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Sunday, January 1

This has been one of the most stormy days I ever saw. A raging snow from the south-west, which has lifted into every crevice and piled up into great banks in the road by the fences and buildings. I have not stired[sic] out only to do chores. I wrote pa and read the papers.

Monday, Jan. 2

It has stormed all day today also. I think there is about 3 feet of snow on a level now. Fred Neill came over this forenoon and we cut down a tree and sawed some wood. We had to shovel the snow of our way. I split the wood this afternoon and piled it but I can't tell when I can draw it on account of the deep snow. Have been reading up on penmanship tonight. My labors begin at the College tomorrow for the winter term.

Tuesday, Jan. 3

I went up to the opening of the winter term of College this morning and taught classes this afternoon. I am to have more pupils than last term and have ha to form two classes in writing. It has not been cold today but is snowed a little to keep up the reputation. I feel rather tired tonight.

Wednesday, Jan. 4

I practiced flourishing an hour this forenoon and then fixed up my class book for this term. I intend to spend the forenoon in study during this winter if I can. I had two classes in penmanship this afternoon. My Bookkeeping class will be small until I receive the books I sent for. Have been practicing penmanship tonight. The weather has been mild, but not warm.

Thursday, Jan. 5

I put in this forenoon in pretty solid study, which is what I want to do, as much as I can. Went up town early enough to get the mail, as I did not stay to get is last night. I got some beautiful cards from Dakin and a letter from Nellie. I drew my salary for last term today. Have been straightening out my cash account tonight. It is storming tonight.

Friday, Jan. 6

The storm last night did not prevail long as only 2 or 3 inches of snow fell and that was crusted over as though rain has fallen last and then frozen. I had my class no. 1 in Penmanship at 10 o'clock P.M. today and it was filled. Both classes are now full. I went to the town library after school and drew a book, "Ancient America," which I began reading aloud tonight so Kate could have the benefit also. It has been a mild day.

Saturday, Jan. 7

Fred Waters came just before noon and left his wife and baby to spend the afternoon with Kate. Taught my classes at [?] this afternoon. Fred came home with me after school and stayed to supper, I got a box for Kate through the mail which was from home and contained wedding cake from Henry's wedding. We all had some. I rode up town with Fred tonight to attend the meeting of the Literary society. It is snowing tonight.

Sunday, Jan. 8

Did not get around today and my teeth ached all the forenoon, so I could not enjoy myself much. It snowed some today. I called at Neill's this afternoon and took them a small of Henry's wedding cake. I wrote a letter to Nellie and one to ma. Also wrote for samples of envelope and paper of a firm in Boston.

Monday, Jan. 9

I wrote some cards this forenoon and helped Kate a little about the washing. Went over and helped Fred Neill saw wood this afternoon. It has been snowing more or less all day. Read aloud from the book on the Mound Builders, for an hour this evening, it is very interesting, and instructive. I did not go after the mail tonight, as I didn't expect any letters.

Tuesday, Jan. 10

We found upon getting up this morning that a large amount of snow has fallen and was still coming, it was light and blew up into drifts during last night and this forenoon. I took some letters over to the Court House this morning; I had to break a path. The thermometer went down to 6° above 0 this forenoon, the coldest it has been this winter. I stopped and visited with Mr. Harvey after school this afternoon. Got a pail of water at the spring as I came home.

Wednesday, Jan. 11

It was cold this morning, the ther. being only 4° above 0. I helped Fred saw for about 2 hours this forenoon, my nose kept getting cold. It has kept up a continual fine snow all day. I went up and got the mail this evening, received a letter from Irvie McColl. Got the Dee Western Penman, which is so full of gems of penmanship that I hate to go to bed. It is very cold tonight, 4° above.

Thursday, Jan. 12

The thermometer indicated 2° above 0 this morning, the lowest it has gone so far this season. I helped Fred saw again this forenoon. Taught as usual this afternoon; came home directly from school. I almost always have to go to the store for something. Kate is having a headache tonight. I have got to begin to think up on the question to debated Saturday night.

Friday, Jan. 13

A very hard storm raged last night and paths and roads were all full this morning. It has snowed most all day, too, so I did not go to saw any wood. It was comparatively warm today aside from the wind. I have commenced to bring up wood from the pile in the clearing, so as to make that in the shed hold out. The snow is so deep I cant straw it with Jim.

Saturday, Jan. 14

I went over this forenoon and helped Fred finish up his wood pile. It was cold this morning, 3° above 0. Finished the second weeks work in this term of teaching today. I received a letter from Ma telling us that Mrs. Butler, the minister's wife was dead. We feel that we have lost a friend and that a friend has been bereaved. I attended the College Literary Society Meeting, and led in a debate, which was something new for me. We won the resolution.

Sunday, Jan. 15

It has been a cold stormy day, the thermometer only going up to about 5° above 0 during the day it was 3° above this morning, and about 1° above when I last looked tonight. Snow has been falling and blowing around all day. I did not go out of the yard today. Wrote a letter o Ma today and fixed up a kind of calendar for this month. I have been having the toothache a good deal this evening. Have been thinking and talking about going to school next summer.

Monday, Jan. 16

It was above 0 when I got up this morning. Fred Neill came over and we have been sawing wood for me all day. We had to shovel lots of snow as the first log we cut up had been down some time and was completely covered with drifts. We cut a tree this afternoon and will finish sawing tomorrow forenoon. I went up town for the mail tonight, the Bookkeeping works had come so my class has additional students for tomorrow. I received a letter from Fred Davidson, of Inland, a last year student of mine.

Tuesday, Jan. 17

Fred came over this forenoon and we finished up the sawing. I have got to split it all now. It snowed hard for a little while this morning and then we had a little sunshine. Commenced this weeks teaching this afternoon. Came home without going over town. Began to read "Ancient America," again tonight. I have been writing copies and printing penmanship this evening.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

I went out after breakfast this forenoon and commenced to split the wood I have sawed. Worked hard at it until about 11 o'clock getting a little more than half through. It made me pretty tired. I did not fail to do the usual amount of teaching this afternoon. Have been reading and writing this evening. The weather remains quite even now with thermometer from 12 to 20 above 0.

Thursday, Jan. 19

Finished splitting the wood this forenoon. It snowed quite hard all day. I received the "Penman's Art Journal" and "The Office" today, they are very interesting this month. In coming home, I stopped at the sawmill where I saw Fred Neill and rode up with him. We had a letter from Ida Spoor and Kate got one from Nellie, saying she was having a bad time with one of her arms. Have written tomorrow's copies and practiced a little beside. Several inches of snow fell during the day. It is very deep now.

Friday, Jan. 20

A large amount of snow fell last night and it grew cold also as the ther. Showed only 1° above 0 when I got up. The wind blew from the north and it was very cold. I shoveled out the big grate and Fred came with his team and we drew up my wood. It was no funny job plunging through the snow, but I am glad I have the wood up. I sent some buckwheat to mill by Fred. I ordered Binler's Penmanship today. It was very cold tonight, the thermometer being below 0. Have spent the evening in writing and reading.

Saturday, Jan. 21

The thermometer indicated 9° below 0 this morning; that is getting pretty cold. I wrote a price for a paper one of the students is getting up for the Literary Society. Una has had a relapse and is more sick than she has ever been, she coughs very hard. 3 weeks of this term have passed off now. I believe I enjoy the work really well but think this will be my last term here. I had a long visit with Mr. Harvey after school this afternoon. Have not done anything this evening. It is 4° below 0 now and a beautiful moonlight night.

Sunday, Jan. 22

2° below 0 this morning. I went to church this forenoon, walked back with Fred Neill and called in there a few minutes. I let Jim out a little while this afternoon and he spoiled all my paths. Una was better during the day but is pretty bad tonight. I am afraid we are not going to have much an easy time with her cough as we had begun to think. I wrote a letter to ma and one to Fred Davidson tonight. It is about 8° above 0 tonight.

Monday, Jan. 23

It was quite stormy this forenoon and I stayed in the house, did writing and amused Una while Kate did her baking. I made a path through the snow out into the clearing this afternoon and dug out a dry log and sawed up some chunks for use nights. Dug out the cabbage heads I buried last fall, as I feared they were spoiling but I guess they are all right just there in the cellar. Went up town to night to get the mail and put in out numerous letters. I sent an order to Boston for a pair of pants. It is quite cold tonight, 10° above 0.

Tuesday, Jan. 24

Kate did her washing this forenoon and I stayed in the house and wrote and cared for Una. I have got such a fearful toothache tonight that I can't write much. Una seems a little better today.

Wednesday, Jan. 25

I suffered very much with my teeth this forenoon doing nothing but doctor them. It stormed hard all the forenoon. I went up town early today noon and got some Laudnamto use on my teeth so that I could stand the afternoon in my classroom. There came up a big north wind this afternoon and piled this snow up pretty badly. I got some of my Buckwheat flour at the mill as I came home. Una's cough is pretty bad. The wind howls tonight.

Thursday, Jan. 26

The wind last night piled this snow up in fearful shape, paths and roads were entirely obliterated. I was obliged to shovel the snow off the wood house this morning to prevent a break down. I practiced writing considerable this forenoon, and my worked seemed better than usual. Mr. Morrow called on us a little while. We received a letter from Henry and Kate tonight. The baby spent a hard night last night, and bids fair to be as bad tonight. I am very tired tonight.

Friday, Jan. 27

The sun shone quite a little this forenoon which was very welcome. The wind continued to blow and fill all the paths up. When we were eating diner Mr. and Mrs. Waters and his father came. I had to go to my school and leave them. I got my mail tonight, received a letter from ma, they are getting anxious to see Kate and Una. I brought

Neill's mail to them. Had to wade through lots of snow in coming home. Hattie Grey was here with Kate this afternoon and evening.

Saturday, Jan. 28

We were up so much with the baby last night that we got up very late this morning. It was a pleasant forenoon and I let Jim out for a little exercise. I finished the fourth week of this winter term of school today. There is a total eclipse of the moon tonight I suppose, but it is so cloudy nothing can be seen of it. I am disappointed. The baby is having a bad time again tonight.

Sunday, Jan. 29

We had to be up a great deal with the baby last night. We both got somewhat scared about her. I did not go to church today, stayed at home to help Kate take care of Una. Fred Neill and Mrs. Morrow both called this afternoon. I got some onions at Morrow's to make syrup for the baby. Wrote a letter to Willie and to ma. Was reading about senator Ingalls and his recently burned house. I was impressed with his manner of reading books and making marginal notes as he read. A person would be apt to remember the principle things by doing so. Una pretty bad tonight.

Monday, Jan. 30

Una was a little easier last night than the night before, but still pretty bad, she has had very hard coughing spells today. Kate washed this forenoon. I took care of baby and made a calendar for February. Went out in the clearing this afternoon and sawed up some chunks and brought them in to the woodshed. It has been warm enough to thaw some today, and the snow has settled quite a little. I went up town tonight and got the mail, Kate, got a letter from Nellie. I received Binler's book on Penmanship.

Tuesday, Jan. 31

Kate and I felt pretty tired when we got up this morning, as Una coughed about all last night. It was almost a rain this morning and has continued warm all day. I called a Mr. Waters this afternoon and got a few onions to make syrup for Una. Fred gave a picture of the landscape this side of the creek, but it does not show our place. I have been trying to write tonight but am almost too sleepy.

Wednesday, February 1

We think Una acted some better today, and she is going to improve. It continues moderate and the snow is settling. I had a sled ride down the big hill tonight, as I came home from town, has no mishap as I did last winter. My classes so far are going on nicely. I got the blues over them at times, but perhaps there is no need of it. Am feeling very tired tonight.

Thursday, Feb. 2

I took Jimmie down to the creek to water this forenoon. It was the first time he has been on the road since this winter set in. He stumbled a good deal when he got off the beaten track. I will have to take him there to get exercise. It has continued mild, but was cloudy, so a bear could not see his shadow today and I suppose the rest of the winter will not be hard. Una seems about as yesterday, we think she is gaining as she laughs more. I had a new student enter for bookkeeping today.

Friday, Feb. 3

Una still continues to be pretty sick. We have to be up more or less every night. She has been pretty bad this afternoon and evening. The weather continues mild. Jessie Neill has been here a good share of the day. A little rain fell last night and the surface of the snow appears shiny. Received a postal card from ma and a picture of Bertha, which is a good one. I feel mighty cross someway, which is a bad state of affairs. Wrote letters to Mother Queal and Irvie McCall today.

Saturday, Feb. 4

Una was the worst last night that she has been, and Kate was up with her a long time trying to get her cough loose. She has been about as usual today. Finished the fifth week of the school term today. I saw Richard Robbin a little while after school. It has been another mild day but the wind is in the north and it snows tonight. Have been looking over the catalogue of the Fenton Normal School tonight, but I think I will go to Valparaiso for the study of penmanship. I wish I had time, money and health to attend some school that does not appear to have too much bray.

Sunday, Feb. 5

We got up very late this morning on account of being up so much nights with Una. I did not get around to go to church. Kate has had a headache some today and I have tried to help care for the baby so she could get some rest, but I guess I am not a very good hand. Una has been feeling pretty bad this evening. I commenced a letter to ma today. Have been reading of the great snow blockade in the eastern states. I think Michigan is about as good a place to live in as any states we seem to escape fearful storms and extreme cold.

Monday, Feb. 6

I took care of Una this forenoon while Kate did her washing. The poor little girl has hard times with her cough. Went out in the slashing this afternoon and sawed up some chunks for use nights.. Richard Robbins was here a little while this afternoon. I went up town with him when he went back. Called at Mr. Harvey's a while and had a talk. I sent in my subscription to The Office today. There is a bad snow storm driving from the southeast tonight.

Tuesday, Feb. 7

Our baby keeps about the same, she is beginning to show that her cough is telling on her, as she seems [thiner]sic. and paler. It had snowed a good deal last night and the paths were full. It has been growing colder today. Another new student came to join the Bookkeeping and Penmanship classes today. School work went off very nicely today. I wish it might go as well every day. Have been writing copies and cards this evening.

Wednesday, Feb. 8

Una is the same as she has been of late. I hope she will get no worse, or I don't know what we will do. I sent ma a postal today telling her about Una. It has been a stormy day and has grown cold, it being 2° below 0 tonight. I did not get the mail tonight as it had not come in when I came home. We pull the bed to the living room these cold nights and keep very comfortable as we have a fire going all night, on account of the baby.

Thursday, Feb. 9

The thermometer indicated 2° below this morning. We knew it was growing awful cold during last night as we could hear trees cracking with the front. Mr. and Mrs. Waters came over this forenoon to see how the baby was. Una has very hard coughing spells today but feels pretty good between them. I called at Mr. Waters after school to see Willie who is sick. Went up town tonight and got some homeopathic medicine of Mrs. Packard for Una. It has grown fearful cold and is about 20° below 0 now. I hope there will be a change before morning.

Friday, Feb. 10

12° below 0 this morning, it is about 0 tonight but that seems quite comfortable. Una was real sick all last night and today she has not been able to sit up. We got alarmed about her, but she seems easier this evening. I went over and asked Mrs. Neill what she thought about the care. I am feeling dull tonight, guess I want to go to sleep.

Saturday, Feb. 11

Una seemed better today than she was yesterday and last night. Mrs. Neill came over this morning when Fred sent for his load of lumber and stayed all day with Kate. It was 10° below 0 this morning, but by noon it was 20° above, it is 10° above tonight. I received a letter from each of my mothers today. Got the Jan'y number of the Western Penman. I hope our little girl is going to get better, but I am afraid that she is pretty sick now.

Sunday, Feb. 12

We did not get around very early this morning, we were up with Una so much last night. She feels better today than she has in a long time. Mrs. Marrow and family were over to see the baby this afternoon and evening. Fred Neill came over this evening. We had a good visit together. I wrote a letter to Effie today. The weather has been quite mild.

Monday, Feb. 13

Una was so much better last night than usual, so I got up quite early this morning and cooked the pancakes while Kate had some rest. Kate washed this forenoon and she got very tired over it. There was a great change in the weather this forenoon, it turned warm and the snow melted so fast where the wind could strike it that by noon the roads and paths were level with the surrounding snow. Mrs. Huntington called on Kate this afternoon. I went up town and got the mail tonight. It seems like a rain tonight.

Tuesday, Feb. 14

It turned cold today at noon it was 4° above, 42° colder than at noon yesterday, the wind blew strongly from the north. Una seems to keep better. There was an election today in this congressional district to fill a vacancy. It is being watched with much interest all over the country. I let out my classes early and went to vote. The thermometer was at 0 when I last looked.

Wednesday, Feb. 15

18° below 0 this morning, cold enough. Una felt rather bad this morning and we got around rather slowly. I had very bad luck with the pancakes, believe I can do better at other kind of work, am not a natural cook. Took a specimen of the writing which I could do before studying the art, up to my class room and pinned[sic] up beside a signature I executed today. There was some difference. Rode part way home with Mr. Bilderback tonight. Thermometer at 0 tonight.

Thursday, Feb. 16

It grew warm last night and has been moderate day. It is starlight and moonlight tonight and looks beautiful out. Kate's Calla Lilly is in bloom and the flower is very pretty and the most fragrant one I ever saw. My right arm seems to feel bad today and my writing is bad in consequence. I got the mail tonight, and the pants I ordered of the Plymouth Rock Pant Co. came and I am well pleased with them. Una seems a good deal better.

