Sunday, January 1
Ther.: 46+

It has been a mild day but cloudy and almost misty tonight.

Kate, ma, Dewey and I went up and had a New Years dinner with Will and Millicent at Dexter. John Cushing went to his brother Otis' for the day.

Monday, Jan. 2
Ther.: 34+, 20+

A snow storm with wind from the north set in this morning and kept it up all day. It has grown colder, too, and is not real pleasant weather, any how.

Tuesday, Jan. 3
Ther.: 10+, 18+, 8+

Pleasant today but pretty cold.

I finished a batch of platino prints.

It is sharply cold tonight.

Wednesday, Jan. 4
Ther.: 6+, 26+

I fixed up all the photos made yesterday and mailed them south. It was cold this morning but has turned some milder. John went to Ann Arbor today.

Thursday, Jan. 5

Hitched up on the sleigh this morning and went after aunt Em and Maude Williams. Aunt Em is making a new waist for ma and Maude is interested in Kate's photo painting and wants to try her hand at it. There was considerable new light snow this morning. I made a new handle for a beetle this afternoon.

We had pop corn and hickory nuts tonight.

Friday, Jan. 6

Cloudy and looking like snow all day.

Took ma down to Kennys this forenoon and went for her tonight.

Took Maude over to Ralph's this evening. John and I drew out a lot of straw and manure from the barn yard.

Saturday, Jan. 7
Ther.: 25+

Kate and I went to Dexter this forenoon to do some trading. It cleared up and was quite pleasant most of the day. A church meeting occupied the attention of the folks this afternoon. Nellie came over here and is pretty sick tonight.
**Sunday, Jan. 8**  
**Ther.: 8+**

Quite pleasant during the day with exception of a few snow squalls.

Mr. Stocking came from Ann Arbor to preach and stopped here to dinner. Nellie has been sick all day but seems to be better tonight.

It has grown cold tonight.

**Monday, Jan. 9**  
**Ther.: 7+, 29+, 10+**

Cold this morning then grew warmer and snow squalled furiously at times, tonight it cleared up and grows cold again. John went to Ann Arbor this afternoon to be at a Grand Army meeting tonight.

Ma and Kate went over to Ralph Williams for supper tonight.

**Tuesday, Jan. 10**  
**Ther.: 2-, 16+, 11+**

Biting cold this morning. The telephone was not working well and I went down to Balls this morning and found the linemen were fixing things there. Spent most of the day doing chores.

Dewey came from school tonight real sick and said he had hurt his head in a fall. Kate had had to tend him all the evening.

John came back tonight.

**Wednesday, Jan. 11**  
**Ther.: 14+, 22+, 34+**

A blizzard of a day, snow and later sleet from the east with a gale that made drifts.

Dewey has been sick all day. Dr. Gates was here at noon to see him.

I tried to saw some wood with John Birds' help this forenoon but the storm drove us up.

**Thursday, Jan. 12**  
**Wea.: 22+**

Everything out of doors was all ice today and it was hard to get about. On account of Dewey's sickness the missionary meeting was held at the church and Ma and Kate served the dinner up there. Dewey seems much better today, his temperature having gone down from 103 to 99.

Kate is sick tonight with something like grip.

**Friday, Jan. 13**  
**Wea.: 14+, 19+**

Nice winter day but the ice crust on the snow makes it so bad about getting around.

Kate has been in bed all day and is pretty sick with grip. The Dr. was here at noon.

Dewey began to improve this afternoon and ate a little toast.
Saturday, Jan. 14  
Ther.: 6+, 14+, 8+  

Been cold all day. Kate got out of bed and dressed but she is far from well yet. Dr. Gates was here again. Dewey seems to be improving slowly. He suffers with earache tonight. Ma got here pass to Omaha tonight and will start next week if all goes well.

Sunday, Jan. 15  
Ther.: 2+, 16+, 14+  

Cold morning and a mean wind all day. Kate has not been as well today, and Dewey keeps about the same. Will walked out from Dexter and took dinner with us.

One of the best pigs has such a stiff jaw he can't eat.

Monday, Jan. 16  
Ther.: 14+, 18+, 18+  

We have been busy today as ma got ready to go on her visit to Omaha. This afternoon I took here to Dexter and she is staying at Copeland's till morning when she takes the cars.

We cut a walnut tree by the hen house that was dying.

It cleared off very nicely this afternoon.

Kate seems a little better but Dewey remains the same.

Tuesday, Jan. 17  

Dewey was sick all last night and this morning I telephoned to ma and she postponed here visit and came back home with Ralph Williams. We were sorry to stop her journey but hope she can go on in a few days. John Bird helped me saw up some hickory trees down the road this afternoon. It was a cold job in a raw wind. Dewey seems better tonight.

Wednesday, Jan. 18  
Ther.: 28+, 34+  

It has been mild weather today with some rain squalls. John and I help Ralph load some hogs he had to take to market.

Drew up what wood was cut and put it in the shed.

Dewey was dressed today for the first time since being sick.

Thursday, Jan. 19  

Been quite pleasant and thawed considerable today. John and I went to Dexter this forenoon and took up a veal calf I had sold. This afternoon I finished preening the old grape vines. Ma has come down with the grip and is sick tonight.

Friday, Jan. 20  

Been a very pleasant day, but it has clouded up and looks stormy about the moon tonight.
A Farmers Institute was held at the church today. Kate had to do a lot of baking for dinner and supper. The church ladies served. Ma was able to get up today. I am coming down with the distemper.

Kate went up to the church tonight.

Saturday, Jan. 21

Been staying in the house about all day feeling miserable. It snowed quite a bit during the day covering the bare spots made by the thaw.

Dewey is coming to his appetite and ate his meals well today.

Sunday, Jan. 22

Ther.: 8+, 12+

Cold this morning and all today, but not windy.

None of us except Cushing went to church on account of our "grip".

Will came down for dinner and spent some of the afternoon. Ma intends to start for Omaha tomorrow.

I have felt better today.

Monday, Jan. 23

Ther.: 2+, 20+, 19+

We got up very early and John Bird took ma and her trunk to Dexter so she could get a train to Ann Arbor and catch the Chicago express. Will went down with her and he telephoned at noon that he saw her started and got her trunk checked through.

It was frosty this morning and has been chilly all day. Snowed very lightly tonight.

Kate and I washed this forenoon.

Ma must be the other side of Chicago tonight.

Tuesday, Jan. 24

Ther.: 14+, 18+

More snow and bluster today. Rather cold too. Will telephoned he had a card from ma she wrote at Chicago last night. We will be anxious to hear she is safe at uncle John's. I filed up the bucksaws today.

Wednesday, Jan. 25

Ther.: 14+, 14+, 4+

Been a cold blustery day and the snow has drifted pretty badly. Edwin Ball got our sleigh and stock rack to use and I had him bring us some flour. We got a card that ma wrote as she left Chicago.

Kate took up her painting again today. The kitchen stove smoked so bad it was hard for Kate to get the meals.

It is bitter cold tonight.

