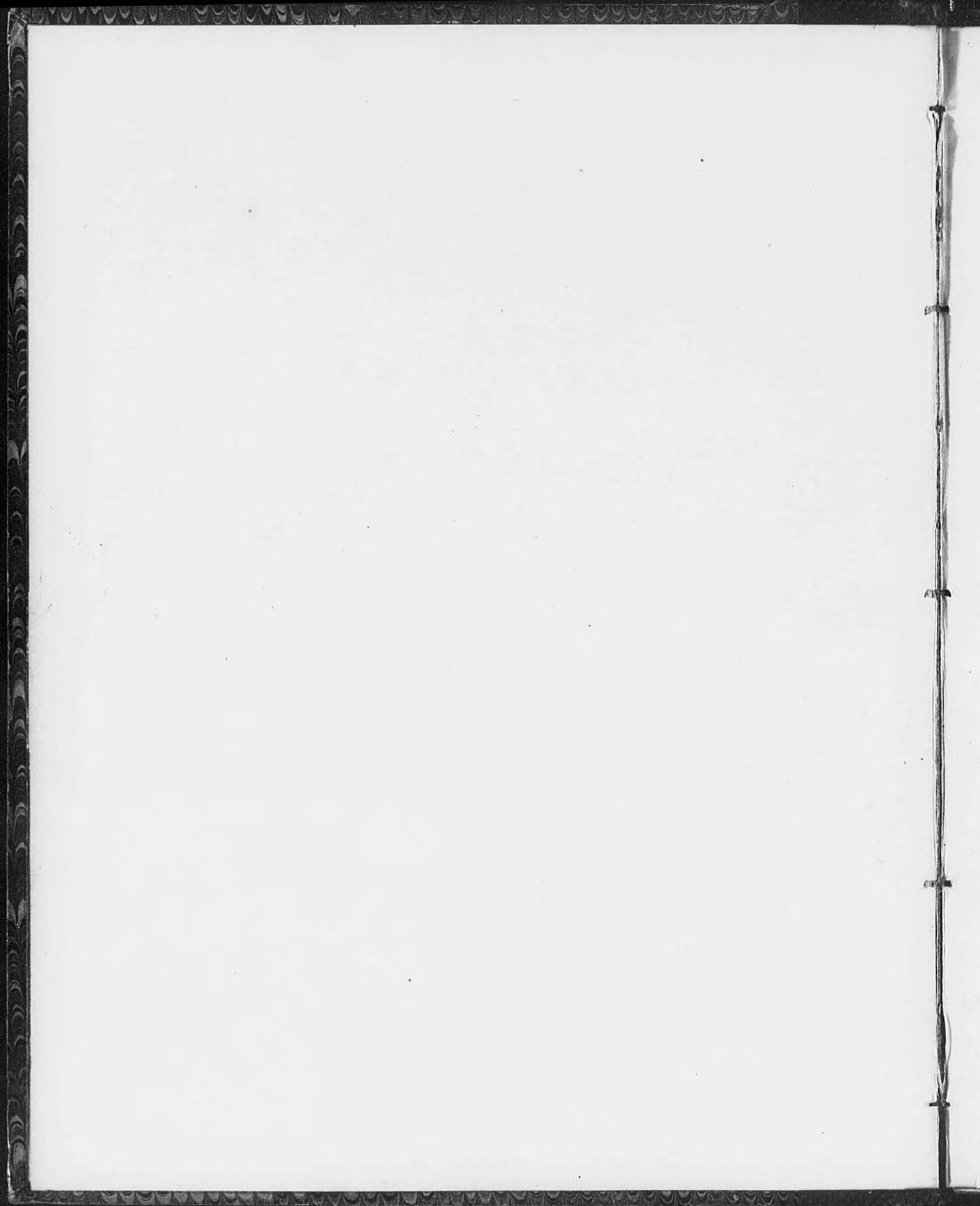


Diary
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1873-1897



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Mt. Lebanon
Church Family

January 1873.

- Jan 1 We wish you all a happy year meets our eyes as we enter the dinning room for breakfast, this offering was by the kitchen sisters the letters were cut of red paper and arranged nicely on white cloth several yards in length. ~~And her boys.~~
- Dairy business moves in the usual way having milk enough to provide butter for the table
- Sat 11 untill now, I opened a jar of scalded cream butter and gave 4 balls for the workmen table as I could not fully supply with the new.
- Mo 6 Augusta washes, my crazy uncle came Friday 6th Julia ann had his clothes washed they were all rags and I spend 3 days helping mend them the older sisters very generously assisted in this case. Monday soon after dinner Florinda returned to the dairg very sorrowful, on inquiry, why her grief? she informed me that she was going to live in the office, the tears flowed and O how I pitied her, as she has had only 6 months releasment from their kitchen and was expecting to spend many years in the dairy, I love her very much she is a consecrated good soul, very kind, and I regret so soon being deprived of her company, she had 3 weeks allowed her to get moved and settled, where I hope she may live happily with honor.

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this carries us on to the 25th when I am left without a permanent helper, the place being partially filled by Mr. Olive who assists me in the afternoon and Hellen Mills in the morning and so I trudge along. Emma Jane is the one next appointed to work in the dairy when the boys school is dismissed. I hope this will last more than one season but if it does not I shall have to make the best of it.

Mo 27 The Ministry leave for Waterdict. I work in the milk room to save wood, and so there is no fire in the shop. Not much difference in the quantity of milk ranging from 8 to 9 pails a day. John carries some hot water for the cows every day generally 4 large pails full.

Frid 1 The Office Sisters go to Pittsfield and with other goods purchase this book for which I have been waiting. Dating back to the 25th I commenced giving of tried butter for the cooking, that was stored in the fall, until now had supplied with some accumulated before we moved the dairy above, designed for trying but found very soon that we should not be burdened with it.

February

- W 5 A cow comes in and we hope will be bountiful with milk; we have just about the same as has been.
- Th 6 Sisters Matilda and Phoebe return home have spent a short time at wateroliet, Mr Peter came with them and stayed untill monday.
- M 10 was a minister of gospel strength and courage, attended all our meetings, we had a pleasant time,
- Th 13 an increase for the dairy a little calf arrives in this cold world, and were it not that old milks cows decrease their supply we should realize some advantage, instead, we keep balance. last monday a coal stove arranged in the Sisters sitting room, and one in the basket shop.
- W 19 Our good brother John has been very unwell several weeks, goes to the infirmary I hope he will get well and spend a few more years with us.
- Fri 21 A heavy snow storm, with strong wind which subsided P M and continued snowing thro' the night. Another cow came in being the 4th this month. We have 10 pails of milk a day, what a contrast from time to time.
- Sat 22 Matilda & the writer go to Orens shop & stain a small piece of furniture for rooms No 2 and 8 one for Min's shop. Hellen goes into the kitchen and Ella Carol assists in the dairy, I think I shall be glad when Emma Jane gets here and I do not have to work alone.
- Fri 28 Julia ann, Angeline Turner, & the writer go to Pittsfield.

March.

- Sat 1 Our worthy Sister Abigail Munson deceased, being a hundred & 2 the 19th of this month, she has lived a consecrated life and truly been a gospel Parent.
- Sun Funeral at 1¹/₂ P.M. quite cold and windy.
- Thurs We have a letter stating the Ministry started to Groveland the 4th expect to stay a week, great excitement in the family here and anxiety about C's Abigail, as there was a letter from there not long since which told of her being very bad off, had two turns of being ^{at} breath and appeared as tho' she would leave the body.
- Fri 14 The boys school closes today, altho' winter weather holds on, with occasionally a warm pleasant day, there is a heavy body of snow with now & then an addition, I think it estimated there has been between 6 & 7 feet here this winter, but how light compared with the western states; there has been much loss of life both human, and animal, from extreme cold and heavy snow storms. how much have we to be grateful for, and how little to complain of.
- Sat 15 A letter comes from the Ministry they have returned to Waterloo. they state that C's Abigail is better and may live to do much good yet in Zion. Ceren converted a sink that had been in the infirmary into an ironing table for dairy Sisters, finished it and Augusta stained it this week.

Mo 24 Emma Jane went to the infirmary to ^{be} doctored being quite out of health, has had a steady, taxing season in school and has given so good satisfaction, I presume ^{she} will have to teach next season. comes out Friday following.

Wed 19 Our Ministry return from waterliet, El Daniel comes with the Team, El Giles and Sisters in the cars. Emma Jane improved the first week after school closed, repairing or mending books and cleaning the house with assistance of Amelia and the girls. will not commence dairy work until April 6th.

Sa 23 Ella C went in the kitchen and Helen Mills out, ^{cause} she returned to assist in the dairy 2 weeks more. Every one that looks at this book will see by the dates that I am a poor hand to keep a journal.

Mo 31 I am very glad this month is going out for it has held out to the end cold and stormy, blustering & ugly. There has six cows come in this month (about 12 pails of milk daily.

April

Tu 1 Emma Jane commenced on her sale work, the heart boss. I have forgotten to mention that I moved up into the shop to work the 22nd of last month having staid in the milk room ever since Florida left me, 8 weeks ago and have thus saved much wood by the means.

Th 3 The quantity of milk has increased to from 14 to 75 pails full a day. Olive went to the infirmary yesterday

- Fri 4 The writer cleaned the dairy cellar, afternoon and Hellen comes evenings the remainder of the week.
- Sab 6 Emma Jane begins in the dairy for the summer, but
- Wed 9 this morning finds it expedient to return to the good physician, and Hellen comes again to her post tho' reluctantly as she does not like so much disappointment, but we proceed according to previous arrangement and clean the lower room. Have Etta to help us, a cold heavy wind all day, PM we are somewhat alarmed as our chimney is getting well burned out, lest the building take fire but no harm results.
- Thu 10 The same hands clean the lower veranda, oil the room floor, and clean the attic.
- Fri 11 The milk come in good, set 24 pails this PM have from 17 to 18 pails full a day, most evenings.
- Sab 13 The Ministry proposed last Sab evening sitting in a circle in our prayer meetings instead of ranks as has been, quite satisfactory to people generally as in this case as well as all others we like a free circulation of air, and the satisfaction of seeing our beloved and well tried brethren and sisters whose appearance assures one that they are far from material men and women, a little group trying to live a heavenly life in this perverse and degenerate age of the world.
- Thu 17 Emma Jane resumes business in this department.
- Sab 20 It is getting dark I cannot see to write much longer Bought three calves last ^{week} which reduces the milk somewhat for the dairy, but kill one yesterday six weeks old that has lived well.

Sat 26 Moved down into the lower dairy, on account of the milk as it is rather warm above for it, not so much of it but that we could have kept it there some weeks longer I think.

May.