Friday, Feb. 17

The weather has been very moderate all day. I wrote a letter ma this forenoon and made out an order to the Plymouth Rock Pant Co. for a vest. Mr. Morrow called to see our Calla lilly, which is just a beauty. Jimmie fell down when I was on his back this forenoon and spilled me into the snow. Kate got a letter Nellie tonight. I have had no letter from home this week. My arm has bothered me about writing today; it almost discourages me.

Saturday, Feb. 18

It has been a fine day, the sun shining brightly and thawing considerable. Carrie Waters and baby came at noon as spent the day. Fred came and got her at night. I visited with Prof. Harvey a while after school was out. I guess he is about as sick of some things in connection with the College as I am. I have been thinking that if I can't sell and Kate gets to feeling better that we may stay here another summer. Am afraid I will lose on this place if we rent it.

Sunday, Feb. 19

I succeeded in getting ready to go to church this forenoon. It began to rain before I got there and rained hard by spells the rest of the day. It seems real warm out. I took a short nap this afternoon and then Kate took a sleep. I wrote a letter to ma this afternoon and evening. I heard today that two lumber firms near here [sic] had recently hired new bookkeepers and I wish I could have been fortunate enough to have got one of the positions, but perhaps I couldn't fill them as they should be. Wish I had a chance to try though.

Monday, Feb. 20

It rained about all of last night and the roads were so soft I saw very few teams out today. It turned into snow during the forenoon and stormed considerable this afternoon. Kate did the washing this forenoon. I studied bookkeeping some today enough to finish a set I began work on some time ago. Gave the cellar an airing and a fumigating with sulphur. Kate thinks Una has begun to cut a tooth sure she made her thimble strike it. I wrote 2 dozen cards for Mr. and Mrs. Waters this evening.

Tuesday, Feb. 21

I have been having more of the face ache today, which makes me feel miserable. Went over to the Court House with a letter to ma this morning to send it out with the clerk's mail. I went up town rather early this noon so as to get mail before school; I received a letter from ma. Called at Mr. Waters after school and left the cards I wrote for them. Have been wearing a poultice on my face this evening.

Wednesday, Feb. 22

It has been a very bright and pleasant day, so warm I did not wear an overcoat up town. It looked very much like a storm of some kind tonight. The roads are in a rather bad state, as they break through in places that ice hurts the horse's feet. There was an entertainment up town tonight, but I felt too tired to go, and thought I better stay home anyway. I spent the most of the evening practicing writing.

Thursday, Feb. 23

Another very fine day with sunshine. I shoveled a path from the barn to the road this morning. It was hard shoveling. A man came to see Jimmie this forenoon and said he would buy him in two weeks if he could sell some notes to raise the money. Mrs. Harvey came over to visit Kate this afternoon and Mr. Harvey came along with me after school was out. We enjoy their company very much. It is a very fine moonlight evening.

Friday, Feb. 24

It was so warm and pleasant today that I opened up the cellar for an airing. I have had the Neuralgia in my face and head quite bad all the afternoon; do not feel like doing anything tonight. It looks stormy tonight.

Saturday, Feb. 25

I spent a bad night with the neuralgia last night and so I determined to see if pulling a certain bad tooth would cure it and walked over to Frankfurt after leaving word that I would not be there to teach. It was very bad walking and I was over 3 hours going down. I got dinner of bread and milk at the Forest Avenue [sic] Hotel and then had the tooth pulled. I expected to ride back with Fred Neill but had to walk back as he did not go with his load of lumber. It has snowed some all day and is much colder tonight.

Sunday, Feb. 26

It has been a very stormy cold day. I think 8 or 10 inches of snow has fallen. I did not feel like going to church today. Fred Hill came over this afternoon and staid during the evening. My face and head ache today and I don't know as pulling the tooth has done what I wanted of it for sure or not. The thermometer is at 0 tonight.

Monday, Feb. 27

It was 3° below 0 this morning and it has been a cold blistering day. It is 8° below tonight. Kate washed this forenoon and I took care of the baby. Wrote a letter to ma and went up town to the mail tonight. And also when down to Mr. Betts and got my orders for pay for teaching, which I drew the money on at the store. Rode home with Mr. Huntington as he came along when I did.

Tuesday, Feb. 28

It was not as cold this morning as I thought it would be last night, being 2° above 0. It has moderated a good deal. The wind blew strong from the south and drifted the snow considerable. Taught at the College this afternoon, I am beginning to count the weeks until it will close, some things about the school make me very tired.

Wednesday, Feb. 29

It has been a sunny pleasant day, thawing considerable. Fred Waters called here this morning and talked about Bookkeeping a little, he had some trouble with his studying. I did some practicing of writing this forenoon and this evening. I received a letter from ma tonight saying that Effie has a little boy, which makes me an uncle and Kate an aunt. I had another chance to sell Jimmie today, so I guess I will have a chance to dispose of some things.

Thursday, March 1

It has stormed snow and sleet all day long, so I guess we can say that March came in like a lion. I went up to teach this afternoon, but owing to a teacher's examination there was no one to teach so I visited with Mr. Harvey. We talked about Vollapuk, German school matter etc. I have such a stomach-ache that I can't enjoy anything.

Friday, March 2

It rained this forenoon and part of the afternoon, then turned colder and made a crust on the snow, which is quite sharp but hardly enough to hold me up. I went up to teach but as there were only 2 students I had but the one class and then dismissed and came home. Kate sent some things to Effie's baby tonight. I expected to hear from home but did not. We received the book and medicine ordered from New York. It is growing cold tonight.

Saturday, March 3

The thermometer showed 5° above this morning and it has been cold all day. Una has got a very sore mouth, which worries us a good deal. I wish she could get well, we have had a siege of it all winter. My classes at the College were very small today. I have made up my mind that I cannot go away next summer, as the place would run down so that I fear it would not sell well. Guess I will have to study at home.

Sunday, March 4

I managed to get around to take Jimmie to the creek to water this morning and give him a chance to stretch his limbs. Went to church today. It was pleasant but cold. I called on the Neill's this afternoon. Have been thinking today that if I can get any-one to care for the place. Maybe I would go to the Oberlin school of Penmanship the coming summer. Wrote a letter to cousin Ida Spoor and one to ma tonight.

Monday, March 5

I received tonight by mail the sad and totally unexpected news of the death of my sister Effie, which occurred last Wednesday. They did not telegraph for me as they thought I could not get there in time or leave Kate and the baby. It don't seem as though I could believe that Effie is really gone, my last sister. We will go home now to stay and try and comfort poor mother and father.

Tuesday, March 6

I went up town today in the morning to mail letters home letting them know we had received the sad news. I had no school today did not feel that I could teach. Mr. And Mrs. Waters called here this afternoon, they heard of Effie's death by a letter from Webster. Kate has decided to go home the first of next week if she and Una are well enough and the weather will permit. I want them to be with ma for company in this terrible affliction.

Wednesday, March 7

5° below 0 this morning, but grew warmer and has been a very pleasant day. Kate and the baby went over to Neill's when I went to my school and spent the afternoon there, I stopped and got them when I came home. I mailed letters home today telling them that Kate would start the first of next week for home if it is pleasant. I went up town and got my mail tonight. Kate had a letter from Nellie and I got some experience from Scarborough.

Thursday, March 8

It has been a very pleasant day I think we are having many more pleasant days this winter than last. We made up our mind that Kate better start tomorrow and so she began to pack up and get ready but when I saw Fred today noon I found that he could not go, so we hope for a fine day next Monday. The man who was going to buy Jim has given it up, and so I am left on that score unless I find someone else to take him.

Friday, March 9

It was cloudy today, but has been thawing. Mr. Waters came and got Kate and Una this morning and I went up there and took dinner. Fred brought them home tonight and brought the mail also. I received a letter from my poor mother; she is so lonesome now that I am very anxious to get home. I got the vest I ordered of the Plymouth Rock Pants Co., and as far as I can see it is good. I don't seem to know whether to rain or snow tonight.

Saturday, March 10

It was raining when we got up this morning and has been doing so more or less all day. I took a letter that I wrote to [mo?] over to the Court House this morning. Kate did the washing this forenoon so as to be ready to go next Monday if the weather is good which don't seem probable. There are now but 3 weeks more of school. I feel now that I want to get through and go home.

Sunday, March 11

It has been a blustering day, and don't promise very good for a journey to Manistee tomorrow. I did not go anywhere today but over to Mr. Morrows after Milk. Mrs. Morrow and Dee were here a while this afternoon so ere Fred and Jessie Neill. I wrote a letter to ma this afternoon. Sundays will be such lonesome ones for her as Effie was generally home those days. I wrote a letter to Will Stevens also. I fell down and hurt my muscular movement shoulder while getting in wood tonight.

Monday, March 12

Kate and I got up at 4 o'clock this morning as it was clear and still we concluded we could go to Manistee and so we began to pack Kate's things. Fred came over soon after 8 and we got to Bear lake about 12 where we took dinner. Una did splendidly not crying at all, she did not seem any the worse for the long cold ride. We got into Manistee in good season and are at the Durham house. Robert Tuffts, an old friend of pas, is conductor on the train Kate goes out on in the morning.

Tuesday, March 13

My dear wife and baby left on the 5:15 train this morning. I saw them snug in the parlor car and Una was feeling well. We had an awful cold ride back to Benzonia today, [Mo..?] Hubbell, Packard, and Adams rode with us. I went up town and got a telegram from Kate saying she was safe but no one to meet her, which I cant understand. I took supper at Neill's tonight, but am staying at out house. Everything had frozen.

Wednesday, March 14

I got a fungal breakout this morning and then went at the packing. I took the covering off the bookcase, sawed off the legs ad converted it into a box in which I placed all the books. Taught my classes this afternoon. J.O. Packard visited one o the penmanship classes. I went a couple of miles and back after school to see a man about buying Jim and the cook stove. I took supper at Mr. Morrows this evening. Thought I would do lots of work tonight but am to[sic] tired.

Thursday, March 15

I was busy all the forenoon packing things. I should be along time at it. The weather has moderated as it has thawed some today. I have made arrangements to get my meats at Morrows so I will not have to spend time cooking etc. I wrote a letter to ma tonight.

Friday, March 16

Mr. Barnes came over this forenoon and bought Jimmie taking him away with him, so I will not have him to look after now, but I shall miss the little fellow after all. I finished packing one barrel, and got another nearly filled this forenoon. I received the Alphabets and Automatic Ink powders by mail tonight. Jessie Packard came over home with me and showed me how to fix some ink, and we looked over the specimens of penwork which I have.

Saturday, March 17

Did more packing up this forenoon, called at the court house and left a letter to be mailed. This is an awful lonesome house without Kate and Una. I went to a reception tonight given by Mr. and Mrs. Harvey at Mr. Thackers'. I had a very nice time. Mrs. Spencer exhibited her Turkish collections, which are great curiosities and very interesting. We had nice refreshments and each received a Turkish penwiper as a present.

Sunday, March 18

I arose at 6 o'clock this morning and began a letter to Kate before I went over for my breakfast. I went to church this forenoon and came back to Neill's for dinner, then Fred came over to my house for a while, while I did some writing and I went back with him and took a lunch and spent most of the evening. I am back for the night, as I want to get to work early in the morning. I shall hope for a letter from Kate tomorrow but may not get one until Wednesday.

Monday, March 19

Took my washing over to Mrs. Bilderback this morning. It was a very mild, warm atmosphere. Have been busy packing up all day and think I am nearly through. Mr. Barnes was here this forenoon and got my hoe, he said he would take my cook stove and bed stead. It has rained hard some about 4 o'clock and the wind blows strong from the south,. I fear the rounds will be in such bad shape that I cannot send the good for a long time. I will have to sleep in a primitive way tonight as all the bedding is packed.

Tuesday, March 20

I got up early this morning and found it had turned colder in the night and was freezing. I started up town about half past six to get the mail and put in some letters. I got a letter from Kate saying Una was all right but I guess she don't feel well at all. I also received a letter from Scott, and he calculated to leave Chili this month. Had breakfast when I got back and then went to packing. I called at Mrs. Waters after school and she going to board me when I go up town. I had to sleep under my overcoat last night, but I am going over to stay with Fred Neill tonight.

Wednesday, March 21

Came over 5 o'clock this morning and went to work. I have more to do than I thought I should. I am all done but fixing up the chain and marking some of the things. It is quite cold and windy. I am going over to stay with Fred again tonight, but am going up first to see if I have a letter from Kate or someone.

Thursday, March 22

I seemed to find all I could do this forenoon marking and fixing up the good ready for shipping. It has been a cold blustering day. I came home after school and shoveled a road so Fred can get in here with his team tomorrow, if it is a good day he will take the goods to Manistee. I received a letter from ma and Kate last night; they were pretty well. Was glad to hear from them.

Friday, March 23

It was 14° below 0 this morning. Fred Neill took my goods away; he is taking them to Manistee. I ate my last meal at Morrow's today noon, and came to Mr. Waters to board tonight. I received a letter from Will Stevens saying he was to be married last Wed. I expect to visit him on my way home. I went over to my house and got some things after school. It is cold tonight.

Saturday, March 24

It has been pretty cold all day and is very sharp and clear tonight. I went over to my house for a few things this forenoon, and got Morrow to bring some of my dry wood over here so I can have a fire in my room when I wish. I am counting the days now until school is out. I went over to Neill's this evening but Fred had not returned yet from Manistee.

Sunday, March 25

I went to church this forenoon. Mr. McClellan, a minister visiting here at Mr. Waters' preached. I wrote or rather printed a letter to Kate on Mr. Waters' typewriter. It was something new and was lots of amusement to me. I made a good many mistakes but think I could have to run one successfully in a short time. I went over to my house this afternoon and got our photo album. Called at the Neill's for a while. It was quite warm during the day, but is growing cold again tonight.

Monday, March 26

I went over to my house this morning, and by noon I had all the rooms cleaned out. I took dinner at Mr. Morrow's. It rained quite hard though the middle of the day. I finished the typewritten letter to Kate this afternoon. Saw Mr. Harvey at the store, and we got to talking about sending for typewriters, and I went home with him and perfected arrangements so that he went for both machine and the Cosmopolitan Magazine with them. I want one for some uses I think I should have one for me.

Tuesday, March 27

I went over to the store this morning and posted up the books and did some work on the Town treasurer's books also. I set my watch by telegraph; it was only 1 minute out of the way. I am getting anxious for school to close. I was awful tired tonight; I don't feel as though I wanted to ever teach again. Fred Neill was up here a while tonight. I wrote a letter to the Office on the Type writer today, was at the store some this evening.

Wednesday, March 28

I sent a telegram this morning to find out how much the freight on my goods would be, and then sent the money on so they will be shipped soon. Went over to my house and got some things this forenoon. My classes are getting very slim. Tomorrow is the last day for me. I wrote a letter to Nellie on Mr. Waters Typewriter this evening and, also made out examinations on it. It is fine weather now. A lovely moonlight night tonight.

Thursday, March 29

It snowed some this morning, and looked like winter again. I finished m teaching at the Grand Traverse College this afternoon; I think it is my last teaching up here. I feel a load lifted from my shoulders. Practiced singing for tomorrow evening's entertainment, with Mr. Harvey and Mr. Pettit. Have been writing some cards for Miss Stiles. Fell tired tonight. No more copies to write, or Bookkeeping work to explain.

Friday, March 30

I went to the chapel exercises, and then helped some at the Hall where they were making preparations for the entertainment which came off tonight. I had to sing in there pieces and just made a fool of myself in them all. I feel as though I never wanted to be before the public again.

Saturday, March 31

I went down to Mr. Barnes' this morning, and he paid me on account \$20. It has been a very fine day. Mr. Harvey went over to my house with me this forenoon. I fixed some window casing caps while we were there. I worked over at my house all the afternoon, getting cans ready to sell, and ding some chores. I went to the store after supper and Charlie's and I took off a Trial Balance of the books. I am tired tonight.

Sunday, April 1

This is my Kate's birthday, but she is far from me and I cannot pet her any. I shall be glad when I get home where she and Una are. Wrote a letter before breakfast. Went to church this forenoon, and then went home with Fred Neill and spent the afternoon there. It is quite mild weather.

Monday, April 2

I worked at the store the most of the day, making out a statement of the Treasurers account for the Grand Traverse College. Went over to my house for a little while this afternoon. I received a letter from Kate saying Una was better, for which I am glad. I began keeping invoice at the store tonight, working until 10:30. It is clear and beautiful tonight.

Tuesday, April 3

Have been invoicing at the store all day, and am going there this evening again. It was a cold job in the basement.

Wednesday, April 4

Have been at the invoicing all day. The Hardware, Invoices, and Crockery are all finished now and probably two days more will wind up any work at the store. I called at Mr. Harvey's this evening and then went to a sugar social at the hall; one dish was enough for me. It is quite warm weather now and the snow is going down. I got no mail at all tonight.

Thursday, April 5

We Invoiced the Dry goods, Boots, Shoes, and Notions, today. Finishing up about 9 o'clock tonight. I have the footings all carried out and will close up the books tomorrow. I will be ready to go home the fore part of next week. We had a thunder storm last night, the first of the season. The robins were singing lively this morning. It has been mild weather all day.

Friday, April 6

I finished working at the store this forenoon, closing up the old books, and opening a new set for Hopkins. Charlie made me a present of a \$5 gold piece, which took me entirely by surprise. I took a walk with Mr. Harvey this afternoon. We went to the banks of Crystal Lake, and then to the sugar camps of Mr. Morrow and Fred Neill, where we had some sweet. Mr. Harvey and I were much disappointed in not receiving the Typewriter tonight. I got letter from ma and Kate tonight.