Thursday, Jan. 26

Ther.: 2-, 20+, 14+

Cold and sharp this morning.
We heard from ma by Will and by a card she wrote, that she was snow bound on a train out in Iowa Tuesday.

John went to Ann Arbor and has not come back tonight.

The weather is more moderate tonight.

*Friday, Jan. 27*
*Ther.: 14+*

A very blustery and disagreeable day.

I went to Wheelers store for oil, sugar, and oatmeal.

There was a social here tonight and a good attendance in spite of weather.

Will telephoned he had heard from ma in Omaha and she was not sick.

*Saturday, Jan. 28*
*Ther.: 2+, 9+, 4+*

Bitter cold this morning and help very sharp all day.

John and I hitched up and drove about all over the road district to see how the roads were and shovel a little on drifts.

We drew out some manure this afternoon.

Had a card from mother today written at Omaha. It was 26 below 0 there.

*Sunday, Jan. 29*
*Ther.: 3+, 18+, 8+*

Cloudy most of today and grew some milder.

I stayed at home very close all day.

Kate, Dewey and John went to church.

*Monday, Jan. 30*
*Ther.: 0+, 18+, 10+*

Zero weather this morning.

It has been a bright fine day if cold.

I went to Delhi to get some mill feed for the pigs this afternoon.

Kate and Dewey drove down to aunt Delina Kenny's when I got back. Had a letter from mother. She does not seem to feel extra well just now.

*Tuesday, Jan. 31*
*Ther.: 12+*

Quite a pleasant winter day.
Dewey was at school all day.

Kate went down to Mrs. Sears' this afternoon.

John and I sawed and chopped up some apple wood in the old orchard.

It has grown mild.

*Wednesday, February 1*
*Ther.: 20+, 24+, 5+

Dewey has such a bad cold he had to stay at home from school.

A cold wave has come down on us. There was a snow squall this morning followed by an increasing cold wind.

John and I drew up what wood was cut this morning. I shelled a lot of corn this afternoon.

*Thursday, Feb. 2*
*Ther.: 6-, 6+, 2-

A very cold day.

I did not try to work out of doors much. It was too cold to leave stock out long.

It seems as though tonight would be the coldest we have had so far.

The sun shone brightly all day and the old saying is that it indicates a continued long and cold winter.

*Friday, Feb. 3*
*Ther.: 4-

Cold, but bright day. I did a little photo printing this forenoon.

Did up the chores early tonight and Kate, Dewey and I went up to Dexter to a gathering of Webster folks at Will's. Most of them came in loads. Kate and Dewey are staying all night to come home tomorrow, but I rode back with Bert Kenny's load. It was a dreadful cold night to be out and I got pretty chilly. We had a good time.

*Saturday, Feb. 4*
*Ther.: 10-, 14+, 12+

Dreadful cold this morning. I got up at 6 o'clock so had about 4 hours sleep. Had to get breakfast for myself and John. After dinner I hitched up and drew John's things over to his granery. He went to his brother's tonight and is through staying here for a while at least. Kate and Dewey came home this afternoon and seem all right. Had a letter from ma and it is colder in Omaha than here.

*Sunday, Feb. 5*
*Ther.: 8+, 147+

A raw east wind all day brought up a snow this afternoon and it is pretty wild tonight.

Nellie stayed here last night and Don came down to dinner today.

*Monday, Feb. 6*
*Ther.: 10+, 16+, 6+

Bright, clear day after storm of yesterday and last night. The fresh snow is quite deep.
Helped Kate wash this forenoon. This afternoon I hitched on the sleigh and drove over south to see if road was clear, then drew out 4 loads of manure.

It is cold tonight.

*Tuesday, Feb. 7*
*Ther.: 2-, 14+, 4+*

Clear, cold, quiet day.

I did little but the chores today.

My fingers crack so badly this weather that it hurts me to do anything.

We received no mail at all.

*Wednesday, Feb. 8*
*Ther.: 10+, 16+, 20+*

A dreadful chilly east wind today that brought a heavy snow storm this afternoon. John Bird helped me cut a big tree down in the woods this afternoon, but the storm drove us out before we got it sawed up. I fear the roads will be blocked by tomorrow morning.

*Thursday, Feb. 9*
*Ther.: 32+*

Moderate temperature today and thawed a very little.

The snow was deep this morning and I had to drive over some of the roads to see if they were blocked.

Broke a road to the woods and hauled up what wood we cut yesterday.

It snowed some this afternoon again. It is hard work getting into the woods.

*Friday, Feb. 10*
*Ther.: 12+, 12+, 8+*

Cold again and very windy, blowing the snow in to bad drifts. Was out on the roads again to open them up.

Did nothing much but chores today.

There is a social at Bert Kenny's tonight but we did not go.

*Saturday, Feb. 11*
*Ther.: 1+, 14+*

Biting cold this morning.

John Bird and I did some shoveling on the roads this forenoon.

I shelled corn, sawed a little wood and did chores.

The wind has gone east and it looks snowy.

*Sunday, Feb. 12*
Ther.: 30+

A big snow storm about all day. A young Japanese student lectured at the church today, but there was a small audience. We had aunt Em, Maude, and Horace Sayles for dinner and to spend the afternoon.

Monday, Feb. 13
Ther.: 11-, 6+, 12+

Awfully cold again.

Had to get out and shovel some on the road this morning. Horace spent last night and today with us. We did the washing this forenoon. Dewey received a Valentine from his grandma.

It was too cold to do anything but the chores.

Tuesday, Feb. 14
Ther.: 17-, 11+, 10+

Coldest morning of the winter. Nearly froze my nose coming from the barn to house.

Snow and wind has made it very disagreeable to be out.

Our cellar is on the point of freezing up and we have put water, lamps, coals, and an oil stove down in it to try and drive out the frost.

Wednesday, Feb. 15
Ther.: 12-, 4+, 2-

Very cold. I shoveled snow on the road this morning and nearly froze at it.

Had to work all day with the cellar to keep things from freezing. Have moved most everything to the back cellar.

No delivery of mail today.

Thursday, Feb. 16
Ther.: 10-, 22+, 18+

Pretty cold this morning but it has moderated some probably to get started for another blizzard.

We had a letter from ma and it had been 32 below 0 at Omaha and very deep snow.

It has clouded up and looks stormy.

Friday, Feb. 17
Ther.: 22+, 26+, 14+

I never saw the like of the blizzard we had today. It filled the roads full of snow banks and travel is well nigh suspended. John Bird and I drove down to Wheelers to get kerosene oil and I thought we would get swamped. I will not venture on the roads until there is a change. Edwin Ball went to Dexter and brought our mail and my new Al-Vista camera.

Saturday, Feb. 18
Ther.: 9+, 22+, 14+

This has been a beautiful day.
We had to do a little shoveling to make roads passable this morning. Very few teams were on the road, anyway. I printed a batch of Platinum prints this afternoon.

_Sunday, Feb. 19_  
_Ther.: 18+_

Been pleasant all day and has grown warmer fast.

There was no service at church but a few went and had a Sunday School.

Nellie came and spent the afternoon and Kate and Dewey took her home.