- Thu 1 Clean the upper veranda it takes till noon.
- Fri 2 Cold and rainy to day, and continues so, saturday with some snow. The martins and blue ^{birds} have this week been ^{some snow} contesting rights, each party seeming to know the house belongs to them.
- Mon 5 Ad assists in washing, some disappointment in our work.
- Tue 6 We clean the cheese boards, oil the veranda floor and lower lattice, paint the west steps &c.
- Wed 7 Clean the cheese room & c, P.M. in the shop working for Kate.
- Thu 8 The Herb Shop scrubbed Ad assists, then clean the clothes room in the house, finish before noon, P.M. in the shop.
- Fri 9 Scrub the upper dairy room and hall, fills out day.
- Sat 11 Elder Henry Blinn came yesterday, visit him at G & M.
- Mon 12 The writer assists about washing by hanging up clothes. Emma Jane in company with Benjamin G, and Amelia Culver go to Albany 7/10 & M to select and purchase books and other provisions for the school; return home. I finish my sale work.
- Wed 14 We carry it to the office, Emma Jane's also, we are very glad to end off with it, to taxing mixed in with scrubbing.

(of milk)

- Fri 16 We have an average of 23 or 4 pails per day
Clean the door yard this P.M. A.S. spent the A.M.
Sat 17 and all the time I get to day covering boxes for sisters Binch.
Tue 20 I have since the year came in given 60^{lbs} of butter
for shortening in its natural condition from the
churn without extra working or ~~being~~.
Wed 21 Tried 77^{lbs} of butter for shortening.
Fri 23 Very warm this morning and we have some ice
in our new Refrigerator for the first time, made by G.W.
Set the milk in the water Cut, Cheese time approaching
But there has been much fault found with the cheese,
made last season (notwithstanding some of it was very good);
and it is difficult knowing what to do as the cream
belonging in the cheese is needed there, and wanted on the
table, however we think it was scalded to high for the quality.
Wed 24 Commence making cheese weather being very warm.
Our good Parent Bro John Dean has been confined since
Feb 19 has suffered much severe pain and gradually, but
surely life has wasted away, this evening 19th he breaths the last time
we shall many years regret his departure from us
altho so advanced in life (76 years) he was ever busy
with his ^{hands} laboring to do good wherever he could,
and to make peace in the family, a blessing are such
souls and it is hard to part with them; moreover
he has many years assisted about setting the milk
and felt a great interest in the dairy; but now he is no more.

- Thu 29 make cheese feeling scared every moment lest it will not be good; Anna came yesterday & showed me how
- Fri 30 Try 7 lbs of butter. Funeral Pkts 1/2 ton, very satisfactory. As the virtues of our worthy brother were brought to mind, the excellency of his christian life commemorated, and much good advice to the young to patronize his worthy example of godliness.

June.

- Sab 1 A bright pleasant morning, we go to the second
- Mon 2 Clean the shoe order to singing meeting, 13 songs by our folks.
- Wed 4 Angelina, Emma Jane and the writer clean the shoe shop and hall, the rest of the shop cleaned
- Thu 5 to day. make cheese, the milk comes in well from 30 to 32 pails full per day.
- Sat 6 Make cheese. Elder Calvin stops here to day. Worked about 50 lbs of butter in the machine this week designed for shortening thro the summer.
- Sab 7 Meet at the meeting house, Elder Calvin attends has a ministration of gospel zeal and strength, which he ever did impart, and feels good in the present.
- Tue 9 A company go to waterleit for a visit, namely, Oren Hastings, Clark Maden, Adaline Cantrell, Maria Manning, Cornelia French, Sorecy Brown, Make cheese 4 times this week, weather fair & cool.

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- Mon 16 Dairy maids assist in washing, as help is scarce
- Tue 17 Our visitors return, have had pleasant weather, and a good time by report. make cheese to day.
The milk somewhat diminished in quantity.
- Sat 21 We are very needy of rain for the benefit of crops. This evening knelt and prayed for it in our meeting.
Make cheese 4 times this week steady business I like work, but too much of a good thing is sickening to both mind and body.
- Mon 23 The first meal of strawberries are picked to day provide cream for them; I would here mention that we commenced letting them have cream sabbath mornings four weeks since, this week have it 3 times.
- Wed 25 The ministry return home from wateroliet. but a small ^{cheese} Make cheese 4 times this week, weather continues dry and is very warm.

July.

- Tue 1 Make cheese Using a part of the milk of the morning previous as the quantity has decreased. average 26 or 27 pails a day, thus we conclude to only make cheese every other day in this way. A company are here from wateroliet on their return from Enfield having been there for a visit, stop here Monday 30th and leave Thursday the same week

Names, Chanuncy Copley, Katy Fergerson,
Sarah ann Neal, Mary ann Vanderwater.

Wed 2 Elder Otis and company here to day, visit them thru.

Tue 8 Make green cheese, Yesterday dairy sisters picked
cherries from 12 AM untill dinner time,

Mc hull straw berries, get corn & prepare it for the cheese

Thur 10 Pick cherries untill 3 PM.

Pastureage poor in consequence of much dry weather
Milk decreased to 19 pails full a day, make cheese,

Sat 13 only twice this week. Dairy maids attend public meeting.

Tue 15 Make green cheese, PM pick cherries.

Wed 16 Emma Jane helped the Physicians pick they cherries.

Sat 19 Make 7 cheeses all small but one.

Mon 21 Andrew F, Julia Ann S, Elizabeth C, & Augusta S
Start for the Mountain 8 AM to get whortle berries,
not-ripe enough to be good picking, get about 8 quarts apiece.

Fri 25 Emma Jane goes for berries to the Codd Lot with a company.

Sat 26 Make cheese only twice, quantity of milk keeps decreasing.

Tue 29 Make cheese, but imagine we can't do so, unless
there be an increase of milk and provide butter
3 times a day for the table, as there are only 16
pails full a day and it requires 6 of them or
that for the Office and kitchen purposes.
leaving 5 pails full at a milking for butter
or cheese after supplying from it all the calls
for cream in this, that, and all other directions.

August

Sat 2 Make skinned milk cheese use 4 Milkings supply, which makes some of it 36 hours, and a thunder storm on it to boot, so I arise at 11/2^o and skim it, get it in the vat and scald to 100^o 2 d's then cool it before the new milk goes into it, second scald only to 100^o d's, finally have 2 medium and 1 small cheese, think it hardly pays cost on the whole. Continue to make cheese twice a week using three milkings not much change in quantity it continues about the same thro. the month. here I will note the

Thurs 4

The writer and Doratha Wright with Br Edward and Mr John Brown started on a trip to N York, were gone from home 9 days, came home by the way of N Haven Hartford, Springfield, & Westfield stopping a little at all of these places, excepting Br John whom we left in N York, he proceeded to Philadelphia and we saw him no more until he arrived home day following our return which was on the 22nd glad to return, altho we had a satisfactory and agreeable time.

Julia Ann worked in my stead and things went on smoothly the cheese and butter were made just the same, so I am of not much consequence after all.

Mon 25

We conclude not to try to make cheese this week as we have some left milk and are snug up for butter it will require it all to supply the wants.



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September

- Mon 1 Make cheese, have from 7 to 8 pails of milk at once. The time is mostly occupied with tomatoes, berries, or something else when not doing dairy work.
- Thu 4 The girls order broken up there being only 4 of them they move into the house Minnie Barbour comes to the dairy for shop room. — Other Sisters
- Tu 9 Emma Jane goes to get elderberries in company with 3.
- Thurs 11 Elder Daniel and the boys commence picking apples, dairy maids go to sorting them with 4 other Sisters.
- Sat 13 Commenced raining 9 1/2 P.M. and continued thro the night rained most an inch, by far the best fall of water we have had this summer.
- Mon 15 Clean the cheese cellar in readiness for preserves.
- Tue 16 Andrew F, Augustus S, and Emma Cluf, go after elderberries, too late for them, we got a bushel.
- Thurs 18 The Ministry return from Waterchist gone 4 weeks.
- Fri 19 We have an inch of rain. M.A.S gets Husk for a bed.
- Sat 20 Churn 4 2^{lb} of butter, marvelous in these days.
- Mon 22 A warm day we make cheese, use 5 milkings 2 large cheeses. The cows go into the swamp some increase of milk.
- Fri 26 Elder Daniel and A F have assisted some in picking apples this encouraged the boys finish to day, and
- Sat 27 The orchards are pretty much cleared, 600^{lbs} in cellar. The first jar of laid down butter put in the cellar.

October

Wed 1 Julia Ann Emma Jane Lucy Brown and Minnie Barber go to get barberries but are too late, find them mostly gone.

Tu 7 Make cheese use two milkings and add 2 pails of the third. Milk increases to 21 pails per day thus permitting us to store some butter for future use.

matters move as usual nothing of note to pen
Tu 21 Make cheese 2 milkings, the weather fine but I think we shall have no more opportunities so favorable for cheese making and think we have enough so that we can close for the season hoping that some of it at least will prove satisfactory.
try out 66⁰⁰ of butter for shortening.

Mon 27 The arch in the lower room built over and iron plated.

Tu 28 Churn 18⁰⁰ of scalded cream butter.

I would here mention that Elder Richard Bushnell deceased Thu 23rd and on sabbath following his funeral was attended in the meeting house by the society also a large company of brethren and sisters from Hancock and it was stated that there were present over 500 people of the world we had a pleasant and very instructive season altho solemn; meeting commenced 10 AM and held 2 hours being well filled, very much spoken to commend the righteous life of our worthy Parent, Br Peibles was present and spoke very feelingly in commendation of believers life

P.M. 3 o'clock Pebles came from the N Family and gave a very interesting account of his travels in the eastern country, and of the customs of the people, our meeting was in the meeting room both first and second order, occupied nearly 2 hours.

Fri 31 Clean the shop and prepare for winter.

November.

- Mo 3 Emma Jane leaves dairy work for the season, and prepares to open school on the 10th crossing both to her ^{to leave} and to the writer to be deprived of her company, Minnie assists in her stead 2 weeks.
- Tu 4 Churn 20 lbs of scalded cream butter.
- Sa 8 Split straw for little herigon covers, the commencing of sale work, hope to earn a few dollars this winter.
- Thu 13 Clean the upper dairy and move up, P.M. weigh the Cheese preparatory for going in the cellar. The milk gradually decreased in quantity since last reported, we now average 13 pails per day. This week commenced using the Blanchard Churn and only churn twice a week, have thro the summer 3 times. commenced giving the Family cream salbath mornings the first of this month.
- Mo 17 Br Orren began to make doors for the west Veranda to keep out the snow and thus lessen our labor.
- * 4 Wed 5 The Ministry left here for Waterlot.

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- Tue 18 Move the Cheese to winter quarters 950 lbs $\frac{1}{4}$ cheese.
Susan Patterson has appeared to supply the vacancy
in the dairy this winter, and so she would go.
- Tue 25 Br George Curtis died 124 P.M. of heart disease he had
spent a year in Groveland and recently returned.
- Thu 27 Thanksgiving day, We attend Funeral at the Second Order,
it brings solemn reflections to have our older brethren and
sisters so fast passing from the shores of time.