Saturday, April 7

I was at my place this morning, and as there was a good crust on the snow I fixed up the fence in the woods, brought all the things I am going to pack in my trunk over, and began the packing. I was there this afternoon, and got the canned plums ready to ship. Fred Neill gave me a gallon of syrup to take home. The man who is to live there moved some of his goods in today. I was at a sugar eat at Mr. Marshall's, and took tea with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey this evening.

Sunday, April 8

I made a mistake yesterday and entered the proceedings for that day in next Wednesdays page, so I will have to patch the blunder up someway. I was up at Ease's hall all last night watching with a sick man who lies there, he is the telegraph lineman. I was too sleepy to go to church so snoozed instead. I went over to Neill's this afternoon and Fred and I called at Mr. Huntington. It is fine weather, but is freezing tonight.

Monday, April 9

I went over to Neill's this morning and packed a box of fruit and syrup to be sent to me by express. I took a farewell look at my place and said goodbye to my neighbors there. I intended to go to Frankfurt by stage tonight, but I learned that neither bout would run tomorrow, so I gave it up. I have a chance to go to Manistee in the morning with

a man who came from there today, and hope the rain which is now in progress will quit so I can go. I have been saying goodbyes to many folks tonight.

Tuesday, April 10

It rained all last night. I arrive at 5 this morning and went over to my house to get an old overcoat to wear riding in the storm. I put my rubber coal over that. We had a bad ride, I never rode when it was such awful going the buggy came near to tripping over many times. It both rained and snowed, and grew much colder. I am stopping at the Sentinel Houses tonight, as it is near the depot. I went over town and bought a vase to present to Will and his wife when I get to Mt. Pleasant.

Wednesday, April 11

I came through to Mt. Pleasant this forenoon, and took Will and his folks entirely by surprise. I took dinner with uncle George and aunt Nancy, and supper with Will and his bride. They are cosily situated, and I am favorably impressed with my new cousin. It has been a fine day and as there is no snow here I have enjoyed walking around.

Thursday, April 12

Have been looking around Mt. Pleasant today. Will and his wife were at uncle George's both for dinner and supper. I visited a shingle mill this afternoon, and found the location of the T.&A.A. railroad depot also, so I will know where to go in the morning. It has been a very pleasant day.

Friday, April 13

I left Mt. Pleasant at 6:30 this morning and got to Hamburg at 11 o'clock, where Willie was waiting for me, and we got home in time to eat dinner. Una did not comment to recognize me for some time. It seems good to be in my old home again, but strange not to have any sister here.

Saturday, April 14

Kate and I went to the Farmers club at Tip Philip's today we did not stay long but I had a chance to see many folks that I am acquainted with. Pa plowed the garden this afternoon, and Willie and I sowed some onion and lettuce seed. The wind is north and the weather is quite cool. Father Queal and Geo Phelps were here a while this evening.

Sunday, April 15

I went to the old church again today. Ma took care of the baby, and Kate went with me. Kate and Henry and Mr. Butler took dinner with us, and stayed until the evening meeting. Kate Queal led the meeting. I read a verse and made a few remarks, which I did not hardly feel that I ought to have done, as I am not a member. It was a cool day, but is raining some tonight.

Monday, April 16

I helped ma and Kate was this forenoon and did a little gardening also. I went to Dexter this afternoon. I started on foot but got a ride with Geo. Phelps. I walked back, stopping to supper at father Queal's. It has been a fine day.

Tuesday, April 17

It has been rather cool today, with some frozen rain squalls. I went to the swamp this forenoon and prepared a small patch of ground for some onions, with which I am going to experiment. We unpacked the last barrel of goods today, and found that nothing had been broken in the moving. I transplanted some currant bushes this afternoon, and did some other tinkering jobs, feel pretty tired tonight.

Wednesday, April 18

I finished putting out currant bushes this forenoon, had 1 doz. Bushes and 31 cuttings. Kate and baby went over to father Queal's this morning, Willie going along to wheel the cart. I went to Dexter this afternoon to get the mail, and expected my typewriter would be in the express office, but it was not. Stopped at father Queal's to stay all night.

Thursday, April 19

Came home this morning, and then took ma over to Martins as she had to go and pick up Effie's things. I stopped on my way back and got Kate and Una. I dug up and sat out over 30 blackcap raspberries this afternoon, I had no

idea I should find so many rooting. Pa went after ma and he things tonight. I made some automatic inks today. Have been practicing flourishing and writing this evening. It has been a cold day, flakes of snow fell quite often.

Friday, April 20

I went over to Mr. Butler this morning and visited with him until train time then I went to Delhi and took the cars for Ann Arbor. I took dinner with Ralph McAllister and then went to the nursery and bought some raspberry and blackberries bushes and some grapevines. It was a cold, windy, disagreeable afternoon; I came back to Delhi tonight.

Saturday, April 21

It was frozen quite hard this morning, so I had to wait for a long time before beginning to plant out the things I got yesterday. I dug out some locust sprouts and other nuisances. Finished putting out the small fruits this afternoon I took much pain, and hope they will grow well. It is pleasant mornings but clouds u and gets cold.

Sunday, April 22

Irvie McColl came down a few minutes before church this morning. I went to meeting and listened to some powerful remarks by Mr. Butler. Tried my automatic pen a little today, and made it go quite satisfactory. Kate has been having a headache. It is warmer weather and looks stormy tonight.

Monday, April 23

I helped some about the washing this forenoon. This afternoon Willie and I went to Dexter and Kate went as far as her folks. I received the typewriter, and the canned fruit by express. We were only gone 2 hours. I have been studying Volapuk tonight, and writing out the exercises with the typewriter.

Tuesday, April 24

Pa went to Ann Arbor today to a republican convention, and I draged[sic.] with the doubled team on the oat ground all day. Willie draged[sic.] with one horse and we got the field over before night. My legs ache rather hard. It is still cold weather for this time of year.

Wednesday, April 25

I worked about all of the day washing the ceiling to the dining room, it was a hard job, but it looks cleaner for the work. My Handbook of Volapuk, which I ordered some days ago came today, and I have been studying it a little and using the type-writer this evening. He wind was south tonight.

Thursday, April 26

I draged[sic.] some this morning, and then I went to Dexter and had my hair cut. This afternoon Kate and I went out to Henry Queal's place. We had a pleasant ride, and a good visit. Irwin Ball and wife and baby were here also. It has warmed wonderfully today.

Friday, April 27

We left Henry's his morning about 9:30, and drove out to Mr. Hull's where his daughter Mrs. Dr. Taylor is visiting. We took dinner there and had a good time. I went up on some very high hills there from which I could see a large lot of country, and very pretty scenery. I took a great fancy to the place for a vineyard. We came back as far as Byron Henny and visited there and took tea, then we came home.

Saturday, April 28

I drove over to Delhi this forenoon, and met aunt Ann at the train. Washed the buggy this afternoon, and Kate and I went to Dexter this evening. It was very warm today. 30 above summer heat.

Sunday, April 29

I stayed at home this forenoon and cared for Una, while Kate and the rest of the folks were at church. We went over and took dinner at father Queal's. I attended church this evening. It is not so hot as yesterday.

Monday, April 30

It has been quite a rainy day, and I have been in the house the most of the time studying one thing or another. Aunt Ann went home this forenoon, I wrote a motto with the Automatic pen and gave her, it was the first I ever made. Have been studying this evening and feel very tired tonight.

Tuesday, May 1

I helped about the washing this forenoon. Kate and I went to the woods and got some may flowers after dinner. It was too cold to enjoy the walk much. I went to Dexter this afternoon to get a grist of graham flour, and do a little trading. It has cleared off tonight and is very cool.

Wednesday, May 2

Have been helping Kate fix up the room I am going to have for a den with my pine and fixings in. We also fixed up the book box for a book case, the home as it was when we had it up north. There was a very hard front last night, freezing some plants on the south porch.

Thursday, May 3

Kate and I finished making the paper rack, it look nice and is very convenient. I went to the woods with pa this afternoon and helped to start a fence across the clearing. I studied Volapuk this evening. Received a letter from Mr. Harvey this evening. Kate and ma went to prayer meeting this evening.

Friday, May 4

We worked at fence building some today but frequent showers interrupted with our work. Kate and I went to the woods and got flowers and mosses to put on graves. It was a year ago this evening that sister Effie was married and today we put flowers on her grave, and planted a few things there. It seems strange what changes a year bring forth.

Saturday, May 5

I spent the forenoon in clearing up around the dooryard and putting up a frame for the trumper vine. This afternoon I went to Dexter. Kat and Una went as far as father Queal's with me and came back when I did. Maude Williams spent the evening here. Una took her first step all alone today.

Sunday, May 6

Kate and I went to church this forenoon. The minister was about and Mr. Terry read a sermon. Pa and ma took Una for a ride this afternoon and when the returned we drove over to father Queal's for a little while. Ralph McAllister came this afternoon to stay until tomorrow. We attended the meeting of the Young People's society this evening. It has been a fine day.

Monday, May 7

I visited with Ralph this forenoon and took him to the train at Delhi. This afternoon pa took a load of wheat off and uncle Robert and I worked at cleaning wheat. It has threatened to rain a good deal.

Tuesday, May 8

It rained about all the forenoon and I was in the house studying. I have so many things I would like to study that I am afraid that I will vacillate to[sic] much and not do any good work in any of them. Pa went Chelsea this forenoon to see about a wagon he heard about. Kate and Una are staying at father Queal's tonight. I took them over there this afternoon. A Detroit pedler[sic] is stopping here tonight.

Wednesday, May 9

I hitched up this forenoon and went over to father Queal's and got Kate, Una and Nellie, and went to Dexter. Kate and I had our poto's[sic.] taken with Una between us. I[t] threatened to rain a good deal after all. This afternoon I have been helping to clean up wheat. Mrs. Brough has been helping ma clean house today.

Thursday, May 10

I stayed at father Queal's last night with Kate and Una. We have been cleaning and hauling wheat all day. We are through cleaning, but pa will have a load to draw in the morning. He gets \$85 @ bushel for it. I have been testing my little World Typewriter tonight, to see how fast I could write with it, and succeeding in making about 20 words per minute.

Friday, May 11

Pa drew off the last load of wheat this forenoon. I marked out some ground for Willie and he planted beans there. I have been doing a good deal of gardening today. Went to the swamps and put in some onion seed and a hill of mellons[sic.] as an experiment. It has been showering this afternoon. I am going over to stay with Kate tonight.

Saturday, May 12

I plowed this forenoon and a part of the afternoon, the rest of the time I dragged. It made me feel very tired. Pa and ma went to Dexter this afternoon to do trading. It has turned cool and we are almost afraid of frost. Kate and Una came home this morning. I received a postal entirely in Volapiik from Mr. Harvey today. My knowledge of the language comes very slow. I am not at all adapted to such study.

Sunday, May 13

Last night was a cold one for this time of the year. The thermometer stood only 1° above freezing this morning. Ma had a very bad sick headache this forenoon so she could not go to church. I took care of Una and Kate went to church. I have felt very lazy today. I am going to the evening meeting.

Monday, May 14

It has been a cold day, and as it threatened to freeze tonight, we covered up our strawberry bed and some of the grapes. Willie and I went to the woods and cut some chunks for my small stove next winter. I drove down and got Lizzie Burnham tonight, she is going to sew for ma.

Tuesday, May 15

There was some frost this morning. We commenced planting corn this forenoon, and finished the field the middle of the afternoon. Kate and I went to Dexter this afternoon she saw the Dr. about her eye and care and he gave her medicine. I[t] rained a little while we were there.

Wednesday, May 16

Pa has been sick with a bad headache all day. Kate and I went to Ann Arbor. We bought a nice Bedroom set, Table, and Rocking-chair. We took dinner at Mr. Williams' and had a good visit. I had some teeth pulled this afternoon to make ready for a false set. It was a sore job, and I don't feel very lively tonight.

Thursday, May 17

I did not do much today, as I had to be careful not to get cold in my mouth. I wrote a letter to Scott Williams this forenoon. He is not coming home from Chile this year as I expected, because he is in love with a girl there and don't want to come away without her. I planted some melon seeds this afternoon, and as it rains this evening they may have a good time to start. The missionary society packed a barrel here this afternoon that is to go to some place in the north. Our furniture was brought up today.

Friday, May 18

It has been a fine day, and I stayed indoors to avoid taking cold in my mouth. Studied Volapuk some in the lessons of the "Office." I studied arithmetic this afternoon and practiced writing this evening.

Saturday, May 19

It was a cloudy morning, but cleared off fine before noon. Kate and I went to Dexter this forenoon. I told the telegraph operator to have a ticket ready for ma next Tuesday. Kate saw the Dr. again about her ears. I went to the woods a while this afternoon and sawed chunks. Have been writing this evening. It is cold again.

Sunday, May 20

Did not go to church, but took care of Una. Kate, Una and I took dinner at father Queal's, Nellie coming over for us. Henry and his wife were there too. Kate and I went to the meeting tonight. There is a quite a novel display of northern lights, a ring almost at the zenith and light at the extreme north.

Monday, May 21

It was warmer weather today. I went to the woods and around and got roots for Kate to concoct some kind of life giving fluid from. Pa and Willie marked out the ground in the orchard, and I planted the corn there. I also put in

some melon seeds. Mrs. Kenny and Ida called here this afternoon, as also did Ms. Butler. I wrote some cards and did some automatic pen work for ma to take to Nebraska. I set out some cabbage plants this evening.

Tuesday, May 22

I planted melon seed, squash seed etc., this morning. Kate and I took a ride down to Mr. Kenny's and around by father Queal's this forenoon. Una enjoyed the ride very much. This afternoon ma packed up and got ready for her first long journey. After supper ma went to Dexter with her, and she will start on the cars about 10 tonight. I went over to see Mr. Butler this evening, but as he was not at home I called on Mr. Cushman. Found my folks all abed when I got home. It is a very fine night.

Wednesday, May 23

I helped Kate and did some studying this forenoon. Went to Ann Arbor this afternoon stopping and getting Mr. Butler to go with me. We had a good visit on the road, at least I did. I got some tomato plants of Mrs. McAllister today. It has been quite warm and has threatened to rain, but I fear it will not.

Thursday, May 24

If nothing happened ma got through to Fremont today. I spent the forenoon in study and the practice of Penmanship. Una stayed with me part of the time, but she thought it was a lonesome room. This afternoon I set out tomato and hoed out the small fruit. Began a letter to ma as I know she will want to hear often. It don't seem to be in me to do rapid writing. I found I could do as many words with my little typewriter, as with the pen.

Friday, May 25

I studied some today, Mr. Butler was here this forenoon for quite a while. We looked over the test books on grammar and thought we would try Reed and Kellogg's diagramming method. He seemed quite taken up with my typewriter. It has been raining the most of the afternoon, which was just what we need. Mr. Butler advised me to stick to Penmanship, as a specialty, and I guess it was good advice; as I have a fair start in that business.

Saturday, May 26

Nellie was over this forenoon helping Kate. I spent the forenoon in writing letters and practicing penmanship. Kate and I went to Dexter just after dinner, leaving Una with her grandma Queal. Pa got a postal from ma, written when she was almost to Fremont, so she was safe. We went to the silver wedding at Johnston Backus this afternoon, and had a good time.

Sunday, May 27

It rained some this forenoon; so that but a few were at church. I went and Kate staid at home. I wrote some to ma with the typewriter. Kate and I gathered some flowers this afternoon and carried up to Effie's grave on the hill and to the ones in our graveyard. It was so storm tonight that I was the only one who attended the evening meeting.

Monday, May 28

It rained all last night, and showered occasionally during today. I went over to Mr. Butler's this forenoon and took him my typewriter. We began to look up things in the English grammar together, and I feel that I shall be greatly benefited by studying with him. I studied about all the afternoon also, as it was some rainy. Pa and Willie went to Dexter this afternoon. Pa got a letter from ma, and she was in Fremont all right.

Tuesday, May 29

It has been a very fine day. Uncle John and aunt Ann were here today, and we put out plants on the graves. Mrs. Ball came up this morning and spent the day with Kate. Pa, Willie, and uncle John went to the last fishing this afternoon. They had some luck. I finished fractions in reviewing arithmetic. I thined[sic.] some of the young onions this afternoon. Sent another letter to ma today.

Wednesday, May 30

I spent most of the forenoon in study. Mrs. Geo. Phelps, Hattie and Nellie were here just before dinner. I mixed up the new spray pump which pa got of Mr. Terry, and put London Purple on the plum and cherry trees this afternoon. The pump worked finely. Transplanted some of Kate's celery plants this evening. Uncle Robert spent the day at Dexter. D.J. Ames telling me a specimen that I sent them was acceptable, but too light, and they would like me to write another. I did not expect so much attention.

Thursday, May 31

It rained hard last night, and I presume it washed off the poison off the trees that I sprayed yesterday. Oliver Kimberly, a man of our acquaintance for years who was living now at Ira Backus', hung himself in the barn this morning, and was dead when found. I did my best to get up a good specimen for the Art Journal this forenoon and am going to send them right off. I am afraid that I don't understand how the specimen should be for photo engraving. Pa, Willie, and I have been writing to ma tonight. Kate went to prayer meeting. It is cool tonight.