_Monday, Feb. 20_

It thawed all day and the snow settled rapidly. I sent some Steels Red apples by mail down to Dave Miller to let him see how nice they are. Oscar came through with mail today.

This afternoon John Bird helped me saw wood down in the north woods.

_Tuesday, Feb. 21_

Quite mild weather all day.

I walked over to Mrs. Backus' to get some butter. The road is not open yet that way.

Kate helped me shell some corn this afternoon.

_Wednesday, Feb. 22_  
_Ther.: 32+_

Washington's birthday and a legal holiday so we got no mail. I cleaned out the chimney this forenoon.

This afternoon John Bird helped me saw wood in the north woods. It has not thawed much today.

_Thursday, Feb. 23_  
_Ther.: 34+_

Another mild day.

Aunt Dalia and Ida were here most of the day.

I split up the chunks in the woods this forenoon and fixed the road so I got through with the sleighs and I drew up most of the wood this afternoon.

_Friday, Feb. 24_  
_Ther.: 34+_

Mild today.

Don came and put up a load of his oats and took dinner with us. I went to Dexter this afternoon and had Fan shod and got some groceries. The roads are very bad. Went up to Dexter with Don tonight and he, John Cushing and I took our first degree in Masonry.

_Saturday, Feb. 25_

Did not do much today but chores and odd jobs. Dewey has a very bad cold again.
Will and Millicent came down late tonight to spend Sunday with us.

Sunday, Feb. 26

Been a very nice day. Will and I had a long talk about the home affairs but it is hard to decide as to what should be done. They went back tonight. Will intends to leave his present position soon.

Monday, Feb. 27
Ther.: 10+, 34+, 32+

It was quite cold again this morning but warmed up and appears stormy tonight.

Dewey is real sick with his cold and cough.

John Cushing came this afternoon and is staying all night.

Tuesday, Feb. 28
Ther.: 32+, 36+

Did not storm today after all.

I sent out an order for 100 peach trees to be set out at Sapphire.

I drew up some more wood this afternoon. Kate and Dewey going to the woods once with me.

Dewey seems a little better tonight.

Wednesday, March 1

Neither bad weather nor very good, but the sun shone some this afternoon.

I did quite a bit of printing on platino.

Thursday, March 2
Ther.: 8+, 34+

A beautiful day.

Kate and Dewey went out to visit Henry Queal at Hamburg.

I did some more printing of photos.

John Cushing came again this evening.

There was a little flurry of snow tonight.

Friday, March 3
Ther.: 39+

Been warmer today. Snow squalled a little this afternoon, but seems rainy tonight. John Cushing went back to Dexter this afternoon.

I did chores and sawed wood.

Saturday, March 4
Inauguration of the president today, but I am not in Washington. Went up to Dexter this forenoon. Kate and Dewey going over to Don's. I took dinner with Will and Millie and left Zoe and the cutter for them to come down in and I walked home stopping to see Mr. Terry. It turned out a real pleasant day.

Sunday, March 5

Ther.: 11+

Will and Milled came out this forenoon and spent the day. Will is posting me on Masonry.

Not as pleasant as yesterday.

Monday, March 6

Helped a little at the washing this forenoon.

Will and John Cushing came from Dexter and all hands did a lot of shoveling of snow on the road north, so teams can get through instead of going in our field. I took Will part way home this evening. John is staying here tonight.

Tuesday, March 7

Mild and cloudy all day. The lumbermen have been on John Cushing's land cutting and hauling logs. They are going to get a few logs on our land.

Dewey and I went to Delhi this afternoon and got some middlings for the pigs. It seems like rain tonight.

Wednesday, March 8

I went to Ann Arbor this forenoon catching a ride with Mr. Crouch. Purchased photo supplies, Drawing paper, and water color paints. Took train up to Dexter to see Will as he wanted to talk with me about going west to accept a job in railroad shops. I advised him by all means to go. I took supper with them and then walked home. John Cushing and Kate did the chores tonight.

Thursday, March 9

Ther.: 40+

It thawed heavily today. Horace Sayles came over and took dinner with us.

John sowed clover seed down on his farm.

I did some intensifying of films this afternoon.

Friday, March 10

Ther.: 10+

Been a very fine day.

Mr. and Mrs. Adin Bennett and Mrs. Walker came and took dinner and spent the afternoon with us.

I got 3 bushels of clover seed from John Cushing this afternoon. He went back to Dexter.

A letter from mother says she plans to start home the 16th.

Don brought Nellie here tonight as she is not well.

Saturday, March 11
Another nice day.

I made up a batch of platinum prints today and developed them tonight.

Sunday, March 12

I went up to Dexter today and had dinner with Will and his wife. Mr. McColl and Horace Sayles were there.

Will and I went to uncle John, and got some instruction.

John Williams called here tonight and ate bread and milk with us.

Monday, March 13
Ther.: 22+

Dewey went to school this forenoon. Kate did a big washing. This afternoon Jon Bird helped me saw wood.

Tuesday, March 14

It threatened to snow and squalled some this forenoon but cleared off nicely this afternoon. I went to Dexter this afternoon to do considerable trading and Will came home with me to stay a couple of days. I took the double buggy for the first time since last fall. Will and I called on Maude tonight.

Wednesday, March 15

Will and I took a walk down to the lake and swamp this forenoon. Will had John Bird help him saw wood up in the south woods this afternoon. We put up the new stove in the dining room this morning.

It has been a very pleasant day.

Thursday, March 16

Been quite warm and spring like today and birds were tuning up for their future songs.

Will worked in the woods all day and is pretty tired tonight.

I sawed wood, shelled corn, and made some photo prints.

Suppose mother is on her way home and will get here tomorrow night.

Friday, March 17

Kate went to Ann Arbor with Dor today. It has been mild and very pleasant. Dewey and I cared for things and got our own dinner. We expected mother home tonight but she telegraphed to Will that she failed to get to Chicago as she intended so would be late. I got harnessed ready to go up when it started to shower so gave up going tonight.

Saturday, March 18

Dewey and I went for mother this forenoon.

The roads are pretty muddy.

Kate and Ida Kenny went to Mrs. Harran's funeral at Northfield.

Sunday, March 19
A freezing rain storm came on today and tonight. The trees are creaking with ice.

I called to see Ralph Williams who is sick in bed.

Monday, March 20

Finished a large batch of photos today. The ice did not melt off much today.

Tuesday, March 21

Will came down this forenoon and is staying over tonight. John Cushing is here also. We have been talking up the fence problem and have decided that we must put up a good lot of it this summer.

Wednesday, March 22

Kate took Will home this forenoon and brought Nettie West back. I sent off some photos by mail to the Toxaway Inn to be sold on commission. John Bird helped me saw wood this afternoon.

Thursday, March 23

Very soft and mild all today.

Sawed wood again today.

Friday, March 24

Fine day.

Continued sawing wood this afternoon.

Saturday, March 25

Kate went to Dexter today and stopped at Don's for dinner and to help Nellie.

I pruned some grape vines across the lane this afternoon.

Went over to Don's tonight and we figured up on his administration of the estate and got out a balance of the resources and liabilities.

It has been a warm day.