Decembers.

- Tue 2 A hard north east storm, wind and snow, it
commences thawing and the snow fast disappears a heavy
bed of it has covered the ground since the middle of last month.
- Fri 12 The upper Kiln burst into a flame 145 P.M., drying
saw dust the alarm given, many hands soon on
the ground, the weather favorable being rainy & calm
the walls brick and the fire did its work mostly inside
we give thanks that our loss is no worse than this.
A company of our brethren & sisters went to the N Family
10 A.M. to attend Rhoda Alford's funeral she died with
congestion of the lungs, would have been 65^{years} April coming
her demise is much lamented in the family where
by faithfulnes she has won the love of all her friends.
- 23 Tu Margaret Patterson left the earthly sphere to join the
numberless throng in the better land well beloved

- By all who knew her here, she certainly will find friends there, A company of our brethren
- 25^{Thu} and sisters went to attend the funeral it, being Christmas the meeting lasted 2 hours $\frac{3}{4}$ commenced 10 AM and was well and profitably filled with various speaking and simple gifts. I should have mentioned that the Ministry returned from Waterloo on the 15th and
- Sub 21 We attended to the gift of opening our minds.
- 25^{Thu} We kept Christmas according to our usual custom.
- Mon 29 55 turkeys, picked most of them for sale. But little change in the quantity of milk since the middle of November, on an average being 12 pails full per day just sufficient to supply the table with butter, and furnish the demand for cooking until this week I had to give some tried butter to the cook.
- We have had mild weather thro the month considerable warmer than November, the average temperature thro that month was 8 degrees below freezing and this month it has been but 4 below
- Wed 31 The year has passed reminding us that time flies and how essential that we rightly improve it as we can never recall it nor change its record of our transactions, we may rectify our faults and start the new year wiser than we did the receding one.

Butter and Cheese made 1878

	lbs Churned	lbs Cured	lbs Sold
Jan'y	170		
Feb	163		
March	172		
April	277		
May	404	150	
June	226	50	
July	171		
Aug	165		
Sep	247		
Oct	381	84	
Nov	202	20	
Dec'r	236		
		Total 304	32
	Consumed	2582	
Total Churned	2914		

Cheese made in 1878

Presented	56 lbs
Sold	254 -- 8 13 dollar cheeses
Consumed	295
Stored	950
Total	1555

January 1874

Thu 1 A company of Sisters 6 in number arose early this morning and sang 2 songs passing to and fro thro' the halls in the dwelling house before the usual time for rising, the songs were had for the occasion Br William Anderson lent his assistance and that was all the brethrens help they had, they the company proceeded to the meeting house steps and sang, thence to the Office, and from there to the aged peoples house so much to start the new year with, Emma Jane Seal composed a response, put a tune to it and it was sang by a company of singers in our evening meeting much to the surprise of our wide awakes of the morn.

SaB 1 I have neglected to keep account of proceedings thro the month, as there has been nothing to turn us out of the beaten track, the perseverance of daily rounds in the dairy, with the same quantity of milk as last reported, there has however 2 new calfs arrived which will eventually, if they do not consume all the milk and the old cows dry up to fast, increase our supply for the table &c.

Tue 20th Clr Peter, Cl^r Lydia, and Louisa 2 arrived here for a visit tarried with us untill the 29th or at least the sisters did, Cl^r Peter returned ^{home} the 23rd Br Rufus Croft went with them they stoped to water ^{to} stay over the sabbath.

February. Our Ministry go to Waterloo.

Wed 4

Sat 7

Br James Richardson of South Union arrives here for a visit he has been 3 or 4 months at Canterbury instead of Br Nicholas Briggs who went there to instruct them in music. Our western Br is full of gospel life and love and seems to prefer a shaker life to any other. I wish there were many young people like minded as we have need of such.

Mon 9

Brethren commence getting our ice from the pond above the machine shop. Sisters postpone the washing

Wed 11

untill to day on the account. Br Rufus returned home.

Sat 14

Br James takes leave for Waterloo - has enjoyed his visit. Nothing new in our department we move quietly on - "Enjoy the cool requested vale of life" "We keep the noiseless tenor of our way."

However in course of the month I think there have 5 new milks cows come in, and slowly but surely the quantity of milk brot in increases. I have given tried butter for cooking when lacking of new, it has required considerable and gives satisfaction with all.

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The stove pipe in the upper dairy fell at just milking time a bad dirty scrape, had it spiced more safe hope for better times.

March.

Fri 6

The boys school closes a week earlier than expected as their help is wanted about cutting & piling wood.

Wed 18

The Ministry return home Elder Daniel and the sisters come with team very muddy, they got stuck on the flat

rope bath.

Edward met them with a one horse wagon and conveyed the sisters home. Elder Giles came by rail with our eastern friends who have spent several weeks at Waterloo instructing about the science of music, by name, Br James Russell, Isabelle Russel, ~~Cudworth~~ ^{Truro}.

Thurs 19 we visited them, heard them sing, and in the evening had a general singing meeting, the singers of the second order attended with us, and I think with Br James to teach I could in years to come be quite a singer, for he seems to understand what he is about and be able to make others understand what he means by what he says in regard to the use of the vocal organs.

I give the Cooks 2 lbs of new butter for five.

For experiment cut and pound an old cheese very hard and dry (first take of all the rind) pack solid in an earthen jar and pour into it enough brandy to saturate the cheese, let it stand till some future date, find it hard work to pound cheese of said quality.

Sat 21 Commenced this week churning three times, milk averaging 17 pails full per day. have 2 meals of cream weekly, there are now 20 new milk cows.

Sat 22 Have a singing meeting in St. M. Yoclock, the singers from all the families in the village attend, held 2 hours. In the evening the Church have another of all who choose to come from other families, we learn that we have never known how to breath properly, nor open our throats as we ought, therefore Br James says we make

muscular instead of breath tones, this he attributes to be the cause of our detestable manner of running down the song so that we regularly depend on having to raise them when we strike back to repeat, we further learn that we are so ruining ^{our} vocal organs that we shall be able to sing but a few years before we shall fail entirely so in our old age we are going to commence with A. B. C.

24 The sisters singers repair to the meeting room 1/8 A.M. and have a pleasant time with our eastern friends sing and talk, endeavoring to get some information about the all important subject, leading topic of the time. First and second order have another singing meeting in the evening, go thro a vocal drill and then find that we can keep up the tune that before would go down in spite of all we could do to hold it up.

25 Our toiling visitors leave for Hancock P.M. 2 o'clock.

26 Susan and Augusta clean the dairy cellar and wash the lattice on the north veranda, intended cleaning

27 the lower room and having it white washed but learned late Thursday eve that there was no time, but we however find enough to do to regulate and settle the muffs we had stored, Susan staid untill noon, the writer scalded a jar of butter that was hurt by the jar getting cracked, design it for greasing cheese, the day filled out in busyness. Susan has filled baskets, prepared Rufus's clothes for his journey to Groveland, and now and then picks her fingers.

29 Emma Jane commences dairy work, has been engaged at school house.

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April

Wed 1 The lower room is whitewashed, for experiment followed a receipt that advises to put an ounce of Carbolic acid into a gallon of wash, to prevent mold, it so spoiled the pure white that we only used 2 where there should have been 3 ounces by direction, the flavor is very offensive I hope there will some benefit accrue from it. The day is gone and evening far spent before the mops and pails are released, dismal! this house cleaning endless, ever and forever on hand while ages roll.

Thu 2 Augusta whitewashes the sisters west mansion ^{lower} ~~lower~~ I & Susan and I get the paint off the floor of the north veranda, hope not to enlist in another such job until by lapse of time I forget how ugly it is.

Mon 6 Sisters commence milking mornings.

Tue 7 The dasher churn put in motion by water power I presume Frank, tho' not released from burden thereby will be glad of the change also the boys who have helped

Wed 8 Susan has taken leave of the dairy having finished ^{skin} her winters work at fur picking much to her delight.

Sat 14 An evening meeting instituted in the basket-shop for the purpose of learning the round notes and the science of music generally, time & cost the attendants are to be all of the Sister younger than El's Harriet, gentle reader, if you know her age, I don't I only know that I am nearer & nearer the youngest in the family for some distressing reason.

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Friday The milk has gradually increased we are now getting 24 pails full per day all that we have room to set. I neglected to mention that the butter used for shortening this month, just out, was from the churn also the month coming will be thus furnished to save unnecessary labor, as there is none spoiling by age. As I sit writing I look out, the wind blows and snow falls fast, and appears, as well as feels, more like continued winter than anything more pleasant. Emma Jane has twice oiled the north veranda floor both times it must be spoiled with snow lying on it. Time glides on we pursue the daily rounds in the dairy, nothing marvelous to record, all the time not occupied in the dairy, engaged at sole work being to earn a few cents, and besides there is a constant call for butter to sell, butter butter!! O that we could subsist on air and thus have some time and strength for the cultivation of the mind, but nay it is forever and ever work, work work, for the body, but consoling to know that there is a better and future state where, and when, I believe we can pay more attention to the development of our more noble and spiritual faculties I hope so, I do not want to live idly but am not smart enough to pick up and crowd in knowledge with ^{no} the time for it.

May.

- Fri 1 The quantity of milk not quite as much as last mentioned, weather cold for the season, snow on and off alternately.
- Fri 5 The Harvard Ministry arrive here, Eld John Whitley, Eld Eliza Babit, and Eld Mary Weston, Sta Sarah Tabor, and Ariella White, also from Wateroliet 1st Order.
- Wed 6 We visit our friends in the meeting room.
- Fri 8 Finish our sale work, Emma Jane has made 4 dozen articles since she settled of with school. Augusta has made 160 articles with a little help by Minnie, she has laid all of the little covers.
- Sat 9 This AM a sudden change of weather. very warm PM the Milk is brought to the lower room we intended going down 2 week ago but have since had a foot of snow and much cold weather.
- Sat 10 Brethren visit this morning, Sisters are free.
- Mon 11 Trie butter in the kettle in the upper milk room @ 2^{lb} when done, the first stored in the cellar this spring.
- Tue 12 Clean our shop and upper hall and then pursue
- Wed 13 on with the same process in the cheese room, spend some time at the herb house, our Sisters clean the upper cells, have generally cleaned below.
- Thu 14 finish the cheese room Clean the west veranda
- Fri 15 Our Ministry left here for Wateroliet.

Sat 10 Augusto's right hand feels sore on the inside just below the finger near to the little one, what now? There are many afflicting disappointments in life.

Mon 18 We try to get our upper dairy whitewashed the weather rainy, Andrew and Frank do it once over and as it did not get dry untill noon and the brethren are in a great hurry to get the onion set and other things in the ground as the season is late, we are left to finish our room, and the poor hand mentioned has to suffer, growing worse every moment as it swings the brush, and uses the cloth in strong sudse with kerosene oil in it to kill the ^{time} to night the virtue of Doctors advice, and onion poultice is tried. Emma Clough appointed to work in place of the afflicted as long as necessary, hope not long.

