliza here on a visit, the first since the fire.

Sat 22 3. After supply Drill come to see foundation

Mon 24 Commence laying plates for Dining Room.

T. 25 A Fire Engine is presented to our society by the City of Hudson. arrives to day, under charge of the Mayor. Alderman & City Editor

May 1875

T 25 besides several of our neighbors, The Engine is worked at the Pond at Blak Smith Shop. A Speech made by the Mayor, responded to by Elder Frederic, And a Poem read by Emma J. Neal. The Engine is to be kept for the present at Meeting House Shed. Elijah Myrick here to see Ministry.

W. 26 Ministry return A Br Charles something Brings them with 2d Jam Water & Team &c. Eldress Am brings ample stores for our needs and the Pleasant Hill Donation Box having arrived on Monday awaits her decision. We have had 2 boxs from Watervliet Ohio I think unmentioned.

Th 27 Commence laying brick. Cellars nearly completed. Work progressing rapidly. E. P. an S Spencer go to Handcock with the good German Br. Carl King and Charles of Watervliet.

F 28 Scrub the drying Room.

St 29 The Stone for Steps, one weighin 5,000 lb arrives. B. G. obliged to go North to hurry on the stuff.

May 1875

M 31. Owing to a large leak, the Cistern is so low we defer washing till Tues. Eldress Polly Sarah A Spencer, Sarah A Lewis, Tabitha L. Joseph L. & F. go to Pittsfield to engage the remainder of the Drab coats colored. The weather is very fine but rather dry. The House is steadily progressing. But no Christmas Dinner there this season.

JUNE 1875.

T 1 Washing done to day all right again.

Th 3 Some fine fresh Porgeise from Albany. Fish is so cheap this season we are liberally supplied at low rates.

F 4 Fresh Mackeral very nice and good

M 5 Clean the Meeting House. Have evening meeting at Meeting House. Br Edward returns from Baltimore.

Sb 6 We attend this evening with the 2nd family to look over the progress of New House. Two Sabbath evenings previous have been devoted to 2d Order & North Family.

June

M. 7. Clean the Wash House. as usual.

W 9 Clean the Seed Shop.

Th 10 The weather is again very dry. tho on Monday we had some rain, half a day the hand did no work. The House is progressin rapidly.

F 11 J.A.S. E.C. Clean Orrins Shop.

St 12 Orren complets the Privey North of Wash House which has been thouroughly, repaired raised higher, a new Yard built & the house painted and shingled He has also repaired the foundation of the Wash House Stoop. Thanks from Sisters for the same.

M 14 I learn some of the stone masons are to be discharged as the stone work on the building is nearly finished. a short call Hancock Sisters make

T 15 Eldress H. J.B. M.L. E.J.N. with F.G. & J. Slin. go to Richmond for Skunk Cabbage leaves.

W 16 The Second story of the House is progressing the Tee, moving with the body of the House It is awful dry, the Dust intolerable.

F 18 A steady rainy day. O! How acceptable no work done on the House.

June 1875

St 19	Very heavy showers P. M. ½ day mostly lost,
Sb 20	Commence singing school at School House
M 21	Rosetta H. Ann Case of Waterbury here on a visit.
Tu 22	South Family Company returned Matilda. Anna Julia Ann go to North Family to see the attic and slate tables.
Th 24	Eldress Polly returns with George Price and J. Gewey. a Man who gave a stove as donation to Eldress Ann after the fire. B. E. L. D. & B. go to Hancock with William a Using a Brick yard Team. G. Price and Man return to Albany. Henry E. and Joseph H. go to Waterbury,
F 25	Commence a little on Mat Frame for the anticipated House.
M 26	So rainy we can have no meeting
M. 28	Matilda & writer go on errand to South P.
W 30	Cleaned the Tan House.

July 1875.

F 2 All the masons leave the New building and most of the Carpenters to prepare for the Coming fourth, which will be kept on Monday the 5 inst. B. G. leaves this eve for a South Western tour.

St 3 Such a quiet has not reigned in our door yard a day for many past months.

M. 5 A 4th of July celebration attended on the Flat. A heavy shower about 3 o'clock. We had a thunder shower some time lately and the lightening struck & killed a Cow. The first cherries picked to day.

T 6th Matilda and writer go to South Family to knit some cotton webbing.

W 7th Commence painting windows for Flower Matilda, Rebena & Dorothy paint at 2nd Order.

Th 8th Pick the first Peas. A large mess.

F 9th The Ministry yesterday take a span of New horses of Edward Fowler raised a Waterberry farm. Andrew F. Sarah A. Lewis Florinda Rachel, go to Pittsfield, with New Horses. One of the old team is for Garden. Green & C.

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July 1875.

St 10	The Infirmary is being repaired & painted by Orren and Chs. Shunway.
T. *6	I forgot to mention in place, Elder Giles is obliged to go to Union Villiage leaves home today.
T. 12	Commence working on Carpet rags
W 13	Cherry picking &c. in these days.
T 14	Matilda & Writer go to Patterson lot to hunt & get a few currents.
F 15	Maria Manning & Emma C. go for the first Whorttle berries.
St 16	So Rainy we are obliged to defer Meeting.
Sb 17.	No Singing Meeting at School House.
T 20	Commence picking Currents in South Orchard One bush. for Sale for jill.
W 21	Clean Apple Cellar Only 5 hands. Many engaged getting Whorttleberries. The Second lot of windows ready for painting Matilda, Cornelia & Maria. paint
F 23	Rainy. So the workmen are of half Day.
S 24	A. T. takes Eliz C. Ado C. R. G. D. H. C. C. to Stephen Town for Red raspberries 3. bush. No Meeting.

3 bush of Currents Red. Sold by Jell. for the benefit of Eld Dan C. from orchard place.

July 1875

M 26 * The older Sisters help do the washing, and the other Sisters that is four go for Blue berries

T 27 A. F. Matilda. Maria M. Cor. go for Red raspberrs for the Office. Another com go on the Mt for Blue berries, and the remainder pick current

W. 28. A. M. Strung current, looked over Blue berries. P. M. Land papered Window frames at 2nd Order. then picked a large lot of Peas!!!

Th 29 Picked currents and Blue berries Elizabeth C. and Doritta go with Benjamine to Glens Falls. Picked 15 fowls for Sp. Office.

F 30 Orren takes 3 bushel of Currents to Pitts returns 81 lb of Sugar. A new movement, $1 worth of crackers. Another Blue berry raid, and M. R. & writer on Mt for Red raspberries. A heavy Shower, as has been the case every day this week. to the discomforture of Mountain pedestreans. A. F. Leah. Maria M. C. F go to Pittsfield.

The get from South Orchard 14 bushel of White and Red Currents

St 31 All at home the first day I think for two weeks. Pick and Shell peas.

* M. 26. Mary Haz. ~~Lucy~~ Nancy D. go to Sharon Springs

August 1875

M 2. O! How rainy. Address Polly, Amelia C. and Emma Jane. Go to Ghent to attend the Teachers Institute. New Day!

T 3rd Continued rain. Bad for Hay Makers. The Workmen have laid by one & half days.

+W. 4 Pick the first Cucumbers. Go on the mountain for berries between showers

F 5th Pick the Peas for the last time. The first day this week without rain!!

S 6th Our Learned ones return, very Wise.

x W 4 Mary Hazard and Nancy return from Sharon. We are trying to introduce the Seed Bag business, intended to bring to Sisters 30 cts per thousand Bags.

S 6 I might have mentioned 2 weeks since we have decided to take as business some Seed Bag Pasting, for which we are to receive as Sisters pay 30 cts per 1000. Since the Fire the Ministry eating at the Office. Eunice Cantrell & Emma Jane have worked in the Kitchen alternately. Olive Brown is also constantly employed.

Remarks

August 1875.

T 10 Matilda and Sarah A. Spencer go to the hill top for Blue Berries. We have now finished our currents, and after some gleaning Blue Berries will be ended.

W 11 A. F. takes Rhoda Blake and Florinda to Williamstown.

Th 12 We have the Pea vines pulled and glean them. Show rainy again we have had 4 days of pleasant weather.

F 13 A. F. and Co return. being weather tiste. report good success.

St 14 Again on the Mountain for Blue berries

M. 16 Mary Hazard Anna D. & W. go to Pittsfield with Sweet teamster. Elder Daniel followed with Matilda and Dorothy. No rain among other things M. K. purchases A. Love Joy's Weather House. for general use.

Th 17 We attempt looking for Black berries get to the Mill, Remain there till P. M. On account of never ending Rain!

W 18 A. F. Florinda Maria M. go to Barrington and adjoining places peddling.

August. 75

Tu 17 ~~A. M. Land papering windows which are now once painted. P. M. pick up early Apples.~~

Tu 17. Picked up early apples for Market—

We 18 Orren takes 8 baskets of Apples to Pittsfield.

Th 19 Try again for Black berries unsuccessful.

F 20 A. Fand Co. return, report good success.

Sa 21 Another load of apples for Market. The building is covered and the Slaters who commenced this week have I think finished the Pl. The outside Mason work is finished.

Su 22 We have a Shower toward evening.

M 24 Rufus Crosf. Mary Hazzard, Sarah & Stand go to Hancock to recover if possible some of Mary's property. Killed 2 Fowls.

Tu 25 Orren takes fowls & Apples to Market. Rufus and Sarah A. return, without Mary's Niece's

Th 26. Mary returns having succeeded in getting $ 300. Cloth & amount $ 100.

August 1875.

F 27 Julia Ann paints the new clothsyard slats
Orren has put some shelves in pickle Cellar
and Brick Shop Cellar, very nice indeed
The first meal of Black Berries gathered

St 28 The Infirmary resumes its former appearance
The new building is progressing ~~finished, that is~~ the
Cornice and jet are completed and the
Cupola nearly done. the ground is being
graded &c. the yard is cleared so far
that it is made fit to open Public Meeting
Elder Daniel Boler has superintended the
clearing work, and it is well done.

Charles Stevens from seed tower.

S 29. A Bright cool clear Morning not one
upleasant day the past week. O! how fine.
Our Singing Meeting commences 1/2 p 8 ~~th~~
Some attendence at Public Meeting solicited
from Church. Public Meeting Opened.
a very good audiance.

M 30 Some sisters with J. Smith & Isaac go on
the mountain for Black berries, not very
successful.

T 31 Sarah D!! and writer go south Blackberrying!!! Lucky

September 1875

W 1. The annual social gathering of junior Order attended
The Elders of the Church attend. also J. M. Peebles.
Yesterday Rhoda Blake and Florinda went
with Andrew to Williamstown return today.

Th 2. We have a beautiful opportunity with our
Brother J. M. Peebles at the 2nd Order the
whole Church assembling at ½ past 10 o'clock.
His gallery of paintings are above praise.

F 3 The Peaches arrive 3 o'clock P. M.
21 Crates. which we find quantity sufficient
for the present size of our family. Brum
has successfully sold early Apples. gave
$30 for the Peaches to Br Edward.

St 4 Two weeks of dry weather very warm
and no signs of rain.

Su 5 Rather cooler but no rain Eld G. gave the
Public discourse. E. F. McCorn absent.

M 6 The first tomatos for winter use to day
The sauce kettle set in the washroom.

T 7. The second load of Elder Berries, 3 sisters
go on Mountains for Black Berries 4 Dgts.
Florinda & Emma Jane go to Lenox.

September 1875.

W 8th Another load of Elder Berries.

F 10th Some rain A. W. B. returns after near three weeks absence. Carpenters commence working in the Meeting R. The roof finished. Sarah Ann Span & Tabitha go to Pittsfield

Sa 11 O! How Cold Our first Frost.

T 14 Elder D. C. Olive B. Sarah A. Stan go to Lenox Tabitha goes on to Pittsfield

W 15 A. F. with Florind and Susan to Stockbridge The fourth and last load of Elder Berries.

Th 16 Cut a small kiln of Apples.

F 17 Wren goes to Pittsfiel with pears and apples.

Sa 19 Quite cold and disagreeable attend M. at 2nd Ord.

T 21 Sarah Dean and Adeline go to Pittsfield for A. C. Smith. A Company go to Washington for blackberries But come to grief. Ah! It is too late.

W 22 Louisa Blanchard here to see Jane B.

+M 20. I should have said commenced picking and sorting apples. Cold and frosty

Th 23 Cut a full kiln of Sweet Apples. frosty

F 24 Put down ripe & green tomatoes. fine

Sa 26 Rainy Old Moses Eastwood of Ohio attends Meeting with usal 2nd Order.

September 1875

Pick up good apples in West Orchard

M 27 We are having cold weather for the Season

Eld D. & Eldss Ann leave for Watervliet, with 2d fam. Com.

× T. 28 Worked on feather some with Ann Maria.

× W 29 We have a large supply of Green Peppers, Some have been exposed to frosts. but quite a quantity are uninjured

Th 30 Orren has purchased three new pairing machines, for apples. very nice indeed We have had rather unusual cold weather the past month. The House is progressing speedily the furnace is set up, and has had a fire tried in it works well. The Tee is all lathed, the Garret is plastered & the two upper lofts of the Tee. (The Vault is building for the Gass Generator.) very many hands I should think nearly 30 men are employed. Elder Giles and Westly Bland have been working in the House 3 weeks Elder D. B. has done service at the Mortar. A New Extension Dining table is purchased for the Office. to accommodate to the Many hands. Rising time unchanged as yet.

Back of Dwelling

October. 1875

F 1 Rains all day! Chopping tomato for Chaw Chaw Dressing Tomatos Cutting Pears &c.

S 2nd Sweet potatoes 2 bbls. The Church at Hancock have picked in the North Orchard 38 bbls of winter Apples for which in consideration of past favors, no pay will be received.

Sb 3 We attended Meeting last eve in Meeting House having it comfortably warmed. Pleasant tho cool today

T 5 Finish Sorting Apples. Elder D.B. returns

W 6 Cut 22 baskets of Apples to dry. 22 after cutting

Th 7 Cut Apples again have cut 60 bushel this season. The Sisters at 2nd Order have taken care of them. Clark attended the Kiln.

F 8 Pick up all the Apples!! I think the Pears are all gathered. Eldress Ann returns with Elizaett Lutton who is to live at 2nd fam. She has been spending some years at Groveland.

Th 14 A. F. with Eunice C. L. Taylor, M. Manning go to Pittsfield Cold but fair. Amanda Vanzant arrives here

F 15 Killed fowls for Market. H.C. takes them over P. M. Amanda V. comes from North to stay

October 75

at the Office for the present she is a woman from Phila.

St 16. We are awakened by the fearful bell on the Flat and see fire at Tildens. It is raining heavily but the Brethren rally The Engine is taken out. and we learned in the Morning it did good execution and saved much property. tho the New Hoose is not yet attached. Only a saw-dust Kiln is finally consumed. But we are sadly frightened & Sleep depart.

Sb 17 We arise to find the ground covered with snow, and a cold wind blowing

M. 18th We commence making the Seed catalogues 3000 in number. for Charles. Washington Jones assists us.

T 19th Matilda, Anna, Elizabeth C. go to Pittsfield with Henry Cantrell. Fine tho cold.