Sunday, March 26

Cloudy today with a little mist at times. It is much cool also.

I did chores, wrote letters and had a good nap.

Monday, March 27

Finished pruning the grape vines this forenoon and also pruned the young apple and peach trees.

This afternoon we all went up to Dexter to make out some papers relating to a mortgage we are giving Kate to raise money to put fences and other improvements on the old farm. The roads are getting pretty good now. Will came home with us.
John Cushing came to begin living here for a while again.

Tuesday, March 28
Ther.: 78+

Kate and I worked at cleaning up the grape vines, prunings, etc. this forenoon. Will tried to sow clover seed but found it too muddy in the field. He drew a load of wood to his home in Dexter this afternoon, and went back there after supper tonight. I sawed and split wood this afternoon.

It has been very warm for this time of year.

Wednesday, March 29
Ther.: 79+

Very warm today.

Sawed wood this afternoon and swear at it, too.

Tonight it is coming on to rain.

Thursday, March 30

It rained pretty much all last night, but cleared up bright this morning.

Kate and I attended the funeral of Foster Litchfield at Dexter this forenoon.

Split up a lot of stove wood this afternoon.

A good deal cooler today.

Friday, March 31

Getting warm again. John Bird sowed a lot of clover seed this afternoon.

I worked at splitting wood.

All the folks went to a missionary dinner at Stalls today.

Saturday, April 1

Cool today.

I finished up sowing clover seed this forenoon.

This afternoon John Bird and I worked at the wood again.

This was Kate's birthday.

Sunday, April 2

Raw, chilly day.

All went to church but me.

Monday, April 3
We had some showers today.

Burned some piles of brush this morning. Shelled a lot of corn.

Joe Reese came down to see about painting the house and will probably come on Thursday.

**Tuesday, April 4**

Was warm this morning but grew cool and very windy during the day. I tied up the grape vines this forenoon. Had John Bird help saw wood this afternoon.

**Wednesday, April 5**

Quite pleasant today. Mr. Kuska came down and fixed the piping on south end of barn this forenoon. I cleaned the lower part of the granery today and fixed it so the painters can use it. Kate spent most of the day at Don's.

**Thursday, April 6**

There were several snow squalls during today.

I went to Ann Arbor and took Mae Ball and Alma Shultz and we acted as a committee to look up an organ to be bought for the church.

**Friday, April 7**

It snowed this forenoon till the ground was white but it melted off by evening. I went to Dexter with the wagon this afternoon and got paints, oils, etc. And the painters ladders. It was a cold ride.

**Saturday, April 8**

*Ther.: 24+*

A busy day with me. Drew some wood in the morning then straw to mulch the strawberries. Kate and ma went to the Farmers Club meeting at Ira Backers. Dewey and I ran things at home this afternoon. I cultivated and seeded to clover the lot between our garden and the cemetery. It was cold this morning there being 1/2 inch of ice on the tubs of water. Kate and I called and aunt Dalia's tonight. Mrs. Noble of San Francisco is visiting there.

**Sunday, April 9**

*Ther.: 66+*

Warmer today.

We had aunt Delia, Ida and Mrs. Noble with us for dinner.

**Monday, April 10**

There were a number of showers during the day. The painters came this morning and began work on the house blinds painting them in the granery. I shelled corn and this afternoon I pruned plum and apple trees.

**Tuesday, April 11**

It rained all last night and this morning it turned cooler and there was sleet and snow flakes. It cleared off pleasantly this afternoon. I went to Dexter this forenoon to deposit money in the bank and do other errands. Had John Bird drawing manure around the grape vines and berry bushes. Kate and I set out a number of rose bushes.

**Wednesday, April 12**
Been a beautiful day. Will came down on his wheel this morning, but found it hard going. He is going to help about building fence and dug some post holes this afternoon. I printed up a lot of platinum paper this afternoon and did some film developing tonight.

There was ice this morning in the tubs.

**Thursday, April 13**

Very nice day.

Will and I began drawing fence posts from Lew Bennett's this morning and he and J. Cushing finished them this afternoon.

I printed some postals and Velox paper this afternoon. Kate and ma went to Mrs. Kenny's for a while. John Cushing came again today.

**Friday, April 14**

A snow storm came on this morning and made the ground white but it all melted by noon. Will brought our fruit trees and plants down from the express office this morning.

This afternoon we staked out for new fence.

It is cold tonight.

**Saturday, April 15**

Been a chilly day with several snow squalls. I planted the plum trees, quince and crap apple tree.

Will and John Bird tore down the rail fence by the road down north.

Edwin Ball went to Ann Arbor and got the new organ for the church.

**Sunday, April 16**

Been a cold, windy day, with many snow squalls. I fear it will freeze hard enough to hurt fruit buds tonight.

A young student is staying here tonight who is helping conduct some religious meetings at the church.

**Monday, April 17**

Pretty well frozen up this morning. I did considerable letter writing this forenoon. Planted some cherry trees this afternoon and drew some wood. There were snow flurries again this afternoon.

**Tuesday, April 18**

Rather cool all today but not as bas as yesterday.

I worked at platinum printing most all day.

The stock buyer was here and bargained for the hogs.

Ma and Mrs. Latson went to Dexter to missionary meetings today.

**Wednesday, April 19**
We took the hogs all away today. They weighed just 2000 lbs. and ma got $0.05 per pound.

**Thursday, April 20**

Kate went to Ann Arbor today taking aunt Em Williams with her.

I had John Bird plow garden and do some dragging this forenoon.

This afternoon it rained considerable and is soaking down tonight.

I did some Velox printing and postal card work.

**Friday, April 21**

Very heavy rain all last night and ground very wet today.

I have been writing letters and picking up things for packing for my southern trip.

Tonight John Cushing, Will and I went to Dexter to do some errands and attend lodge.

**Saturday, April 22**

Got up very early this morning and Kate, Dewey and I took the train at Delhi and went to Detroit to visit the Hubbles and spend Easter.

This afternoon we went down town to do some shopping and then visited Belle Isle Park. Dewey had a fine time.

**Sunday, April 23**

We attended church this forenoon and heard fine singing and a good sermon.

This afternoon we went to the Water Works and saw the big engines pumping.

We were all tired tonight.

It has been a fine day.

**Monday, April 24**

We came to Dexter this forenoon and had dinner with uncle John and aunt Ann, did some trading and paid up all outstanding bills to date. John Cushing came up for us right after noon.

**Tuesday, April 25**

Been packing all day and am ready now to start south tomorrow.

I finished planting out the berry bushes this morning.

**Wednesday, April 26**

I left for the south this forenoon. Kate went up to Dexter with me. Will and Millie were at the depot to see me start. Stopped in Ann Arbor between two trains and got my round trip ticket to Asheville, N.C. It has rained some during the day. The trees show more foliage as I get south. I take sleeper at Cincinnati tonight.

**Thursday, April 27**
This has been a lovely day and I have enjoyed the scenery on the way from Knoxville to Asheville.

Tonight I attended a fine concert at the YMCA hall.