Friday, June 1

Pa, Willie, and uncle Robert went away and washed the sheep this forenoon. I wrote some letters and drew some grass out of the front yard. Kate and I went to Dexter this afternoon. We left Una with mother Queal and Nellie. We made a quick trip as it looked like rain, and did begin soon after we got home. I feel so dull tonight that I can't study. I got a letter from ma, she is having a good time. I also got letters from Mr. Harvey and Fred Neill.

Saturday, June 2

I took care of Una some this morning, as Kate has so much to do. Sprayed the plum trees over again, as it looked clear today, as if it might not rain for a while. Commenced spraying the apple trees also. Oliver Kimberly was buried today. A Jew peddler came along tonight, but he did not feel at home as ma was not here. He said he was here a year ago and saw her. For a wonder he was after anything to eat or a place to all night. I supped ma went to Omaha today, she wrote that they intended to.

Sunday, June 3

Kate and I went to Dexter with Nellie this forenoon, and attended the M.E. Church, we left Una with mother Queal. Henry and his wife and little sister-in-law was there. Kate and I took a walk to the swamp this afternoon taking Una in her cart. I attended meeting here. Kate has a bad headache tonight.

Monday, June 4

I went over to Mr. Butlers this forenoon to get some more ideas about grammar. I think I could comprehend it merely is I could study with for a long enough time. He and Mr. Cushman think they want my typewriter, and I guess I will sell it to them. I worked some in the garden this afternoon. Pa and Willie went t Dexter this afternoon, and I had a letter from ma telling of the good time she is having. I also got a letter from Ida Spoor. I received a specimen by of the Pen Art Herald.

Tuesday, June 5

I have been having a bad feeling in my throat today, and have not don't anything much. Sprayed a few trees this forenoon, and hoed some in the garden. Old Mr. Dwight was buried up here this afternoon, and all went to the funeral but Una and I. Wrote a letter to Fred Neill today. I practiced rapid writing tonight but I can't come up to the speed written and talked about. It has been very warm today, up to 80° above.

Wednesday, June 6

I went to Ann Arbor this morning to get my teeth fixed. Went on the cars from Delhi. I had ten cavities filled and had an impression of the roof of my mouth taken for a plate. I took dinner with Herman Easton and had a goodnight with him. Spent a good share of the afternoon in Justice Freauff's office, visiting with Ralph and listening to the proceedings of the Court. I called on Will Price at the National Bank, and had quite a chat with him. Came back on the cars tonight. Got a ride to Backus'. It was a warm day but is cooler tonight.

Thursday, June 7

I fixed the window holes in our room this forenoon, so Kate can put up the curtains. Studied Arithmetic some; am now in Percentage. This afternoon was the sale of shorthorn cattle at Boyden's. Pa, Willie, and uncle Robert went there. I took Kate over to her fathers and them came home until supper time when I went after her, eating supper there. We are in need of rain now.

Friday, June 8

I went to the woods this morning and sawed some wood, but the mosquitoes finally got so thick that I was driven out. I sprayed the most of the cherry trees, and a couple of wild plums. I worked among the young grape vines and berry bushes this afternoon. Watered the plants at the graveyard this evening. Things are becoming very dry. It was cool this morning, but turned hot this afternoon. Cousin Henry Twamley took dinner with us today.

Saturday, June 9

It came off very warm today. Kat, Una, and I went to the farmers club meeting at Cushmans. We were there at dinner and then I went to Ann Arbor. Got my new teeth, they seem to be going to fit nicely. I got our photographs at Gibbons. They were all done. It rained so hard when I was in Ann Arbor that I put my team in a barn. Came home by Cushman's, but Kate and Una had come home before with father Queal.

Sunday, June 10

I went to church this forenoon. Took up two boquets[sic.] as this was children's day in most churches, but nothing special was done up here. Kenny and Kate took a drive with us so did Mr. Butler. I wrote a letter to George Martin today. Fixed some photographs ready to send out by mail. Kate and I attended the meeting at the church tonight. It showered some this afternoon.

Monday, June 11

Kate had a very bad toothache last night and her face has been badly swelled all day, and it pains her all the time. I went over to study grammar with Mr. Butler this forenoon, we are getting along very nicely. He gave me a photograph of Mrs. Butler. I think it looks as she did when alive. Had to help care for Una a good deal this afternoon. Sprayed the grape vines and plum trees this afternoon. Set out some cabbage plants this evening.

Tuesday, June 12

Kate had a hard time with her tooth last night again. I went to Dexter this morning, [takeeggs?], getting groceries, and mailing letters and photos. Una rode as far as Queal's, where Nellie took care of her till I came back. Mother Queal came home with me and has been here the rest of the day. Kate was so bad off this afternoon that I went to Dexter and got Dr. Chase. He pulled the tooth and gave her and Una some medicine. Kate has been getting better right along. I put out some more cabbage plants tonight.

Wednesday, June 13

I took mother Queal home this morning. Una rode along with me. It rained both forenoon and afternoon, but there was some pleasant time so that Willie and I finished hoeing out that small fruits. I received a letter from ma tonight, she had been to Hastings and was back to Fremont she begins to think of coming home. Kate has been better today, but does not feel well yet. Will seems to have a bad cold.

Thursday, June 14

I spent the most of today in study and practice. Nellie came over and helped Kate. Pa sheared his sheep today. We had the hardest rain I have seen this year just before dinner, there were a few hail stones fell also. It has been very warm, and a person sweats doing nothing. I wrote a letter to ma today, also did some business correspondence. Una has not felt well today.

Friday, June 15

I studied bookkeeping about all the forenoon, nearly finishing the Manufacturing set. I went to Ann Arbor this afternoon to finish paying for my pictures. I got Nellie's photos. It has been the hottest day we have had this year, it was a very warm ride to Ann Arbor. I put out some more cabbage plants tonight.

Saturday, June 16

I worked about all day spraying apple trees with London Purple. It has been very hot today, 90° in the shade. Pa went to Dexter this evening. He got a letter from ma, she will be home next Wednesday. I had a letter from Jessie Packard of Benzonia, he writes that things are flourishing there. Una has gotten very miserable all day; she coughs very hard.

Sunday, June 17

This has been the hottest day of all. 95° above 0 in the shade. I cared for Una while Kate went to church. Did nothing today but read, and try to keep coll[sic.] I went to the meeting this evening and sung in the choir, but I am getting to feel very much out of place there.

Monday, June 18

Very hot today, but not so bad as yesterday. Kate and I went to Dexter, this morning; we took the baby along. Kate took a jar of butter up. I needed some onions this forenoon; it was a warm job. I finished spraying the orchard this

afternoon. Nellie Weston came down after her school was out and is going to stay all night. It looks some like rain, and is very close tonight.

Tuesday, June 19

Tried to study bookkeeping this morning, but my brain refused to act. Such feelings are very discouraging to me. I put London Purple on the potato[sic.] vines this afternoon using attachment on the pump for that purpose. It works to perfection, saving much labor and doing so much better work than the old way. We had our first mess of strawberries last night and lots ripened today. They are not going to be large, on account of the extreme heat I think. We expect ma home tomorrow night.

Wednesday, June 20

This has been quite an eventful day. I went over to Mr. Butlers this morning to study, but found him just ready to start for Henry Queal's. He persuaded me to go with him. We stopped to see Kate about it, before going. I took them some strawberries. We took dinner there, and then we went swiming[sic.] in strawberry lake. We got home about 4:30. Ma and Vida came tonight. They were very tired, but came from Fremont since yesterday afternoon at 3:00. Ma has a headache some tonight, she has had a good time.

Thursday, June 21

I finished the set in book-keeping which I have been working on for a few weeks past. I looked over the circulars of the Buffalo Business University, and am quite impressed with the outlook of the school. I hardly know what to make up my mind to in regard to a school to attend. I hoed out the small fruits this afternoon; it was hot, 90° in the shade. Mr. Butler was here at supper; we had strawberries. It rained quite hard this evening, and will do lots of good. Pa took 3 steers to market today.

Friday, June 22

This makes about a week that it has been 90° in the shade every day. Pa has been on the road. I hoed in the garden some this afternoon, but the heat was so intense that I sweat my shirt completely through. I looked over a lesson in shorthand, but I don't know whether I would like the system or not, I would have time to study that now, anyway. Ma put out some plants on the graves tonight. There is a big rain storm going off south this evening.

Saturday, June 23

I arose with the earache this morning and have been sick with it all day. I got nervous and took a walk over to Mr. Cushman's, but no one was at home, so I had to come right back. Kate and I took Una in her cart, and took some strawberries down to Balls and Kenny's. We took Ida a photo, and she gave us one of hers. I found our old cow in Docks wheat and she gave me a fine run before I succeeded in getting her home. It is raining tonight.

Sunday, June 24

I have been miserable all day. They all went to church but me and the baby. I took Kate and Una over to father Queal's just before dinner, and then I went over there about 3 o'clock and staid until after lunch. Mr. and Mrs. Adams were there, and so were Henry and Kate. Pa went to Ann Arbor to attend a funeral this afternoon. The weather is much cooler tonight.

Monday, June 25

I helped about the washing, and then as it rained, I practiced writing until noon. This afternoon we picked 26 quarts of strawberries, and ma and Kate put up some cans and made some jam. I transplanted some tomato and cabbage plants, also some celery. It rained quite hard toward evening. Have made up my mind to go to Detroit tomorrow, and visit the Penmanship Department of the Detroit Business University, and so learn if that will be where I would like to go after harvest to study penmanship.

Tuesday, June 26

I got ready this morning and Willie took me to Dehli where after waiting over an hour for a late train, I went to Detroit. I had been there but a few minutes when Ralph McAllaster took hold of me. We took dinner together, then parted, he going to the ball grounds, I to the Business University. I met Mr. P.R. Spencer, the great penman and teacher and had a long talk with him. I met Mr. Jewell, the president, also Mr. Twiggs, my old teacher of bookkeeping. Have about made up my mind to go there to study penmanship. Got home about 7 o'clock, feeling very tired.

Wednesday, June 27

I worked all the forenoon putting poison on the potato vines. It has been decidedly cool all day. This afternoon it began to mist, and tonight it is raining. I picked strawberries enough for the meals. Went after Lizzie Burnham this evening, she is going to do some sewing. I am very deaf in my right ear now. We had small onions for supper, and our breaths are quite strong.

Thursday, June 28

It misted more or less all today. Willie and I went to Dexter this forenoon, taking eggs and butter. His Air Rifle cam, and he had been practicing with it. Pa killed a sparrow with it. We picked over a bushel of strawberries today. Henry and Kate called this afternoon a little while. My ear feels rather bad, and I am growing deafer in it. I saw Dr. Chase about it today and got some medicine. It is so cool that we keep a fire going in the heating stove.

Friday, June 29

I went to the swamp this morning and thined[sic.] our the onions there. The mosquitoes nearly ate me up. Hoes out the cabbage bed in the corn field. Put poison on the potato vines again this afternoon. Hoed out the small fruit and practiced with Will's Air gun a little. It did not rain today, and the sun shone this afternoon.

Saturday, June 30

Staked up some of the tomato plants this forenoon. Picked some strawberries, and then practiced writing until noon. We raked and drew in what hay was down, this afternoon; we had 3 small loads. I was pretty warm weather this afternoon. Kate, Vida, Una and I, drove over to Phelps after supper to get a crib for Una. We went on the hay rack. Willie took Lizzie Burnham home tonight. The months of 1888 are half gone and still I am keeping a diary.

Sunday, July 1

I attended church this forenoon, Kate staying home with Una. We went over to father Queal's a little while this afternoon, taking Una for a ride also. Kate and I attended the meeting this evening.

Monday, July 2

Uncle Robert and I picked some strawberries this morning. After the washing was most out, Kate, Una and I went to Dexter, going by Blodgett's, and selling then 10 quarts of strawberries. I took Uncle John a quart also. I had my hair clipped for the hot weather and haying. The Dr. is afraid that I may be deaf in my right ear. Willie cut hay this forenoon and we worked in it this afternoon, but did not draw any. Una got a bad bump today, blacking her eye.

Tuesday, July 3

I hoed out the garden this morning so that it is all clean now. Things are doing nicely there. We drew hay this forenoon and this afternoon, getting all we had out, and making half of the field done. Pa sold his wool to Mr. Jedle this morning getting \$20 per pound.. It has been a fine hay day, being warm, but breezy[sic.] enough so one could work with comfort. I received a letter from Mr. Harvey tonight, and he writes that thing[sic.] are booming a little up there. A newspaper man is starting in there.

Wednesday, July 4

We celebrated today by working in the hay field. I got awful tired and wanted to drink all the time. Nellie could see fireworks in the direction of Ann Arbor tonight. Una has got so that when she sees me getting ready to go out, she will run for her bonnet and bring it to me, so she can go along. Of course I have to take her then.

Thursday, July 5

We had quite a rain in the night, and so could not go into the hay this morning. Pa and uncle Robert went to Dexter this forenoon with their wool. I picked some currants for ma to make jell of. Willie and I stired[sic.] out some of the hay before noon, and we began drawing right after dinner. There are 3 loads left in the field tonight. It has been hot in the sun today, but a good breeze made it endurable. Una don't seem to feel very well for some reason.

Friday, July 6

We finished the hoeing in the south field this forenoon. It threatened to rain about all day. I put out some celery plants this afternoon. Picked enough cherries for some pies. They are not very thick this year. Kate and I went to Edwin Ball's to an Ice-cream and strawberry festival this evening. I had all the ice cream I wanted for once. It was good. A large crowd was present.

Saturday, July 7

It was very cloudy this forenoon, and not very good for curing hay. I went to Dexter this morning, Kate and Una going as far as Queal's with me. I went to see the Dr. about my ear, but could not see him. Willie moved this forenoon, and this afternoon we cocked it up and drew in one load. It was a good drying afternoon. Kate has been making currant jell for me to take to Detroit to eat on bread and butter. She has a bad headache tonight.

Sunday, July 8

It was a cool morning, but grew warmer this afternoon. It sprinkled a little in the morning, and has been cloudy all day. I stayed at home and cared for Una while Kate went to church. Mr. Butler was here at dinner, but went right home. Kate and I drove over to father Queal's this afternoon. We took Una along. Am going to the meeting this evening.

Monday, July 9

It has been a cloudy day, and we could not draw much hay, 1 load toward evening was all. Willie moved down a lot of grass. I spent the most of the forenoon in picking cherries. Mr. Butler called this afternoon with a couple of ladies. Vida and I went to Dexter this afternoon, take up eggs and getting sugar. I took a box of strawberries to the editor of the Leader. The Dr. thinks my ear will get well.

Tuesday, July 10

We drew some hay this forenoon, and 1 load tonight. We raked and cocked a considerable this afternoon. I took Kate to father Queal's just after dinner. They are going to stay a day or two. I fell dizzy tonight, but hope to feel better in the morning.

Wednesday, July 11

I have had a dizzy head all day and have done little work. The wind has blown a gale all the afternoon, so that pa had to give up loading some hay just after dinner, and wait until evening. Willie moved some more this afternoon. It seems lonesome without Kate and Una here. I have been looking over some old magazines, today, to amuse myself.

Thursday, July 12

Willie cut the last of the hay this forenoon. We raked and cocked some this forenoon. It rained some this afternoon so we could do nothing at haying. I went over to gather Queal's to see Kate and baby, staying to supper. Rode to Dexter with Mr. Adam after supper to mail a letter and get the mail. Had a ride home with John Williams. Kate and Una came home tonight. It has been very cool today a great change.

Friday, July 13

I took ma over to Martin's this morning to get some of Effie's things, which no one seemed obliging enough over there to bring her and save her the pain of getting them herself. We brought Cora Wooster home with us to visit Vida. We about finished drawing the hay this afternoon. It has been cool today. I feel better today, than I have lately.

Saturday, July 14

Pa finished drawing hay this morning, having one little load to draw. We fixed up the old binder this forenoon, and tried to sun it this afternoon. We got it to sun almost right when I broke the knotter knife, and we had to stop. Pa went to Dexter and got a new one, some twine and groceries. Our wheat is quite green, so we don't worry. Cool and very dry.

Sunday, July 15

Ma took care of Una this forenoon while Kate and I went to church. I went into the old mans class in the Sunday school. I talked with Cushman about Mr. Osborn the penman at the Buffalo University, and he almost made me waver in my determination to go to Detroit. I wrote a letter to Mr. Harvey this afternoon. Am going to the evening meeting at the church. Irvie McColl is to lead.

Monday, July 16

We put on the new knotter knife this morning and went nearly around the field, and broke it, then pa went to Wheelers to get it fixed and I picked cherries. This afternoon we succeeded in making the machine work well, and

cut 6 or 7 acres of wheat. There is considerable rust on the straw and it made me itch a good deal until I scrubbed off tonight. It was warm during the day, but grew cool tonight.

Tuesday, July 17

I worked at setting up wheat during the forenoon, and this afternoon. I rode the binder. We finished cutting the 16-acre field about the middle of the afternoon and began the field by the lake. We had no trouble with the machine today. It has looked a little like rain tonight, but I am afraid we will get none. Corn begins to roll from the drouth[sic.] every day now.

Wednesday, July 18

We finished cutting wheat about the middle of the forenoon. This afternoon I hitched up and Kate and Una and I, went over and got Nellie, and went out to see Henry and Kate. I went over to Hamburg and got a dozen lemons and some sugar and Julia Ball came back there with me and we had a good time drinking lemonade. It looked like rain when we came home, and Nellie is going to stay here tonight.