W 20 Still working at the books.

T 21 Washington gets the Stabber from Tildens

Fr 22 We make a BEE and finish sewing the Books. Joseph S. M.L. K.G. go to Pittsfield about Robenas teeth.

October 1875

T 19 Sarah A Lewis and Tabitha go to Pitt. Albany. In our bee was included Eldress Harriet Eleanor Emma Clough, and Lucy Brown.

Sb 24 John Jones here with his 4 children, they stayed here Sat eve. & then went to the South Family.

M. 25 We commence covering Pamphlets.

T 26. Not succeeding to our minds, Julia Ann and Anna go with Washington to see the Girls work at Tildens. Eldress Harriet and Elanor & Lucy B. work at the Books. Caroline Neal and a woman here to day.

F 29 Weather rather colder and quite gloomey. A Lady, Sarah Woodroes Lister & her Daughter here, Staying at 2nd Order.

Sb 31 The weather is quite wintry, Last evening we had to omit meeting!! The two women attended Both meetings today.

November 1875

M 4 The time of rising and Breakfast change.

November. 1875

T. 2 George goes to Albany.
W 3 The Lathers finish in the House
Th 4 Cutting Pears and Quinces. The Stove has been set in the North Wash Room for making preserves &c. To day it is removed to its former place.
Fr 5 We finish the Pamphlets Seed Catalogue about 6000. The trade was New, and has cost us some extra labor, Eldress Harriet & E. P. & L. B. assisted us from the time of sewing. E. P. two days putting on covers, We have had 5½ days works.
St 6 We give our Shop a Fall scrubbing. Beautiful weather for November, Meeting at Meeting House.
Su 7. Attend at 2d Order
Mon 8. Dress 16 Little chickens for table use. Br commence milking Mornings Commence washing after breakfast.
T 9. Boys School Opens to day. L. L. keeps Emma Jane Co.
W 8 C. Lizer returns absent 3 Weeks

November 1875.

W 10 We dress 33 Turkeys young things so Black Mary does not want to keep them Stormy!

Th 11 The seed Bags finished for the trade this season of 3000. chiefly made by the members.

F 12 The new settees for the Meeting Room arrive to day, and are stored in the Meeting House. The radiators are all set in the Tee. and the sinks are in.

St 13 This evening about 5 o'clock, the gas is lighted in the Meeting Room. Matilda & J. Scott go into the Kitchen tomorrow Morning

Su 14 A Meeting of society Official Brethren attended at 2nd Order.

Tu 16 Ministry leave for Waterville together the first time for a long Year.

W 17 Hannah Blake comes to assist in making a round frock for A. T.

L 20 Attend evening meeting at 2nd Order

Su 21 Our Singers organize a Choir in A. school.

W 24 Br. B. G. informs us, that our new Meeting room is ready to be cleaned stained, and prepared for Meeting the coming Sat eve!!

November. 1875.

Th 25 Thanksgiving Attended at 2d Order, we stop after Meeting and attend union the first such opportunity since the fire. Yesterday the work in the Meeting Room commenced and will continue tho the Carpenters are still at work there

Fr 26. Meeting Room stained. It is proposed for Address Harriet to take charge of the Meeting Room.

St 27 About four oclock the Carpenters finish in the Meeting Room, The room ~~Resembles~~ when lighted is indeed an Ideal Heaven and even the Men employed, turn again to take a last look at its beauty. All men are now released from the House except the Plumber with two assistants, E. J. Burt. At half past seven we assemble for Meeting Deeply regretting that our good Ministry whose toils to forward the House have been unceasing are not with us. We have a good comforting meeting, for which privilege we render Thanks!!!!!

November 1875.

Sb 28 Second Order assemble with us in the New Meeting Room.

M 29. A Change of wind brings tidings of cold weather

T 30 Awfully Cold go below zero. Mary H. Maria L. & Mandish Eliz Ann & Augusta go to Brick yard to pick turkeys.

December 1875

W 1 Four beeves are slaughtered for the family Sarah Ann Spen and Elizabeth Ann clean the tripes. Anna D. Marina M. Lucy B. commence cleaning Seed Boxes. E. P. joins them P. M.

Th 2 Leah helps on the seed Boxes.

F 3 Finish cleaning Boxes. 700 in No. Mary H. and Eliz E. go to Pittsfield.

St 4 Henry the Bos Carpenter with his Men commence the Ice House North of the Vilin. Clear and cold the past week.

Sb 5 Meeting at Second Order.

M. 6 E. Fowler. Sarah Ann & Tabitha leave for New York. weather quite moderate

December 1875

F.	F 7	Eliz C. S. P. L. B. A. D. Stain the	
	Th 9	Seed Boxes finish soon after noon.	
		Dressed 25 H. & chicks for Market.	
	F 10	Dorothy, Angeline Amelia an Lucy	
		Labil and finish said Boxes well done!	
		Job estimated at 15 days works. worth $7,50	
	St 11	Not much done yet at Ice. House.	
F	Sb 12	Second Order attend Meeting Here.	
	M 13	Edward and Sisters return, We	
		learn by letter Br Benjamine on a	
S		cold northern tour is sick, But He	
		will make for North Union, where it	
		is to be hoped he will receive proper	
		attention.	
	T 14	Mary Ho with 10 Sisters some from	
		both Orders, some 2nd Order Br. Dr A. F.	
		and Huldah Bagg from the Mill,	
		go to Brick yard to pick and dress	
		84 Turkeys. A good days work.	
	W 15	Eldress H. goes with Mary to Pittsfield.	
	T 16	Mary H. Sarah A Stand go to Mill to	
		Hog Butchering	
	St 17	This week Matilda & Anna comm Sale work.	

December 1875

S. 25 Christmas attended as usual, being rather stormy we attend at home alone, P.M. Singing School at School House Weather mild and warm for the season

Sb 26 Attend Meeting at 2nd Order, It is growing so warm the fire in the furnace will soon be dispensed with, some saving of Coal.

M. 27. We are glad to hear Br Benjamine has returned. He is quite sick. and looks badly, But hope for his speedy recovery.

!!! If Money Shorts continue all the business Men in the Country will get the Menengitis

W. 28. The weather being warm and pleasant Hired Men and all hands are driving spring like at the wood! Goi Boys!

Th 29 The Ministry return in usual health tho under heavy burdens, so much financial distress among Believers.

F 30 A more splendid day to close the sad past year could not have been enjoyed by mortals. Farewell. Old Year. Just go thy way. I've nothing to say.

Condensed account

Supplement.

It would be interesting to condense the past year in a small space for review, Still, with its troubles it would fail to be a Messenger of joy, tho in many respects it might be instructive. I find about the 23 of March the Italians first came to remove the debris, the sad remains of our House

April 26. The Masons commence on the foundation for the New House. Corner stone laid!!!!

May 17. Commence laying the sawed Stone,

" 24 Commence laying plates for Kitchen loft

27. Commence laying Brick, Cellars completed.

August 21st The New Building is covered, & the Slaters have finished the Fll and are ready to commence on the House.

" 29 Public Meeting Opened First this season,

Nov 12 Letees for Meeting Room arrive.

" 13 The Gass is lighted in the Meeting Room

S 27. About 4 oclock. the Carpenters leave the House. We attend evening Meeting!! For the first time in Our New House!! Ministry absent at Waterviet the first time all at once, for a year!!

Supplement.

About the 20th of February after beginning with an open winter, we found ourselves pretty well snowed in, so that there has been excellent sleighing for the Draught 20 teams were employed, drawing Brick from Hancock Shaker Depot.
Team, 330,000 Brick, and 350 loads of sand were drawn by sleighing.

Apples 1875

Having no kiln for apple drying, and our apples commonly abundent, we have made four cuttings, dried at 2nd Order, Clark tended the Kiln, The whole except 1/2 bbl of sour sliced, we left there to be worked up. of our apples 2 bbl of boiled cider is left there. as we have no opportunity for making Sauce. The Sisters, or E. Vanhouten. Makes the Sauce.

Condition of Family. No.

Before death has occurred in our Order. J. M. Brown. 2 boys and 2 girls have left. 2 girls gathered in. We now No. 6 souls 21 males 48 females.

Work Done by Sisters 1875

Nurses	Syrup put up. Bottles	3	Doz.
"	Jelly made, Jars	37	"
"	" " lbs	28	
"	Preserves made qts	12	
"	Racking wine, cleaning bbls days works	4	
Office S.	Preserves made qts	102	
	Jelly made Jars	7 3/12	Doz.
	Bottles of wine put up,	25	"
	Days works at wine	6.	
	Butternut candy, half cracked, picked & cd lbs	187	
	Sugar cocked, lbs	300.	
	Sweet Flag sugared lbs	40.	
Family	Fowls dressed	260.	
	Cheese Sold lbs	100	
	Powders lbs	200	
	Feetings pr	16	
	Seed Bags	100,000	
	Pamphlets sewed & finished	3000	
	On Seed Boxes days works	15.	
	On Flowers and flower Seed,	Thanel S. Dean.	
	Apple Sauce gall	10.	

Fancy Work. 1875.

Doz.	Office	Door Mats wove & sheep skin	7.	
"		Fans & Pea Cock Dusters —	160 —	8
		Round Pin Cushions	251	
		Bellows Boxes, & Work Boxes —	49 — 20.	
		Glove Boxes & L. Spool Baskets —	120 — 20.	
		Baskets furnished	100.	
Doz.		Fur Gloves & Holders —	6 — 22.	
"	Family.	Splint - Baskets	188.	
		Pendent Sinicircles	90	
		Cornice Baskets	60	
		Dollar Boxes	32.	
		Work Stands & Hearts	24.	
		Pocket Reticle & Needle Book.	150.	
		Needle Books.	200.	
		Emeryes of all sizes	330.	
		Cushions Square & Tomato	400.	
		Feather Dusters	208.	
		Holders	72.	
		We lost in the fire Sp. baskets	350	
Dean.		Unfinished Poplar work "	100.	

Bill of Provision 1875

Pickled Cucumber	Casks	8.	
Peppers	"	2.	
" Tomatoes		1.	
" Chaw Chaw	gall	15.	
Stewed Tomato	"	62	
" Elder Berries	"	98	
" Whortle Berries	"	39	
Preserves ?	" 30+	158 =	188
Four Beeves, prepared for use. Salted, dried &c.			
Butter made	lbs	2395	
Stored	"	186	
Cheese made	"	849	
Stored		498.	
Eggs for family use	Doz	672.	
" Sold.	"	42.	
Fowls consumed by family		73.	

January 1876

St 1 The Centennial has come, ushered in by a warring outside world, with booming of Cannon, and Military display, ill befitting a Christian Country. But with us it is rendered memorable as being our first opportunity to meet with our Loved Ministry in our New Meeting Room! Some poems were read prepared for the occasion, and on the whole we had a good Dedication Meeting.

Sb 2 Weather warm and rainy attend at Home.

M 3 Dress 17 fowls for sale belonging to Office. Ministry go to Hancock. J. Goodwin here

T 4 Weather growing cooler, No snow.

Th 5 A. F. Mary H. Sarah A. Stan Ann D. go to Pittsfield and Pontoosic Rainy in A.M. but very cold P.M. J. Goodwin leaves for home. Elijah Scott who has spent 6 weeks here leaves for Bennington. Vt

Oysters H.C.

St 8. We are called in ev Meeting to yearly sacrafice

Sb 8. Devoted to the gift of annual Opening Weather warm & damp. heavy rain last night.

January 1876

Sb. 8 We are sorry to learn by letter of a sad and destructive fire at Union Village Ohio. A Barn with 36 head of fine cattle mostly imported loss $6000 no insura supposed to be incendiary! When will the hand of the destroyer be staid!!

M^x 10th Fresh Fish a good supply. Knitting yarn arrives from the factory, killed and dressed 25 Guina chickens. B. G. who is very much out of health. leaves with G. Wicker, for Albany, from thence Br B. Gates will go to Groveland to recuperate.

T. 11 Commenced watching with Lucy A Haskins of 2^d Order Sick with fever. 5 Sisters work at Seed Shop wrapping Pamphlets,

W. 12 7 Sisters engaged wrapping Books.

Th. 13 Enough employed to make on Books 16 days works. J. A. S. with helplines at Seed Shop it being warm a Buffolo Robe and a Cow Robe.

M^x 10 We receive a Box of patches &c from Canterbury,

January 1876

St 15 All the Radiators except the Garret 3 are set in the New House, and to the lower loft the Morter & debris is cleared away to the lower loft. We have had a cold week, tho not Stormy.

Sb 16 Second Order attend meeting here.

Th 20. Lucy Ann being convalesing we leave off watching 7 Sisters have watched.

F 21st Chauncey Debble arrived here from Philadelphia where he has been on Missionary labors, Four Brs, being added to the little Band.

St 22. A hired man James Burt, has cleaned the lime and Mortar from the House from Atic to Cellar.

Sb 23 Quite Stormy tho not very cold, we attend meeting at home. Br Chauncey attends

T 25 We had not expected much done on the Splint-baskets, But Lo! Elder Daniel has commenced cutting basket Stuff in the Lower Ironing Room, and to all appearance 15 hands might make baskets

January 1876

T 25 We again commence wrapping Pamphlets Elders Harriet, Sarah D. E. P. & J. M. L. Amelia Robena Anna & Matilda Elizabeth Sidle.

W 26 Finish the Pamphlets. to this we have added writing 3000 envelopes and enclosing Circulars. We commenced this enterprise to increase our funds for furnishing the House. Saving any of the work we could do from being hired. Henry Cantrell left for Boston to see about the property of His deceased Uncle.

M 24 Edward and Joseph Slingerland leave for New York.

F 28 Julia Ann is making baskets as usual Matilda P. Writer paper a small case of drawers, which have been used by the boys nearly 40 years.
Elder Otis and Hewit Chandler arrived yesterday, leave to day Temporary Moves erected thro the House.

January 1876

St 29 The work on Catalogues envelops &c finished and the present years stock of Bags commen by the Menders. The Hub of this wheel Wens & Thur Our Sisters watched with Lucy Ann

Sb 30 Meeting at 2d Order Weather cold an fair no snow on the ground, So warm the past week wood has been sawed & cut.

M. 31 Charles Sizer sets out on a Seed tour Henry Cantrell who left home On Wens last to see about the property of his deceased Uncle returns to day.

W

February. 1876

W 2d Awfully blustering and cold. Henry C. Elizabeth Eunice and Adoline C. all leave in the midst of a whirlwind to meet as I learn parties in various places on the aforesaid property affair.

Th 3 Some snow and quite fine winter weather

F 4 Commence drawing Brick for Ministry shop

St 5 H. C. and Co. return in fine spirits, Having called and spent 4 hours at Harvard.