Tue 19 Now for a rest from labor, kind friends tell me I shall have a good chance to read and study music I do a little at both but the pain increases, becomes intense, and I think I shall not swallow many volumes, nor perfect myself in the science of music time hangs heavily days tedious, nights unpleasant but fortunately I am a good sleeper and will sleep part of the time in spite of the darting pain, by aid of kind St. Anny's quieting medicine and easing poultice, this ^{evn} go to the infirmary spend most of the time there untill sat 7 30 th hand on the gain I leave

Dairy & Lin Tree better & Old when done

Fri 22

June.

- Mon 1 The time is busily spent by the writer who not engaged in the dairy department, hand
- Wed 3 fast improving, wash some blankets belonging to the Co, woven clothes &c. Make cheese the first time.
- Sat 6
- Sab 7 Resume business after 3 weeks absence therefrom. Make cheese twice this week, have 25 pails of milk per day 1/4 of which go for kitchen use.
- Fri 12 Spend the afternoon preparing reed carpets for our shop to cover our floor so mean looking.
- Mon 15 Make cheese, I have this season concluded not to scald as high as last summer I then had the temperature of the curd in ^{the} forepart of summer while the milk was rich) at 100° 14 or 16 degrees I now do not go higher than 100 hoping thus to prevent the cheese from being hard and dry,
- Tue 16 Make cheese, so that there may be no milk setting to be taken care of, as there has been great preparations made for meeting a few miles from Albany of a company of brethren ^{& Sisters} or more properly mostly Sisters) from the first order. Waterloo with a company of our Sisters for a real social good time, visit, picnic and much comfort expected.
- Wed 17 The day appointed if pleasant if not it was to be postponed.
- Thu 18 Our Ministry were to return home and with them the said company 12 in num I have heard, were to come

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as far as the place for the great meeting, but behold Wednesday was very rainy and we did not go, Thursday morning it rained hard, as it had done most of the night and we did not start, after breakfast it did not rain but was cold and cloudy, we supposed we were all right in still waiting for a pleasant day expecting the next would be such, but to our great surprise the Ministry arrived home soon after supper, stated that it did not rain at Waterloo and their company came with them, arrived there at $\frac{1}{2}$ 8^o and waited and watched with extreme anxiety, staid until 2 P.M. and left for home, too bad to be so seriously disappointed.

Thu 25 A man here from Williamstown, (G. F. Daniels by name) who has made cheese many years and thinks it very good, came to the dairy this morning and told me how to proceed I accordingly skimmed the evening milk and the milk setting in the cellar now 24 hours heat the cream much warmer than the milk and put it in just before setting the cheese, he preferred having the milk warmer than is customary which is 90 degrees I did not learn much of him for when I asked how high to scald he felt of the whey he said it was plenty hot, but the curd was too soft

— and the way to harden it is to heat it hotter, he left in a hurry soon after breakfast before the cheese was wheyed off, I however learned that he sometimes makes cheese of four milkings after skimming it for butter I thus conclude it cannot be very rich altho he said he sells it for the factory price, for new milks cheese. To days cheese are num 138-144

Mo 29 Make cheese. The milk has dropped in quantity to 21 pails full per day we think we are not likely to make a surplus of cheese this summer, to days are num 168 175 ^{Besides} small ones — We have this spring sold 30 lbs butter to Jackson Brown 5¢ at a time of weekly for six weeks.

July.

Wed 1 The day for the great time so much talked of, we arise at 2 o'clock and get ready to start off at 7/8 wending our way to school to meet our Wateroliet Friends, the weather is pleasant and all things work right for us this time, our good Ministry lead the band 20 in number at 6 o'clock The teams all drive up side by side and stop, Eldress Ann always thoughtful of every thing to make it pleasant had a bell with her which she rang for breakfast, each company had their box nicely filled with pies and cakes

and those who were able to eat. helped take care of
some of them we were not disturbed by passengers
had no bills to pay, and again ~~we~~ we went
arrived at our place of destination at 1/27 found
we were first there as we wished to be, in about
15 minutes we saw our friends descend the hill
and we were ready to greet them with a hearty
welcome, with a song had for the occasion. as
each company arrived we sang it before they
alighted, and then what a shaking of hands, what
cheerful countenances, and loving hearts, and
O! what a chattering constantly for a long time
then singing with instrumental music,
in turn comes the dinner, the table spread with
a variety of good things prepared by both parties
after which several pieces were read, written
by our sisters for the purpose, then a pleasant
walk to the woods where we partook of some
refreshments and when all were ready we
returned to the house a 1/4 P.M. we sung a
farewell to our dear friends of the valley, the
bell which had been instrumental in calling
us to order again rang and our good Eldress Ann
said we must put on our things in one moment
and make ready to leave; knowing of course that
we should be longer in parting with each other;

The brethren were Eld Daniel C
Henry C, Jordan and G Joseph S.
* We arrived home at some delay

we returned home feeling that we had enjoyed
a beautiful time, and could but realize how
much pains the Ministry had taken to make
it so. they truly manifested their love and
parental care for their children, Julia Ann
was the oldest and Doretta Horton the youngest
of the company which consisted of all between them.
Mr Rachel Sampson did the work in the dairy.

Thu 2 Plenty to be done in the dairy, make cheese and butter
and dutch cheese, with all it is a busy day.

Tue 7 make cheese are having much rainy weather
more than is profitable for vegetation (size

Fri 10 Have 6 milkings for the cheese one large and one com₂

Sat 11 Br Henry Hollister moves into our family I hope
he may find comfort and solace to his weary soul
and feeble body for I believe him to be worthy indeed

Tue 14 Make sage Cheese use three milkings as we
intend to do whenever we can spare it and
only make twice a week to save labor.

Wed 15 Emma Jane and the writer go to the second family
and spend the better part of the day very pleasantly

Tue 21 Make sage cheese again commence making small ones

Sat 25 Dairy maids go up the mountain when work is ^(to all)
done so that we can leave; find not very good picking.

Thu 30 Emma Jane leaves the dairy to teach the girls school
the remainder of the term in Amelia's stead.

August

Adaline Cantrell now steps in to fill the vacancy in the dairy and we move on harmoniously feeling that it avails nothing for good to mind trifles.

Sat 1 Elder Abram arrives here, come to convey our sisters Ann Maria G, and Amelia C to Canterbury they intend to start wed^{5^m}, the object expressly to learn music or to increase their knowledge in the science and learn to play on the Organ, they will I hope have a pleasant visit and enjoy much comfort for they are loving worthy Sisters.

Mon 3 Augusta goes up the Mountain for whortleberries in Co with Phoebe Ann J, Sarah Ann S, & Florida S, have a cold hard wind all day not dressed suitably and we get very lame and sore.

Wed 5 Elder Abram and Co. are on the way to Shirley to attend meeting with the People there in commemoration of the Centennial of Mother's landing in America a day really worthy of all our notice & respect.

Thu 6 Make cheese have not before this week.

Sat 7 Again make cheese.

Mon 10 Sarah Ann Standish, Maria M and Cornelia H in Co with Br Benjamin G start on a pleasure trip to New York, Bedford and where else I don't know. The writer again goes to the Mountain with Florida to get berries, a company are up from the Second Order.

Wed 12 Leah Taylor, & Mary Hazard, with Joseph Slingerland
 go to Albany to see An Oculist about their eyes
 as they are ailing, they return Thursday Mary
 and 2 1/2 bought a screen for us to keep cheese in when cut.
 Time passes on, nothing of note transpires, every
 day brings its duties and care, much work
 to be done for bodily sustenance thro the winter,
 every one engaged to this effect and seemingly
 not any time for mental culture & development.
 Some keep milk than in the fore part of summer
 average 19 pairs full per day. make cheese twice
 a week using three milking, or as we can spare.

September.

- Thurs A company of visitors (in number arrived here
 two brethren and four sisters) from Enfield Conn
 names Wait Warner, Wilber Philps, Emily Curtis, ³² Merrill Copley,
 Fri 4 The school term closes for the season. Adeline ²⁰ Demers, ¹⁸ Cotta,
 Adaline and Emma Jane change in their shops ^{Business}
 so the usual moving common on similar occasions
 Tue 8 Make cheese, P.M. work at tomatoes
 Wed 9 Adaline C, Susan P, and Emma Jane N, go for
 Elderberries; Ferdinand I was the Teamster
 Thue Eunice C, Augustus S, Cotta C, go for a load of the same
 Henry Hallister teamster. both Cos get a large supply.

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Thu 19 A heavy wind and rain, which continued
Friday, and the forepart Saturday, in course of the
storm a great deal of fruit was shaken from the
trees, sat^d the Sisters went out and picked up apples.

Sat 20 21 pails of milk per day is now the quantity.

Mon 21 Our Ministry return from Waterloo and Groveland.
Brethren commence picking apples in the west orchard,
Matilda Reed, Elizabeth C, Adaline C, and the writer
sort them to the Cellar, one thing new I will mention,
the brethren and boys pick up the apples for cider and
all on the ground as they go along this is a favor to
the sisters but increases our labor at the cellar
to look them all over, Br Frederick Siger empties
the apples for us the greater part of the time.

Sat 26 Make cheese the two milkings have not made before this
Have had fair weather thro the week and the
west orchard is finished to day.

I have neglected to state that Tue eve about 7 o'clock,
the new kiln build this summer took or was set on
fire and burned furiously; no possible way to save
it, the burning continued untill all was destroyed
that could be, the apartment where the furnace was,
was fire proof; the loss estimated about 1200 \$ I think

Mon 28 Commence picking apples in the south orchard

Tue 29 rainy weather no apples gathered to day, a kiln full cut.
The supply of Milk between 15 and 16 pails full per day

October.

- Sat 3 Churn 42⁰⁰ of butter of which 22 are laid down.
- Tue 6 Again have 22⁰⁰ of butter to store; all Machine worked.
- Fri 9 Minnie Barbour, who has long been anxious to leave here, does so, Br Benjamin accompanied her as far as Poughkeepsie where by arrangement they met her Grand Father and Mother, pleased with her return; I think she has been here about 10 years, now aged 16 1/2 to bad to think of, but how can we remedy it?
- Mon 12 Finish picking apples, 700 bushels stored in the Cellar Total amount good, bad, and indifferent 1,200 and odd.
- Wed 14 Intelligence received that Br Jesse Hearwood has fell from a carriage and was killed, he was 2 1/2 m from home.
- Sat 17 We come the milk 19 pails full per day; now for butter.
- Mon 19 The dairy girls commence assisting about washing take turns. I should have mentioned that Adeline went to work at straw for bonnets last Monday weaves them at the east shop has some help about it.
- Tue 20 Churn 17⁰⁰ of scalded cream butter, besides another churning.
- Tue 27 Edward F Sarah Ann L, Florinda Sears and her two sisters go to N.Y. to purchase goods, and seek health.
- Sat 25 We went to the Second Order to attend P.M. meeting.
- Thu 29 Jane Blanchard and Maria Sapsley start to N.Y. City
* the two latter for N.Y. on Henry's account seeking health.
George bound for Phil^a he returned the last of the month.
- Sun 1 George Wickersham, Henry Hillister, and Joseph have home; *

November.