Thursday, July 19

I took Nellie home this morning, Vida and Una riding along. We have drawn wheat all day, getting 7 good loads in a stack that is not quite finished. It sprinkled a little once this afternoon, but did not stop our work. Mr. Butler and his brother-in-law, Mr. Moore, were here at supper. We always have lots of jokes and stories when Mr. Butler is around. Kate has gone to the prayer meeting tonight.

Friday, July 20

We got the wheat all drawn from the 16 acre field today. We are doing much better than we thought we should. I have about made up my mind to go to Detroit next Monday. I came near to bushing out pitching wheat today, but a drink of ginger water put me in good shape again. It has been clear today, no sign of a storm. Una fell out of Kate's lap a[sic.] hurt herself quite badly today.

Saturday, July 21

We finished drawing wheat but the rakings, and put grass on the top of the stacks. Kate and Una went over to father Queal's this afternoon, her uncle Nick coming after her soon after dinner. I hitched up and went for them tonight. It looked rainy tonight, but it don't seem to be able to rain and so many things are dying for want of it. I fell through the rack and hurt my right leg some, as we work putting on the finishing touches to the stack.

Sunday, July 22

My ear begun to ache this morning, and I thought it was all up with me on going to Detroit tomorrow, but ma made some ointment of Balm-of-Giread buds and I am feeling well tonight that I think I shall be able to go. There is to be an eclipse of the moon tonight and I have set the alarm so that we will wake up to observe it. Stayed at home with Una today and pa took care of her this evening. We had some splendid ruins today, and things are looking very fresh.

Monday, July 23

Well, here I am in Detroit, I bade goodbye to my loved ones this morning and pa took me to Dehli where I took the train. I shall be awful lonesome without Kate and little Una, but I thought I must have some more instruction in penmanship. I found what seems like a good place to room at 34 Jones street corner of High Street. I bought 6 dinner tickets, and am going to get my own breakfast and supper. I had a good meal tonight on milk, and some bread that I brought form home. I sent a postal to Kate, so she can learn how I am.

Tuesday, July 24

I put in a full day at writing in the University. I expect to put in many of the same kind. I wish I could see Kate and get hold of little Una tonight. I wrote another card to Kate today and a letter to Mrs. Waters. It looks as though I was not going to get much instruction from Mr. Spencer, but I can get good instruction from Mr. Searight for a good while and will see how things look at the end of a month. I almost wish I had gone to Oberlin but I may feel different in a week or so. Nice pleasant day.

Wednesday, July 25

The milk was soured this morning, and I made a dry breakfast do. It was hard work for me to write today my great fault being in gripping my pen tight. I felt some symptoms of the cramp, but hope it will pass away. One of the penmanship students came up to my room after school with me and we talked penmanship a while. I got fresh milk at the creamery tonight had a good supper, and guess what's left will keep sweet. I went to the big park and sat for a while this evening. Quite warm.

Thursday, July 26

This has been a dismal rainy day. After dinner I went in to see a great painting on exhibition at Whitney's opera house. It represented Christ before Pilate, and is a renowned painting. I felt paid for going in. I made considerable improvement in my writing today, but I worked hard for it. Went to the depot after school expecting to see a car of Utah products, but it had just gone. Wrote a letter to Fred Hill tonight. My lame leg pained me a good deal today.

Friday, July 27

It looked rainy this morning, but cleared up and was a fine day. I received a letter from Kate this morning, was awful glad to hear from her. She wrote that little Una wanted to nestle up to me the other night, and when she found I was not there she had a good cry. I wish I could be home every week, but it costs too much. I wrote a letter to Kate after school and mailed it. Have been reading the Business World and Evening Journal tonight.

Saturday, July 28

I had my breakfast quite early and then took a walk out to Elmwood cemetery coming back by way of Jefferson Ave, and getting to the College about 9 o'clock. I practiced penmanship some before dinner, and just after, then Mr. Rugg, a student, and I started for a ride on the river and a visit to Belle Ide Park. Ran across Irvie McColl who was starting for the north, and is going to stay a few days with me. We had a good time at the park. Irvie and I went down town this evening and saw the sights. We bought a big Water Melon, and had to eat in our room. I gave half to the folks here.

Sunday, July 29

Irvie and I went to the Woodward Ave, church (cong.) this forenoon. We heard fine singing and a good sermon. We took dinner at a restaurant on Michigan Ave. I got 7 meal tickets for \$1.⁰⁰. I wrote a letter to Kate this afternoon. We took a long walk up 3rd and Cass Ave., this afternoon. We went to the Central Methodist church, this evening.

Monday, July 30

I put in a good days writing at the College today. I am siting[sic.] with Mr. Rug now, we are practicing about neck-and-neck. We talked of going into the card writing business together next fall. Irvie has been taking in the sights of the city. He reports a good time. I am going to answer an advertisement for a bookkeeper in the Journal of tonight, don't expect to get anything, but am going to try. Irvie and I drank ginger ale and ice cream soda tonight. It has been uncomfortably hot.

Tuesday, July 31

It has been a regular, old schorcher[sic.] today, and we wrote and sweat and mopped our brows all day. A man called at the college today who is a teacher of penmanship in the west, and was a former student of Mr. Spencer. He gave an exhibition of teaching by music, having a music bon going while he wrote on the board. It was astonishing how fast we could write. Irvie is going away tonight on a steamer.

Wednesday, August 1

I witnessed the extinguishing of a small fire on Woodward Ave., when coming home last night. I determined not to suffer so from the heat any more, and went down to Hudson's this morning and got a summer suit, soft shirt and neck-tie, and fixed myself to take comfort, and look a little better than I have. I got discouraged about my writing today. I did not seem to get along well, and felt a little like having the Penman's cramp. I had a letter from Kate today, which I was glad to get.

Thursday, Aug. 2

I have not felt at all well today, and wish I had known better then to try and go to school in hot weather. I am afraid I can't stand it long. I wrote a postal card and sent it to Kate today. I am going to bed and sleep off my bad feelings.

Friday, Aug. 3

This has been another hot day. It makes me feel very miserable someway. It rained very hard about 5 o'clock this afternoon, which make the air more endurable. I walked over to the park and sat for a while this evening. I am going to take a bath and go to bed.

Saturday, Aug. 4

We had the most terific[sic.] thunder and lightning rain storm last night that I most ever saw. The water did a good deal of damage throughout the city. I went out to the waterworks this morning, where I got pure air to breath, and enjoyed the sight there very much. I walked out and rode back on a street car.

Sunday, Aug. 5

I went to the Woodward Ave Cong. Church this forenoon and this evening also. Used up my last dinner ticket at a Michigan Ave. dining house today noon, and am not going there again. I got a bowl of bread and milk at a nice lunch house tonight. Wrote a long letter to Kate this afternoon, then took a walk to the river and Grand Circus Park.

Monday, Aug. 6

I am sick with malaria tonight, and do not feel able to write. I wish I were home and will go tomorrow if I continue to feel bad.

Tuesday, Aug. 7

I was so sick last night that I packed up and came home today. Got here about night. Don't know when I will go back.

Wednesday, Aug. 8

I have just rested today, and doctored for the fever. Aunt Susan Cooper, Lizzie, and Ida Spoor are here visiting. Una came to enjoy having me home again. We have nice apples to eat and they taste amazing good to me.

Thursday, Aug. 9

Pa and I went the Dexter this afternoon and got my trunk. Uncle John Spoor came home with us, he is not well and wanted an outing. Things in my trunk were all right. Nellie was here a while this afternoon. I am feeling pretty well today. Uncle John and Willie have spent the day in fishing. I tried to shoot sparrows, but could kill nothing. Kate and ma have gone to prayer meeting tonight.

Wednesday, Aug. 10

I went to Ann Arbor today, and was there all day. I came near to missing this morning, but got on to the back of it all right. I went to see Prof. Nichols, but the interview did not amount to much for present work, he said would remember me in the future. Took supper with Mr. Butler tonight. I am feeling pretty well.

Saturday, Aug. 11

The most of our household went to a Sunday School picnic at Whitmore Lake today. It was not a propitious booking time for a picnic, but it did not rain to amount to anything. I worked a little today mowing weeds in the lane. Ralph McAllaster came this evening to see Lizzie and spend Sunday here.

Sunday, Aug. 12

It has been rather rainy all day until near evening. Kate and I went to church this forenoon. Ma took care of Una. I wrote a couple of postal cards. I stayed and look after Una this evening while the rest went to church. Do not feel very well tonight.

Monday, Aug. 13

I practiced penmanship quite a little this forenoon, as I had nothing else to do. We began to cut the oats this afternoon. The old machine worked first rate until toward evening, when a pinion cut out and we had to stop. Pa had gone to Dexter to see about getting repairs tonight. It has been a fine day. I wrote several letters this forenoon, among them one to the Benzie Banner, a newspaper at Benzonia, sending in my subscription.

Tuesday, Aug. 14

I went to Dexter this forenoon to get the wheel for the reaper that pa ordered from Jackson last night. I stopped at father Queal's to dinner on my way home. I received a letter from Benzonia asking if I would go back there to teach, but I have written to them tonight that I cannot. We finished cutting the oats this afternoon, but the machine nearly gave out. Kate has gone over to her mothers to day a day. It is raining tonight.

Wednesday, Aug. 15

I took Lizzie Cooper to the train at Dehli, this morning, and then drove to Dexter, going over a new road to me, and seeing some farmes[sic.] I never had before. I waited in Dexter until pa and Willie came with the hogs they were driving up. Pa rode back with Mr. Burnham, so Willie and I came on alone. I stopped at father Queal's a minute to see Kate and Una. They came home tonight. I hoed out the small fruit this afternoon and made a visit to the onion patch in the swamp. It has threatened to rain all day.

Thursday, Aug. 16

I spent the most of the day in the practice of pen work. It was very warm today, being about 90o in the shade. Ralph and Lizzie went to the lake (Whitmore) today. We went down to the M.E. church tonight expecting to hear a locutionist, but he failed to appear, and we had our walk for nothing.

Friday, Aug. 17

Pa took aunt Susan and Lizzie this morning and they went home. I practiced flourishing about all the forenoon, doing, the best work I ever did in that time. We began to draw the oats this afternoon; getting them a third drawn. I had a letter from Mr. Harvey today. He wrote that he hoped I would be there next winter, I would like to be for some reasons, but for others I would not go so far away.

Saturday, Aug. 18

I helped draw oats this forenoon, and this afternoon. Kate and I went to the farmer's picnic at Whitmore Lake. There was an immense crowd there. We could not get a boat at all, so we had ice cream, candy and peanuts together. Kate and I ate our supper on the bank of the lake and then came home in the cool of the evening. The folks finished the oats this afternoon.

Sunday, Aug. 19

We took Una to church this forenoon, but she made so much noise that I brought her home before the sermon began. She did not feel very well today. We left her with pa tonight, and went to the evening meeting. It has been a fine day.

Monday, Aug. 20

I wrote some letters this morning, and then I walked to Dexter to mail them. I sent the note I held against Mr. Nuggent to Charlie Case at Benzonia, to collect for me. I got some groceries, and had Kate's shoes mended. Rode part way home with Mr. Burnham. Took dinner at father Queal's as I got their mail and arrived there just in time. I studied some this afternoon.

Tuesday, Aug. 21

I spent the day in practicing penmanship and studying. Ida went over to Latson's this forenoon and has not come back yet tonight. Pa and Willie have been working in the field south of the church, rolling and dragging. There came up quite a dash of rain toward evening, but did not last long. I went over to father Queal's for a little while this evening having an errand.

Wednesday, Aug. 22

I got my nerves steady enough to do the best copy writing that I have ever executed, and felt very much encouraged. I did a little flourishing to[sic.]. Picked some pears this afternoon. Uncle Robert went to Ann Arbor today. It has been a very cool day for this time of the year. I wanted a coat on when out of doors. Am afraid we will have a frost and spoil our garden truck. We received a Benzie Banner today, giving us news from our northern home.

Thursday, Aug. 23

I spent the day at work in my room writing and flourishing. I had a letter from Irvie's tonight, he is at Benzonia, and has been visiting my friends there. He says 2 have a good tenant on my place, which makes me glad. Mr. Barnes

sent me \$13 again by P.O. order. Kate and Una have gone over to father Queal's, I am going over to stay tonight, as they are going to Howell tomorrow with her father.

Friday, Aug. 24

Kate and Una started for Howell this morning, with father Queal. I hope they will have a good time. Kate was a little afraid to take the journey. I came home and spent the forenoon in practicing writing. Pa and Willie went to Willis Ball's to help thresh, and I ran the plow. It has been a warm day, but breezy. I have been planning ways to organize classes in Penmanship the coming fall. I am very anxious to earn some money then.

Saturday, Aug. 25

I took Ida to the train at Dehli this morning, and she went home. I wrote some letter this forenoon, and practiced a little also. This afternoon I attended a teachers meeting at the schoolhouse, and had the honor of acting as chairman. Went to Dexter on foot after the meeting, but had a ride home with Edwin Ball. It seems very queer here without Kate and Una, we would all be very lonesome if we did not know that they would soon be back.

Sunday, Aug. 26

Went to church this forenoon and heard a Mr. Campbell of Grand Ledge preach. He comes as a candidate for the pulpit when M. Butler leaves. I was over to Queal's this afternoon. Mr. Butler and Mr. Campbell were there and we had a good visit I liked Mr. Campbell very much. Went to the evening meeting. It is getting terrible dry and dusty. The wind has blown hard today. I wish it would rain, it will be so dusty for Kate and baby coming home.

Monday, Aug. 27

Did considerable practicing today. Pa mowed the dooryard and I raked and carried off the grass this afternoon. Went over to father Queal's and found Kate and baby back. I was not really expecting them until tomorrow. Una seemed tickled to see me.

Tuesday, Aug. 28

Came home this morning, stopping at Geo. Phelph's to leave some letters for him to take to Dexter to mail. Mr. Campbell was there; he was going home today. Studied some this afternoon, and help plow the most of the afternoon. Nellie brought Kate and Una home this morning. Continues hot and very dry, cool nights.

Wednesday, Aug. 29

Studied and read during the forenoon. Plowed some this afternoon as pa had a mare here to try working with Joe, but he does not think enough of her to keep her. It seems as though I never plowed when it was so hard and dry in stubble. Mother Queal was here at supper. I took her home and Una rode with me.

Thursday, Aug. 30

Practiced penmanship during the forenoon. Pa and Nellie went to Dexter this afternoon, and I ploughed and rolled. Nettie Latson was here during the day and the Missionarys[sic.] met here this afternoon. I received specimens of writing and a letter from W.G. Christie, of Poughkeepsie, N.Y., it gives me new courage in my work.

Friday, Aug. 31

Practiced and studied the most of the day. It turned cool today. Has been smoky until the wind in the north. It thundered some today, and sprinkled a very little, but no rain. We cleaned cut the cistern and got ready to replaster it. I wrote a letter to a Business College in Ypsilanti, to see if there was any chance for work there in my line.

Saturday, September 1

I dragged during the forenoon. Mr. Blacker was here and fixed the cistern. Kate and I went to the Farmers meeting at Mr. Rogers' this afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Sunderland, the Unitarians of Ann Arbor were there, and both gave an interesting talk on home life, and educating of children. I sold my old knife to Mr. Butler, but I did not try to, he wanted it and I have a new one that pa gave me.

Sunday, Sept. 2

Kate and I went to the church this forenoon and ma cared for the baby. Mr. Butler came here after church and spent the afternoon. I had a good visit with him. He goes away after another Sunday and I don't know as we will ever see

much more of him, and I am sorry, for I like him very much. Willie took Kate and Una over to father Queal's this afternoon, and the then came back this evening.

Monday, Sept. 3

Wrote some letters this forenoon, one sending for paper and penholders to Williams and Rogers Rochester, N.Y. I went to Ann Arbor this afternoon to get some fine ink and some other things. I got a drinking cup to give to Mr. Butler before he leaves, but left to be marked. I saw Ralph McAllaster a while, he was about starting for Manistee to look for work in a law office there. I came back to Dexter on the train and got a ride home with John Williams. The dust is first fearful thick.

Tuesday, Sept. 4

I spent the forenoon in writing and thinking. Pa was not feeling well, but he would drag. When it was noon he was about down sick. I went over to Backus Bro's just after dinner and helped put up wheat for seed which pa had bargained for. I sprinkled some as I came home, but we got no rain. I dragged the rest of the afternoon with the 3-horse train. Mr. Terry came to see me he asked me if I would take Livingstone Co., to canvass for the Lewis Combination pump and go to the fair's with it. I am inclined to do it.

Wednesday, Sept. 5

Studied a little this forenoon, but it was a little too cool in my room to stay there all the time. I got out the hand pump this afternoon and rinsed off the single buggy, and tested it for throwing water onto the house. I pulled the beans and stacked them. Then shelled some in pulling. Pa and I got the wheat at Backus Bro's today. Pa threshed at John Williams' this afternoon. We had a good Muskmelon off our vines tonight. I received a Money order in payment for note sent to Benzonia to collect.

Thursday, Sept. 6

I went to Dexter this morning, and stopped at Mr. Terry's on the way, and agreed to act as agent for the Lewis Combination Pump in Livingstone County. I got a half dozen pumps to take to the fairs in that Co. to show this fall. I don't intend to canvass until spring. Had a letter from P.R. Cleary stating that he would let me know next week if he wanted me to help teach in his Business College. Don't think I will get a position, but I think I will go and see him. Will and I dug the early potatoes today.