February 1876

Sb 6	The memorable anniversary of our direful calamity Fire! Second Order attend meeting here.
M 7	C. Sizer returned. Dress 13 young fowls.
T 8	A Commenced making writing Desks.
W 9	William Anderson sets out on a short seed trip
St 12	W. Anderson returned Weather fine as Spring quite resembling April.
Sb 13	Meeting at 2d Order. We have accounts of a Revival taking place in the neighborhood, It is proposed for some Br & Sis, to attend at the Meeting House this ev. The Hollow Meeting House I mean.
M 14	A severe storm of wind & Sleet
T 15	Storm continues very slippery
W 16	William Anderson Start 2 the Granville tour
Th 17	Two teams loaded with Br & Srs go to Meeting
F 18	Wood and Brick Drawing progressing.
Sb 20	Min at South F. attend M. at home alone.
T. 22	Cold and very windy
W 23	Wm Anderson returned from Granville

February 1876.

Th 24 Awful cold and North west wind 2 below 0.
C. Lidle and Dorothy go with H. C. to Pittsfield
F I think the wood is drawn. The Ice
House which has been erected and filled
with 76 loads of ice is now stuffed and
I suppose with the exception of painting
may be considered finished.
Sa 26 Tabitha and Florinda go to Pittsfield.
The window frames to Min Shop are finishe
Su 27 Attend meeting at home both Orders
Tues 29 Quite good sleighing. teams drawing
Brick, the wood is all drawn.

March 1876

Th 2d George goes to Albany
F 3d P. M. & Company ride to Pittsfield.
S 5th Meeting at 2d Order. I understand
Companies from South of 2d. and here
Meet on the Flat this eve.
Su 12 We have passed a quiet week with
little to disturb or molest us the weather
is very changable, from sleighing to

March 1876.

Sa 12 Muddy and then frozen Roads, Material is rapidly accumulating for the Ministers Shop, under their direction and supervision. For 2 weeks they have remained here on account of severe sickness at the Church Waterford Lung Fever. School closed on Friday the 10th inst.

F 17th Br Benjamin Gates who has spent nearly 10 weeks at Groveland for his health, returned to the joy of his many friends here, tho he is not yet a well man, we hope for the better.

Sa 18 Cornelia and Mettie Andrews make a short call, with Bessie Wood Teacher of the Seminary.

Sb 19 Meeting at home only ourselves.

M. 20 Ministry except Elder G. leave for Waterford.

T 21st We have commenced to prepare and put up our Medicine for A. Dr. in N. Y. It has been long in contemplation

March 1876

T 21. Dr. H. M. White. Curative Syrup from Shaker Ext. We conclude for the present 4 Sisters will attend at once. The work is done at 2d Order in the former Br Shop.

Th 23. Some difficulty in mixing aforesaid medicine takes B. G. to N. Y.

F 24. Matilda and Writer finish Poplar Sale Work. Some Sleighing. Brick Sand and timber accumulate for Ministries Shop.

St 25 Tremendeous storm of Sleet and wind no meeting this evening.

S B 26 Meeting at home P. M. An interesting reading in Meeting Room A. M. No singing Meeting because the stove is undergoing repairs at the School House. H. C. leaves on business.

M 27 Pick 10 fowls for Market. B. G. Returns.

T 28 H. C. returns. Only 2 days work done last week on Syrup. We commence again today. Standish assisting to care for Lucy Ann.

Th 30 A Company from North to Brooklyn. On missionary tour. J. Glass Out on property business. Weather Cold & disagreeable

F 31 Syrup Business employing 15 hands.

April 1876

St 1st Time of rising &c changed. Syrup work goes on finely all this past week.

Sb 2d Singing School as usual. Weather very fine Meeting at home.

M 3 James Glass returned.

T 4 We have to postpone further operation at the Syrup as we have no more labels. Wrappers &c.

W 5 We are invited to go North to hear returns from the Missionary tour of the North Family 10 Sisters 7 Brethren. We have had a Severe Storm.

Th 6. Br finish Sawing wood.

F 7 Sarah A. Standish is still at 2d Order, taking care of poor Lucy Ann.

St 8. The long looked for Labels have arriven and we hastily repair to the Syrup Department unwilling to losse a single day longer.

Sb 9 Attend meeting at home, after Meeting Tabitha & writer go with F. G. & H. C. to 2d family and South. on errands Old Giles attends there to read letters from Dr H. F. Childs & Sealed communication brought by North family

April 1876

Sb 9 The School House being under repairs we attend Reading Meeting at Home.

M 10 B. Gates leaves for N. Y. to see Dr White about the Syrup business &c

T. 11 Charles S. leaves for N. Y. Sarah A & Tabitha for Albany.

W 12 S. A. L. & T. L. get home, & C. S. Also.

Th 13 B. Gates returned. having made as he reports satisfactory arrangements.

F 14 We suspend further work on the syrup this week, having worked so steadily we are well worked out, One more batch finishes this order. Amelia & E. J. N. Weaving Mats at 2d Order

St 15 Fine April weather Wood Sawing and splitting I think renewed and continuing

Sb 16 Meeting at 2d Order, Pleasant weather

M 17 P. M. We go to the Syrup. all hands.

T 18. Eunice E. & Doretta put up Syrup. Matilda and writer weaving Mats of some run bys of Cotton yarn.

W 19. Finish this batch of Syrup. 8 parcels make 1 batch Ministry return to Lebanon.

Th 20 Finish weaving mats. for this time. But have a Mat fever, for the week.

April 1876

Sb 22 Attend meeting at home with 2d Order.
W. 25 We clean the Seed Boxes. C.B. S.P.
Matilda and writer. 130. Days work.
Th 26 Same party Oil the Seed Boxes.
P.M. Commence cutting Cotton Frock.
F 27 Go to Second Jam Get som Par Cochin
Eggs to be hatched at halves.
St 28 Change in the Kitchen Matilda
and Julia Ann. both go in leaving
writer to tug alone! Julia Ann
has worked steadily on baskets. ever
since she came out of the Kitchen.
Emma Jane and Amelia have done
much to put the School House
in Order, much to their credit.
There has been considerable sickness
among the Aged Sisters Sarah B
Sarah Dean Angelic, Maria Dewit
all been confined a few days at infirmary
Sb 30 Attend meeting a 2d Order. last
week we had lovely weather, to day
we have a little scud of snow.

May 1876.

M 1 Commence making Cotton Frocks.
T 2 C.B. E.P. S.P and writer labell. Seed Boxes.
W 3 C.B. assists on the Frocks
Th. 4 E. Lille, Ann Maria Lucy B. & writer clean the upper South Room at Seed Shop. Yesterday the Gardeners Whitewashed it.
F. 5 I do some painting white at Seed Shop.
S 6. The Centenial year of our Aged Sister Dolly Septon. To day She is 100 years old. She has received a letter from Eld. Abm the first she ever received in her long life. She is visited by some of our friends from Hancock, and receives some presents.
S. 7 Mother Dolly attends our Meeting at home She delivers a beautiful address, warning all to shun the broad road, to destructive to final happiness, &c. She is remarkably bright for her years.
M 8 Susan P. and writer finish painting at Seed Shop. E. Lizer paint the Floor.
T 9. Commence putting up Syrups in the Newly fitted apartment at

over

May 1876

F 9 Second Order. it being the large South Room of the Br Shop opposite the laboratory. We make preparations for eating dinner there when there at work. Eld. H. C. B. C. P. C. J. N. are there this week. Commence today.

W 10 Weather very much changed since Sb. it was then warm as July, now it is cold enough to snow, and very Storm, greatly impeding the progress of the foundation of the Ministries Shop which is now going on under their immediate supervision.

Th F 11 12 Miserable weather, all this week. Mary Hazard painting N Shop & Barn windows. Two Parcels of Syrup finished, All business moving rapidly.

Sb 14 Attend meeting at 2d Order.

M 15 Weather quite fine plowing the garden Cows turned to grass.

T 16 Two more hands at the syrup. 6 hands Susan P. Comes to make K. C. Frocks.

May 1876.

Th 18 Eldress Paulina Bates and Mary Nelson here from Watervliet. Eldress P. contemplates going to see Phil society

F 19. Betty Ann Hollinsworth of Hancock, here visits with Watervliet Sisters.

St 20 Sisters leave after dinner go to Canaan Depo, S.D. A.C. D.H. ride with them

Sb 21 After a fine Morning shower, we spend a lovely warm Sabbath fine and pleasant we have had 4 fine days. Meeting at home.

M 22 Ben G. to N.Y. to see about the Syrup.

T 23 Sent a brood of chicks to 2nd family & get two Kittens.

W 24 P.M. Pick over strawberry plants for Eld D. 2000 plants Willsons.

Th 25 Nancy Oaks and Ann M. Auger came on foot from Hancock. take supper & stay all night. B.G. returns.

F 26 Scrub the Boys Rooms & 3 Halls at B Shop.

S 27th Weather excessively warm. and dry. Two Parcels of Syrup are put up in 4 days. Matilda comes out of the Kitchen.

May 1876.

Sb 28 Meeting at 2nd Order

Fr 30 Matilda goes to the Syrup. Susan P. has been helping on Frocks by Mar R.C.2

June 1876.

Th 1st J.S. an Sisters J. B. & M. L. go to Pittsfield about a New Stove for the Infirmary Kitchen.

F 2 Tabitha and L. Spencer go to Pittsfield. Simon Shelton here a short time.

St 3 A new Arrangement of fence is being made to extend from the lane South of school House to meet the fence above the Machine Shop.

Sb 4th Meeting at home.

M. 5th Scrubing at the Wash House Drying room cleaned on Saturday.

Th 8th Cleaned the Tun House. Br sweep the upper lofts, wash all the windows

Fr 9th Maria M. & Cornelia have finished making soap. Cleaned the Shed cellar, and boiled the paint dishes.

June 1876

Sk 10. Julia Ann comes out of the Kitchen.

Sb 11 Attend meeting at home, two men English Friends attend meeting, there being no meeting at the North Family. Eldress Ann and Eldress Polly to South family to P.M. Meeting.

M 12 Finish making Round Frocks, A.D. ma 19 others make up 24.

T 13. Some New Rubber Ice aprons made for Wren H. and Isaac L.

Th 15 Scrubbing at Brick Shop Elder D. Wren and Clerks. The Oven builders comes to work

F 16 Clean Our Shop. Some other Rooms scrubbed at B. Shop. Owing to a fault in packing bottles there is a delay on the Syrups. So today the hands are at home to scrub Matilda being one of them.

Sk 17 Finish cleaning the Hen House. A cat that has been in the habit of eating chicks killed on Thursday.

S 18. Attend meeting at 2d Order, Organize the Standing differently, to accommodate the singing in harmony which is introduced for S.P.M. when both Orders can meet together.

June 1876.

M 19	The paint Cellar cleaned
×T 20	The Doors and lower hall at Brick Shop Painted by the Sisters
F 23	Seed Shop cleaned. A meal of Bought Strawberry
S 24	Thomas Beal here from Waterwhet.
×F 20	Two little boys. Earnest and Grant Everet. taken from Mass.
St 24	Pick the first meal of strawberries.
Sb 25	Thomas B. attends meeting. Meet at 1st Order.
Th 29	J. Glass goes with B.G. to New York.
T 27	B.G. A.F. take Sister Dolly Sexton our Centenarian with Olive B. and Angeline T. for the antennal celebration to Pittsfield.
F 30	Cleaned the Meeting House. We are having very warm fine growing weather. The New building for Ministries Shop &c. is progressing finely The Slaters came on to day to commence the roof The Brick work is finished. the chimnies built, and the Gass is being entered. The lathing is also going on.

July 1876

St 1 Dress 12 fowls for market. All in good style. Louisa Free brings her Grand son, She belongs to the Philadelphia Believers.

Sb 2. Attend meeting at the Meeting House.

M 3 We learn the North Family are low for Ice. It is proposed by Min to let them have some.

T 4 B. G. returns from N. Y.

W 5 J. Glass returns.

Th 6. S. Standish Agusta S & Emma C. accompany Louisa Free to Hancock. from whence She will return on Friday to Phila. We have the first meal of Green Peas.

F 7. The first picking of whortle berries. We finish the third batch of medicine. There has been two batches put up in succession occupying 9 weeks. of 4 days to the week, the last batch is packed with felting. which we consider necessary, but additional labor. The two little boys last taken are returned proving rather delicate.

St 8 Clean the Picket Cellar.

July 1876.

Sa. 9	Meeting at Meeting House.
Su. 10.	A number of Men. Carpenters I think 10 come to commence on the House.
F. 11	Matilda. Anna C. F. C. Clough work at P. O. stamping & cancelling circulars. for Dr. J. P. White. Charles L. Betsy C. and Julia Ann Scott go to Chittenden to witness spirit apparitions. Oliver Cabon, Hannah Ann. & Harriet M. go with a woman named Howland to N. Y.
W. 12	Finish the Circulars. B. G. to Albany.
Th 13	A Company on Mountain for Whortleberries.
F 14	Company to the Reedy Lot for berries.
Sa 15	On the Mountain for berries again.
S	Company return from Spirit Vale well satisfied with sight seeing.
M. 16	Public meeting commences to day.
Omitted	On the 6th July J. Slingerland went to N. Y. On Wen 12 returned with four children and the Father. Dutton. and Minte Winters. Andrew D. Francis D. Julia M. D. Pho. D. 13. Father & Minte return.

July 1876.

M. 17 After washing clean the apple Cellar
T 18 M. R. and writer go on the Mountain for Red raspberries. The Whortle berry fever is raging furiously. fine picking on the Mount.
W 19 Picked about 3 bushel of currents from the long row for Eld Daniel to sell.
T 21 Commence picking cucumbers for Pickels.
S 22nd Tremendous Thunder storm in the night Lightning struck the corner of Ministers Barn.
Sb. 23rd Rainy, No Public Meeting. After P. M. Meeting Charles Sizer went to North Family, and Betsy and Julia Ann. to 2d family & South to relate the scenes of Chittenden.
M. 24th Second Order Pick Cucumbers in our Garden
T 25 Ministry leave for Watervliet with their team & Carriage. Matilda and Anna go with Benjamine to Albany to see some rubber Carpeting. Return same day.
9 Bring home a girl 12 years old Jenny Winsor.
W 26 Matilda assists nurses about Current wine the Currents being Picked Monday & Tuesday.
Th 27 Weather very much cooler, retarding cucumber growth.

August 1876

Tue 1st The Staining commenced in the New House. Six Sisters working at it. The rooms are to be stained as fast as finished by the Carpenters. On Sabbath morning Matilda commenced a tour in the Office Kitchen.

Wh 2nd Benjamine goes to New York. Edward while on business to Springfield Called and spent last Sabbath at Enfield Conn.

F 4 Baked the 2nd few pies, and the first loaf of Bread in the New Oven. B. G. returns from N. Y. Weath very warm, finest of summer weather. Veel growing rather dry. No water now for bathing.

St 5 Isaac Langbridge goes to New York to see his Uncle, by his request.

T 8th Florinda and Eldress Adoline go to Williamstown, Peddling Sister wares.

W 9th Sisters Return reporting Success.

Th 10th We have the first meals of tomatoes. The Oven is being tried more and more

August. 1876.

F 11 Florinda and Augusta go to Stockbridge Barrington &c. The first baths taken in the New House, testing the Oven uses considerable water, so we improve it.

Sat 12 Weather very warm and dry..