Friday, April 28

Got out early and took cars for Hendersonville, where I had a long wait but spent time pleasantly. Met a Michigan man who has been there all winter. Came to Brevard after dinner and succeeded in doing up all business so I could come on to Lake Toxaway tonight. Mr. Aiken took me right to the Inn and I am well cared for. Things look quite bright for business during the season.

Saturday, April 29

There was a heavy rain during last night and considerable showers today. I got business straightened at the Inn this forenoon and walked up to Sapphire and on home this afternoon. Took supper at Burlingames, but am going to sleep in our own house. It seems natural to be here, but it will be lonely without the folks.

Sunday, April 30

Been a fine day. I went down and had breakfast with Dave and his folks this morning. Took a look over the orchard and find there will be no fruit to speak of because of late freeze.

Visited at Burlingames again this evening.

Monday, May 1

Went over to Sapphire this morning to buy a supply of groceries.

Worked hard cleaning up the kitche.

A wagon brought my trunk and express this evening, so I have about all I need now to go at work on.

Tuesday, May 2

Wrote letters and orders for photo goods this forenoon. Unpacked my large camera and the express from Philadelphia.

Went over to the Post Office this afternoon. Saw Mrs. Philips. They are back to run the Sapphire Inn again. Made some corn bread for supper tonight.

It is raining softly.

Wednesday, May 3

It rained all last night and most of this forenoon.

This afternoon I exposed a couple of 8 x 10 plates and developed them tonight, so as to see if camera and plates were all right.

It is warm growing weather.

Had a card from Kate. Dave brought the mail.

Thursday, May 4

Been very busy in my shop fixing up to begin printing tomorrow if possible.
I went over to the store this afternoon to mail some letters and get a few things.

It has been very warm today and is thundering tonight.

Had a letter from Kate. Guess she is worried over affairs at home.

Friday, May 5

I printed and finished some Velox paper today. Am no real well satisfied with the work.

We had a shower this afternoon and it rains tonight.

Saturday, May 6

I prepared to print plain paper today but it came on rainy and cloudy so I had a bad time of it.

Toward night I went to the post office for mail and stopped and took supper at Burlingames as I came back. It set in to rain again and I had to dodge home between showers. They gave me a pie to have for my Sunday dinner.

Sunday, May 7

Been quite a pleasant day. I shaved off my beard as I have no chance to get it properly trimmed. Mr. Burlingame called and we looked at some of the fruit trees.

Monday, May 8

Cloudy and some showers today. I did up a number of pictures to send off by mail and took them to the office this afternoon. The wild flowers are blooming out very fast. Had a letter from Kate today.

Tuesday, May 9

This is Dewey's birthday and I wish I could have bee at home with the folks.

I got up real early and went up to Fairfield to make some views.

It has been a very pleasant day, but pretty warm. Had another letter from Kate and they seem to be getting on nicely.

Wednesday, May 10

Been a warm day with shower at noon time.

I went to Sapphire this afternoon and settled with Raines for what views he had sold for me to day.

Took supper with Dave and wife tonight.

Thursday, May 11

Had Dave working for me today doing cleaning up jobs about the house and shop.

This afternoon I finished up some postal cards.

Had a letter from ma and Kate.

Friday, May 12
I had Mr. Miller go with me today and we went to Lake Fairfield where I tried making some views. It was rather too windy for the best of work and was pretty hot walking.

Looked for word from Hiram as to when he would come, but go none.

It is thundering tonight.

\textit{Saturday, May 13}

Spent the forenoon in developing the plates I exposed yesterday, and think I have some fine ones. Went to the post office after dinner and got card from Hiram saying he would come up tonight. Dave went for him with his rig.

\textit{Sunday, May 14}

Spent the day in visiting and walking about with Hiram. We took supper with the Burlingames.

\textit{Monday, May 15}

Hiram and I went to Balk Rock Ridge this forenoon, but the clouds got too bad for picture making and it rained hard before we got home.

We made a fire in the fireplace and read and rested this afternoon.

\textit{Tuesday, May 16}

It rained all last night and some this morning.

I was at Sapphire this forenoon. Had letter from Kate and one from Will. He is going on to Nebraska to work on a railroad this week. It was cold up home and they feared frost. It cleared off and was quite a pleasant day. I made some planatinum prints this afternoon.

\textit{Wednesday, May 17}

A very beautiful day. Hiram and I went to the Whitewater Falls and had a pleasant trip. We were interested in a new water power saw mill on Grimshawes creek.  

\textit{Thursday, May 18}

\textit{Ther.: 48+}

It grew real cool last night. I had to get up and put more covering on our bed. The wind blew a gale about all the forenoon. I finished a batch of plain paper photos. Hiram and Dave went trout fishing and we had a mess for supper.

\textit{Friday, May 19}

It was more or less cloudy today and bothered me about printing. Hiram put fertilizer about his trees this afternoon, having Dave hoe for him.

\textit{Saturday, May 20}

A very fine day.

Hiram and I went to the different falls down the Horse Pasture river and I made several exposures for photos. The water was fine and we enjoyed our trip. I made a few prints for Lake Toxaway after getting home and Hiram went
to Sapphire for the mail. We had a few strawberries for supper, the first of the season. It broke some like storm tonight.

Sunday, May 21

It rained a good share of last night and more or less this forenoon. Dave took Hiram to the train at Lake Toxaway this morning and I suppose he is in Brevard. I wrote a number of letters and took them to Mr. Burlingame to mail when he goes to work tomorrow.

Monday, May 22

Keeps cloudy and rainy. I developed plates this forenoon and went to the hotel and post office this afternoon. It began raining again soon after I got home. Had a letter from Kate and one from Dewey. They went to an animal show and he had a great treat.

Tuesday, May 23

Continues raining today but looks fairer tonight.

I managed to make a few Platinum prints and got them dry so as to mail them to Kate when I went to the office tonight.

Wednesday, May 24

This has been a fine day.

I put fertilizer about the cherry trees and raspberry and currant bushes and hoed it all in. Feel rather tired tonight.

I took supper on invitation at the Burlingames.

Thursday, May 25

Dave came to help me this morning and we pushed the work of fertilizing and hoeing until the rain drove us in at 11 o'clock. It soaked down all the afternoon.

Mr. Burlingame got my mail and a letter from ma and Kate announce that Will did not stay at all in Omaha but went right back to Illinois. She also wrote that little Dewey had a bad cut in his forehead and had to take him to the Dr. and have it sewed up.

Friday, May 26

Rained all last night and a good share of today.

Lucy Burlingame was here and we made some Velox prints from some films she had.

I made up some more postal cards.

Received a lot of paintings from Kate tonight.

Saturday, May 27

Spent most of the forenoon in mounting and making the paintings.

It was fair this forenoon but hard showers came late this afternoon.

I went to the post office but received no mail.
Had Mrs. Burlingame cut my hair this afternoon.

I am reveling I strawberries.

**Sunday, May 28**

Did not rain very much here today, just a shower toward night. I picked quite a nice lot of strawberries this forenoon.

Lowry Jacobs made me a visit this afternoon and brought me a roll of nice butter.