Friday, Sept. 7

Kate went to Ann Arbor with Dor and Nellie today to do some trading. I went to Ypsilanti this afternoon to see Mr. Cleary and his Business College. I guess there will be no chance for me to teach there, but I think I can do as well to go there to school as in Detroit and the expenses will be much less. It rained some this afternoon, but not enough to do much of any good here.

Saturday, Sept. 8

He drew away some straw from the old stack this forenoon. Uncle Robert came home this morning. I wrote a letter to Lewis and Cowles to let them have some means of judging what kind of a fellow I am, and ask for some circulars to advertise the pumps with. He picked stones this afternoon. I poured a ripe water melon[sic.] tonight, and we had a feast. I received the paper and pens I ordered of Williams and Rogers. Had a letter from I. McColl tonight he is having a fine time at Benzonia.

Sunday, Sept. 9

Mr. Butler preached his farewell sermon today. He seemed to have deep feelings and the congregation the same. We gave him the drinking cup just before meeting this evening, as he was down here a little while. Kate and I rode over to father Queal's a while this afternoon. Went to the meeting at church tonight.

Monday, Sept. 10

Picked stone today most of the time. Drove over to see if I could be of any use to him in packing his things, but he was not at home, so I came back. Uncle Robert started for Columbus, Ohio to attend the Soldiers reunion there. Mr. Butler came over here tonight to stay until he leaves the county tomorrow. The committee of the Y.P.S.C.E. met here to make out program for the meetings this fall.

Tuesday, Sept. 11

I took Mr. Butler to the cars with his own horse and buggy. He called at Boydens' and his old home. I waited at the depot to see him off. I hated to see him go and he felt a bit homesick on leaving. I brought his horse and buggy home, we are going to keep them for him until he makes a sale. We began cutting corn this afternoon. Ralph McAllaster came here this evening, he is going to Manistee to work in a law office.

Wednesday, Sept. 12

We cut corn all day today. Ralph went home this morning. It was cool today and is fairly cold tonight. It seems queer to have such sudden changes; yesterday was hot. Kate and I went to Dexter tonight, she sent a box to Hattie Gray, In Benzonia containing a hat and some knickknacks.

Thursday, Sept. 13

Pa and I cut some corn all day, finishing the field and beginning in the orchard. There was a little frost this morning. Uncle Robert came home from Columbus, Ohio tonight. He reports a great time there. We had a good, though small, water melon[sic.] tonight. It is cold again tonight.

Friday, Sept. 14

We cut corn in the orchard the most of the day. Pa went down to John Alenander's and got some wheat for seed this afternoon. There was the heaviest frost of the season this morning, but it did not kill many of our vines or plants. Kate and Una went over to her folks' this afternoon driving Mr. Butler's horse.

Saturday, Sept. 15

Pa drilled in one piece of wheat today. It kept him going until dark. We finished cutting up the corn this forenoon and found 3 little kittens in it that someone had been kind enough to present us with. Kate and ma went out to see Harry Queal and his wife this afternoon. I had letters from Benzonia, asking me again to come there and teach offering me \$40 per month. I am thinking of going. Had a letter from Mr. Butler also.

Sunday, Sept. 16

We had some rain today, which died this morning and as here was but few at the meeting I helped the choir. Mr. Terry read a sermon. Kate, Una and I went over to father Queal's his afternoon. I went up to see Will Ronir a little while this evening, he is very sick. Attended the evening meeting tonight.

Monday, Sept. 17

I wrote some letters this morning and then I went up to Dexter to mail them and do some trading. I send a telegraph to Benzonia saying that I would teach in the College there the fall and winter terms. Kate and I went to Ann Arbor this afternoon and got and an easle for a present to Nellie on her wedding day wish is not far off now. I brought a new light overcoat with some money that pa gave me for a birthday present. We drove Mr. Butler's horse.

Tuesday, Sept. 18

I was 27 years old today. Kate made me a present of a nice bread and milk ser, and ma gave me all the members of the Gospel Hymns. I wrote some letters this forenoon. Went to Dexter this afternoon Kate going along as far as her folks. I stopped there and took supper as I came back. Nellie is hard at work getting ready to be married. Willie went after Lizzie Burnham tonight she is going to help Kate fix her dress.

Wednesday, Sept. 19

Willie took me to Hamburg this forenoon and I took the Cars there and came to Founderville, where a Fair is in progress and began showing the Lewis Combinations Pump. I talked with quite a number of people who thought it was a fine thing, and I guess they will sell well in the spring, but I don't believe I will sell one this fall. I went to VanRiper's tonight, but neither uncle, or aunt were at home so I have to put up at a hotel. Cousin H.M. Twamley is at the Fur's with sheep.

Thursday, Sept. 20

Have been showing up the pump at the fair all day and am feeling very tired tonight. Uncle Nicholas and Carlton were there and I came with them out to Carlton's home tonight. Aunt June is here while Carlton's wife is writing.

Friday, Sept. 21

I came back home today. Uncle Nick brought me to Foulerville this morning and I took the train getting into Hamburg soon after 11 o'clock. I went to Henry's and took dinner with them, and then started for home on foot but met Willie about half way, coming after me. Kate and I went to see Nellie a little while she will be married on Monday evening, so I can have time to get the early Tuesday train for Traverse City.

Saturday, Sept. 22

Kate, Una, and I went to Ypsilanti this forenoon. Alice and Ida were home, and we had a good visit. Aunt Ann got up a nice dinner for us. We stopped in Ann Arbor and got our little clock that had been fixed, and did a little trading. We have been picking up some of my things so I will not forget them when I come to go. It has been cool all day.

Sunday, Sept. 23

We went to church this forenoon and left Una with Vida. Kate and I drove over to father Queal's a while this afternoon. When we came back, I drove down to McColl's to see Irvie, who has got home from Benzonia. He came home with me and stayed until the evening meeting. I have but one more day at home, and then must away for the north.

Monday, Sept. 24

This has been an eventful day. I packed up my trunk and satchel today, to be ready to start for Benzonia in the morning. I went to Dexter his forenoon to do some errands and got a present for Pa and Ma to give Nellie tonight. Pa, Ma, Kate, Una, and I went to Nellie's wedding this evening. They had a fine evening for the doings and every thing passed off very pleasantly. They had a few of the intimate neighbors, and relatives. This is my last night with my folks for 3 months, I suppose.

Tuesday, Sept. 25

I said goodbye to my loved ones this morning about 2:00 o'clock, and pa took me to Hamburg where I took the cars for the north. I saw uncle George and Georgie at Mt. Pleasant, as I came through. Had to wait over 4 hours at Cadillac for the train going to Traverse City, but I got here tonight and am at the Occidental Hotel. I take the stage Benzonia in the morning. I am most awful sleepy tonight I well have to brace up a good deal to keep from being homesick.

Wednesday, Sept. 26

I came to Benzonia today on the stage, it was not a very pleasant day, but we had a jolly crowd and enjoyed ourselves the best we could. I saw a good many friends as I got off the stage. Took supper at Dr. Taylor's, visited at Mr. Harvey's for a while, and am staying all night at Mr. Waters. I found that my old school room had been nearly prepared, and looks much better than before. I am afraid that I am going to wish I had not come but I am determined to stand it and do my best.

Thursday, Sept. 27

I took breakfast at Mr. Waters', dinner at Neill's and supper at Mr. Harvey's today. I engaged board at Mrs. M.E.C. Bailey's at \$3.⁰⁰ per week, and think I am going to have a good plate. I had a good visit at the Neill's, and went to the Benzie Co. fair with Fred this afternoon, and met a good many friends there. Fred brought my trunk to my boarding house where we came back, and I got my room arranged and ready to live. I sent Kate a postal to let her know that I am here safe. It has been showery all day.

Friday, Sept. 28

There was much excitement in town this morning. Mr. G.C. Hopkins store was broken into last night and the safe blown open. I have been working there all my spare time today, picking up and arranging the scattered papers, and look over the books to ascertain the losses. Over \$500.⁰⁰ was taken out by the rascals. I was at the College today to see about my classes. I have 1 student in Bookkeeping, and 7 or 8 in Penmanship. Decidedly discouraging. It stormed a good deal today, and has been so cold I want an overcoat when I go out of doors.

Saturday, Sept. 29

I studied the most of the forenoon. I taught Bookkeeping and penmanship at the College this afternoon, but there were few students. I called at Mr. Waters' after school a little while. Went to the choir practice tonight at Mr.

Greens. It stormed again today toward evening, it had stormed every day since I have been here. I wonder if Kate and Una are well and happy. I hope they are.

Sunday, Sept. 30

I went to church with Mr. Foster this forenoon, and did not take a umbrella as it was so cold I thought it would not rain, but it began to storm before meeting was out. I wrote a long letter to Kate before going to church. I went down to Neill's and took dinner going over to visit my [plack?] and call on Morrows in the afternoon. I called on Mr. Harvey and we had a good talk about affairs in general. Mrs. Goodrich favored us with some songs this evening.

Monday, October 1

I was working on Mr. Hopkins books a good deal today, they are decidedly out of balance. I went over to the Court House for a few minutes this forenoon. Mr. Nevins has a job of copying resolutions that he wants me to do. I had a letter from Kate tonight. I have finished one to her. Had the Business Practice sets that I ordered, come tonight. I am afraid there is too small an attendance to pay to use it in this school. It has stormed a good deal today. Have been writing copies tonight.

Tuesday, Oct. 2

I kept store for C.E. Case this forenoon, but there was not much to do and I finished the work on Mr. Hopkins books. Taught Penmanship and bookkeeping at the College this afternoon. Had a new student in Bookkeeping which makes fore two now. Had 7 in the Penmanship. I organized, or tired to, a class in both studies tonight, for evening study. I[t] snowed a little this morning, and some flakes fell this evening. Mr. Foster had a birthday party this evening.

Wednesday, Oct. 3

I wrote out two sets of resolutions for Mr. Hopkins this forenoon and took them over to him. He gave me a cop of the election laws of this state. Taught my classes at the College both of afternoon and evening. We had quite a snow storm this afternoon, but it melted as fast as it came almost. I did not get any mail tonight. Guess I will write a little to Kate and then retire.

Thursday, Oct. 4

I studied all the forenoon on Bookkeeping and Penmanship and Arithmetic. It has been a fine day, the first of the kind since I have been up here. Taught my afternoon and evening classes as usual. Sent a short letter to Kate this evening.

Friday, Oct. 5

Did not feel very well this forenoon, so I took a walk across the creek and over to Neill's. Mrs. Neill gave me some nice grapes and apples to eat. Had only one student in Bookkeeping today. Mr. Harvey and I took a walk over to the fair grounds after school, and talked over our plans and built castles in the air. I took tea at Dr. Taylor's this evening. He soon leaves on a prospecting tour to Colorado.

Saturday, Oct. 6

There was a teachers meeting at the District school house today and I was there both morning and afternoon. I took notes for a report for the Banner and I expect I will have to write out some for the Frankfort Papers too. I attended Choir meeting this evening, but no one seemed to feel much like singing some way. Tomorrow is my second Sunday away from home and they are lonesome days, I am determined to make this the last separations for so long, if I can.

Sunday, Oct. 7

I wrote the big share of a letter to Kate this morning. Went to church and sang in the choir. I remained to the Sunday School exercises. We had some singing after dinner while I enjoyed very much. Mr. Harvey and I took a walk out east on the R.R. Grade. We got back at dark. I felt too tired to go to church this evening, so staid in and we had a little more singing.

Monday, Oct. 8

I wrote out from the notes I took a report of the teachers meeting las[t] Saturday for the Banner. I took it over to Mr. Harvey for corrections and for him to make out a report for the Frankfort paper I copied one of them for him this afternoon. I spent a good deal of time with Mr. Harvey this afternoon. I attended the meeting of the U.P.S.C.E. this evening. Finished a letter to Kate tonight. It has turned pretty cold today, and a fire seems good.

Tuesday, Oct. 9

I went over town this morning and mailed a letter to Kate. Spent the forenoon in writing and studying. Taught this afternoon and evening. Chas Case spoke to me about my working for him next year if he buys out Hopkins, but I hardly know what to think about it. I hate to leave my parents for good. I will not say that I will until I see Kate again. It has been a very fine day.

Wednesday, Oct. 10

I went over to Case's store and tried to read some from the telegraph instruments, but have nearly forgotten it. Charley talked to me again about working for him. I had a long letter from Kate tonight and with it a lock of hair from Una's head. I have answered the letter and asked Kate for advice about what to do in regard to Charlie's offer. Taught as usual afternoon and evening. Began to engross a set of resolutions for the Webster Church to send to Mr. Butler.

Thursday, Oct. 11

Went over this morning and mailed my letter. I ordered the Western Penman for another year. I worked at engrossing the resolutions for Mr. Butler all the forenoon. I have the title page done. I helped Mr. Harvey rig up a new Air Pump that had just come for the College. Did the usual amount of teaching. I am tired tonight.

Friday, Oct. 12

I practiced at the telegraph office again this morning. Worked on the engrossing the most of the forenoon. Called at Mr. Waters' and at Mr. Harvey's after school tonight. I had a letter from Kate tonight. I like to get them every mail. My evening class went off all right tonight. I stopped at the special meeting of the College Literacy Society after class time. The weather is quite moderate.

Saturday, Oct. 13

I sent an order for new work on Bookkeeping today. An agent brought Mrs. Goodrich a fine new upright piano this forenoon. It has the finest tone of any piano I ever saw, or heard. I went to choir school after my class tonight. Mr. Harvey and I took a bit of a walk and had a talk this forenoon. It continues fine weather. I hope it will keep it up. I wish I could go home and see Kate and Una tomorrow; it would seem good.

Sunday, Oct. 14

I wrote a letter to Kate this forenoon, and one to Mr. Butler also. I went to church and sung in the choir. It was communion and the services were long. I went over to Neill's after dinner and went with Fred over to his farm and around by Crystal lake and the new depot building, I took supper there and then came home and wrote to Scott. It has been a lovely day, but looks some stormy tonight.

Monday, Oct. 15

It has been a rainy day. I worked on the resolution for Mr. Butler the most of the day, finishing them at last, and will mail them to Kate in the morning. There was a republican blow out here tonight, I went first to the young people's meeting and then to the speech. Mr. Harvey and I sat together, there was a good crowd considering the bad weather.

Tuesday, Oct. 16

It has been rainy today also. I spent the forenoon in study and writing. Taught my afternoon and evening classes without event. Mr. Foster went to Frankfurt this evening. I practiced slinging with Mrs. Goodrich after my evening class was over. I am anxious to get my voice in tune again so that I can sing for my folks when I go home.

Wednesday, Oct. 17

It was a fine morning, and I succeeded in getting up in time to see Mr. Harvey when he came after milk. I worked at pen work the most of the forenoon, but it made my eyes so dim that I felt as though I better think of some other business for a life work. I had a letter from Kate and ma tonight. Kate writes that I better not think of staying here and working for Charlie Case and I guess she is right.

Thursday, Oct. 18

The day has been uneventful. I spent the forenoon in writing and studying, and the afternoon in teaching, also the evening. It was fine this morning, but a heavy rain storm came up this evening while I was teaching. I sent a copy of the Banner and one of the Leader to Scott Williams in Chili.

Friday, Oct. 19

We had a thunder storm last night and the wind has howled all today. I wrote and studied this forenoon. I received a letter from Ralph McAllaster tonight; he wrote that I would stand a good chance of getting into the schools there if I could teach drawing, but I guess I won't try to prepare for it. I went to an entertainment given by the Methodist people at Case's hall tonight.

Saturday, Oct. 20

Mr. Foster got out a guitar last night, and as it was the first I knew he had one I made him show me about it, as I have always wanted to learn to play one. This forenoon he and I had a regular musical convention, singing together for houses. I am learning to play the chords upon the guitar. We have had snow squalls all day, making it very disagreeable all to be out. Sent a letter to pa this morning. I teach this evening and then go to choir meeting.

Sunday, Oct. 21

Better weather today again, but still cool. I went to church sung in the choir, and stayed to S.S., and was a good boy generally. Wrote a letter to Kate, but will put finishing touches on it tomorrow. I went over and visited the Neills' while this afternoon. Had a good talk with Fred. Mr. Foster and I have been singing together tonight. It has every appearance of a storm tonight.

Monday, Oct. 22

Called on Mr. Harvey, and the different stores in town, this forenoon. It tried to snow this morning, but wound up by raining this afternoon. I went over to my place this afternoon and looked around. I must do something about fixing up the fences as they are in bad shape. My [m..?] was not at home, so I will have to go again. I had Frank Link cut my hair this afternoon. I had a letter from Kate tonight that did me good. Had new work on Bookkeeping come, so I can have it to study.

Tuesday, Oct. 23

I went over to my place this forenoon and talked my Mr. Helm about building come fences. It has stormed considerable today and is very wet. I got "Palmer's Guide" from the Post Office this morning. It is pretty good, but I am becoming convinced that I will have to take a rest in the penmanship business, on account of the cramp in my hand and arms. Mrs. Goodrich came home tonight from Frankfurt. She has favored us with some music.

Wednesday, Oct. 24

I studied bookkeeping and pen drawing this forenoon. The republican took down the big pole today; they came near to having it smashed too. I had a paper from Mt. Pleasant with a notice of the death of my cousin Will Stevens' wife. Poor fellow, only married last spring, and now a widower. I remember how happy they seemed in their home. Had a letter from John Cook, an old school boy friend when I have not seen or had a letter from for years. It has been a fair day.