Sb 13 Andrew returns with the Sister Florin- and Augusta. weather very fine a shower after dinner prevent Meeting at Meeting House P.M.

* Tue 15 Oldress Harriet and Mary H. Set out with B.G. for St Albans. near Canada to see some of Marys relatives and sell some of our wares at Sheldons Springs.

W 16th Isaac Langbridge returns from N.Y.

Th 17th The work in the House goes on rapidly 16 Carpenters employed. and the Staining going on proportionately.

Fri 18th B.G. Returns, leaving the Sisters well.

St 19th Pick up the Windfall apples in W Orch. Rufus Crossman very sick at present.

* M 14 Tabitha and Phebe Van go to Manchester to trade report success.

August 1876

Sb 20th	Joseph Slingerland very Sick.
x Tu 22	A Company go for Elder Berries.
W. 23	The Elder Sisters prepare or lookover the whole load of Elder Berries.
Th 24	Charles Sizer and Ferdenand G. return also Eldress Harriet and Mary H. another load of Elder Berries.
x M 21st	The Painters Commence painting and calcimining the walls of the House
Fr 25	We have our fourth cutting tomatoes Commencing last week.
St 26.	Very dry only a slight shower.
M 28.	Every thing is ripening rapidly Sweet Corn harvest going on.
Th 31.	Elenor P. Matilda & writer go with Eld D. to Pittsfield offer Apples to Hancock people, as they have few. The house is rapidly progressing, in every Branch. Staining, painting Stair. building. Wood work. and Masons to finish. 3 lofts are nearly completed.

September 1876

F 1st The last general cutting of Tomatoes.
S 2d Emma J. Neal. Aunt. Almira Gainbin
her Son and Daughter all here.
M. 3 B. G. Goes with Mary Hazzard & Angeline.
to N. Y. on a Peddling trip. E Cantrel
T 4th Maria M. S. Patterson, Ferdinand & Tommy
Go to Pittsfield with the Gainbin family.
and enjoyed a fine Pic nic.
T 4 The Gainbins leave, Louisa Blanchard
arrives here to make a visit. Henry Can
Goes with H. C. Sen. to see the Fitchburg
farm Or Cantrel Property. &c
W 5 Emma Janes Aunt leaves for home.
Th 6 Sweet Potatoes for the season. Tascar
~~Sweet Potatoes come to be eaten~~
F 8 Bland comes to See Wesley.
S 9 Hermans Father arrives here to day.
M. 11 W. J. Miller Hermas Father leaves. B. G and
Sisters return from N. Y. Tabith and
Adoline go to Pittsfield.
T 12th Louisa Blanchard leaves. Maria L. Eunice
and Tommy. go with her to Pittsfield

September 1876

T 12 Ascertaining that One of the Painters is a Music Teacher, he is solicited to give some lessons in Music, to which he agrees free of charge. Comm this evening.

W 13 Mary Hazzard & Matilda go P.M. to Pittsfield

Th 14 Pick up Apples in West Orchard, The funeral of Moses Tilden attended. E. F. Tabitha & Eld^r Harriet with B.G. and two companies from 2nd Or. attend.

F 15 Grape harvest commenced yesterday Charles Sizer returned from the West.

St 16 The Mother of Adah and Louisa Cook here to visit them. The painters having reached the Joiners in the House, will leave for a week. The Meeting Room floor is being relaid so last Saturday eve, and this eve, we attend meeting at 2nd Order.

Sb 17 Rainy. No Public Meeting. Rains all day, as our meeting room floor is being laid over we cannot go there, to rainy for Meeting House or 2nd Order, So We have No Meeting

September 1876

M 18. Mary H. with Rachel and Maria Manning go to Pittsfield. A.F. driver, A Doctor from Australia who was here when the fire occurred here on a visit.

W. 20 Florinda, and Eunice go again to Barring Lenox &c with A.F.

T 19 Commence picking Apples, Matilda Dairy Sisters and C. S. Sorting.

Th 21 Florinda and Co. return. Some attention being paid to Mat rags &c. by the ever faithful Menders J.K. B.C. K.S.&c.

The Mother of Adda leaves.

St 23. The Meeting room floor is finished, and the last stroke there accomplished. have meeting there this evening. The Singing Master came from Pittsfield Thursday, attended two schools, Thurs & Friday eve, returned on Saturday, They have released 4 Carpenters.

Sb 24 Weather so lowery No Public Meeting.

M 25 James Calver here on a visit

Some Sheep 3 of Edwards killed by Dogs.

Th 28 Spencer goes to Pittsfield with Tabitha

17 bbls of Cucumber seed overturned at Dyke place

St 30 James Calver leaves. Spent two days at Pittsfield.

October 1876

Sl 1 Public Meeting closed. Ours continues.
T 3 Picking up apples in West and South Orchar, and good apples in all the Orchards Cider apples put in heaps, as no teams are at hand owing to our miscalculation.
M 4 The sorting apples completed to day.
M 4 The heaps are picked up and loaded in West orchard, but as it rained the Sisters left those in South Orchard for the Brn. who soon accomplished the task. A man just employed for old clothes & board cleared the North Orchard. The Apples have been picked in 7 days by Clark, Herman and a Man Matilda hired for board and Old Clothes. Elder Daniel and Boys instead of picking apples as usual, have been cleaning out the Upper Pond. and are at it yet.
T 5 By an exchange of weaving, S. Spencer weaves a piece of towels for 2nd fam. and Amanda Tiffany weaves some

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rag mats for us. We have to make great efforts to get the rags along fast enough

F 6th Unpleasant weather, All hands Staining

St 7th Matilda, Anna & Julia Ann. go to Pittsfield very cold and Poor old black horses so slow, Elder Daniel had hard work to get there in 3 hours. We went to get some remnants of Carpeting for door mats, and to pay for a Howe sewing Machine taken of Speigle for $25 we keep the Machine and settle the Bill Much trouble now for water, a pipe is so attached as to convey the Pond water to the kitchen, to save a colapse of the tank. Matilda goes into the Kitchen at Office

Sb 8 Assemble at Meeting House.

M. 9. C. S. Goes on a western seed tour. We have been of late troubled some for water, it finally stopped and George attacks the pond water to save trouble in the kitchen and do the washing but it proved to be so muddy, we can not use it.

W 11 A phlypus is found in the water pipe. extracted so we finish our washing without further trouble.

October 76.

W 11 A.F. with Florinda, Elizabeth S & Lucy B. go to Lenox and Pittsfield. An awful day cold and blustering. P.M. we commence cutting apples, 30 bushel

Th 12th Finish cutting apples our first and only Kiln this season. Job Travis here on a visit.

Fr 13th All hands employed staining at House,

S 14 We are informed the 2d family Sisters will come tomorrow to see the House so we take pains to sweep it all over which is quite a chore.

Sb 15 Very cold, but no snow, meeting at home, after which we attend to the proposed visit with Sisters in the New House of 2d fam & 2d Order.

+W 18 Coloring at 2d Order yarn for Carpets. Sarah A Spen & Anna Dodgson

Th 18 Uncle & Aunt of H. Cantrel arrived yesterday H. C. takes them to Pittsfield. Elizabeth C. and Dorothy go with him

Th 19 A.F. Elizabeth S. Robena & Lucy B. to Pittsfield Bring home the Singing Master & his wife

F 21 Eliza Lafaull, Jane B. Ann Maria go to Pittsfield.

October. 1876.

M 21 Weather very fine for the season, Orren gives 3 bbls of cider to 2nd Order for vinegar They boil 3 bbls for sauce, profits for 1st Order. Will B dress 12 chickens for home eating

Tu 22 The music Teacher and wife attend Meeting at Meeting House. The same Man is employed to paint the walls and windows in the House. William Edgarton? I think 10 Sisters from Hancock and a number from South family visit the House.

W 18. Sarah A. Lewis and Tabitha go with E. F. to Albany. Return with B. G. on the 20th

M 23 Painters woman & others go to Pittsfield.

T 24 Our apples inclining to decay too fast we sort over the Sweet ones for drying.

W 25 B. G. takes Amelia and Emma gone to Albany on school affairs Books &c. We cut 30 bushel of Apples finish in A. M.

Th 26 A. F. E. L. F. L. go to Pittsfield.

Fr 27 B. G. and Sisters return. Sisters having been to Watervliet on a flying visit. Receive our yearly stock of dry goods.

October 1876.

W 25 A company of Elderly Sisters from Hancock visit us today Look over the House and take dinner.

Th 26th The lower hall is cleared for the first time, The large glass stove east front is in and cleared. The gas fixture tried in Deacons room. The stairs all built and the railings going on. The Veranda going on. The Tell finish and every thing progressing finally.

F 27th We commence attending meeting alternately with Second Order. After meeting the North Family come over to inspect the House.

S 28 Sort the Apples that were cellared from farm for Office, Greenings, find them so poor we cut and dry 20 bush. Supplying Office of course.

S 30 Cut Apples making in all 80 bush. Find 1½ bush from orchard make 1 bu when dried. L. Stan & Soloine C. go to Pittsfield with H. C.

October 1876.

F. 30 Mary Hazzard. Amy K. and Eunice Go to Albany to just speak with our loved, long absent Ministry who are just returning from the West, the Sisters were attacked with chills and fever at Pleasant Hill, and they have on account of sickness been detained 2 weeks: they now go to Watervliet. Andrew takes their horses and carriage to Albany to meet them and convey them thither, and the Sister accompany him.

M 31. A F &c Sisters return. Much Political excitement in town at present, Samuel Tilden being Democratic candidate for Presidint. We have some Torch light displays in the St, on the way to Pittfield.

~~F 32~~ S.A. We have fine weather, at present warm enough for July all things in the House progressing B.G. very busy making bargains for funnishes &c.

November. 1876.

Th 2. L. A. & Tabitha go to Pittsfield

F 3. We receive nearly the compliment of Beautiful Shaker chairs for our House which covers the donation for the South Family amounting to $357,80 Chairs No. 82

Sa 4 Attend meeting at home More Sisters from Hancock to see the House,

S 5 Henry C. returned after an absence of one week, I presume he saw the Centennial,

M 6. The window blinds arrive and are now being brought from Depot. Rubber Carpeting also arrives, These enterprises the blinds and Carpets are accredited to Sister influence in Money, The Carpets are from Seed bags. &c. which Sisters have made, instead of hiring it done. The blinds were anticipated by Matilda Reed, from a dowery received several years since from a deceased Aunt. Till now in the Bank B.G. adds enough.

November 1876.

Th 9. The Men in the House are preparing to make the Counters for the Kitchen.

F 10 We are having rainy, dark and dreary november weather, and as usual are now engaged in making Woolen Frocks.

Sb 12. The Sisters from gathering Order and 2nd fam Hancock here to inspect the House.

M 13. George Wickersham goes to Philadelphia

T. 14 Dressed 50 Turkeys, Commenced putting up medicine at 2nd Order Chands

W 15 Eldress Harriet and Eldress Fannie go to Watervliet to see Ministry. Who are yet quite sick. J. Slingerland returns

Th 16 Mary Hazard and L. Standish go to Pitts field to sell Turkeys. & Boquets.

St 18. Eldress Fannie and Eldress H. return, bringing still tedings of contied sickness of Eldress Ann, feeble state of Elder Giles and Eldress Polly, and horses havry Epizootic

Sb 19 ~~Meeting at 2nd Order~~ First Order.

Th 21 Maria M. & Doretta Brushed Seed Boxes ready for cleaning 484.

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W 22 S.D. S. Stan. B.C. K.S. A. Can & A.D. Clean the Seed Boxes. 484.

F 24 Stan Maria M. Gowth Lafaitt to Pittsfield Eld H. S.D. A.S. A.D. Stain Seed Boxes, Charles S. Sleeping in House, on account of the paint at his Shop.

St 25 Change in Kitchen J.A.S. comes out, Cannot finish Woollen Frock for want of cloth.

Sb 26 Meeting at home at Second Order.

T 28 Butcher 6 Beeves. 5 for family S. tandish J.S. & A.D. clean the tripes.

W 29. Elder Daniel Boler. Elder G. & Eldss Polly, Return! They were late for Albany Train and came thro to Hancock, thus disappointing our own br. in bringing them up the Hill. Ira L. brings them over Eldress Ann. is still confined to her room, under Sister Jannetts care.

Th 30. Thanksgiving we have Meeting A.M. in which our Min are made welcome P.M. Meet at 2nd Order with Music Teacher to sing a Grand Welcome prepared for the occasion

December. 1876.

F 1. Stand & Maria M. go with Lafaett to Atts to dispose of the remaining Baguets.

St 2 The fourth Parcel of Syrup finished in 3 weeks. A.D. has boiled the Beeves heads feet &c for the benifit of the fowls.

Sb 3. Meeting at first Order. It is being concluded for singers to assemble at 2nd Order Meeting room for singing school, but as it will not yet quite do to introduce the Organ to the Meeting Room, it will have coop built just outside, Naughty Organ that.

M. 4 William Anderson & Ferdinand go Northern seed tour. Weather a few days past very cold, 5 below zero. Moderating a little.

T 5th Hancock Ministry here to day.

Th 7th Pick Turkeys. 36 in all. About noon we hear Betsy Haskins is dying with a fit After dinner we hear She is dead having no place to put a corps, we by liberty set it at the Porch.

December. 1876

Sb 10 Under the improvement made in singing it has been concluded to attend Singing schools every eve at 2nd Order, The Organ being located in the Hall, which makes it necessary to attend our P.M. Meetings at first Order. Attend Funeral of Betsy Haskins The first in the House.

T 12th We are made glad to witness the return of Eldress Am, accompanied by Chauncy Miller Ruth Green and Adalaide Ingham.

Th 14 C. Miller return. Sister make a visit.

F 15 Dolly Sexton very sick, Likely to die. Assist in making Apple Sauce at 2d Order.

Sb 17 Visitors attend meeting about moving into House after which a conferance

M 18 Cold and very blustering, Some of the roof of Ministries barn blown off also the house at Lower Cannaan partly unroofed

T 19 Dressed 21 Turkeys the Last for the season Visitors leave for Hancock. Andrew who went on Saturday 16 to Watervliet for Ministries horses returns with them.

W 20 M. Hazard & Doretta go to Pittsfield to sell Turkeys.

December 1876

W 20. The Chairs for the New Dining Room arrive 6 Doz. Finish putting up the medicine. Scarcity of water in these days rather fearful and inconvenient Commence finishing i.e. putting in Union price, Order Sheet &c. and sacking Pamphlets for Charles.

Th 21 Dolly appears to be recovering, so far we have been two watchers. now only one. Tabitha and Florinda go to Pittsfield.

Fr 22. J. G. who has been absent a week returns 5 fresh hands are employed on the house to expedite completion, it being talked to occupy the Kitchen soon as possible.

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Sa 24 Very cold but fine, attend the gift of Yardy opening.

Su 25 Water so low I hear the Extract works are shut down, We are also compelled to wash by hand, No machinery being employe in consequence of low water.

M 25 Christmas P. M. Singing School at 2 order. Address. Am attends with all the Ministry

December 1876.