- Sub 1 The second Order came down to singing meeting, we are having very fine weather have had but little cold.
- Tue 3 The office sisters return home, leave the invalids there.
- Wed 4 Prepare the west veranda for winter, Etta Clark assisted.
- Thu 5 Joseph, Jane and Maria return home. This week 20^{lbs} of butter for sale, supplied from Thu and Saturday churning.
- Sat 7 Our sisters Ann Maria G and Isabella C return home after an absence of over 13 weeks, they are joyful to get back to the old familiar hive and we gladly receive them. Br James Russell came with them to spend the winter here teaching music in the village, the Organ came several weeks since and is established or put in the school house where it is proposed to have our singing school held. Adaline has finished weaving her straw bonnets.
- Sub 8 The second order come and attend P.M. meeting with us in the house, we receive much love from eastern people.
- Mon 9 Boys school opens, also the evening singing school commences attend every even of the week (excepting Sat.) at 7 1/2.
- Wed 11 Weigh the cheese 7, 84^{lbs} now in the cheese room. Eldresses Joanna H, and Doratha D arrived Tue evening, visit them P.M. they are lovely souls ministers of comfort.
- Thu 12 They attend our school this evening and tried to assist us in learning how to take in copious draughts of air and how to use it properly, we have started a great enterprise may
- Sat 14 we succeed. 40 gal^s of milk bot in from above but last night.

- Tue 17 Eldresses Joanna and Doratha leave here.
- Wed 18 Clean the upper milk room for winter use.
- Thu 19 Move the milk from the lower room, it has reduced
* so that we average setting not more than 153 pans at once.
- Sat 21 Move the cheese to the house cellar 7,54 ~~88~~
This evening Eldress Caroline Witcher & Ann Cornings,
of Enfield N H arrived here with a man & woman
from Bennington Vt with whom they had stayed 2 days.
They were from home, canvassing for the Shaker paper
attended our meeting and seemed pleased to be here.
- Sat 22 The Brethren and Sisters visited them. Second Order to our
meeting
- Mon 23 A busy day for Sisters Washing, Larning, & picked 60 Turkeys.
- Tue 24 The eastern pilgrims left here, bound for Rutland.
- Thu 26 Thanksgiving kept as usual, dairy maids busy making
care of tried butter, cleaning house &c &c &c.
Jackson Brown commenced the latter part of last
month to get milk from here, have had 66 qts.
- Sat 29 A snow storm, our family have a singing meeting
at the school house, learn a new song from the
black board, I am glad I am not 20 years older,
if I am to try to learn to sing, think I should
prefered to begun that length of time before.
- * Fri 20 Tried butter 66 lbs after it was done.

December

- Thu 10 Elder Daniel Croftman, James Russell, Augustus, and Adaline C, went to Pittsfield on bare ground started at 9 A.M., got home at 1/2 5 P.M.
- Wed 16 Our Ministry return from Waterbury, were absent 4 weeks.
- Sab 20 Attend to the yearly gift of opening our minds have a laboring meeting in the evening.
- Fri 25 A.M. 9 o'clock have meeting, 1/2 P.M. a singing meeting the singers from second Order, second & fourth families attended. The quantity of milk averages 9 pails full per day obliged to use some scalded cream butter for table setting.

	Cheese made in 1874	Cheese made 1874
Jan	213 ^{lbs}	Presented 53 ^{lbs}
Feb	178	Sold 103
March	288	Consumed 307
April	537	Stored 758
May	404	Total 1216 ^{lbs}
June	317	
July	164	Sold 60 ^{lbs}
Aug	201	last year's cheese
Sep	311	this summer.
Oct	422	When our cheese
Nov	248	was moved into
Dec	175	the cellar we had
Chur	256	10 of last year's there.
	Total 308	

Consumed 2848^{lbs}
 Sold 108
 Stored 508
 Churnd 3256.

January 1875.

Jan 15 I have neglected writing, having nothing of importance to pen, dismal cold weather obliges us to burn a great amount of wood to keep comfortable and can't make it out then. the next bad thing is a painful thumb on the right hand of the writer a very unwelcome guest as I suffered much last spring with the same hand, however I quit dairy work, and a girl assists Adaline about it

Fri 22 There is between 9 and 10 pails full of milk a day 16 qts more than has been for many weeks previous we have used 2 jars of scalded cream butter on the table, could not supply it without.

Feb 2 We part without Dr James Poppel he has toiled 6 months faithfully for us February. in the line of music the scene changes O thee what must I record? The greatest calamity by fire ever suffered by Believers, Awful, Awful. I commenced sale work this week my thumb getting so as to admit of it, tho' troublesome;

Sat 6th At 1/2 eleven A.M I came from the Wash House with some ^{sale} work just rolled, ready to put together set it in the dwelling House in the lower hall went up to my room; immediately the Bell, having just rang to notify of dinner; commenced

ringing again, and continued; alarmed, I hastened
down stairs and inquired the cause, when, horrible
to learn the Wood Shed, and Sisters Shop was burning,
and entirely beyond controll, as we had no means
only a few pails, and stream of water $\frac{1}{2}$ inch diam^{ter}
the weather extremely cold and a strong north west
wind, and to add terror to the distracting scene
about 80 cords of wood piled in front of the shop,
between that and our Dwelling House only a few
paces distant, O had there at that fatal moment
been a good fire Engine on the spot I presume
the surrounding buildings would have been saved,
But nay, the Bell continued to sound its own
death knell, the neighbors came from all directions,
the North Family with a hand Engine, Tidens force with
small extinguishers; the Dwelling House we saw must
burn, and horror stricken, with no one to give command
to clear it as fast as possible, we succeeded in getting
out a small amount of clothing and bedding, and
but very little furniture was preserved; the flames
and smoke soon drove us out to witness the awful
sight of that great structure well filled with
furniture, clothing, and provision, with all necessary
implements in the culinary department; 8 hundred
weight of Cheese, and 2 hund. of Butter were stored in
the Cellar, Preserves, Sugar, Molasses, and all were lost

Mean while the Ministers Shop had been cleared;
 they working heroically, and good Elder Daniel was
 nearly smothered with smoke while endeavoring to save
 all; this was consumed, the ice house, gas house,
 and west house, were all burning at the same
 time and it ^{was} just all the Brethren could do to save
 the building next to the Ice House; presently the
 East Barn far away from the burning snaf, on the
 opposite side of the road was enveloped in flame;
 the poor Oxen 4 in number were hurriedly got out, and
 2 were left to be consumed; they could not be exticated;
 the cart shed adjoining went down, and the old cider-
 mill not far distant shared the same fate; the
 Infirmary opposite the Duelling House was seemingly
 sure to burn and thus haste was made to clear it
 as fast as possible; as usual at such times, furniture was
 mared and broken; men who were engaged helping
 made free to drink spirits liberally that were stored for
 medicines, confusion, fear and terror prevailed, things
 taken from the Infirmary to the Office and Barn; next
 fear was entertained for the Wash House and as much
 had been carried there for safety from the house; removal
 commenced, next fleeing to the Orchard with said
 goods, also carrying from Deaconesses room, cloth and public
 stores; by unintering or unceasing, effort with extinguishers
 by Tildens son Samuel, and others, the Infirmary

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was left standing, altho with a badly blackened & charred front, the Door and cap, show its marvelous escape, the wood shed, next the ice house is black indeed, and while we feel that we have lost most all of our property, we look at these scarred buildings; ^{with surprise} the Meeting House not excepted as it is really defaced on the south end and probably would have gone had it not been for one of the Tildens; the most that was saved from the Dwelling house was lodged here, consisting principally of clothing and bedding which was however very little comparatively, of furniture hardly any thing preserved. I will mention that a large fire Engine from Pittsfield, ^{with firemen} were here in time (tho not to save the building lost) to do great good by helping subdue the great fire much intensified by the vast pile of Wood burning as tho it, and Money reigned superabundant; Many, many thanks are due to all of our friends in the Village for their sympathy and kindness in this time of distress and dismay, also the towns People, generally, manifested by their deportment a kind and helpful spirit, the day far spent - our anxiety is intense for the wind continues a heavy gale, and we know not what the night will bring forth, the trouble of getting about, the biting cold, where not warmed by the fire, and every thing conspire to make us feel that of a truth the fates are against us. Many of our brethren & sisters seek food and lodgings at the second Order, a few at the

South family and all are some way provided for, but not much sleep in the Village to night I am confident.

Sab. 7. Not as a day of rest far from it, one of anxiety and sorrow, labor and care, each and all engaged picking up what little remains, Teams employed sheltering the cerosene oil barrels rolled from the store house that burned, and a few flour barrels, with whatever else was snatched at that dreadful moment, never did I witness the like and I may I never again. We went our way to the several places hunting for what we know of taking from the house, and such a search to find things, back and forth, round and round, we go and if luckily we see any thing that we sh^d not lose, we seize it joyfully for we are now poor folks indeed, The north Family provide food on their tables for many of our family to day, some of their sisters came over to scrub, iron, and help where help was needed. As much clothing was finally carried to the N Family the poor wandering Sisters might be seen to and fro on the way, in pursuit of what remained to them, were it not so very cold it would be more bearable. day after day many hands are employed bring^{ing} to straighten and restore things to order in the Infirmary, clean it, and prepare rooms for the Sisters to live in, or occupying for lodging rooms by in number

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The old East Shop must again receive inhabitants, Labor and Laborers & in num, move in as soon as practicable, the morning room is destined to be a dining place also; and preparations to that effect are made, ⁱⁿ the room below it, arrangements for cooking and raising the food on an elevator, in a little over three weeks after the conflagration the family commenced unitedly to take their food together, having until now been scattered; some living at the second order, others eating in the Infirmary, dairy residents there &c &c. A large Bell was soon procured, and mounted several feet high, near the wash house now the center of attraction, we hold our sabbath morning meeting there and realize that tho we have lost earthly substance, we yet have the gospel treasure, protection and salvation from sin; if we continue to apply the means this will not fail us, tho our situation be unpleasant. I might write much more ^{on this subject} but will try to get away from it.