Thursday, Oct. 25

It has been a fine, warm day, and I did not do as much studying as usual. Went over town and mailed my letters this morning. I felt miserable toward noon so took a sleep upon the lounge. Went out into the country with Mr. Harvey after school this afternoon. We had a pleasant ride. I am reading a book called "A Girdle Round the Earth," which I find very interesting. Am learning of Japan now.

Friday, Oct. 26

It started in for a rainy day this morning, but it was not very bad after all. I went over town after I had my writing and studying done, and did a little loafing, but I cannot confine myself on account of the trouble with my hand. I had a letter from Kate, and one from Mr. Butler tonight. He was in N.Y. state when he wrote. I stopped in to the meeting of the Literary Society after I finished my teaching tonight.

Saturday, Oct. 27

The end of another week, let them go. I am very tired tonight from my weeks work in the school. I took a walk this forenoon, down to the sawmill and talked politics with Will Case, and then over to see Fred Neill, getting back about 11 o'clock. It rained very hard last night, but was quite a fine day when it stormed some again. The wind is howling tonight. Mr. Foster has gone to Frankfurt this afternoon.

Sunday, Oct. 28

I did not feel well this forenoon, so did not go to church. I wrote part of a letter to Kate, but felt so kind of blue that I did not try to finish it because I could not write any bright lines. We had a good time singing this afternoon, Mrs. Goodrich, Mr. Foster, and myself. It has been a cool breezy day. Have been very much interested in the book at ...

Monday, Oct. 29

I went down to Mr. Betts' this morning and got my order for the salary I have earned. Mr. Harvey went with me. When we got back we went and bought some ammunition and went for a hunt. We tramped through the woods until 2 o'clock, but got nothing but a couple of red squirrels. We got tired, however. I got the Leader, but no letter tonight. We practiced singing quite a while tonight.

Tuesday, Oct. 30

I sent Kate \$20 in a letter to her today. Went over to the Court house this morning to see Mr. Nevins on business for Mrs. Bailey. About all Benzonia went to Frankfurt this afternoon and evening to see and hear Gov. Luser. I had no evening classes on that account. We spent the evening in singing and playing games. The wind howled mightily tonight.

Wednesday, Oct. 31

It has been thundering the greater part of the day, but has not rained here. I played croquet with Mrs. Goodrich and Miss McIntosh, and I played so well they had no show at all but I could not help it. I received from Kate, ma, Harvey & Irvie tonight, which made me pleased. I have written with postal to Kate, and letters to Mr. Terry and Alice Spoor tonight. The weather is very moderate this evening.

Thursday, November 1

I read last evening in my paper that electric shocks would cure pen paralysis, and so I hunted for a battery this morning finding one at Mr. Barnard's, but it is not in working order now. I sent for chemicals and hope to find a cure. It was a fine warm forenoon, but a big rain and wind storm came up this afternoon, and tonight it blows very hard. Mr. Foster is suffering with a very bad headache today. I am feeling well and begin to think that I may make this my home for years.

Friday, Nov. 2

It was rainy this forenoon the winding up of the big rain and wind storm of last night. I practiced penmanship and studied bookkeeping this forenoon. Mrs. Goodrich and I are going to send for some telegraph instruments and study it up.

Saturday, Nov. 3

Six weeks of school have now passed, and I have gotten through with them all right. I hope I may get through with those that are coming as well. I ordered some telegraph instruments this morning and we are going to have a line up in the house for practicing upon. I worked upon Hopkins books this forenoon but failed to get a balance. I will try again Monday. It was cooler today but quite a pleasant day. We have been singing tonight, Mrs. Goodrich and I, my voice improves when I give it practice.

Sunday, Nov. 4

We got the battery to run quite well to day, so that we could feel quite a current of electricity. Mr. Foster and I went to the Cong. Church this forenoon. I went home with Fred Neill after meeting and took dinner with them. Fred and I went to the cemetery for a walk this afternoon. It has been a mild day. I began a letter to Kate today, but will not finish it until I see if I hear from her tomorrow.

Monday, Nov. 5

It was very peasant this forenoon but clouded up this afternoon and rained tonight. I got some more sulphuric acid and that made the battery work pretty well. Mr. Foster couldn't stand very much of it, but it don't seem to take hold of the rest of us very hard. I have finished my letter to Kate. I had one from her and one from Una along with it. I borrowed a telegraph key today and Mrs. Goodrich and I have been practicing quite a little. She learns very fast.

Tuesday, Nov. 6

This is the day of the great national contest. I put in my vote for Harrison and Morton early this forenoon. Mrs. Goodrich and I had some practice in telegraph; we are getting thoroughly interested in it. Jesse Packard visited my classes this afternoon. Have been singing some tonight, I am very tired someway. I called at Dr. Taylor after school, he has just returned from Denver and is going to ...

Wednesday, Nov. 7

I spent the forenoon in study and practice. The republicans care rejoicing today over complete victory in this county, and the last dispatches were favorable for wining [sic.] the national ticket too. I had a letter from Kate tonight, also from Mr. Terry and John Cool. It froze hard last night. Has been a pleasant day. Mr. Foster started for southern Mich. tonight he will be gone a week or ten days.

Thursday, Nov. 8

Wrote a short letter to Kate this morning and a card to Mr. Terry and me to Mr. Foster. I sent an order for bookkeeping works to Williams & Rogers. The republican outlook still looks favorable. Mrs. Goodrich spent a short time in practicing telegraphy this afternoon; we are making some progress. I had an invite to a party tonight, but felt to[o] tired to go after my evening class was out.

Friday, Nov. 9

It has been somewhat cold today, but is raining tonight a little. Our new telegraph instruments came tonight, we were surprised to get them so soon after ordering, but very glad. They are perfect beauties, and we anticipate much fun in practicing over them. We intend to put them up tomorrow. I got no letters tonight, but have had two this week, so that ought to do.

Saturday, Nov. 10

We put up our telegraph line and the instruments work finely. We can now learn to read from a genuine sender. Taught as usual this afternoon and evening. Went to choir practice this evening after my class was over. Mrs. Goodrich and I practiced telegraphy after I got home. It has tried to snow some today.

Sunday, Nov. 11

It was fine weather this forenoon. Mrs. Bailey and I went to church. I sung in the choir. This afternoon we took a ride up to the cemetery and down to the new depot. This is the first Sunday that I have not written any letters in a long time. I must write them tomorrow.

Monday, Nov. 12

This has been a fine day and I have enjoyed it too. I visited Mr. Harvey quite a little this forenoon while we was at work. Went over to my farm just after dinner to see the man there about fixing up the fence. Mr. Harvey was over to see me a little while this afternoon and we practiced telegraphy. He is real good at it. Mrs. Goodrich and I practiced some tonight. I had a long letter from Kate.

Tuesday, Nov. 13

Practiced writing and playing upon the guitar this forenoon, also writing upon the telegraph instrument. I wrote to Kate this morning that I want her to come up and here and live with me. I may get work so that I can afford to pay our board, and I want her with me if I can have her. I went over to Mr. Waters after class this evening to practice singing for the Literary Society. It has been a fine day.

Wednesday, Nov. 14

Practiced writing and telegraphy this forenoon. I went over to Mr. Waters and took supper this afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Pettitt, and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were there. We had a good time. I got some letters tonight, one from Kate and ma made me homesick, and I wish I had never seen this place. I am tired out tonight.

Thursday, Nov. 15

I wrote a letter to ma this morning and a postal to Kate. I have had the blues all day and wish I was back in Webster; I am one of the kind that get so homesick that I am good for nothing. It has been snowing this afternoon and the ground is white for the first time this season.

Friday, Nov. 16

This has been a true winter day, and squalling at times. I went over to Waters' to practice singing after school this afternoon. The literary society met after my writing class this evening. I helped on the singing. This is a dreary cold night.

Saturday, Nov. 17

It has continued cold today, and the little snow still stays on. I did some work upon the Town treasurers books this forenoon. Another week has gone, but there are five more before this term of school is out. I am thinking of resigning and going home to stay. I went to choir practice after my class this evening. It is a beautiful night.

Sunday, Nov. 18

It was a pleasant forenoon. I went to church and sung in the choir. I have not been anywhere this afternoon. Fred Neill was here this evening and visited me. Mrs. Goodrich sang and played for us. I thought I would be so happy if Kate and Una were here. It threatened to snow tonight but has cleared off and is a beautiful moonlight night.

Monday, Nov. 19

I went down to Mrs. Balch's this morning and got some barberry berries which I have heard are good for the nerves. I began a letter to Kate, which I will finish in the morning. I am going to have a hard time to keep from having the blues all the time this year. I had a letter from Kate tonight but she had not yet received mine proposing that she come up here.

Tuesday, Nov. 20

I clerked in Chas Case's store this forenoon, as he was taking an invoice of Dr. Taylor's goods. He is buying them. I put up some new wires for our telegraph instruments this afternoon. Mr. Foster and his partner came tonight, and we visited until a late hour.

Wednesday, Nov. 21

I read a novel this forenoon, and then felt so miserable that I lay down and took a nap. I got a letter from Kate tonight in which she says she will come if I send for her. Oh! How I wish they were here without the perils of the ride to get here. I must go to see Mr. Nevins in the morning, and see if he can tell whether he will give me any work to do.

Thursday, Nov. 22

I wrote a letter to Kate this morning, then I went over to see Mr. Nevins to find out if he was really going to give me work to do, and he said he was, so I put a post script in Kate's letter telling her to come next week. I shall be glad when she and Una are here. Did not practice telegraphy today; as Mrs. Goodrich has been sick. Have been having sport looking over some issues of Judge tonight.

Friday, Nov. 23

The day has passed quietly. It has been quite pleasant. I wish it would keep so until Kate gets safely here. My classes were small today, as a number of students have gone home, there being no school tomorrow because of teachers institute at Frankfurt. I got nothing at all tonight by mail.

Saturday, Nov. 24

I wrote a hurried letter to Kate this morning, and then got ready to go to Frankfurt with Mr. Harvey. We got there about 10:00 in the forenoon and went to the teachers institute at the school building. We were invited and took dinner at Mr. Geo. Woodward's. The afternoon session was quite a success. We got back just in time for me to teach any evening class. I caught a severe cold someway.

Sunday, Nov. 25

I have felt miserable today, and did not go to church at all. My cold settled in my throat and made me very hoarse. Mr. Foster and Mr. Read have been carrying on tonight of course, I did not do any of the noise making. Mr. Harvey and I took a walk down to the new depot that afternoon.

Monday, Nov. 26

Have had a bad throat on me all day. It is the worst I have had since being sick with diphtheria[sic.]. I saw Fred Waters this morning, he was just returning from California. He does not paint that country in too bright colors, but still he thinks it is nice there in some places. I taught this afternoon to make up for Saturday. Had a letter from Alice Spoor tonight. Kate put in just a word. I shall wend for her tomorrow.

Tuesday, Nov. 27

I was quite sick with my throat last night, and Mrs. Goodrich doctored me up so that I am better today. I sent a telegram to Kate this morning telling her to get to Manistee Saturday. It is stormy tonight, but I hope it will not be very bad when I go after Kate. I had a new scholar in my evening. Miss McIntosh came tonight to stay for thanksgiving.

Wednesday, Nov. 28

I called at Mr. Waters' this morning to see if there would be any objection to my omitting any classes Saturday, so I that I can go to meet Kate. I guess there will be none. I had a postal from Kate tonight written Monday, she was all ready to come. Had a letter from poor cousin Will Stevens. He is in the depths of sorrow for his dead wife. The little snow all went off today.

Thursday, Nov. 29

Attended thanksgiving service this forenoon. I went over to the printing office this afternoon and helped run the printing press for a while. They were getting out the thanksgiving issue. I went to a "donkey" social at Cases' hall this evening. We had considerable sport over the event. I pinned his talk to the toe of a rubber. It has been a rainy day.

Friday, Nov. 30

I had a telegram from Kate this forenoon saying that she could not come now as Una was not well. I began to be afraid that the journey would be too much for them, and Charlie Case told me he thought so too, so I sent her a message not to come at all. I had a letter from her this evening, and she wrote that Una had been very sick but was better. They had a big jamboree in town tonight over the result of the past election. It has been a wintry day.

Saturday, December 1

I finished a letter to Kate this morning and sent it off on the mail, we have a daily mail commencing with today. I went over to the printing office and took some paper and envelopes to have printed. It has been a fine day, and if Kate had been coming I could have gone to meet her easy enough, but it may not be such nice weather tomorrow.

Sunday, Dec. 2

I went to church this forenoon with Foster and Read. I have got my cold settle in my head now, and it is very disagreeable. I wrote a letter to Kate today. I wish she was here I am afraid Una would take her death of cold coming. It has been a chilly day.

Monday, Dec. 3

It has been a squally, disagreeable day. Fred Waters and I went over to my place this forenoon, and looked over her also. We called at Neill's for a while. I called on Mr. Harvey a little while this afternoon. Had a letter from Kate tonight. Have practiced telegraphy considerable this evening.

Tuesday, Dec. 4

I wrote a letter to Ida Spoor this morning. Spent the forenoon in practicing penmanship and study. It has been a very pleasant day, the sun shining all day and thawing. I have had the blues some today, and thought I would resign and go home at Christmas time, but I don't suppose I ought to.

Wednesday, Dec. 5

It was snowing last when I got up this morning, and I thought we were going to have a deep snow right away, but the snow is not more than an inch deep tonight. I worked for Charlie the most of the forenoon adding up the invoice of drugs he got of Dr. Taylor. Taught my classes this afternoon as usual. Have been practicing telegraphy this evening.

Thursday, Dec. 6

Nothing of note happened today. My teaching is the same each day, but I am dissatisfied with my place and I ought to have known that I would be so especially as Kate and Una are not here to cheer me. The weather is not at all bad.

Friday, Dec. 7

I saw Mr. Nevins this morning and he told me to come over to the Court House tomorrow and he would start me at work. I began to get crazy to have Kate and Una come up as soon as I felt certain of the work, and so I wrote her another letter asking her to prepare to come. We went to an entertainment at Cases hall tonight, Foster and Read took part in the performances.

Saturday, Dec. 8

I went over to the Court House this morning, and Mr. Nevins started me at the work I am to be employed upon during my spare time this winter, that is working on Abstract books. I think I will learn much that will be valuable to me in the future perhaps. It has been quite mild today and is thawing what little snow there was all off.

Sunday, Dec. 9

Foster and Read left us last night, and began to keep bachelors hall over their office. I went to church this forenoon. Mr. Waters preached an excellent sermon. I called on the editors in their rooms this afternoon. They had just arisen from a dinner of oysters of their own preparing. I called at Mr. Harvey's and we took a walk for our health's sake. It has been a mild pleasant day.

Monday, Dec. 10

I had my hair cut this morning, and then went over to the Court House to work. I was employed in recording, and I made my pen go pretty fast during the six hours I was at work. I took dinner at Neill's and they had oysters. I ate so many that I could eat no other part of the dinner. I had a letter from Kate tonight they are well. I went to the opening of the musical institute, under direction of Prof. Greenlee, this evening.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

Was up at 6 o'clock this morning and writing copies. I went over to the Court House after breakfast and wrote there until 12 o'clock. There came a change in the weather this forenoon, and it blew hard and there were squalls of snow. It has grown real cold also. Prof. Greenlee took dinner here and we enjoyed his company. Taught my classes this afternoon and evening, and have been to the singing class.

Wednesday, Dec. 12

Worked at the Court House again this forenoon. I sent a telegram to Kate this morning to tell her not to come up as Mrs. Bailey is going to go away and of course it will not do for her to come then. It has been cold and blustering all day. Went to the singing class this evening. I had a letter from Kate tonight and I wrote one to her to[o].

Thursday, Dec. 13

I went to the Court House this morning, but Mr. Nevins has gone away and taken the keys with him and I could not do any of the work because there was no getting at the books. I went up and saw a steam drag saw working up wood at Mr. Smalls. Called at Mr. Morrow also. Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Goodrich considered that they better leave right away and tonight they are packing up and Fred Neill is to take them over to Traverse City for the morning train. There was a wedding here tonight, a couple from Frankfurt.

Friday, Dec. 14

This has been a lonesome homesick day for me. I don't feel as I did when Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Goodrich were here. Mr. Chas Bailey and family have charge of the house now. I am going to room here the rest of the term but I take my meals at Mr. Hopkins. I went to see Mr. Waters this forenoon and told him that I would like to resign at the end of this term. I took down the telegraph line this afternoon, and took the battery and one set of instruments over to my College class room. Had a letter from Kate tonight. Una is still unwell.

Saturday, Dec. 15

It has rained all day. I went over to see Fred Neill this morning and learn how he came on with the trip to Traverse City. He said the[y] had a good journey. I then went to the Court House and told Mr. Nevins that I could not do any more work for him. I went down to Mr. Judson's just before noon and told him about my wanting to resign. I guess they will let me off. Took supper at Mr. O.B. Waters tonight. Prof. Greenlee was there. Am troubled with pen paralysis today.

Sunday, Dec. 16

The rain storm has continued all of today. I wrote a letter to Kate this morning to let her know that I am coming home to stay. Went over to Mr. Harvey's and we went to church together. I took dinner at Fred Waters, and stayed there some time talking and looking at pictures. Called on the editors also. I intended to go to Pleasanton to visit Robins folks today but the storm prevented.