F 26 very cold stern winter weather very dry, very snowey, very cloudy.

W 27. Every able bodied sister is detatched for service in the House, O! my what a big job to clean so many floors.

Th 28. A Brother David Gill comes into the Family, He is to take care of the Boys. is located in the N. W. Room. A. F. and William Anderson go north on a short seed rout Elizabeth Standish Comes to stay awhile with Phebe Ann. to assist in caring for Dolly. Tho she is much better.

F 29th The Preperation to occupy the New H. Kitchen is progressing rapidly. all hands are engaged.

St 30th William Anderson returns, reporting Andrew Snowed in, He walked 5 miles thro deep snow to get home.

Sb 31 Andrew returns, the roads being begun to be broke. 80 men employed on them.

Supplement 1876.

The past year has been very eventful
The long absence of the Ministry, protracted
by sickness caused some epitement
But no essential loss has ensued, for
which we are sincerely thankful.
The Ministries Shop is steadily progressing
The singing schools, led by William
Edgerton the hired Painter are still
receiving due attention, much progress
is manifest in our Meetings. The change
in standing placing a choir at the
foot of the meeting works well, on
Sabbath P.M. our meeting is led in by a
Hymn in Harmony, and goes off very well.
The first week in July, the Carpenters
commenced work, and have continued
steadily with adding the Counters for
the Kitchen. Now they have contracted
to make the furniture for the rooms.
The Rubber Carpeting has been mostly paid
for, by Sisters work, on Seed bags, and other
Seed business

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Supplement 1876.

We have had but one death, and that the sudden demise of Sister Betsy Haskins, who only survived 2 hours after attacked. We have gathered the Dutton family of children 4 in No. One Br. David Gill. We now No. 24 Brother, 50 Sisters = 74

We gave to the Hancock people 125 bushel of Appls to dry. We dried 80 bushel, and I find 15 baskets of Apples picked up, make 1 Barrel of dried Apples. I have 5 barrels of dried Appls. from 80 bushel. We have boiled 4 bbl of cider, have made 3 casks of Pickels 1½ ℔ of Peppers.

Butter made this year 3250 ℔

Cheese made 1216 ℔.

Work Done by Sisters for sale.

Wove mats	S.S.	8.	
Splint Baskets	J.S.E.C.L.B.	834	A.M. C.F.
Pin Cushions		590	C.F.
Emery Balls		800	A.V.
Desks for writing		24	A.D.
Semicircles		100	A.S.
Hearts		E.J.N.	24
Dollar Box		72	MK
Oval Box		12	MK
Hair Pin Boxes		8	MK
Pocket K. & Pin Flats		100	A.D.
Caskets Needle Books	150	72	A.D.
Work table		3	ad.
Hexigon		24	M.M.
Dusters	S. Star.	132	E.C.
Powders	S Sta	# 10	
Feetings	pr	10	B.H.
Seed Bags	B.C.K.S.	116,200	
Days Works on Catalogues & Box		150	
" " on Whites Medicine		561.	
Pickles 6 gal. Chaw chaw 6 Appl		40 ga	A.D.
Fowls dressed.		197.	

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January 1877.

M. 1 We usher in the New Year with Joy! Our House is so far completed that we can partake of a Dinner cooked and prepared within its consecrated walls. The Moving commenced after Breakfast, and at ½ past two o'clock, we were summoned to the Dining Room. We have an excellent meal prepared of fine Oysters well served. Raisin Cake & an excellent cup of Tea. Our Trustees Bro's Edward & Benjamine taking great pains to make all things pass off well. Our Dear Ministry dine in the Restaurant. The Dining room was decorated with Mottos adapted to the occasion. At the close of the meal, Four young Sisters entered, and a perfect surprise, Sang a Song so full of pathos, that every eye seemed to fill, as from the never failing fount of thanksgiving, that we have again, a Home as Sweet, Sweet, Sacred Gospel Home.

January 1877.

T. 2 Attention is now being paid to getting the rooms ready. B. G. left this morning with a hired man, for Albany to get the New Bedsteads. E F leaves home. George Price just calls,

W 3rd Charles Sizer on a seed tour. H. C. goes with a hired Man on business Yesterday Tabitha and A. E. Coburn with J. Slingerlund leave for N. Y. J. S to Albany. We have a vast amount of Snow at present

Th 4th The Deaconesses Move into the House !!! A great disappointment, The bedsteads are not ready so the hired man returns without them, We have tremendious Storm of wind and snow. Isaac Langbridge takes the Kitchen fires. comes into the house to sleep. Sarah Dean has moved to the Cottage, Occupies the Lower Room. Susan goes up with Eliza.

F 5th Elder Giles, Eld Polly, A Stone Anna D. with F. G. and the Painter to Pittsfield.. Very cold, but fine, Deep snow, high drifts.

January 1877.

Sb 7 We have a south wind a little rain the first morsel of thaw for four weeks, at ~~eve~~ the wind turns and we are growing cold. Another Class in Kitchen Matilda & J. S. M.

W 10 Elders from South family Watervliet Staying at North. Here to see the House. Joanna moves into the House and Sarah Dean into the lower South East Room.

+ over Th 11. Sisters all engaged measuring off Carpets and cleaning up Rooms and Shops.

F 12. Weather quite cold takes considerable steam to supply warmth sufficient for ~~warmth~~ comfort I should have mentioned on Monday

M. 9th Elder Daniel Boler an G. Wickersham went down to Enfield Conn. G. W. returned on Wen 10. Eld D. On Thurs 11. Some difficulty in the pipes from the furnace cause work, and changes in their arrangement and some counsel from practical Men.

St 13. Some are moving in, the Boys. and the Sis from the East Shop. & Betsy C. from wash H. Lucy B. Emma C. from infirmary. Rufus & Clark.

January 1877.

Th 11 The New Bedsteads 25 in No. arrive 12 of them are lent to Sisters, as these are all measured to Brethren.

x Th 18. Moving into the House is slowly but gradually progressing

Jan 16. The Ministry come into their Kitchen to eat for the first time.

Th 18 The Ministry of Canterbury with Wm Briggs of that place arrive here. Mary and Florinda go to Pittsfield.

Sat 20 The Elder Sisters move from Infirmary to Dwelling House

Sb 21. Visiting Ministry attend meeting.

S 23 Great concert held at 2nd Order for visitors

Tu 24. Ministry leave for Canterbury

F 26 Sa L. and Tabitha go to Albany for more Carpeting not finding our supply sufficient B. G. finds Brussels Carpets for Stairs. which came Wednesday with other nice conveniences The Counter is in the Dining Room and is stained. Have Cut & got made 11 H large Bed ticks

January 1877.

Sa 27. Spent 3 days with Marion M. making 3 writing Desks. to go West for Ministry. Moved a stove from East Shop to upper loft M.E. Shop for Cap. Ironing at present. Maria M. & Angeline remove to middle Room for Shop. Leah has Shop and Room together in House. More Chairs come nearly all we expect. We have now received 62. Chairs. Fine Weather.

M. 29th B.G. is getting some powder business for the extract hands to be employed in during the present want of water.

T 30th Matilda sews the carpets together for the Deaconesses Room, the other Room is covered and tacked already.

W 31. We commence trying to buy some large Arm chairs for Breth. rooms. or for Br individually. We are greatly terrified by the explosion of Six sections of the West Boiler, Eld D. was blowing off. and the water got out. no damage except Ashes and Jars.

February 1879.

Th 1 The Dairy is moved in to the House but as yet does not appear very success ful.

F 5 B. G. returns having been fully acquainted with the Boiler disaster

Sb 4 Commence a morning meeting Reading the Covenant.

Th 8. A Man arrives to refitt the Boiler 6 Sections found to be broken.

F 9 A week since the Cases for Br use being built at Pittsfield commence to be brought home 6 have arrived and Br. are gradually moving in!

Sb 11 Elizabeth Egerton attends P. M. Meeting

M. 12 The Man of the Boiler having put things in order and given valuable inst leaves. We are having beautiful win weather.

Th. 25 Bristol & wife come over to do business on the Flat and see our Old Singer Marking which is seperated from the Counter. Finding it to long for the Tee shop it is cut off one tier of drawers and the space for the Machine

James Sherman taken here 12 years old.

February 1877.

F 16 Bristol, wife and a Lady friend to dinner return after a short visit to the Flat. Matilda and writer finish Chair Rugs. having material for a cushion for Br. and aged Sisters. The Lantern lighter is placed in the Lower Hall, and is at present to burn all night. I learn the new Dairy department is quite satisfactory.

St 17. The Sisters Bath Room is finished and is being painted &c. We receive B. Union Carpet Sweepers. giving B.G. $10 toward the pay of money for fowls. Br. are mostly moved into the House

Sb 18 A.M. Finish reading the Covenant, Change in Kitchen Matilda goes in J.S. Out. We commence putting Sugar on the table Morning and noon. in Cups. ½ full.

M 19 very fine winter weather. Sarah Ann Spencer who has been assisting in caring for the fowls at the Office now commences to assist us in the fowl department belonging to the family.

February. 1877.

T 20 We have a new Machine set up in the Dining room for making Tea called a Tea Bigging. It promises well.

W 21. Brethrens Wardrobes &c all at home.

St 24 Three Cases arrive for Sisters.

Sb 25. A.A. Commence reading Orders.

M 26 The Singing Master Wm. Edgarton being invited to teach in Hancock, requests as an introduction the company of His singing Class to ~~assist~~ exhibit accordingly 3 Sleigh loads, 17 Sisters including first & 2d Order. go. return about 9 o'clock.

T 27. We commence to put up one parcel of Dr Whites Curative

W 28. Finish the Medicine

The weather the past month has been unusually fine tho quite dry. Some are sick with colds, and appearances of diphtherea & Erysyphalis

March 1877.

Th 1	Writer commences Sale Work.
F 2	The last of the cases arrive 17 are in use among the Br. being the No of Brethren now in the House, 5 boys. 13 are among the Sisters.
Sb. 4	We have meeting by ourselves It being happily too rainy for the Sec Or to attend
M. 5,	We have water to Mill our clothes, the first time since Dec^m.
T. 6.	The Short Bed steads. 18 in no, arrive
Th 8.	The Springs for said Bed Steads come in We have now received 2 5 long Ones 6 1/2 feet, and 19 6 feet in all 44.
F 9	A fine rain follows a strong S. wind
St 10	T. L. & F. S. go to Pittsfield bring home the Old Singer Machine in running Order $10 charged for the same
Sb 11	Anna changes with Matilda in the Kitchen, they concluding to make out one tour in the dining Room between them.
F 16	We have long anticipated our fit out of Marble tables in the Dining Room,

March 1877.

F 16 To day they are erected and 8 in Number, seating if we had them 64 people as it is they are not filled at the first setting, 11 wanting of Br and 8 Sisters.

St 17. We receive the last of our Chairs, Every Br & Str has a new chair Min included the Ministry Office &c. and we have several over, besides a Large Arm chair for every Sisters Room. Yesterday we had a Large piece of fresh Halibut. 2 meals.

Th 22 Some Carpeting got for North Garret Emma J. Room. it needing all that Room of the uniform to piece out the other Rooms under the beds. S.L. & J.B. Henry C. moves into the House He being the last brother to come in. Severe colds and some sickness about these times.

Sb 25 Seperate meeting Br & Strs, with Ministry

March 1877.

M. 26. The Ministries New House having nearly approached completion, so far that all workmen were dismissed Elder Giles gives a general invitation to Sisters to come and see it. We gladly accept the same.

T 27. A severe Storm of wind and hail.

W 28 Frank Coles & Jennel Baily leave 2d Order.

T 29 Ministry leave for Waterville having been here since November last.

F 30 Some watching done at 2d Order. B.G. set in the Dining Room. A nice new Tea Canister and pair of little Scales, all beautiful.

~~S 31 Some Bro & Sis~~

April 1877

S 1 Some Bro & Sisters by invitation attend meeting on the Pool, to listen to the farewell address of the Ministers McLean, who leaves here

April 1877

M 2 Brethren commence working at the wood. A Man is hired to work at the Barn and do the Milking thus releasing the Sisters. Commences this evening!!!!
C. Sizer away a few days.

T 3 Little Boys busy gathering Sap, which Sarah Ann Spencer is boiling for them at wash House.

Th 5 Olive B. & Matilda go to 2d Order to label Powders. Sisters commence putting up garden seed at Seeds. to keep the Mail business moving two hands employed at 3 Cts per day, to help pay the Milking bill.

M 7. Sap finished making about 200 cakes of Sugar.

M 9 Make 82 Cloth Seed Bags $2,00

T 10 Sisters finish labeling Powders and commence putting up medicine, 4 Sisters and a girl

April 1877.

W 11 Our much loved Sister Lucy A. Haskins after 2 years of intense suffering decease

F 13 Sisters have continued 3 days this week putting up seed. 3 weeks since a Kerosene Stove was got on trial for heating irons for the Taylors I think it likely to prove a success.

Sb 15 Attend funeral, so pleasant Sister go to the grave.

W 18 A heavy East wind, finish sawing wood.

Th 19 An East storm, rain much needed. F.L. and Florinda go to Pittsfield. It is found best economy for the Dairy to be removed again as it will save the early fire in the furnace

St 21 Dairy removed to day. The beautiful tables for Br rooms are moved into the house to be varnished & finished

Sb 22 The Storm is over we have a fine day.

M 23 Commence laying over the floors in the Tee. ! also painting infirmary & Dairy Roof.

April 1877.

25 W. A nice meal of clams allready got out are brought home by B.G.

26 Th. One of the Drapers brought over from Pittsfield. Quite satisfactory.

27. F. A full set of New Crockery opened to day, all imported from England. It is really very nice and has cost much care in selection, & money in procuring

28 S. We take Breakfast on New table set. Brethrens tables put in the rooms.

29 S. The second Order have so much trouble with Hydrants in water pipes they work to day for water, Meeting by ourselves.

30 M. B.G. and Clark leave home. Clark for Groveland, B.G. for further west.

5. Fine growing season, the weather too dry.

May 1877.

4 Fr. S. A. L. & Tabitha go to Pittsfield. Ann Marie
X and Doretta go with Henry C. to Pittsfield.
St 5 Our lovely little Sister Elizaette Bates
deceased, between 12 & 1 oclock P. M.
F 4. Finish the first batch, being 6 parcels
of Dr Whites medicine, 4 weeks.
Sb 6 Attend the Funeral of our Sister Elizaett.
T 2d We have quite a freeze, 6 degrees below
freezing. But we think nothing forward
enough to be injured.
T 8th We commence labilling Powders.
W 9 find we have not labill sufficient.
finish at 3 oclock and leave for the
remainder of the week. to scrub and
get ready for Kitchen change. M. K. goes in
Yesterday B. G. and Clark returned. Clark
has been to Groveland. today 12 New and
beautiful clocks are brought home. A
young man comes to put them up. and
repair clocks till Saturday.
St 12 The lower Ill floors are finished and the
upper loft commenced.

May 1877.

Sb 20. We have passed a lovely and quiet week. warm weather, fine growing season, with occasional slight rains. Nothing New or strange occurring. except yesterday cleaning the drying Room. First asparagus this season. this week.