Sat 13 Early in the morning, information is on the wing that our Br John Brown has departed this life, he went unconsciously to appearance, seemed somewhat distressed and Elder Daniel C sleeping in the room heard him endeavoring to get breath, he arose and called in medical aid but to no avail, the brittle thread soon broke, our brother was quite unwell at the time

of the fire, he had that day gone to the Infirmary hoping to get cured, when the alarm was given coming hurriedly out of a warm bath, thinly clad he went out into the intensely cold atmosphere and I presume took cold, he tho't then was not the time to be sick, and so returned to his employment at the barn and continued to perform duties there until death overtook him, when unfettered by earthly goods and treasures, (the few he had being mostly burned) heart-broken, and weary soul and body, he fled to a more genial clime, to enjoy I hope the fruits of a devoted consecrated life, for he was truly a worthy servant in the gospel work, I do and ever shall think of him with love & respect. Sa

Sat 20 Another saturday and what is its news? for it has got to be a notorious day, our good Br Philiman Stewart of second Order, is reported as departed this life was sick but a few days; so we have misfortunes in quick succession, the idea of parting with true well tried friends whom we love sincerely, feels hard even should they rejoice in the change to better things. It is two weeks since that fatal day, altho smoke yet arises from the smoldering ashes, we are sure it will some time in the future cease, and are striving to make the best of our present deplorable condition, fearing that our distraction is in consequence of-

carelessness by some ones emptying ashes while warming near the shop where the fire started, but cannot ascertain the fact: there are some suspicious it was incendiary.

Our calamity is noised abroad thro the papers, and letters of inquiry from gospel relation East and West come to learn the facts, that they may know how to assist us? and from all believers in the land, come good gifts - money, food, clothing, furniture, every thing they can spare and much more than they are able to give, for our sustenance and comfort. Can we be grateful enough for our true relation to Brethren & Sisters in Christ? a noble family, may I be a worthy member this shall ever be my great concern.

Sat 27 Just as we arise from dinner the whistle at the Herb House gives the alarm of fire! again horrified, every one rushes out to learn where? and find it to be there, many hands are soon collected and after a little it is pronounced out, and joyful that it is no worse we away quickly; those in the house keeping waiting to know that all is safe; when to our dismay at 3 P.M. the whistle again sounds, and shocking the sight the smoke fast pouring out shows that the house is doomed, two small Engines and some extinguishers, by diligent application marvelously saved the Shed & Barn located so very near that it seemed they must go: with ^{not} doubt it is evidently known to be incendiary.

A hired man who had been 4 years employed in the house as press man and was to be released presently, was determined to finish up the business, and the second attempt in burning the building was in the Garret. The fire was kindled in three places as plainly was seen. I will not attempt to record the proceedings of this and the day following; as the second order well nigh cleared their dwelling house and worth shop; much labor was required to put things to rights again, therefore ^{some of} our sisters went up and spent the forenoon assisting them, Adaline and the writer included; when we returned home I commenced bagging my remaining clothes not knowing but what our Burns will be burned next, but pray that we may never again be so abused.

Mon 29 An investigating committee is formed of outside People and after holding meeting and learning all possible of the affair, the proper Authorities take the suspicious man and he is soon conducted to Hudson and confined in Prison there to await trial, which is to be on the 26th of April; after some days several of the brethren and sisters went out as witnesses against him, at which time he was indicted, and it is expected that 14 of our number will go when the trial comes off, as it is certain that he is the fire fiend, I hope he can never again be permitted freedom.

March.

I have not mentioned that on the 15th of February the water pipe between the Brick Shop and Dairy froze and thus we have no water in the house, excepting what is in the green wood that we are obliged to burn a good part of the time, as our dry wood was mostly consumed by the fire; the North Family, and Hancock People bot a great many loads to us which was a great help, but far from being sufficient, to return to my subject we tease and tease the boys to bring water morning and evening, week after week, and thus we have plenty of mud to take care of and a great deal of extra lifting which our arms feel. We have but little more milk than we need to supply butter for the table, I presume we never shall have much, as old things pass away all things become new & strange. We are huddled in the shop, beds, clothes, Adeline making Bonnets, and after taking time to regulate or fix clothes,

Mar 22

I again attempt doing a little sale work, hope to succeed. The weather is cold, windy and disagreeable all of the time, and we almost despair of ever again enjoying pleasant weather, or pleasant things generally, one thing however we like, we don't have so far to go in the morning but that is made up in having to start our fire ourselves and in going to and from meals so long distance thro' sloop, mud, snow and ice &c. &c. farewell March.

April.

There is in the door yard large quantities of sand, huge piles of dirt, & stone taken from ^{the} place where our dwelling was and is to be; supplies of brick, slate, boards, and plank, which many Teams were engaged drawing in short time after our first calamity; a hand is employed making mortar the Masons will soon be at work and who knows but that at some future period we may again have a Dwelling House, let us be hopeful, why not?

- 25th It is now that I am writing, with the cart before the horse
- Sat 17 Finished my least size sale articles 53 in number.
- Mon 19 We again joyfully draw water in the House after being 9 weeks deprived of it, it was thawed with a force Pump, the pipe was burst and then another weeks delay, much digging in frozen ground made a bad job.
- Tue 20 News received that Elders Lucy Fuller of Waterdiet deceased the Friday previous, sick with a fever.
- Thu 22 The Ministry except Elders Polly left here bound thither, they were about to spend a season there at the time of the fire but have postponed until now, only that Eld. Giles was there a few days since that time
- Mon 26 Clean the Hoover Cellar, and partly do the
- Tue 27 Room, continue in the good work. On account of bad weather the veranda is not brot to order but kept till a more suitable time

May.

House cleaning has again commenced, not that it ever ceases but I mean the general spring cleaning I have neglected keeping date, on this important subject, but we proceed about as usual, scrubbing a great part of the time or certainly all that our strength admits of;

Office Mrs have bought 1 doz Bunnets. Jerusha gave 13 - nicely dried.
Angelina & Augusta Clean the Shoe Shop.

The milk was moved to the lower room, or brod there as it was warm for it above, the quantity is small for the season, in course of the month we succeed in string 20 lb of butter.

Franklin Thomas 20 years of age this summer, has lived here 10 of them, concludes to leave, the writer has taken care of his clothes ever since he left the childrens order, and very much regret his choice, for he has conducted honorably, and been kind to assist about doing chores in the dairy, has done the churning 4 years, and most always milk.

The Ministry return home the last week in the month. Sale work lying about waiting to be finished, but there is but little chance for it at this time of year, and not much courage when there is.

The Cows go out the last week of the month and kind a little grass which I hope will increase the quality and quantity of milk, as we have only 13 to 14 pails full per day.

June.

Thu 5 Finish the house cleaning, oiling, daubing &c. for now.

Sat 5 Make cheese, the first time this season.

This Evening we attend a meeting at the Church, the first one since the fire, with which to close the day, and really it feels good to so assemble in devotion. I hear it is arranged to continue doing thus this season.

Sat 6 Attend meeting P.M. at the Meeting House with the Second Order. We have attended the Second Order ever since the calamity, on Sabbath afternoons.

Mon 7 Make cheese. Scald to 98, take it from the press Thursday A.M., and it looks badly the rest of the week. conclude it was rare done, for milk so rich.

Weather quite cool, and very dry, and dusty.

Sat 12 Make cheese, Dutch cheese, Butter, & skim milk. Have 19 pails of milk per day on an average.

Mon 14 Make cheese only once this week as the weather is very cool.

Tue 15 Eldress Polly goes to Wateroliet with a company of South Family Brethren & Sisters who go for a visit.

Wed 16 Make cheese. this week I grade the cheese out.

Wed 15 Make cheese.

Thu 24 Eldress Polly returns home. A Man, and George Price with her.

Fri 25 Make cheese, add 2 pails of milk of the morning previous.

Sat 26 Make cheese, P.M. a nice shower, in the evening have no meeting as it is very wet and continues frequent showers.

July.

Sat 24th Adaline goes to Stephen's town for rasp berries
Wed 14th Make sage cheese & in every morning

We have since last writing prepared about 40 lbs of tried butter for shortening, Adaline the doctor. Have procured a new cheese triv instead of one burned in the great conflagration, have also asked for, and have got according to our wishes a large new tin Colander for straining dutch cheese ordered made, cost \$8 expect to pay for it with cheese. We have at present date 19 large, and two small cheeses: last week made 3 times using a part of the milk of the morning previous as we have only 10 pails of milk per day to say the most of it. the week before we only made cheese once.

I will mention that on the 2^{ult} I finished and carried to the office 15 of my first size sale articles. The Dwelling (or will be) House is steadily rising, it is now up two stories, and a fine appearing structure, but very different in style from any building we have had, there are I presume about 30 hands employed on it, the most of them boarding away from here.

- Mon 12 Dairy maids go to the hay lot to get rye straw for binding
- Tue 13 Adaline with Sarah & Standish again goes for straw. The writer asks for cheese boards, as we lost many by the fire, have 40 bot from brick yard, & 10 from Family
- Mon 19 Scrub them thoroughly as they need, most of them very large.
- Tue 27 Ad goes on the mount for whortle berries, again Thur 29th Fri finish sale
- Sat 31 30 cheeses in the Room, two in the press. and have cut two. - work adieu.

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August.

Sab 2) The month is far spent, there has nothing of much consequence transpired in the Dairy, all the daily rounds performed according to custom, The supply of milk small for the season of year, averaging not more than 14 pails full per day therefore cannot make much cheese, but think we shall have enough to be comfortable. The writer has been to the mountain twice this month for whortle berries: the last time the 20th.

Wed 25 Went to Pittsfield in Co with Julia Ann Scott, Susan Pattison, and Ferdinand I was Teamster.

Sab 29 Public meeting opens, the street being sufficiently cleared to admit it, owing to building it has not been, the brethren and sisters of the Church are respectfully invited to attend, more especially the brethren as sisters are more plenty everywhere.

Sat 4 September. Made Cheese

Wed 8 Anna Dolgson, Ann Maria, and Augusta went up to the mount to gather black berries, picked 40 qts, Elder Daniel Coler went up after dinner. Do not make Cheese this week as we cannot do so and supply the butter called for.

Thu 16 Make Cheese, and talk of going to Washington tomorrow for black berries but it commenced raining and

continued rainy and cold so that we did not go.

Mon 20 Brethren commence picking Apples, and thus the sorting for the Cellar begins, Matilda B, Elizabeth C, Augustus S, and Adaline C, are employed to carry it on, Br Frederick S, Put them in winter quaters.

Tue 21 At two AM a disturbance caused by a company bound for Washington mountain in pursuit of said berries, Ferdinand S, Isaac S, Julia Ann S, Augusta S, Dorothea W, and Angeline S composed the group that started out hoping, but fearing that we should not be successful in our undertaking, it was clear over head, but soon clouded up, and every moment threatened rain, which however we got but very little off, it was cold and disagreeable, we jogged on got to the destined spot a little before 7 o'clock, to learn the fact, that we were entirely too late, there had been a great supply but were now gone. A company from the second order followed us to meet the same disappointment, we did not see them, and at 9 AM having eaten our breakfast and learned conditions we began to descend the hill, and after we were well nigh down we heard that the other company had gone much higher up than we had been, and it was reported that two boys the day before picked ten quarts a piece so we turned, and went higher to find the prize, but finally came home with only a tea cup full after all.