**Monday, May 29**

It did not rain at all today though it was so warm I expected thunder. Dave worked all day at hoeing among the trees I first put fertilizer about them. Went over to Sapphire toward noon to take a lot of mail. I received a lot of paintings from Kate. Stopped and had dinner with the Burlingames as I came back. They had some ice cream. Picked a lot of strawberries this afternoon.

**Tuesday, May 30**

I worked all the forenoon at fertilizing apple and peach trees and grape vines. Dave was hoeing all day.

There was a wind and little shower this morning and another one tonight, but the day as a whole has been pleasant and very warm.

**Wednesday, May 31**

Been a very pleasant day and no rain at all. It has grown cool tonight.

I made Velox prints this forenoon. Went over to Sapphire this afternoon.

Think I will go to Lake Toxaway tomorrow.

**Thursday, June 1**

Got up at 4 this morning and hustled so as to get to Sapphire before the wagon left. I got out at Lake Toxaway dam, and began getting views. Took dinner with the Jacobs and had a nice call. Worked all the afternoon making views. Am stopping at the Toxaway Inn tonight.

**Friday, June 2**

Was out early this morning and did considerable photo taking before breakfast.

Went down below Toxaway Falls this forenoon.

I rode up with Mr. Thad Miller this afternoon and his boys helped me tote my things home, so I am back again.

**Saturday, June 3**

Been just a little rain this afternoon and evening.

I went to The Narrows this forenoon to try for some new negatives. Been developing this afternoon and tonight.

Mr. Burlingame got my mail and I called there tonight for it.
Sunday, June 4

Have been close at home all day.

Wrote some letters, picked strawberries and took a good nap.

It has been a very nice day.

Monday, June 5

Ther.: 80+

Been a hot day.

I finished two batches of Platinum prints. Went to the office for my mail just after dinner. Had letters from Kate and ma.

Tried making a new negative of the Mountain Laurel and tonight I have finished my developing.

Tuesday, June 6

Warm but breezy most all day.

Worked at the shop all day, only taking time to pick some strawberries before I got my supper.

Wrote a letter to Kate and took it over to Burlingames tonight. Am trying to get to bed in good season tonight.

Wednesday, June 7

Printed photos all day, finishing some Platinum this afternoon. I went to Burlingames tonight and had supper with them and we had a fine strawberry shortcake. It thundered and threatened a big rain this afternoon but all blew over with just a sprinkle.

Thursday, June 8

Finished a large batch of photos today.

It is becoming real dry and the berries need rain.

Friday, June 9

Ther.: 48+

It was almost cold this morning and a high wind prevailed most of today. I finished a batch of 8 x 10 photos. Went to Sapphire for my mail this afternoon.

So cool tonight I built a fire in the fireplace.

Saturday, June 10

This morning I went to the Union cemetery to get a photo of the grave of Kim Miller's little child.

This afternoon I tried a stereo view of Mr. Burlingame's rose bush.

Went to the post office for mail and to get more walking which I seem to need.

Warmer today but very dry.
Sunday, June 11

This is the 21st anniversary of my marriage and I wrote Kate a long letter. I don't think we ever spent the day apart before. I called at Alfred Miller's this forenoon. Was at Burlingames for dinner. A number of young folks who work at the hotel called on me this afternoon.

Monday, June 12

Dave has been mowing weeds and grass all day.

I finished some photos to send to Kate for printing.

Went to Sapphire this evening for the mail. Kate writes they are having almost a flood there.

I was up in the orchard tonight and saw the most gorgeous sunset I ever beheld.

Tuesday, June 13

This has been a fine day. I worked through 130 Platinum prints to send Kate for painting.

Went over to the P.O. after supper to mail letters.

Wednesday, June 14

Spent the morning in doing up photos and getting them ready to distribute. Went over to Sapphire with Mr. and Mrs. Philips at the Inn. I fixed them a line of photos to sell for me. This afternoon I went up to Mountain Lodge and saw Mr. and Mrs. Crisp. It rained hard last night and looks like more of it.

Thursday, June 15

It showered more or less all the forenoon. I managed to get the red raspberries picked, and this afternoon I took 5 quarts over to Sapphire Inn and sold them at 15 cents a quart. I went up to Fairfield Inn and put in a stock of views.

The Burlingames gave me a nice piece of honey as I came home tonight.

Friday, June 16

Picked some currants this forenoon and took over to the Burlingames as I could not use them. Had a good dish of strawberries for dinner which will probably be the last of the season for me. I picked a good many red raspberries this afternoon. It rained hard again during last night and I hear the railroad is washed out so the cars cannot get up. Had supper tonight at Burlingames.

Saturday, June 17

I closed up house this morning and Dave took me to the train at Lake Toxaway. I had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Nixon. Brought some berries down to them and to the Jacobs. The painting Kate makes are all about sold at the Inn. It has been a lovely day, the clouds being superb. I came to Brevard this afternoon and found Hiram at his studios. We took a walk out in the suburbs of the town this evening.

Sunday, June 18

Hiram took a party out to Caesars Head, S.C. today and we all had a very nice time. The scenery is very fine and it was exceptionally clear and beautiful in the distance.

There were heavy storms about but we were fortunate not to get badly caught.
Monday, June 19
Hiram and I went to Dunns Rock today and made views of the beautiful scenery. It was a hot pull walking up there.

Tuesday, June 20
I went to Glencannon this forenoon but had the bad luck to get sick so could not make the views I wanted. The people out there were very kind to me and brought me back after I had a good rest.

I had a letter from Kate this evening and they are well.

Wednesday, June 21
Did not do much today but rest and recover from yesterday's sick spell. Consumed considerable ice cream as that seemed to do me good.

Thursday, June 22
Came up on train to Lake Toxaway this forenoon. Had dinner with the Jacobs.

Dave came after me with his horse and buggy and we got home all right though a heavy rain occurred up here before got home.

I took supper with Dave's folks.

Am feeling some better but not very well.

Friday, June 23
This has been quite a pleasant day.

I developed the films I exposed on my Brevard trip.

Went to the post office this afternoon and found my packages of paintings from Kate.

Saturday, June 24
Worked about all day at mounting the paintings Kate has sent lately.

It has been very pleasant all day, except there were two rather short showers.

I called at Burlingames tonight.

Sunday, June 25
Been quietly at home about all day. Took a walk this evening to the Thompson river and located some fine White Azalea.

It has been a fine clear day with no rain whatever.

Monday, June 26
Went to Sapphire with a lot of mail this morning, then came home and got camera and pictures to carry to hotels and went over to Chad Armstrong's for dinner. After dinner we tried taking a photo of trout, then I took the pictures to the hotels. Had two letters from Kate, I guess it is pretty hard for them alone so much.
Tuesday, June 27

It was cloudy this morning and seemed like a storm, but it cleared up and has been a nice day. Worked at the shop all day.

I picked a quart of red raspberries.

Wednesday, June 28

Pleasant most all day, but looking stormy tonight.

I printed platinum this forenoon.

Went to Sapphire after dinner to get the mail and some oil.

Went early this morning and took a few azalea bushes in bloom.

Thursday, June 29

Made a batch of platinum prints this forenoon.