M. 21 We clean the wash House and wash H. cellar. few hands and a heavey job. & the House visited by the Canaan Elders.

T 22. Repairing the Street fence. commenced

W 23 To our utter surprise we arise to see the ground covered with snow, and it is still snowing rapidly.

Th 24 As yet we have no frost, and nothing appears injured

F. 25 L. T. A. L. Ride a Short distance. We are informed that a New Aquaduct is to be laid at the 2nd Order, so we are to quit our medicine business for a week.

St 26. No frost yet. A. B. . S. P. & A. D. finish labiling the powders. finish ½ past 10.

Sb 27. Elder Giles quite sick, so the Min postpone, their intended Eastern journey. Go to Hancock, to make arrangements accordingly.

May 1877.

M 28 Henry Cantrell and the three Cantrell Sisters go to Fitchburg Mass. to settle about the legacy property of their Uncle. Finish the Fee floors 2 Men varnishing blinds.

T 29. Carpenters working at Machine Shop On a Refrigerator B. G. yesterday for N. Y. To put in a New Aqueduct we due at home this week. Scrub Refusses Shop. S.P. A.B. A.D. and the lower Halls.

W 30 Scrub the Seed Shop. 7 hands

T 31 Scrub and White wash the Ironing Room Emma J. Room and the upper hall.

June 1877

F 1 Make a light job of scrubbing the Meeting House. tho the floor needs to be scoured, perhaps another season we may grow stronger, who knows?

S 2. Henry and Sisters return, Varnishing blinds goes on well. B. G. returns with 2 boys and a girl for 2nd Order.

Sb 3 Commence Public Meeting. Go to Meeting H.

June 1877.

M 4 Jane Clough arrived last thursday to see Emma and Henry C.

Tu 5 A South storm of wind and rain has set in baffling all expectation of coming journeys &c. Lafaett goes to New Y. to see his mother

F 8 Jane Clough, in co. with Henry Emma & Robena go with Ferdinand to Pittsfield.

St 9 We finish 15 Parcels of Medicene, and must wait a little for extract before we proceed.

St 9 The Men finish the Cupboards, in the Garret, Anna goes in the Kitchen. A Smudgey Rainy week.

Sb 10 Rainy meeting at home.

T 12 Some very nice dressers are prepared made to order in Pittsfield commence being brought home. Sisters stain the Cupboards in the Garret.

Tu 13 Clean the apple cellar, and the last shop in the Fl since relaying floors

Th 14 Clean Arrens Shop. Pick the first Straw berries a snug little meal.

June 1877.

*M 11 B. G. takes Aged Sister Dolly 101 years old with Address Harriet and Mary H. to Albany They return on the following Tuesday.

T 12 Dr Norwood & wife arrive here from South Carolina. Men commence ceiling the veranda

F 15 B. G. goes in Co with Norwood & wife on business

St 16 Finish the veranda

Su 17 Ministry leave for the East, after being delayed 3 weeks by sickness.!! Commence Union meetings which till now have been discontinued since the fire!! also Thursday eve meeting are to commence. Commence putting up medicine again.

T 22 After some rainy and cloudy weather, it comes off so cold we fear a frost,

W 23 very cold but no frost, The last of the Drifters 16 in no come home.!!!!

Jemima Sneeden & Harriet Morey from Hancock here on a visit. Fine weather Change in the Kitchen.

Orlander Powers Comes here to live,

June 1877

M 25 Commence picking cherries First picking of Green peas. a large picking of straw berries

* T 26 Commence ironing Tuesday.

W 27 Quite wet weather & rather cool.

Th 28. The Dining Room floor has been cleaned with Soda ash, to erace if possible the specks of white paint. Oiled to day, Br n. & Sis take lunch in the Fruit Room A New and splendid Refrigerator made under the supervision of Geo. W. is completed Iced & ready for use now.

F 29 30 yds of Carpeting got for the M. W Room

St 30. We have an early thunder shower this morning, with hail abundent large as peas, No harm comes of it. Br David Gill who has taken charge of the Boys. removes to M W Room, Lafaett Bor. takes his place.

T 26. Louisa Free comes here, having been on a visit to Watervliet, to see her Grand children

F 29 Maria M. & Cornely accom Lou Free to Canaan She leaves the the 30 t. for Philadelphia

July 1877

M 2 Eldress Harriet fell on the Ice Floor and is so severely injured in her hip, that she cannot help her self.

T 3 Eldress H. is removed to the Infirmary. Some Sisters come from South Family to help Elizabeth C. & Eunice clean the Ministries New Dwelling.

W 4 3 Sisters from South to scrub again.

Th 5 2 Sisters from 2nd family. It is completed.

F 6-7. I think we have the last meal of strawberries. Mary Whitcher arrives at North Family with Doctor with whom she is staying for her health in North Adams.

S 8 Doctor Broyer comes to see the House.

Su 12 B. & Dr. B. go in company to New York. Sisters finish putting up medicine for this time. Commenced April 5 have had two weeks intermission. put up 3 batches, or 24 parcels.

F 13 The East outside door finished & stained

S 14 The Privy finished. Ministry return from the East.

July 1877.

St 21 The past week has passed quetly. We find rather scarce times for Whortleberries but Sisters have been twice. Sister Mary Whitcher has made her visit here & at 2d Order. Eldress H. continues about the same still closely confined. Dr Broyer still here having been to N. Y. with Benjamine. The Old East Shop is painted, and is occupied by Sisters for rough work B. C. makes seed bags. and corn brushes. Olive B. seating chairs, A. D. working on poplar work. L. T. twisting. The New Meal Cheast is finished. The East vestibule finished. ~~7 bushel of currents~~ picked

Current picking Nurses 7 bushel to sell. We have but few picked the long row in North Orchard, Old D sold a few to his account,

Sb 22. Mary Whitcher attends meeting.

M 23 The north counter in cook room finished And commence Picking currents for wine, from Nurses piece

T 24. Go for Red raspberries get 30 quarts. Nurses make wine. give 4 gall juice for drink and jell

July 1877.

T 24 Mary Whitcher returns home.

W 25 Make drink of current & raspberry. Julia Ann has been in the Kitchen and has made her cherry & strawberry preserves which has made her a very snug time. We have just finished our 2d piece of peas. a good supply.

Th 26 For Whortle berries again rather scarce.

F 27 The Doors in the Sitting Room finished, now we have two rooms.

St 28 The Br. Bath Tubs are being set, & A Man is changing the Steam pipes in the Cellar, George very busy Commence on our third piece of peas. Elder Peter Long arrives here to day.

Sb 29 Elder Peter attends meeting with us we meet at home. both Orders on his account.

T 31. The Carpenters Gage & Bomen, go to 2d Order to work on addition East side of the dwelling House, leaving the Br. Bath R. still unfinished.

August 1877.

Wed 1. 73 G. Returns from Albany, bringing word encouraging of the coming of the Dentist whose services are much desired at present among us.

Th 2 Ministry leave here for Watervliet.

F. 3 We commence a short tour at the medicine, 3 Parcels. to open trade in England. The Labill is changed to Mother Seigle.

St 4 We are enjoying fine Summer weather.

Sb 5 Changing in the Kitchen Mgoes in. Jout.

M 6. Our Early apples are doing very well, & are ready to commence using. New Potatoes excellent, Vegitables good & abundent.

Th 9 Finish the Medicine, for the present.

F 10 Doctor White, Proprietor of the Medicine arrives here for a short visit. I think Haying is pretty much finished. Not Harvesting. Abundent crop & fine weather.

St 11 The Street fence, with Hitching Posts & bar, completed, and the horse block ready for stairs & platform. Beautiful wire screens to the Kitchen windows completed.

August. 1877.

Sb 12 We are requested by North Family to attend the Public meeting. On account of Wheat Harvesting at Canaan. Our meetings are postponed.

F 17 S. Spencer Matilda Anna go to Pittsfield Take Cars at Hancock. Eld Daniel driver.

Sb 19. Eldress Harriet is making her first effort on Crutches. Little Tho Kidd taken here.

T 21. E. J. B. & E. J. N. A. S. & M. M. with Rufus & J. S. go to Pittsfield.

Th 23 Ministry Return unexpectedly having failed to receive their letter. The Cars having ceased to run on the Harlem Ex road. for a short time. We receive 100 or 95 Crates of Peaches, for both Orders. 50 first Order, 35 2nd Order 7 Office, 3 Geo. Bagg.

F 24 Elder Daniel goes with Benjamine to Caroga. to see about the timber. James Shermens mother here with 3 children one, 10, 8, & 6. take the boy and girl, she takes back the youngest.

Augus 28.77

Tue 28 Picked the first tomatoes above Kitchen supply. Com. go for Elder berries, Emma Clough, concludes to leave Believers. Daniel Fraizer who has been living at Shirley returns, to North family Two Sisters. Mary A. Whitely and Jane Whitney come with him on a visit.

W. 29 Sisters making a home at North family. here visiting to day. A fine shower revives vegetation

Th 30 Charles returns from West seed tour.

Fri 31 Go again for Elder berries. A boy 16 years old Dwight Skinner makes his appearance, they will try him. Tommy Kid taken back by his father to Pittsfield

September

Sl 2d Shirley Sisters attend meeting.

T 4 " " Go to Hancock. A. V. & M. R. go to H. with them visit 1 hour. Julia Ann Betsy C. & Sarah D. go to Pittsfield for a ride. with Ferdinand

September 1877.

W 5 Emma Clough at the Office begging to be received again.

F 7 Emma goes from here to Rh. I suppose. Eld Daniel returns from Eaton. I think on or about the first of September was admitted Dwight Skinner, a youth from Sharon Conn 16 years of age.

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T 11 B. G. with Susan Pattison & Emma Jane N. leave for a tour to New York. Elder Cal, Alice Brown and Amy, for Cheshire

W 12 Cut the first Kiln of Apples & pears Commence picking apples.

Th 13 Eld Daniel Orcutt of Enfield with Min Sisters here P.M. Eld D. remains for a visit. Cheshire Co returns

F 14 B. G. and Co return from N. Y. Mary Calvert who has been here steadily for 2 weeks teaching music, leaves for Browns. Amelia & Angeline go over with her to spend the day. L. Jane & Adolphine go to Pittsfield with Eld. Daniel

✱ M 10 Three men come to lay the concrete walks around the House & Ministries dwelling.

September 1877

Sb 16 I forgot to mention in place that on the 9 Sb eve, we recommenced prayer meetings. We have also made a change in evening time for union and retiring Ringing the Bell at 20 min past 7 o'clock This eve we are informed that Eldress Harriet Goodwin who is still confined to the chair with a broken hip. is to resign her place as Elder sister in the family and Sister Matilda Reed is installed therein as Eldress Matilda.

W 19 Cut apples, the time is all occupied in cutting apples, tomatoes, & pears picking and taking care of plums and grapes all of which we are enjoying an abundance.

F. 21 Finish picking apples, the crop tho small is quite fair 300 bushel of good winter, 150 fall & second quality.

T. 25 Pick up the apples. 90 bush for Cider Ministry leave for Waterliet

W. 26 The Little girls rode to Pittsfield E. J. N. Elder Daniel. Also F. G. J. S. M. L. & D. W.

September. 1877

Th 27 Cut our last apple, and commence boiling cider in the Kettle in south Room, it being inconsistant to hinder the works at the Extract. Andrew goes to N. Y. with B. G.

Fr 28 Painters have come to commence painting the building. The water is put into the Cottage, also a best double drain, both long needed accomodations. The Ministry left for Waterloo Tuesday 25th. Previous to this the Bro. busied themselves in leveling the Meeting House Yard, enclosing by fence their dwelling with so called Yard. On the 17 Mon the walks were finished. On the 27. a good begining to level our door yard was commenced, and is in progress, so all things are moving as prosperously as can be expected and as is always the case at this season of the year, plenty to do for all.

Sa 30 Anna goes into the Kitchen and dining Room taking Jennie a girl for 2d hand.

October. 1877.

T 2nd The Door Yard is so far along that the sowing grass seed has commenced, We are delighted with the thought of a fine Yard once more, the horse block is being completed, but where are the rides to try it?

Th. 4 A. F returns. A Brother Wm. Johnson from Waterville here to a visit in cutting patterns for Bro. Clothes. We have a fine ~~pleasant~~ gentle rain nearly 3 inch

St 6. The pears and grapes are now nearly harvested a fine crop indeed, we get the first frost worth speaking of this season, O! what a fine fall.

M 8 R. C. with R. Sam. & Leach T. goes to Pittsfield.

Th 11 Wm. A. Augusta. Eunice D. Hgs to Pittsfield A Drane is being dug from the veranda A fire roas. started in the furnace about the 14th

St 14 Public meeting discontented &

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Th 18. Eldress Adoline Lewis, and Anna D. go to Waterviet to meet Louisa Young who has been, nearly 7 years toiling at Groveland. B. G. goes to Boston about Rail Road affairs, The Harlem Extension branch, having been closed a short time for want of funds to run it.

F 19 About a quarter past 7 oc. Sarah A. Lewis Departed this life, She has sufferd for 3 long years, but still we mourn her loss. She was tallented capable and true!!!.

S 20. A very rainy day. rained all day

Sb 21 Funeral attended, Elders all attend.

M. 22. Return from Waterviet in company with Louisa as anticipated. Rainy all the A. M. Rained yesterday.

Sb 27 Maria Manning leaves for Pittsfield with her Sister Wealthy, She has made a very foolish choice for her age 39 years old.

Sb 28 Change in Kitchen A. D. Out

M 29. The first singing school attended in the Sitting Room. Wm & E. Edgerton here

October

M 29. A New Organ ~~pr~~ for the school, being on hand is tried in the eve. satisfactorily

W 31. B. G. with Mary H. & Florinda S. go to New York. Raing in these days so the painters are released to wait for pleasant weather.

November. 1877.

S 2. Rained all day, very bad indeed.

St 3. Return from N. Y. The business has been to get Coon Skins. Fur Gloves is becoming the rage of the season.

St 4. The first morning sing attended in our ~~meeter~~ sitting Room.
P. M. We go to the 2d Or to Meeting.

T 8. We commence working on the fur at the lower room in the Old East Shop, M. H. & Lears O. B. A. D. L. Y. L. B. 2 girls, Clark & one day J. Smith. we worked 5 days. an

* F 9 The lower hall has been very thourough ly cleaned by Dear Julia Ann alone

November 1877

T 9th And the stair Carpets are on the Brethren stairs for the first time, and the Oil cloth is put on all the stairs. the Garret yet undone

St 10 We get along well with the fur, all off the silk and fur mixed for several pairs 4 pair spun. and ready for Knitting. This eve brings us with B.G. who has been to N.Y. Benjamine Stevenson and a little 3 year old Willie Sherman, also, Carson and Mintie Winters

*Th 8 We are highly entertained with a beautiful singing exercise from James G. Clark. He is one of the best vocalists and Natural Poets in the Country.