Monday, Dec. 17

The weather changed last night and it was cold and a little snow on the ground this morning. I went called with Prof. Greenlee this forenoon and I had him show me about singing some. I have a bad habit of contracting my throat when I sing. I went down to Fred Waters' and had my picture taken. He got a good negative. I am getting very restless and nervous, and I don't want to stay in one spot long. Went to the singing class this evening.

Tuesday, Dec. 18

I was up at 5:30 this morning and writing letters. I took the battery back to Mr. Barnard's this morning, it had got so that it did not good for my arm. Packed up my telegraph instruments and got them ready to ship. I went down to the mill and after class this afternoon and had a little skate, the first I had had in some years. It is cold now but no snow to amount to anything. Stayed to practice for the concert after the singing class tonight.

Wednesday, Dec. 19

I got up early and went over to see the man on my place. I wanted to make arrangements about rent, fence building etc. Taught as usual this afternoon. Tomorrow finishes up my teaching in Grand Traverse College, probably forever. I had a letter from both mother and Kate tonight. Mothers letter makes me feel kind of blue, as she did not want me to resign, and I don't see how I could continue when my arm troubles me so. Been singing tonight.

Thursday, Dec. 20

This has been my last day at the Grand Traverse College. I conducted my last writing class tonight. Dr. Mack told me that fluid extract of Nun Vomica 6 to 10 drops 3 or 4 times a day might help my arm. I have my trunk nearly packed and will have but little to do to get ready to start tomorrow night. We rehearsed[sic] at the hall tonight, for the concert tomorrow night. I will have to make a number of calls tomorrow. A strong southwest wind all today, but not cold.

Friday, Dec. 21

I spent the forenoon in packing up the rest of my things and writing the folks around the creek. I took dinner at Mrs. Neills. Called at various places this afternoon, and got ready to start for home right away after the concert. Our concert went of this evening very well. I sad good bye to a large number of people. We take lunch at Mr. Green's and then Fred Neill takes Prof. Greenlee and myself to Manistee, so we can take the early train out.

Saturday, Dec. 22

We left Benzonia about 11 o'clock last night, and got to Manistee about 4:15 this morning. We had a good night for the long ride it being moonlight, and the roads smooth. It was pretty cold. We left on the 5:15 train, but Mr. Greenlee left me at Reed City. I got through all right and found pa at Delhi waiting for me. Una knew me very soon and came for me with open arms. I am home again and guess I will stay for a while now. I am sorry my arm has spoiled my penwork for the winter, but I am going to enjoy myself if I can.

Sunday, Dec. 23

I got a good rest last night, but am sleepy today. Went to church with Kate this forenoon, and saw lots of my friends there. Mr. Butler is out and he came and took dinner with us. Kate, Una, and I went over to father Queal's a little while this afternoon. It has been a lovely day, quite warm and the sun shining. I was too sleepy to go to church tonight.

Monday, Dec. 24

I fooled around the house the most of the forenoon. Kate and I went to Dexter this afternoon to get the mail and see Santa Claus a little. I got my telegraph instruments out of the Express office, also some boxes for ma and Vida. Mr. Butler was here when we got back. He stayed to supper, when we gave him a present. I went to Mr. Kenny's with him this evening. It is rather wet and muddy here.

Tuesday, Dec. 25

Kate, Una, and I received a good many presents this Christmas day more than we dreamed of getting. We had a good time looking them over. Kate and I went over to her folks' for a little while this afternoon to show them what we had fared. Nellie came while we were there, so we saw her. It has been trying to rain all day. Last year Kate and I had a box to open from home, and we enjoyed it very much too. I am glad we can be home this year.

Wednesday, Dec. 26

I took Willie to Delhi this morning to take the train for Ypsilanti. Vida went to Jackson today. Pa took her to the train at Dexter. It has been unpleasant weather today. Mr. Butler came here at noon and he, Kate, Una, and I visited at Nellie's this afternoon. Will was at home and we had a good visit there, staying to supper. Dor was there and spoke a piece for us. The roads are very muddy now.

Thursday, Dec. 27

It turned colder last night and was freezing this morning. Mr. Butler took his horse and carriage, and went away to try to sell them. I went down to Ed Balls' this forenoon and visited with Charlie Tuthill for a little while. I chopped in the swamp for a while today. Am going to work at that more or less this winter. We went to the prayer meeting tonight. It is snowing some tonight.

Friday, Dec. 28

Mr. Butler was here this forenoon and I visited with him until he went away about noon. Charlie Tuthill was here at dinner with his wife and little boy. They live at the north. I went to Dexter this afternoon on foot. I talked to the people about a musical institute there, but I don't believe they will take hold of it. I got a present to take to Henry and Kate Queal tomorrow. Walked back with John Williams. Went to a "Farmers Club" pubbie tonight at the church.

Saturday, Dec. 29

Willie and I put up the telegraph line from our room to the dining room, so we can practice. We ran the wires by way of the cellar. Kate and I went out to Henry Queal's this forenoon. They had a little party to celebrate their anniversary. We had a good time. They had a big dinner. It has been a fine day. Vida came home this afternoon from Jackson. Will learns to operate very fast.

Sunday, Dec. 30

Kate and I went to church this forenoon leaving Una with Willie. After church I hitched up and we went over to father Queal's to take dinner. I left Kate and Una there to come home when Dor came to evening meeting, and I went down to McColl's to see Irvie, as he was home today. Mr. Butler was there. We all walked up to the church, but I did not stay to the meeting. It has been a mild but cloudy day.

Monday, Dec. 31

I helped at washing this forenoon, and then I went to Delhi with Mr. Butler. We went on foot, and I had a good visit with him. He went to Boyden as we come back. I worked with pa, chopping in the swamp this afternoon. I[t] was rainy some of the forenoon, but colder and not stormy this afternoon. Will and I practiced telegraphy some this evening. He does finely. This finishes 1888, and makes the third diary I have filled. I shall begin another tomorrow.

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Cash Account – January

		Received	Paid
3	Overshoes		1 .75
“	Bookkeeping books	4 .25	
4	Booking ^{8.40} Pop. Garding ^{1.05}		9 .45
5	½ ton Hay		6 .00
“	Diary		.50
“	Art Jour. ^{.65} Pens ^{.05}	.70	
5	Salary full term	56 .25	
	Unaccounted	12 .52	
7	Stationery ^{.12} Dues ^{.10}		.22
10	Stockings		.70
11	Stocking r't'd	.20	
	Bk Powder ^{.15} Chimney ^{.08}		.23
	Postage		.08
13	Sent Miss Smeltzer		.35
	Gal. Oil		.15
14	Milk		.25
“	Pens	.05	
16	Stamps		1 .00
	Shoe strings		.01
	Book'g books	.25	
18	Cloth ^{.40} Raisins ^{.10}		.50
	Lantern Globe		.10
	Books	2 .25	
19	Stamps		.01
20	Oats ^{.90} Hauling wood ^{1.10}		2 .00
	Postal note ^{.63} candy ^{.02}		.65
22	Contribution		.05
23	Plymouth R. Pants		3 .90
24	Sugar		.35
25	Laudnam		.04
27	Catach cure		.50
	Lamp burner		.10
30	Peppermint		.20
	Cheese		.08
		76 .47	29 .17

Cash Account – February

		Received	Paid
3	1 gal Oil		.15
4	Books & blankets	2 .25	
“	Milk		.25
6	For the Office		1 .05
“	Sweet oil		.10
8	Chocolate ^{.25} lemons ^{.17}		.42
	Laudnam ^{.04} wire ^{.02}		.06
9	Writing cards	.25	
	Medicine		.25
14	B. Sugar		.38

16	Cod fish . ¹⁰ crackers . ³⁵		.45
	Medicine		.25
17	Order for Vest	3	.75
18	Medicine		.05
	Ker. Oil		.15
19	Contribution		.05
22	Order for Medicine		.28
23	For pens	.25	
24	Stamp		.01
25	Tooth pulled		.50
	Dinner		.25
28	Salary	50 .00	
	Salt		.08
28	Sugar		.45
	Tin basin		.05
	Pens	.05	
		<u>52</u> .60	<u>8</u> .98

Cash Account – March

	Received	Paid
1	Card writing .10	
2	bu oats . ⁴⁵ cloth . ¹⁰	.45
	Stamp . ¹² borax . ⁰⁵	.17
3	Cup	.05
4	Contribution	.05
6	Barrels	.45
7	Washing . ⁴⁰ cards . ⁰⁵	.45
9	Pens .10	
10	“ .05	
“	Cheese	.17
12	Dinner Expenses	1 .25
	Valise	3 .25
	Shave .10 candy . ²⁵	.35
	Telegraphing	.35
13	Board	5 .75
	Gave Kate	80 .00
15	Paid Fred Neill	4 .00
	Old baggs[sic]	.40
18	Contribution	.10
20	Candy . ¹⁰ wire . ⁰⁵	.05
21	Barrel . ¹⁵ twine . ¹⁰ lead . ⁰⁵	.30
23	Washing	.30
24	Candy	.20
25	Contribution	.10
26	Type Writer and Magazine	7 .30
	Hat	1 .00
27	Contribution	.25
“	Salary	25 .00
28	Freight on goods	8 .19
	Message . ⁵⁰ Tie . ²⁵	.75
30	Candy	.10
	To Meth. So.	2 .00
31	L. Barnes on 9c	20 .00
	Card writing	.10
	Shirt	.80

Cash Account – April

		Received	Paid
1	Contribution		.05
2	Shovel	.50	
3	Sleve[sic] Buttons		1 .75
	Shoe mew .15 wash .30		.45
4	L. Barnes	16 .00	
	Sugar .10 cards .02		.12
5	Collar butter		.20
“	Work at Bookkeeping	9 .00	
6	Present from Charlie	5 .00	
“	Sundries		.05
9	Sunday Receipts	23 .77	
“	Wood	5 .00	
	Sunday Payments		1 .35
10	Livery Hire		1 .50
	Dinner .25 Rubbers .65		.90
	R.R. Fare 3.65 Vase .85		4 .50
11	Board .75 Paper .05		.80
	Message .35 Fare .25		.60
12	Sundries		.67
13	Carfare		3 .25
16	Pr. Shoes		2 .50
	Inks		.30
	Elastic .08 chamois .25		.33
18	Bottle .12 soap .10		.22
20	Vines and Bushes		5 .00
	R. R. fare .30 W. Chain .30		.60
23	Express 1.40 .30 .25		1 .95
	Chamois .20 Gum Arabie .20		.45
	Envel. .10 Rake .50 Stockings .30		.90
25	Volapuk Book		1 .03
26	Haircut .25 Honey .20		.45
	Stamps and Cards		.95
	Medicine		.10
30	Card Writing	.10	

Cash Account – May

		Received	Paid
1	For Companion		1 .80
	Nut Galls .05 Tacks .05 color .10		.20
5	Nails		.12
	From S.B. Harvey	.40	
9	Photographs		3 .25
	Plow points		.55
15	Medicine		.70
	Pans		.88
16	Bed R. Set and table		25 .00
	Chair 3.75 T. Rack .25		4 .00
	Pulling teeth		2 .30
19	Seeds .15 Brads .15		.30
23	Stationery		.65
	To Kate		.50

Cash Account – June

	Received	Paid
1 Penman's Paper		.10
2 Handkerchief		.16
3 Contribution		.25
6 Cleaning clock		.75
Car fare		.30
9 Teeth	11	.50
Umbrella	1	.65
Medicine		.50
Meat		.50
Oatmeal		.40
Stabbling		.25
10 Contribution		.02
12 Dr. Bill ^{1.00} stamp ^{.07}	1	.07
15 Photos	3	.25
London Purple		.20
Stamps		.05
18 Postal Note		.32
Stamps		.18
Dr. Bill	2	.00
Kate's switch	1	.00
26 R.R. Fare	1	.30
Dinner		.40
Server ^{.50} Tan ^{.10} Nuts ^{.23}		.83
28 Medicine		.20

Cash Account – July

	Received	Paid
2 Hair cut ^{.25} syringe ^{.20}		.45
100 lesson in Business		1 .03
6 Ice-cream etc.		.75
Berries		.64
7 Mon. Order	3	.83
Bk. Pow. ^{.15} Box Pens ^{.12}		.27
Syringe returned		.20
9 Dr. Bill		.50
15 Contribution		.03
18 Lemonade		.43
23 Car fare	1	.30
Tuition	10	.00
Room rent	6	.00
Dinner ticket (6)	1	.00
Hat ^{.49} Tin ware ^{.25}		.74
Phosphates ^{.50} milk ^{.05}		.55
Dray Hire		.30
Stationery		.50
24 “		.35
Sponge crop ^{.15} milk ^{.05}		.20
Stamps & cards		.25
25 Oranges ^{.05} ilk ^{.05}		.10
26 Pens ^{.05} milk ^{.05} bread ^{.05}		.15
27 Repair on shoe ^{.40} milk ^{.05}		.45

	Stamp .02 paper .02		.04
28	Shirt collars & cuffs	2	.75
	Ferry fare .10 milk .05 paper .02		.17
	Melon		.25
30	Milk .10 soda .10 paper .02		.22
	Postal cards		.05
31	Milk		.05
	Dinner	1	.00

Cash Account – August

		Received	Paid
1	Clothing		11 .00
	Milk .05 ginger .05		.10
2	Ink .35 milk .05		.40
3	Lunch .20 milk .05		.25
4	Tares .20 milk & bread .05		.35
	Laundry .28 paper .02		.30
5	Food & drink		.20
6	“ “		.23
7	R. R. fare 1.45 Express hire .25		1 .70
	Bannas[sic] .20 lunch .20		.40
9	From L. Barnes, <u>P.O. order</u>	13 .00	
10	R.R. fare .15 drinks .10		.25
13	Benzie Banner		1 .03
14	Medicine		.50
	Stamp		.20
18	Picnic expense		.20
20	Order for pens		1 .53
	Shoes mended		.10
	Stamps		.15
25	From L. Barns <u>P.O. order</u>	13 .00	
	Lemons		.43
			.15

Cash Account – September

		Received	Paid
1	Jackknife	.50	
3	Drinking cap		1 .50
	Shoes 1.00 ink .15		1 .15
	Fare .40 stamps .20		.60
	Money Orders		3 .66
6	Wm Nugent note ^ paid	36 .00	
7	R.R. fare		.80
6	Pumps		20 .00
8	Express		.60
9	Contribution		.02
12	<u>Stamps</u>		.13
17	From Pa		
	Overcoat		13 .00
	Postage 1.00 cap .15		1 .13
18	Shoes		6 .00
	Stamps		.10
	Medicine		.25
19	R.R. fare		1 .10
	Fair ticket		1 .00

	Meal tickets		.75
	Pail		.10
22	Peanuts .05 bangle hooks .15		.20
	Amonia[sic]		.05
24	Money order	1	.70
	Candy		.30
25	R.R. fare	8	.45
	Baggage transfer		.10
	Peaches .05 paper .02		.07
26	Stage fare 2.50 dinner .25	2	.75
	Hotel bill	1	.00
27	Fair .35 paper .25	1	.35
29	Ink .05 Perfume .25		.30
30	Contribution		.05

Cash Account – October

		Received	Paid
1	Farm rent	3 .50	
	R.R. ticket	1 .00	
2	Pens .05 4 th lemons .05		.10
4	Stamps		.50
5	Mrs. Neill	9 .50	
	Board		3 .00
6	Perfume .25 dues .10		.35
7	Contribution		.06
8	Hat		1 .00
10	Eye shade		.15
11	Western penman		1 .03
11	Oil for air pump		.10
11	Board 3.00 washing .50		3 .50
12			
13	Wrights bookkeeping		2 .57
	Scrap book .65 hoe holder .08		.73
16	Stamps		.06
	Pens	.05	
19	Entertainment		.25
20	Frame sent	5 .00	
	Board 3.00 paper .10		3 .10
21	Contribution		.08
22	Hair cut		.25
23	Suspenders .50 pined .05		.55
24	Salt .05 26 th raisins .06		.14
26	Dues Lit. So.		.10
27	Salary	50 .00	
	Ammunition		.70
30	Candy		.15
“	Sent Kate		20 .15

Cash Account – November

		Received	Paid
1	Washing bill		1 .00
2	Board		3 .00
“	Chemicals		.35

3	Money order		5	.72
4	Contribution			.05
5	Acid .08			.08
8	Bookkeeping		2	.80
"	Washing			.50
10	Express on telegraph	.65		
12	Tablet .05 13-postals 1.60		1	.65
	Board		6	.00
22	Washing			.75
24	Board		3	.00
27	Telegraph			.37
28	Telegraphing			.60
	Horse hire			.75
	Salary	35	.93	

Cash Account – December

	Received	Paid
5	Washing	1 .00
7	Board	.00
	Entertainment	.10
8	Printing	.50
10	Musical 1.00 haircut .25	1 .25
13	Telegraph	4 .00
	Board 3.00 washing .25	3 .25
14	M.E. Church	2 .00
17	Singing book	.50
19	Board	2 .50
	Pen	2 .00
20	On salary	4 .07
	Pens & holders	.90
21	Photographs	2 .50
	Room rent	.50
22	R.R. Fare	7 .85
	Meals	.25
24	Express	.85
	Blue Vitrol	.35
	Sharing things	.35
	Overshoes	1 .50
28	Present	2 .00
	Lamp burner	.45

SUMMARY

	Received	Paid
Cash on hand Jan. 1	42 .35	
January	76 .47	29 .17
February	52 .60	8 .98
March		
April		
May		
June		
July		

August
September

October
November
December

Total,

Balance to new account,