Had two young men and two young ladies here to sit for their photos this afternoon.

I went to Sapphire for the mail tonight. Stopped at Burlingames as I came back and milked their cow for them.

Friday, June 30

Rained all last night and all today. I was ready to go to make a group at the Bohana private school but it was too stormy.

I wrote some letters and called on a couple of neighbors.

Had fire in the fireplace all day.

Saturday, July 1

I went to Fairfield this morning to count up the stock of photos there and stopped at Sapphire Inn to do the same as I came back. Had a letter from The Country Calendar asking for a special mountain view to be sent immediately so I got them at the Inn and sent them off.

Called at Burlingames as I came home and they gave me a nice lot of honey.

Shower toward night.

Sunday, July 2

Quite pleasant all day, but one spatter of rain toward night. I went over and took dinner at the Burlingames. Mr. Burlingame was home from Fairfield.

Monday, July 3

Walked to Lake Toxaway this morning. It was hot and I sweat freely.

Settled up for my picture business at the Inn.
Had a ride back to Sapphire with Mr. Beall and Mr. Philips. Had no dinner but did not feel any ill effect. Probably made up for it on my supper tonight.

Want to go to Highlands tomorrow.

*Tuesday, July 4*

I spent this holiday on a heavy walk coming through to Highlands. Had dinner at Grimshawes in Whiteside Cove and made some group photos for them. I got very warm both this forenoon and afternoon and sweat fearfully. It is raining tonight and I am glad I came through.

*Wednesday, July 5*

This forenoon I made views about the lake and on Sunset Rocks. It began raining about noon and has showered all the afternoon.

I called at the Davis house to show Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Bascom our new paintings.

*Thursday, July 6*

I went to Cullasaja Falls this forenoon, a Mr. James going with me. We had a nice trip and the falls were grand.

It threatened rain this afternoon and I did not go out of town but made a few calls.

*Friday, July 7*

I got out early this morning and went to Glen Falls. It was clear early but got cloudy and was a poor time for making views. I was at Dr. Mary Laphams Sanitarium and Tent Village just before noon. This afternoon I went up on Satulah Mountain and called at Faraway. Have taken a good many orders for the paintings today.

*Saturday, July 8*

I have been hard at work all day making views. Went on Bear Pen mountain and around the lake this forenoon. This afternoon I went to Pinkertons Pool and Highland Falls. There was rain during last night but none today.

*Sunday, July 9*

This forenoon I walked out with Prof. Harbison to the young orchards on Dog Mt.

I took dinner at Rideouts and took a walk down the river with Mr. Rideout tomorrow afternoon.

*Monday, July 10*

After breakfast I took my things and left Highlands. Mr. James walked out with me 4 miles by his pedometer. I encountered a shower just as I got to the Whiteside shelter. It began raining very hard just as I got to the Grimshawes and has kept it up. There is quite a crowd of people here tonight.

*Tuesday, July 11*

I left Grimshawes early this morning but soon got caught in rain and I had to paddle through mud and water all the way home. I got here about noon and had to change all my clothers and take a bath. Had to bake bread before I could have anything to eat. I had a letter from Kate and a lot of papers. Have felt too lazy to work any.

*Wednesday, July 12*
It rained fearfully all last night and every little branch is roaring. It let up this forenoon and there was some sunshine this afternoon. I developed a few films.

Went to Sapphire for my mail this afternoon.

Took supper with the Burlingames and helped them make ice cream.

**Thursday, July 13**

Some sunshine today and some showers. Dr. and Mrs. Whitehead called here this forenoon and a young man from Washington called this evening. I am developing on the Highlands work.

**Friday, July 14**

Been busy all day developing and washing films and plates and mounting paintings.

There was some shavers in this afternoon.

Have a headache and do not feel at any tonight.

**Saturday, July 15**

Did some platinum printing this forenoon. Quite a heavy shower at noon.

I went to Sapphire this afternoon to get my mail and take some percrpstion.

**Sunday, July 16**

For a wonder if has not rained today. I had a call from a young man who lives in Asheville.

This afternoon I walked over to the Dr. Grimshawes and made him a chort ofrer.

**Monday, July 17**

I went to Sapphire and Fairfield this forenoon.

There was a short shower as I was at Fairfield.

Mr. Dave Miller brought my mail tonight. Had a letter from Kate and one from Ralph.

**Tuesday, July 18**

Been at work on photos all day.

Had Noah take my mail to the office this afternoon so I would not have to stop work. Mr. Miller worked here all day, mowing the year and fixing gasberries businesss.

It did not rain here but it did about Faiefielf way

**Wednesday, July 19**

Worked in the shop all day.

It thundered and rained all about this afternoon but only sprinkled here.

Had Mr. Miller doing sprouting up on the hill and in the house yeard.
Caught two mice tonight.

*Thursday, July 20*

Been very pleasant all day. The air is dry, too, so we may be going to have a spell of fine weather. I improved the day by hustling the printing. I took a bucket of blackberries. Hoed in the rose bushes tonight.

*Friday, July 21*

Printed more Platinum this forenoon.

Dave killed a big rattler in the orchard this afternoon.

More or less cloudy and a little shower this evening.

Had a letter from Kate with lock of Dewey's hair.

*Saturday, July 22*

Went to Sapphire this forenoon with mail. It was too cloudy to print. It cleared up and I did considerable printing this afternoon. I did a little painting on view photos this afternoon, it being the first I have touched a paint brush in years. Dave cut up a good lot of stove wood for me this forenoon. He brought my mail and some hot potatoes for my supper tonight.

*Sunday, July 23*

I took dinner at Burlingames today.

It looked like rain about noon but cleared up nicely.

*Monday, July 24*

I met with hard luck today losing the whole batch of prints on Platino paper by blisters.

Went to Sapphire this evening to take some letters and photo proofs. Just as I was about to go to bed Dave came up and said his little boy was very sick, so I took my lantern and walked over to Dr. Grimshawes after some medicine. The lad was better when I got back.

*Tuesday, July 25*

It threatened storm a little this forenoon, but finally cleared up and has been a very nice day. I did retouching and printing.

Went to the post office this afternoon.

Dave worked this afternoon fixing up fence and hoeing grape vines.

*Wednesday, July 26*

Printed some this forenoon and finished 96 prints this afternoon.

Picked some blackberries and took to the Burlingames tonight.

*Thursday, July 27*
Fixed up photos to mail and to carry to Fairfield this morning and then went out with them.

Mrs. Burlingame had me stop there for my dinner as I came back and Lucy had made ice cream which tasted good.

I got a little printing done but the clouds were rather thick for the work. It showered just a little this evening. Dave got the mail tonight and there was a letter from Kate.

*Friday, July 28*

Printed this morning and finished a batch of work this afternoon.

Wrote a letter to Dewey tonight.

*Saturday, July 29*

Went to Sapphire with mail this morning then came home and went at the printing which I kept at most of the day getting a lot of prints.

*Sunday, July 30*

Been pretty warm all day. I took dinner with Arthur Miller and wife and then called on Thad and his family.

*Monday, July 31*

I sent Noah over with the mail this morning.