T 13th The Sisters commence again on the Medicine, only J. U. of the 2d Order to assist, Also One of our Sisters, & two of Dr Bronzing Catalogues for C. S. Lafaett Bordon leaves, taking with him a little girl cousin of his

November 1877.

W 14 Bronzing finished to day by J. A. S.
Th 15 Making the boys Caps &c.
F 16. Killd two Beves, of fall stock;
St 17 Br. Wm. Johnson leaves to day for home at Water vliet having been here 6 weeks. B. G. provides paper Collars for Brethren.
Sb 18. Quite cold and wintry, meet at 2d Order.
M 20 Elder Calvin goes to Cheshire with Martha Sherman & Anna Gill, to
W 21. Ministry except Elder Gretwin. He is at Gloucester, B. G. goes to New York
M. 19. Butchered 3 Beeves. Fall stock.
F. 23 Elder Calvin & Sisters returns with Alvira Meacham, who has been absent to see her Mother & try to recover her health.
St 24 Elder Giles returns
Sb 25 Very Rainy, we stay at home, Meet alone M. H. appointed to first charge in the Office,
M. 26. B. G. returns from N. Y. A suit to recover a past debt of one Dr Ball is settled in his favor, the Dr. proves to be a villian. Pick 30 turkeys at 2d Order

November 1877.

F 27 B.G. brings 2 Bl. of Cranberries to be made up, a little to sell, the rest for both Orders of Church. Julia Ann, makes it all.

Th 29 Thanksgiving attended as usual.

December 1877

Sat 1 Mary has finished her fur, Lucy B. has helped all the time. The Co. have manufactured 33 pair of gloves and 7 pr. of Mittens for sale, 40 pr. in all. Mary Ann Mantle a lame Sister has carded 3 weeks. Dolly Septon 102 years old carded several days, and others have often lent a hand.

Sab 9 The past week the Ministry have been engaged moving into their New dwelling. They have moved in their beds &c. Last week Phebe A. Jones went to the Smith family for medical treatment. Hancock Min. here on Tuesday. Kitchen change

December 1877

M. 10 Wm Anderson Northern seed rout.
T 11 Anna has got the Shelac out & fell the old fashioned hats, and B. G. takes them out to be blocked. Butchered 3 Beeves, Make Apple Sauce.
W 12 Henry C. goes to Pittsf & Deerfield.
F 14 Elder Henry Blin & Nicholas Briggs call here. H. C. returns
S 15 Eastern Br with Elder Giles leave for Waterviet.
Sb 16 General Opening. Albert Loomsher but finding the Eastern Br. gone to Waterviet. A. F. takes him right back to meet them. ~~We are having a change. Elizabeth Cantrel leaves the Elders Order, and Ann Maria Greaves takes her place. E. Carr fills the vacancy left in the Deaconesses room by Sist Matilda.~~ Wm. Anderson returns P. M.
M 17 A change takes place in the Order of Elderesses. Elizabeth Cantrell who has

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for 7 years been in the Order. takes the vacant
place in the Deaconesses room, left by Eldress
Matilda, and Ann Marie Greaves, takes her
place with Eldress M. Moore to day.
T 18 Mary H. Tabitha and Anna go to Pittsfield
with Elder Daniel. Old Giles & A. F. returns.
W 19. George Price. Eldress Elizabeth & Nancy P.
here to see the Ministry,
Th 20. Meeting in Sitting Room, Change spoken off
F 21 Water Vliet friends leave to day. Turkeys
Picked at 2 Order.
Sa 22 We vacate our Shop. find places in the
house Shops to work to save wood
Su 23. A. D goes into the Kitchen.
M 24 Christmas. Ministry go to Canaan
Quar Meeting at 2 Order.
Tu 25. We have a large supply of Oysters
W 26. Commence again on the Medicine
Suppose now we shall be kept busy.
as the demand is increasing.
Th 27. B. G. returns, from Cleaveland. reports
poor circumstances at North Union.

Supplement 1877.

We have had 3 death the past year, all Sisters
Sarah A Lewis, Elizabeth Bates, Abigail Hathaway.
3 have left one male, and 2 females
We have gathered 3 small children the Sherm[illegible]
We now number 28 males. 48 females
Making in all 76!! plenty to do plenty to get.
Our Apple crop is good, but not so very
abundent as sometimes, we have dried
7 bbls of Apples. have on hand 2 casks
of boiled cider, from 6 casks when made
Made 2 1/2 casks of pickels 1 1/2 bbl of peppers.
Butter made this year 2443 lb.
Cheese made 568 lb.

Work done by Sisters for Sale 1877.

Poplar wove cloth for sale		yds	10
" Caskets		Doz	4 = 48
" Pocket-Boxes		"	1 = 12
" Hearts & Octagons		"	4 = 48
" Lunicides, or pendents,			50
" Oval Boxes & Work Tables		"	3 = 36.
" Pocket Ret. pin flats & Needle Books		all	150
Splint, Cushion & furnishing baskets			500.
" Other kinds all considered			362.
Feathers Dusters 70. Fans 18 Wings 15 pr.			= 103
Seed Bags paper			108,000
Envelops written & stamped			4,600,
Seed Bags Cloth			85,
Apple Sauce gall.			45
Pickels & sweet-pickle		gall.	9.
Poultry Dressed fowls.			48.
Days works on Medicine			356
Days works on fur			65.
Fur Gloves Knit		pr.	28.
Emery Balls			800.
Furnishing Cushions			

January 1878.

Jan 1. We are again on the threshold of a New Year, the past gone forever, a rather pleasant reflection for the Majority!!! On our plates at breakfast table we found an Olive leaf in the mouth of a Dove for every Br and Sister in the family These were Canterbury Doves. After breakfast in the Sitting Room, the Organ and Song announced the period, and our Little girls all dressed in white bore banners of peace and love, singing a song & kneeling to ask blessing and prayers. Elder Giles goes to Albany Eldress Polly with Eldress Antionette to New York. Augusta takes the little girls to work on the medicine.

Fr 3. The business at Medicine House is again suspended Muriatic Acid out!

Sa 5 Elder H. Cummings here from Enfield.

Su 6 A.M. Meeting at 2 Order to hear Eld H. Lecture on Bible History &c.
P.M. Meeting at 1st Order.

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Sb 6th Elder Henry Lectures at North Family.
M 7. " " Lectures at 2nd Order 2d fam & South Family attending.
T 8th Lectures at North Family Canaan f. attending
W 9 Lectures again at 2d Order. This has been a very intereting season with us, the Lectures being accompanied by a chart, showing chronologically the times and situations of past events.
Th 10. More waiting on Medicine business &c Mary H. and Florinda L. are working on fur. the demand for gloves being on the increase. Elder Daniel is getting out the remainder of the Basket stuff,
Elder Henry returns to Enfield.
Ab 13. Meeting at 2nd Order. Brn remain after meeting by Ministrys request.
M 14. Last week Mary & Florinda picked carded Spun and Knit 4 pair of Gloves, had yarn for 2 more pair. the object is to test the profit of the work It seems to report favorably of its self.

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T 15 All things being on hand, the medicine is again resumed with vigor.

Th 17 For about 10 days Andrew F. has been engaged bringing home the Sisters drawers and cupboards. 25 in No. they are very nice, but one has got a mar, that is mended. It is to be hoped the end of this business has come It has required great strength & care to load, unload, move & change so many pieces of furniture with so little damage. We are now I believe again on our own possesions.

F 18 Our Beloved Father and Br Edward Fowler, is very sick, recovery doubtful.

S 19 Change in Kitchen.

F 24 Mary & ~~Florinda~~ Sarah A Spen went with A. F to Hancock to experiment on carding fur ready for spining, they find it a success. !! This will give great impetus to the furjoll

January

Fr 25. The writer. Julia Ann, & Angeline have spent the past week trimming Hats. They are the old hats, or all the stiff hats new & old, the stiffing was taken out with soda ash. It is said, Borax would have been better, the hats were taken outside to be blocked and ironed We trimmed 20 for Br. both orders.

St 26. Br Edward still continues failing

W 30 Ministry leave for Watervliet. in waggon very rough traveling. Getting Ice.

Th 31 At 15 m. to 11 o'clock P.M. the Spirit of our worthy Br. & Father, Edward Fowler, took its flight to realms beyond this Mortal Shore.

So the spirits of our worthies are departing speedily to the Summer Land, leaving our thinned ranks to wonder for the future We can only look after their departure, and ask their mantle to rest upon us their sorrowing Survivors E.F. was born 1800, would be 78 years old, in May.

February 1878.

Sd 3d We attend the Funeral of Br Edward
X at the Meeting House. The day is just
selected by the fates for the occasion, a fine
clear Winters day, excellent sleighing
which enabled, more than 600, spectators
to be present. All this society of Believers,
and Many of the Hancock society. We had
a very full Meeting lasting 2½ hours.
Thus we have endeavored to bestow on
our departed Br, some of the honor he
so faithfully earned, Peace be with him.
Let him rest, from earthly care.

T. 5th We are still progressing with our Medicine
business and improvements

X Sd 3 I neglected to mention Br G. arrived
last eve from Boston also Lawyer Andrews
and Wife of Hudson, owing to the
necessity of their early return on Mon. They
inspect our House on Sunday A.M.
North F. & Canaan singers attend singing.
meeting North F attended Fri even, a Hymn
being composed there for the occasion.

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W 6. We have another Bl. of Oysters! fine this!

Th 7. M. H. & Julia Ann go with William A. to Pittsfield. Yesterday Eldress M. & Ann Maria go North.

F 12. Florinda, Augusta, Emma J. Lucy B. Amelia E. go to Pittsfield with Ferdinand.

Th. 14 Our Almanac calls this Valentines day.

F 15 We have had four steady weeks at the medicine. We are now to wait for further improvements.

Sat 19 All the hands that can be mustered turn to basket making Poplar work &c. to fill our waiting time.

St 23 A man comes to repare, or to properly adjust the packing in our chandeliers. He says it was not done right in the commencement, they moved up & down too hard. Make a barrel of Apple Sauce for Benjamine. Green Apples nearly gone. The Shelves in the cellar are nearly completed.

T. 25 We return to the medicine, No improvements yet, Bad going so we charter, a coach for conveyance!!

March 1878.

F 1	Nothing of note occurring at present,
Sb 3.	Rainy, miserable weather, for walking so we attend Singing & P.M. Meeting quite by ourselves.
F 5	Nothing more important than change in the Kitchen on Sunday, and continued work at the Medicine which tho we have not so many hands is vigerously progressing.
Th 7	Ferdenand, goes with Eldress Matilda Tabitha, Amy & Florinda to Pittsfield awful waggoning Muddy!
Sb 10.	I had forgotten to mention in place
Feby 28	The Second Order received a surprise in Missives from Friends of Canterbury, Also, Our Esteemed Sister Harriet G. who has spent 8 months at Infirmary moved in to the House. Welcomed by all, She goes to the third Loft over the Elders Room. has shop in the north room lower Tell.
F 8.	Andrew F has been at the medicine 4 weeks.

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M 11 * Elder Giles returns to prepare the house for the reception of the rest of the Ministry.

W 13, A severe storm prevailing hinders the return as anticipated of the Ministry.

F 15 Waggoning very bad indeed Mud! Mud! Ministry return in carriage.

+ T 12th School closes to day, And commence sawing wood fine weather indeed

F 22d Finish sawing wood, Much has been done to repair the Machine Shop, which I presume is toward completion.

St 23d A Girl 12 years old Lilly Harrison taken in. We are enjoying some fine comb honey bought by Br. B.G. from California they say.

Tu 26. A young woman Lille Anna Dodgson of Vermont here on a visit. She is a good organist and is thus to be employed.

F 29th Anna plays for a family entertainment in the evening in sitting Room.

Sb 30 Augusta & Lucy go with Anna to North to meeting.

Sh 28 M.H. F.S. R.G. Go to Pittsfield for Dry goods &c.

April 1878.

T 2nd Anna leaves for home, Dorothy and Doretta go with in Co. with Henry Cantrel.

T 9. Brin Albert Looms, Nicholas Brigs, Daniel Perkins here on paper business.

W 10 Albert Leaves for home

T 11 Nicholas B. leaves.

Th 12 Daniel Perkins with a little girl they brought from Groveland, leaves.

W 17. Mary H. and Sarah A. Stand go again to the factory to card silk and fur for Gloves.

Th 18. M. H. & S. A. S. return about noon.

St 20. Richard Fletcher of Groveland arrives here. It may be well to mention here that our office is undergoing repairs, the Kitchen is being painted but the time to do it is divided between fine and foul weather outside and inside.

M. 22 Richard F. finds a home at 2d Order. Two Sisters Mary A. Ayer & Clarissa Schufelt her from Watervliet. Arrive evening.

W 24 We have a rainy week. Warm april showers, to bring May Flowers.

April 1878.

W. 26 A. F. takes the Sisters to Canaan, and R. S. and Sarah D. ride with them. Showery not a very good ride. Sisters tomorrow leave Co. for home. Commence making Frocks.

Th. 25 Ministry go to Hancock. Rainy as usual.

F. 27 A. F. takes T. L. Amy, and Louisa Cook to Pittsfield to see a Doctor about Louisa's ears &c.

M. 22 We clean the Wash House, wash over head mend the broken plastering, and whitewash.

T. 30 Scrubbing at the North Shop. Also Ministry arrive from Shaker Depot amid a heavy rain continuing all day.

May

Th. 2 A. F. goes to Pittsfield with Florinda Emma Jane and Angeline. Door yard is again dug up for sowing. The seed sown last fall having failed. Ornamental trees Arbor Vitæ, & Juniper &c are set out, & the posts for rail road.

Fr. 3. A company from Hudson here Matilda Andrews and her four Daughters, J. Mac, & wife of Sandusky Ohio.

St. 4. Visitors attended to, leave at 10 o'clock.

May 1878

Sb 5 To our disappointment we have a Rainyday. So the 2d Order cannot attend meeting here! To bad. when we have visitors like the Ministry.

W 8 Western Ministry leave to day

Th 9 Ministry leave for Waterfield Wind blew in the Morning followed. A by rain! We commence putting up circulars employing all available help.

St 11 We have a hail Storm and fear a heavy freeze.

Sb 12 No frost last night. very cold to day.

M 13 ~~Two~~ A Medium William Eddy and two men in company Edward Brown and David arrive at North Family by invitation of the Elders at North

T 14 We are invited to attend a seance for Materealization, to witness the phenomina 26 of the Church attend in their Dining Room. The preformance was pronounced a success. 20 forms appeared. School opened to day.

May 1878

W 15 The Dining Room being too small the wood House chamber is cleared, Benches taken from the Meeting House, a cabinet built and proper arrangements made so that a Public Seance is held at 10 o'c A. M. all the society attending at choice Eve 3 companies from Hancock, swell the no to more the 300 present, The same forms appear but those who have died among Believers appear unable to communicate, being yet to weak.

Th 16 Two more seances one 10 A.M. 7 P.M. appearances about as usual, forms the same, Hancock believers attend.

Fr 17 Two Seances, as the previous day. Edward Brown left yesterday.