I should have mentioned in place, that I have got husks for a bed, while the farmers were harvesting the sweet corn, they finished fruit 17th

Sub 26 The weather has been cold and we have not made Cheese since last reported, altho there is more milk; we have now 16 pailsfull per day and are trying to get some butter to store for future use, and hope to find a place for it. We have made 50 Cheeses this season, two were small. Stored 20 ^{lbs} of Machine worked Butter this month.

October.

- Sub 27 P.M. Attend meeting to the second Order. (Stored)
- Mon 4th Brethren finish picking apples. between 500 & 600 Bush
- Tue 5 Work 20 ^{lbs} of butter on the Machine for storage, the first prepared this Fall.
- Wed 6 Cut apples for drying, finish before noon.
- Thu 7 Churn 20 ^{lbs} of scalded Cream Butter for table use.
- Fri 8 Sisters clear the Orchards of apples, with the help of good Eli Daniel and two little boys; commence at 10 A.M. two teams employed to convey them away.
- Tue 12 Another churning of scalded cream Butter besides our common amount for present use. Quantity of milk variable, we send much more to the Office than usual, to supply the wants, as there are a great many work men to feed.

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- Tue 26 Adaline goes to the second order to weave a few bannocks,
at night a heavy thunder storm, wind & rain abundantly.
- Wed 27 Raining and all appears gloomy within and without.

November.

- Wed 3 Clean the upper Milk Room, and move P.M.
- Thu 4 Make Scalded Cream Butter 17 $\frac{lbs}{177}$.
- Fri 5 Adaline tried Butter.
- Mon 8 Augusta goes to washing.
- Tue 16 The Ministry leave for Waterlot, (the first time since
our great calamity) that they have all been there together.
- Fri 19 Weighed the Cheese P.M. then prepared the west Barnard
for winter; hoping it the last time, forever & ever.
- Sat 20 We set the milk horse in our Cellar, and put the Cheese
on it, 1,98 $\frac{lbs}{28}$ Cheeses the number.
- Wed 24 Anna Dodgson and the writer go to clean the front entrance
into the new House, Sisters commence preparing
the Meeting Room for use; the Settles were carried in.
- Thu 25 Thanksgiving, We attend meeting at the Second Order.
- Sat 27 This evening attend meeting in the new House,
and I think the meeting Room very neatly arranged.
Quantity of milk from 8 to 12 pails full per day, which
is more than we had a few weeks since.

Decembers.

"Along the cool sequestered vale of life
We keep the noiseless tenor of our way."

A few pans of milk are set on the shelves
twice a day, and others ^{pen} hoked down & skimmed as often
The crank Churn is in operation twice a week
the routine is regular, therefore does not confuse us.

Dec 11 The Cheese molds, and cracks so badly that we have
it moved to the New House Cellar, 24 the number.
We have not been able to provide but little butter for
the hired Men, the most they have had has been bought.

Churned Butter Made in 1875

Jan.	127.		
Feb.	178.		
Mar.	153.	Churned,	2395.
Apr.	199.	Consumed,	2209.
May.	170.	Stored...	186.
June.	286.		Cheese made 1875.
July.	219.		Sold --- 100
Aug.	167.		Consumed. 251.
Sep.	228.		Stored. 498.
Oct.	323.		Total. 549.
Nov.	176.		
Dec.	169.		
Total.	2395.		

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January 1870.

The 2nd of this month attend to the yearly gifts of opening our minds. Bro. Wm Benjamin left home for Greenland, & he regain his health.

The New Year usher in, what it will bring to us is unknown, we hope that prosperity & abundance thro'out not only our village, our farm, but thro'out the Country, and in all the habitable world. Of Dairy bussiness I have but little to write, for there is but scanty in this line to do with, just milk enough to supply the table with butter, using by the way some laid down better to cook with, and constantly cautioning all to be saving of the trifle on hand, for we know nought of futurity. The weather thro'out the month is unusually warm for this time of the year, the wind most of the time South.

February.

Wed 2 The Cantrell family went to Fitzburg to learn about some property, or money coming to them, by the death of an Uncle, their Mothers Brother.
Sat 5 They returned home, very cold and stormy weather. Sent a Crock of scalded cream butter to the Office for table use, as we cannot provide enough now, a few days we had more milk come in but it soon failed to flow so freely, pity! pity. I will here note that Henry Cantrell has got a new Faucet over the kettle in the upper Room. We have more than three years, been in need of one.

Mon 7 The Butter sent to us after the Fire, has lasted until now for shortening our pies, for common use. We now commence using what we have stored since, also open scalded cream butter to eat at the table, as necessity requires.

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April.

- Thu 1th The Blanchard Churn in operation an hour, no Butter appears; the good old dasher churn is called into action, part of the cream ^{is put} in it and soon converted to Butter by water power, the rest is brot in the Blanchard, in a short time after the division.
- Wed 5 This evening 6 Brethren and 10 Sisters go to the North Family and attend their meeting, as a company of their folks have been to New York and have some writings, which they received by spirit influence thro' the noted medium Mansfield; we saw them unsealed and heard them read, it is carried on in this way, questions are asked of some spirit in writing; the paper folded 3 times, then the medium turns it ~~two~~ more and seals it then under influence of the spirit-addressed, he writes on the same paper a correct answer to the question put, it is interesting to know and realize how near our spirit friends are to us.
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May.

- Wed 3 Clean the Shop, and both of the Halls.
- Sat 6 The Weather has suddenly changed, it is very warm
The Milk sours, just as it always does, for the same ^{cause.}
- Mon 8 This evening the Milk train comes in the lower
Room. I went to washing; kept going all day.
- Tue 9 Churn 25^{lbs} of Butter, do not get cream enough
to churn again until Saturday, as we don't
have near as much milk bred in as there
was a few week back, instead of 19 to 24
frans, we have from 15 to 17 on an average.
- Wed 10 Oil the Milk Horse above, & paint the Wheel Barrow
& c. that conveys the Churn to and from the Water Power.
The Cows went out to hunt grass the 5th
of this month; the season is unusually forward.
- Sat 20 The quantity of Milk much increased, there
has been a small supply until within a
few days, the average having been 11 to 12 frails
- Wed 24 We clean the Cheese Room, and west Veranda.
- Sun 25 Clean the Cheese boards.
- Tue 30 Clean the Upper Milk Room.
We have succeeded in getting 43 lbs of Butter
to store for future use.
- Wed 31 Oil the floors, paint the water pipes & c.
An addition to my work, I am requested
to take care of William Anderson's Clothes.

June

- Mon 5 Commence making Cheese, there is now about 15 pailsful of milk per day.
- Fri 9 Make Cheese use only two milkings.
- Sat 10 Cheese and Butter are on hand today.
- Mon 12 I think we made Cheese 3 times this week, also the week following, the milk, 16 to 17 pailsful per day, and we were expecting to make a good supply of Cheese, but very soon we learn there are to be several cows turned out to fat, which have lately come in and are giving milk plentifully, very well, theres no use in fretting so we will make what we can, and use it accordingly.
- Mon 26 Make cheese only once this week. Butter scarce. Weather warm, and trouble plenty in the dairy. The little Butter we do make is so soft when churning that it is only ice and much labor that ever gets it in proper order, and we cannot learn the cause of its being so, thus it continues.

July.

- Mon 7 Make cheese once this week using 3 milkings.
- Mon 14 Get corn and and prepare for making sage cheese.
- Fri 18 Use part of the 24 hours milk have 16 pailsful in all, make 2 medium size cheeses.

Benjamin has bought 60^{lbs} of manufactured butter, composed largely of beef tallow, this will assist in supplying the table for hired men. Continual hot weather, no chance to cool; Night's milk skimmed at noon the following day. This is the manner at present.

July 30 Our Ministry left here last Tuesday, for Waterbury; They intend to ^{pass} there, for the West in a week. May the be blessed and prospered is our prayer. I have been on the Mountain for Whortle berries 3 times this month. Our family have picked 19 bushels. We have made 22 cheeses this season 4 of them small.

Aug 31 Intend making cheese if the cows dont dry up. The bear of '77 has commenced and my Journal shows for itself my extreme negligence. There has been but little dairy produce to write about, therefore no inducement, but continuity in this line, as in all others is commendable, and desirable also I think. To go back I remember we stopt making cheese about the middle of August as there was not milk enough to make what Butter was needed; it has been the same ever since, we have had only 10^{lbs} to store for shortening. We have moved along about as usual with the exception that there has been a great deal of

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talk about moving into the New House. The Milk
 was to have gone there long before ^{but} now it ^{is} not yet
 there, we kept it in the lower Room later than
 common, and being uncertain in regard to the
 future, concluded to move up stairs, then after
 more watching and waiting, prepared the west
 Veranda for winter, changed our stove in the shop
 and was thinking of spending the winter here,
 when lo! the fact was made known that the Family
 was to take Dinner in the Brick House New Year's Day.

Butter made in 1876. *cs*

Jan.	154.	
Feb.	126.	
Mar.	167.	
Apr.	215.	
May.	234.	Stored 23 ^{lbs.}
June.	221.	20.
July.	152.	
Aug.	135.	
Sep.	199.	
Oct.	177.	
Nov.	167.	10 ^{lbs.}
Dec.	159.	
Total	2106.	

Cheese made in '76.
 Consumed, 232. ^{lbs.}
 Stored, . . . 243.
 Gave to 2nd Order 50. -
 Total . . . 505.

To the 2nd Order.
 Gave an old cheese -

January 1877.

This month was spent in the Dairy. We had milk enough to supply the table with Butter. The Family ate dinner in the New House, on New Years day, for the first time, the event was celebrated with Oysters and Raisin Cake, when the meal was nearly closed, unexpectedly four young Sisters commenced a song, walked into the dining room, and sang it to the People, it was well adapted to our condition, and an affecting scene, after being two years deprived of a Living House. The Sisters referred to, were, Angelina T, Lorela H, Lucy B. and Emma Clough.

The Brethren concerned, were now anxious that we should move the milk into the room designed for the dairy, but the necessary accommodations were not completed, therefore we did not move until Feb-7 the second week in February I think, we have experienced both advantages, and the reverse, some times having neither steam, nor wood fire, has subjected us to cold and trouble, in the milk room; and the Shop we are privileged to occupy is the other extreme, very, very uncomfortable with heat many times in moderate weather the temperature being to 80 degrees and often above, when the windows ^{were} well opened, & blinds closed against the Sun.

The weather thro the month has been mild and warm for the season. We make a partial removal to bedding. March comes in, blustering, rude, and cold, blowing, snowing and tearing, go on thro' the entire month, and glad is all the Earth when it is out.

As for poor me I am sick, have an attack of erysipelas on the face, spent a week in the Infirmary.

We have had milk sufficient thro' the winter to keep the Family comfortable in that line. Averaging from 9 to 11 pailsful per day.