St 18, One evening Seance. 2 forms which have not appeared, Mrs Eddy, & White Cap Ind. the woman Mother of the Eddies,
The forms are Mother Eaton, Witch of the Mountain Joseph Beltshazar, Nancy Crapman Nancy

May 1878

St 18	Lockwood Maggie Brown Melissia Sole, Rhoda Offord, Margaret Pattison Allie Barnum. Elder Richard, Brown Father of Edward Brown George Cavens Edwin Doolittle, William Offor John White I think these are all the forms said to appear, To offer comment on this delicate subject at our first opportunities would be useless, as we have each one a mind capable I trust of development by future thought and opportunity
M 20th	Owing to ill health and inability Amelia closes school for the present, is under treatment at Infirmary. The Mediums leave. Last evening the seance was attended by the neighbors 50 cts admission fee, benifit for the Mediums. Commence to watch with Phebe Ann.
Tue 21	Commence ironing on Tuesday.
W 22	Clean Brooms & Brick Shop. Brethren plowing the Southdoor yard.

May 1878.

Th 23 Machine Shop Scrubbed. A. D. L. Y. two girls
F 24 Finish scrubbing Drying Room.
S 25 Our Sister Joanna Kitchel departed this life 15 min past 3 P.M.
Sb 26 Change in the Kitchen Much rain, fine growing season. Attend Funeral.
F 30 Clean the Meeting House.

June

M 3 A company leave for New York, intending to have a time of enjoyment, Anna D. Doretta H. Lucy Brown with Br. Benjamine
W 4 Sarah A. S. & Louisa Y. go to Pittsfield.
M 10 New York Co. return, with B. G. O. K.
Th 13 Ministry return from Watervliet. Elder G. came to Hancock on the 11th with Eldress Abigail, Crossman Maria Ducher & Elnora Degrau, of Groveland, arrive here today.
F 14 Our Sister Maria Dewitt departed this life.
Sb 16 A. M. Attend Funeral of our Sister P. M. First Meeting at Meeting House. with Groveland Visitors.

June 1878

W 19	Sister Rachel Sampson & Ann Maria G. go to New York with Benjamine to visit Josephine Williams & her Parents.
Th. 20	I have forgotten to mention in place, that a Creamery is put into the Dairy and is now in opperation. A fence is just finished north of the Seed Shop. The South Door yard is plowed, graded and sown to buckwheat, and now the Dairy is being painted & calsumined. Thus One thing after another comes done.
Els'	Abigail & Sisters go to Pittsfield with Mary.
St 22	We are faring sumptuously on Strawberries about these times.
Sb 22	Ann Good wins funeral attended to day. Some Br. from both orders attend. Visitors attend singing meeting.
T 24	Groveland visitors leave with Andrew B. Corena Bishop, & Elizabeth Sears, for a visit. Rachel & Ann Maria return.
Th 27	Alfred Min, Elder Otis & Co. arrive. Doctor Brayer came the 24. Spends vacation.

July 1878.

(June) M 24 School opened again, Anna Gill assists Amelia,
T 5 Groveland visitors return, bringing with them Sarah Cuttler who is to reside at 2nd Order, She has been 7 years at Groveland.
St 6th Eastern Ministry leave for home. Our Sister Phebe Ann James who has been cared for kindly at South Family returns we suppose to die, She is at Infirmary.
M. 8 Br. Benjamine G. leaves intending on, W. the 10th to embark for England, where he will meet the two Dr's White & Brown, in whose employ we are at present engaged in making & putting up Medicine.
10 W. We commence business again at Medicine Shop. Considerable sickness about these times causing disappointment &c.
11 Th. Harvard Ministry arrive.
Sb 7 Corona Bishop installed with Eldress Adoline at 2nd Order, Nancy Dow released.
St 13. We are informed that Thursday eve Meetings are again to be commenced.

July 1878

W 17	Harvard Ministry leave here.
St 20	Some visitors, Quakers, relatives of A. D. here
Sb 21.	Meeting P. M. at house. Ministry spoke of certain errors, disorders &c.
T 23	Ministry leave for Waterviet.
M 22	A. Ds. friends leave. John Jones who has been here with his wife and two chil. to see his Sister Phebe Ann, who is very sick leaves.
W 31.	We have got off eleven thousand circulars this month.

August 1878.

T 6	This to us is ever an eventful day, the memory of the Landing on our shore of our Blessed Mother, being ~~[illegible]~~ a moment committed to us. But with it hereafter will be associated the return and landing of Our Br Benjamine Gates. who arrived in New York He left N. Y. on the 10th of July, and returned today. Mary Hazard. Harriet Goodwin, Nancy Dow

August

T 6. With Haldah Bag, the wife of our Miller Geo Bag go to Rockaway Bach, for health & Money William Anderson accompanies them.

F 9 Br Benjamine returns home, we have been very buisily employed at the medicine mostly Browns, have bottled 600 gallons of Browns, 82 of Pain King in 5 weeks.

St 10. Some things get completed, among the rest a rail road & Coal Car, to carry the Coal to the vault, East of the House, a door is being built to the vault below. A petition is finished in the East cellar for the Min cook. Shelves are arranged and Br Orren has made it all very nice and convenient in the cellar. And a closet is parted off in the East Garret to accommodate the girls Order.

T 12. Owing to a change to be made in the Labils of our Medicine, we are this week to bottle two batches of Curative, leaving the finishing.

Turnover Sec Br Death

St 17 Mary H. & Co return, William returned

August 1878

St 17. Trained so hard that B.G. who was with them had to hire a Stage from the Sprgs Depo. William returned on thursday, Much company, friends relatives &c, about these times, Susan Calver here to see Amelia.

Tu 13. Our much afflicted Sister Phebe Ann Jones departed this life about 4 oc P. M. Her sufferings have been intense and her relief is a comfort to her no doubt, She is one of those who removed from the Brickyard, very useful and much beloved,

Th. 15 Attend the Funeral of our Sister. Her Friends or relatives, J. Jones, Wife Son, & Daughter, of Albany invited and attend.

Sb 18th Change in the Ketchen.

T 20 Labils changed to Medicine Sisters finish today & tomorrow, the 2 batches of Whites Making 7 batches in 6 weeks.

W 21. Ministry return from Waterwhet.

St 24 Fine Water melons got by B. G. two weeks since we had a divide of 2 times & an orange.

August 1878

St 25. We serve Water Melon on our dinner table

T 27. Two Sister Miriam Patric & Louis Wentworth of Enfield spend a day & night here. Hattie Walton of Phil Society here came over with Enfield Sisters.

W 28. Haying Finished. Orlo Floss taken to his Mother, by Elder Daniel

F 30 Cut a few early apples writer being in the Kitchen E. Cantress sees to the Apple drying, Put up the first Tomato, C.S. returns from seed tour.

September

F 6th Cut the first kiln of Apples. As the North Family are without a dry Kiln, they are to use the one at 2d order as we do, Our drying day for the present is to be on Friday.

St 7. J. B. Wickersham Brother of G. M. with wife and Daughter here on a visit.

St 14 The past has been a busy week. Elder Berry Tomato's & Apples & pears filling every moment no spare time, picked the last cucumbers.

September 1878.

M. 16 The Dalton Father here to see his children
T. 17 Minta Winters & a friend arrive.
W 18 Evening Cutting Apples. Commence
Picking Apples Tuesday 17.
Th 19 Dalton & Co leave for Pittsfield
M. 23 The first Frost this season, last night
The furnace heat the first time
Tabitha & Jane B. go to Albany;
Fanny Miller leaves for home.
F 27 Joseph Slingerland goes to Albany
F 27 J Slinger Tabitha & Jane return
M 30 We commence to make some Apple
sauce to go to England. The cider has
come from Michigan for the purpose

October 1878.

T 1st Elder Daniel goes to Caroga B. G. to N. Y.
S 5 Caroline N. here and 3 of Florindas
relations. We have dried 35 baskets
of Apples in 2d families Thiln. Ol. Apples
what an amount.
Sb 6 Meeting at 2d order. Public M. closed.

October 1878.

Finish the bulk of picking apples

W 9. Eldress Joanna & Eldress Dorothy of Canterbury here. arrived today

M. 7 Charles Pizer and Andrew F. Set out on a seed tour with Ministrys team.

F 11. We have cut 4 Kilns of Apples this week.

Sb 13 Have Lyceum at School House this eve instead of Prayer Meeting. Canterbury Ministry attend. Crowded House.

M 14. Ministry leave for Hancock.

W 16 We commence picking up apples ~~Andrew~~ Sort out the good Apples over all the Orchards A hard days work indeed

Th. 17 Andrew Barret with all his nice little Boys helps us pick up Cider Apples. Clark goes up to tend Kiln for Him. We finish picking up Cider Apples.

St 19 Our first 60 gallons of Apple Sauce packed today for England. We have now two rainy days, almost the first for 6 weeks.

Sb 20 Young Tilden & a man acquaintance attend Meeting at 2d Order.

October 1878

M. 21. Commence cutting Apples.
*T 22 Continue cutting Appls.
*Th 24 Finish Cutting apples for the present having dried in 2d family 96 bushel after being cut, & in 2d order No. 19. in all 115 bushel. We have dried this season 30 bbls of Apples.
*T 22 B. G. with Mary Hazard, Florinda and Cornelia F. go to New York.
T. 25 ~~Above named Co. return. R. S. Quitt[illegible]~~ T. L. H. G. & C. J. N. go to Pittsfield
Alvira Meacham Placed under charge of our Nurses at Infirmary.
Charles S. arrived Fri 25 eve. & A. F. with Team 12 oc. Saturday.
26 Homan Miller Leaves our people.
T 29. Ministry leave for Water Oliet
W 30 B. G. & Company return.
Th 31 Boiled Cider some 10 bbls arrives about these days. Crainberries more than bbls arrive.
*Th 24 We have boiled of our Cider this week 9 bbls into 3 bbls. S. Spencer helped A. D. boiled 3 days did not sit up nights

November.

F 1. Our Beloved Sister Sarah Dean departed this life 22 m past 3 o'clock. P.M.
S 2, Take care of goods from N. Y.
S 3. Attend Funeral. Several of the world present. Some acquaintances of Sarah.
M 4 The past week has been rather unusually cold for the season, Snow wind & rain quite abundant. Making coming winter sure.
T 5 To 2nd Order to Meeting. Fitch change
F 12 Cut 40 bushel of Apples. Butchered 4 Beeves. All things else alive & thriving.
W 13 Several teams engaged taking apples to the Depot. 12½ Bls for foreyne market. 5 Bls put up and wrapped extra.
S 14 Tabitha & Ann Maria go to Pittsfield.
F 16 " " Return detained by Storm. Some work has been done on Featherbeds. All the Wool Hats in both Orders have been over hauled Washed and repaired by A. H. and E. J. N. 2½ days help from 2d Order.
M 18 Scrubbing House occupies much time.
T 28 Thanksgiving Meeting at 2d Order.

December 1878.

Sb 1 I have omitted writing for two weeks past, because nothing but rain mud & clouds have been discoverable above or below, nothing worth writing can take place,

Mt 2nd Our Rooms are numbered, We made the sacrafice of Sweet Potatoes this season to get the expensive Marks. What do you think of that?

Tw 3 Br Orren fits up a small candle Machine in Lower Room at Wash House.

Sb 8 I see again ~~two~~ an unrecorded weeks. Bad weather serves to keep us all at home busy & quiet.

Tue 10 Elizabeths Can and Sidle Use 2 days Bronzing Catalogues.

Th 12 Ministry return, Most fearfully muddy, We are having terrible weather about these times.

T 17 Mary H. and Tabitha go to Pittsfield The first crossing the Mountain fo 6 week for females. Lcey to day

December 1878.

W 18 We carpet the lower South East Room with the blue carpets the Elders had.
H. Cantrell goes to Albany and return with Marcia Hills Grove of Canterbury to teach music and vocal singing
Ferdinand comes in from Albany with a New Dentist Chair $65 I understand.

F 20 E. C. S Stan L. Y. & A. D. go to pick turkeys get 16 of Gilbert Sisters pick 16 John O'neal, sell 11 the rest used for table.

T 17 Julia Ann & A. D. mak 72 Doz Candles in Lower Room using one arm of Machie

St 21 H. G. has work 6 weeks in Dining Room. A. D. made the tea Coffee &c.

Sb 22 Attend yearly opening gift. very quiet.

M 23 The first efforts made by Sister M. among the singers.

W 25 Chrismass. a singing meeting in the Sitting Room. Mar. attends

Th 26 H. Cantrel Eunice C. & Sister Marcia go to Pittsfield to select another Organ which is to be hired for the present over two leaves

Supplement 1878.

We have a very nice gift of Shawls for Summer for all who have not Summer ones.

We are just finishing another good old year with all its varied scenes. Some changes have mark of progress. We have our Dairy business quite lightened by introducing the Creamer. Instead of getting Turkeys, we are trying to go to the Neighbors for Feathers. We have received a large supply of Dry goods among the rest Knit under clothing for Sisters. also ~~nicely~~ Cuffs & Studds. The Brethren have taken the Boys school to teach as formerly.

Our Apple crop this year is very abundant We have in the whole 2974 bushels,
300 bush. or 130 lbs for Market,
490 " Dried 32 lbs when Dried.
1400 bushels stored of fall & winter Apple
680 " Cider made 39 lbs Boiled 9 lbs.
Cucumber Pickels 2½ lbs. pepper 2 lbs Tomatoes 1½ lbs.
Preserves Gall 183 Elderberry 60 Stewed Tomat 200

Sale Work Done 1878.

	Caskets	Doz	3=36
	Hearts	3	36
	Reticles	5	60
	Dried Bouquets		25
	Dusters		94
Dd.	Fan Brushes		30.
pr	Turkey Wings		17.
pr	Fur Globes	pair.	110
pr	Wristlets		24+12=36
	Days works on Fur		10
	Paper Seed Bags		30000
	Cloth " "		86
	Days works on Medicine		4-65
	Circulars Put up Stamped & distributed		41625
	Apple Sauce Gallons		14 7.
	Bronzing Catalogues Days works		4
	Labelling Boxes " "		2
	Splint Baskets all Sold		350.
	Emery Balls		700
	Peacock Dusters.		21.
	Fur Coarse Gloves & Mittens.	pr	11

December.

Sat 28. The Organ is brought over, and our old one toned anew

Sb 29. The Organ is set in the Meeting room, for I presume Society accommodation Meeting at 2d Order.

Reccord 1878.

We have admitted no members during the past year. 3 Sisters have died Joanna Ketchel. Sarah Dean Maria Dewitt. One Male left Herman Miller. One Brother deceased Edward Fowler. So we are now 20 males. 4[illegible] females = 6[illegible] members in 11st Order. One female left Lucy Brown

Otho have a very nice gift

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28
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Pass Item

2 Go Elderberrying. C.B. J.S. E.C. Agnes.

3 " " " " C.F.D.W. Emily.

4 Peaches arrive 4 o clock 41 Crates.

March 14th 1874 Our family Numbers

Brethren including the Office	24
Sisters " " " "	54-1
	78-1

Rudolph Hoffmann
born 11th August 1843. Germany 58
Came April 12th 1901