There has been much talk about the milking, how it is to be done in future, as the Sisters are so few in number who are able to milk, and conditioned so that they can. Meeting after meeting held by the Officials to decide what can be done, some of the beloved Brethren think it all foolishness that the Sisters cannot continue to carry it on as they have done; it is finally agreed that the boys may milk until the first of April, the time draws near, the poor Sisters meanwhile waiting in awful suspense the decision of their Lords, which is to seal their fate for weal or woe, when lo! the joyful tidings break on the ears of the weaker vessels, that a hired man will be on the ground (the stock,

April 1 to commence doing the milking I will take care of.)

April.

Sat. 8th A pleasant meeting with the Second Order, the weather good, it is agreed that as the two Orders assemble in our meeting room, they of the 2^d Order will hereafter sing half of the time, a very good arrangement I think.

Last Wednesday I went to the dairy to work on my sale work, I have been doing some of the small work in the House, but can work no longer to advantage as most of my utensils were long since conveyed to the Dairy room.

Thurs 9th The milk is moved to the lower room from the house, as it requires extra coal to supply sufficient steam to do the work, also the milk does not keep sweet, as the weather warms, not much change in quantity.

We preferred doing the work alone, instead of being all the time taxed, so we took ^{it} each 5 weeks, and continue the same method now.

The old Churn is equipt with a new dasher by O.H. and works with perfection.

Cows and calves are frequently coming from the distance; milk increases gradually, we have now the satisfaction of not so many pails to wash, less dirt to clean up, and much more quietude in regard to the milking, which partly it belongs to be.

Thurs 26th Clean the Shop and Halls.

Thurs clean the Garret & over beranda
Wed 8 scrub the room & Cellar.

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May.

- Fri 4 Milk averages from 12 to 13 pailfuls per day.
Churn 3 times this week, 62 lbs the effects.
My sale work now ready for trimming.
- Sat 6 Our faithful, dear Sister Elizaette takes her exit,
(bound for brighter spheres) at 20 minutes before one.
- Adv 6 Her funeral was attended at 1/2³ P.M. instead of
our usual meeting, her virtues were bro't to mind,
truly she has been a beloved earnest worker for the
cause, ever toiling devotedly with heart & hands.
The time well employed finishing sale work,
cleaning house, and preparing for the summer
work, which is ever sure to come.
Our Sister Abigail Hathaway, leaves earth to
join the happy throng redeemed from sin & sorrow.
- Tue 2 The Cantrell's leave home to seek for money.

June.

- Fri 1 Commence making Cheese, use part of
the 24 hour milk.
- Sat 2 Our wealthy family return, by which means I
am possessed of a quart of pea nuts.
- Mon 4 This week make Cheese 3 times.
- Sat 10 Make Cheese using only 2 milkings, for the first time
had seventeen pailfuls of milk, have averaged
from 14 to 15 per day thro the month. have 19 Cheese

July.

Sat 1 The Australian Doctor attended our meeting at White⁷/₁₀

Tues Get Corn for making Sage Cheese.

Wed 4 Make Cheese, and Tie out Butter, 2 fars, all that we have had this Season for future use.

We go along in the dairy in the usual way making cheese now and then according as we can spare the milk, sometimes once a week, at other times twice. Contentment with what we have to do with, is the main point.

My book evidently shows my negligence, in keeping account of passing events, I have entirely omitted doing so and therefore cannot write much about dates. I think we stoped making cheese about August. the middle of August, because there was not milk to use for that purpose besides supplying the kitchen. Times moves on, weeks and months pass without delay.

September.

We assisted in sorting the Apples for the Cellar when they were picked; had enough of a crop to make us comfortable thro the winter, but not a surplus. I think it was this month, that Henry bought a Butter worker, an improvement ahead of any thing we have had in that line. Times are changing, we now are hearing about setting milk in deep cases, and submerging it; after it has always been put in pans.

and set on shelves, ever since the first cow was milked
for aught I know. I have long wished we might get
the milk and butter without the help of the dear old
-cows.

October.

We succeed in getting a head with butter and cream,
so that we are able to make two crocks of scalded
cream butter, for future use, nearly 40 lbs I think.

Sabb 14 I am requested to leave the dairy business a month
from now, and go to assist Annalia, in charge of the
girls, instead of Emma Jane, as she then will have
to commence the boys school. My statement is not
correct. It was the 17th of September that I moved
so that Emma might have 4 weeks to make necessary
preparations for school. I have worked at the dairy
6 years and six months, have liked the work, but
have tired of the same rounds; "There is never a bitter
without a sweet" so we find it in all the conditions and
walks of life: joy and sorrow walk hand in hand.

I have worked with five different sisters in the dairy,
and gained a deep love for them. Bro Dwight & John
were the herdsmen when I went there, they long ago went
hence. How little do we ever know of the future, and
how well that we do not, as there is so little that is
just as we would wish to have it: but I think it
is a good way to always endeavor to look on the bright side. M

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November.

This month Henry bought a Creamer for the milk, and after George had made necessary preparations for water: Adaline moved the milk into the house.

Old things have passed away and all things have become new. Now instead of seeing half a dozen poor, tired, weak sisters trudging to and from the Barn with ten or twelve large wooden pails to be washed ^{of} hundred and 50 times a year, we see a large Tin Can ^{containing milk,} on a wooden frame wheeled to the door, two nice tin pails, and if you please to step into the milk room, you will see a strange appearing thing pointed at both ends I think, called a churn, and on the pegs hangs a great long wadded something, that belongs to it;

If the good old dashed churn could talk, I guess it would express surprise, at being thus set aside after doing good service so many, many years.

Butter made in 1874,	2, 4, 1/2, 3, lbs,
Butter made in 1878,	2, 7, 0, 1, lbs,

August 17th 1879, it is thought best for
 me to resign and come away from
 And the Dairy it being so very damp they
 could thought it made worse for years being trouble
 to be with gatherings in them. I like the work
 it, she very much, the way now of setting the
 always in the winter makes it much easier
 thought than the old way of setting ^{the milk} in pans, &
 she will use those pans to skim the cream off, some
 like a tin, & all to wash & handle two or three
 times over, where as now you have a can
 that ^{you} attach a little rubber pipe & faucet &
 turn that & the milk will run out & leave
 the cream to the bottom of the can, it holds
 18 quarts, & that with a over thunder &
 settling of it it is just as sweet when
 you take it out at 24 hours old as it was
 when you put it in, sometimes their
 will be 5 gal of those cans to a milking in
 the summer time, you want to wash
 the cans about 3 times a week.
 There has not been much to write about
 in the year & has pass on without being
 noted much
 As I put with the Dairy affairs & the Journal
 done the work 3 years under a pretty well

(The milk goes to the Dairy 12 1/2 gal daily)
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August 15th 1880.

I have been absent from the Dairy almost 4 years, my time and services have been largely for the children, tho I have worked in the kitchen, and at the medicine a great deal in the winter season, I gladly resign the troubles and torment of my past experience, feeling that I have labored to do my best, and any one desiring to try the business is welcome to better it, and I will bless them in so doing.

July 15 Elizabeth Sidle has worked in the dairy just a year and is unwilling to stay any longer, she has left 200 lbs of butter stored for shortening; It was all secured in the early part of summer. We have very little milk compared with what used to be, just enough for the table with not a bit to spare. Hicks and months pass on, with nothing worth penning in this department excepting a gradual decrease of milk to about 38 quarts at a time, and it is impossible to always have butter on the table, so we leave it off once and sometimes twice a week. Elder DC procured a cheese which made 5 meals, when that was gone there was no resort to supply the lack.

The milk was moved into the house the first week in November after awhile we had some more milk, but do not get a surplus, for it takes some for cooking all along by the way. The last week in December we had an increase of milk. I have picked one jar of butter for
 (future use 20 lbs.)

Butter made in 1880.

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 Dec. 164.

Total 2,125.

Got Separator in
 the Dairy October 18th 1905

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January, 1881.

3rd The second week this month I have 3 churnings. We have between 70 and 80 quarts of milk at once just about double what there was in the fall.

15th Got three churnings again this week.

Aug 18th To any disgrace I have neglected keeping any account of dairy business since the year commenced, only in an awkward way.

In Jan^r stored 40^{lbs} of Butter. Feb^r 22^{lbs}.

April 35. May 129. June 165. July 125.

At this date there has been 465^{lbs} of Butter stored since the year came in. 40^{lbs} of winter produce I took up and tried mixed with grass butter, it was perfectly sweet, but was of course improved by the process, to the expense of the other. To day Elder Daniel has taken 54^{lbs} of Butter to Market, I hope it will be satisfactory. Henry previously took 17^{lbs} the jar had been opened, and the butter was not as good for it. I have but little surplus milk at present ranging from 3 to 4 cans at once, have not stored any Butter

I moved the milk to the Dairy May 21st the weather was very warm before I was prepared for it, and so much milk that there was not room for

May 31st Dr Benjamin, Angeline Turner, and the Writer went to New York, spent the first night in Albany, three days in the City, then went to Cona Island Sal^{ty} and left Mon^{dy} spent that night in N^o. Y., next day went to Rockaway beach, had rain, went to Allens Museum and for distant, the same P^{er} returned to the City, and the next day came home by rail. We enjoyed the trip very much, tho as usual it was not all sunshine and flowers. Dr Elizabeth I worked for me while I was absent, she stored 30 lbs of Butter.

for it.

1897

October 27th B.G. got a Davis ^{swing} Churn
it works very nicely. It is much
easier to take care of than the tin
churn. a very good supply of milk
for this time of year.

30. th Elder Calvin removes from the centric
family which has to the first Order

Butter made in 1897

January	"	192	lbs
February	"	146	
March	"	148	
April	"	194	
May	"	459	
June	"	284	
July	"	400	
August	"	353	
September	"	344	
October	"	441	
November	"	292	
December	"	337	lbs

Total 3,360

Butter made in (1897) 1897

January	7	2	7	4
February		2	2	4
March		2	8	9
April		3	0	8
May		4	2	4
June		4	4	6
July		5	9	3
August		4	0	5
September		4	3	4
October		3	9	3
November		2	2	8
December		1	8	8
Total amount		4	2	11 lbs.

Butter made in 1904

Made " " 1691 lb
From March 17 to September 14

Sold 687 lb

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January 1898 Butter made 4.310 lbs
" Sold " 2.197 lbs

January 1899 Butter (made) " 4.488 lbs
Timothy Sold " 2.280 "

1900
1900 Butter Made in 1900 4.785 lbs
Sold " " 2.907 "

1901 Butter (made in 1901) 4.524
1901 Sold " " 2.332

1902 Butter made " 145 lbs
all the cows killed

1903 " " 436 "

1904 " (made) 1645
" Sold " " 785

1905 (made) " 2776
" Sold " " 1615

1906 (made) " " 3044 lbs
Timothy Sold 2172 lbs