Made up some platinum prints this forenoon.

Went to Fairfield this afternoon to count up pictures and make out bills both there and at Sapphire.

Had supper with Mr. Glazmore folks. Stopped a while tonight at Burlingames.

*Tuesday, August 1*

*Ther.: 54+*

I was cool early this morning.

I walked down to Lake Toxaway this forenoon and had a settlement for all the photos that have been sold at the Inns.

Took dinner with the Jacobs'.

*Wednesday, Aug. 2*

*Ther.: 55+*

Getting very dry and every thing needs rain.

I finished a large batch of photos today.

*Thursday, Aug. 3*

Made platinum prints this forenoon and fixed up painting this afternoon. Went over to Burlingames tonight and they had ice cream and cake. Ed Raines was there. It is Lucy's 21st birthday.

*Friday, Aug. 4*
Went to Sapphire this forenoon to mail photos. Worked in the shop this afternoon. We had a nice shower which was much needed. Rev. Lyda and his girl came to get their photos made.

Saturday, Aug. 5

Spent the day working in the shop making Velox prints and post cards. It sprinkled a little this afternoon, but did not rain much.

Sunday, Aug. 6

I went to Beauhania to church today. Had quite an interesting time, but got rather tired. Came back with Mr. Burgess and took dinner with him and his family.

It has been a fine day but warm walking.

Monday, Aug. 7

Wrote letters and did up photos this morning, then went to Sapphire and Fairfield. It was very warm walking. Soon after I got home a heavy shower came up. I read some and took a nap. Mr. Miller brought my mail again tonight and I have had 3 packages of paintings from Kate.

It is raining hard again tonight.

Tuesday, Aug. 8

Cloudy all day and heavy rains this afternoon. I worked in the shop at putting up paintings. Wrote to Kate this evening. Have a fire in the fireplace.

Wednesday, Aug. 9

Took several packages of pictures to mail this forenoon. Had more paintings from Kate and mounted them up this afternoon. Went over to Burlingames and had supper and spent the evening. It is raining hard tonight.

Thursday, Aug. 10

Rain all last night and more or less today, some hard showers.

I worked all day in the shop making postals for the Highlands trade.

Dave went to Sapphire and took my mail over and brought some letters. Kate is getting anxious for me to come home and I ought to go, but business is just beginning to pay and I need to get all the money I can.

Friday, Aug. 11

Rain this morning but stopped long enough for me to go over with my mail.

It rained again this afternoon and is at it tonight.

I am ready to go to Brevard tomorrow if it is so Mr. Miller goes to the lake with his buggy.

Saturday, Aug. 12

I locked up the shanty and came to Brevard today to visit Hiram for a couple of days.

Rode down to Lake Toxaway with Mr. Miller. It showered on us some but not bad.
Found Hiram at work mounting photos.

Sunday, Aug. 13

Quite a pleasant day with no rain at any place where we were, though we could see local showers about in places. We took a walk both morning and afternoon up Kings creek.

Monday, Aug. 14

Spent most of the forenoon in conference with Mr. Hays in his office. He gave me quite an order for photos and paintings.

This noon and after dinner I had a number of customers who nearly bought out my sample line of paintings. There were some showers during the day.

Tuesday, Aug. 15

There has been no rain today.

I came up to Lake Toxaway on the train at noon and had dinner at Mr. Jacobs. Walked home this afternoon and had supper at Burlingames.

Found letter and some paintings at post office from Kate.

Wednesday, Aug. 16

Carried my corn meal over to Mrs. Burlingame and she is going to back my bread for my rest of my stay. I am going there for my supper also. Made some Platinum prints, but clouds and a shower cut it short.

Thursday, Aug. 17

Cloudy all day.

I fixed up my mail and went to the post office just before noon.

Managed to get some platinum prints done.

Burlingames had a water melon tonight and I stayed there rather late on that account. It is raining tonight.

Friday, Aug. 18

Been misty all day and rains gently tonight.

I worked in the shop fixing up paintings and making Velox prints.

Saturday, Aug. 19

I went to Sapphire and Fairfield this forenoon to look after the picture business. Got back about 2:00 p.m. The sun shone a few times this afternoon but not enough to start printing.

Sunday, Aug. 20

It was very pleasant this forenoon but got up some showers this afternoon. I was at Burlingames to dinner instead of supper today.

Three young men out on a horse back trip are camping with me tonight.
Monday, Aug. 21

The boys left this morning to continue their journey.

Had Dave clean out the trail up Rainy Knob and chop out trees and brush for a view from the summit.

I finished the last Platinum paper I have and have the pictures done up to send Kate. It was a pretty good day for my work. I see from a letter I had from Kate tonight that I must go home soon as possible.

Tuesday, Aug. 22

I put in a full day of printing and the sun shone very well for me. Had Dave do mowing about the yard and orchard. There was a little shower tonight as we were at supper at Burlingames.

Wednesday, Aug. 23

Did a good lot of printing today, but a rain storm stopped me for a couple of hours at noon. I wrote some letters and took them to the mail this evening. It is raining tonight.

Thursday, Aug. 24

It was so cloudy and misty I did not get much printing done today.

Two of the young men who were here Sunday are staying here tonight.

Friday, Aug. 25

Did some printing this forenoon and finished 150 photos this afternoon. Some campers are stopping over on the Neely place. They moved in today. We had ice cream at Burlingames tonight.

Saturday, Aug. 26

Did another lot of finishing today putting up 152 prints.

I called on the campers tonight. There are real nice people and I enjoy having them near.

It has become cooler and was pleasant all day.

Sunday, Aug. 27

Had a call this forenoon from a Captain in the U.S. Army and his wife. Showed them pretty well over the place. Took dinner with the campers on the Neely place and had a good time. Then I piloted them to the Grotto over there and also to summit of Rainy Knob.

Did not have time to write as many letters as I intended to.

Monday, Aug. 28

Ther.: 47+

Finished a big batch of photos today.

It was pretty cool this morning and warm only in the sun all day.

Had a call from Dr. Crane this forenoon.
Got some more paintings and a letter from Kate tonight.

Tuesday, Aug. 29  
Ther.: 48+  
Did the last batch of Platino paper today that I will do this time I am down.

It warmed up today a good deal. There is to be a eclipse of the sun tomorrow morning and I want to go up on Rainy Knob to see it if I can wake early enough.

Wednesday, Aug. 30  
I was up on Rainy Knob this morning before sunrise so I saw all of the eclipse that could be seen. I went down to the camp and woke up the people so they saw it. Worked today mostly at fixing up paintings.

Had Dave at work doing odd jobs.

Been a very fine day.

Thursday, Aug. 31  
Worked in the shop all the forenoon.

Went to Fairfield and Sapphire this afternoon to settle up with the Inns.

It has been a real warm day.

My watch broke down during last night, the first time it has done so in the 23 years I have had it.

Friday, September 1  
I piloted the campers to the Horse pasture Falls this forenoon then I went on the Lake Toxaway to see Mr. Burrows and settle up for pictures sold for me to date. There was a shower came up this afternoon and delayed my coming home, so I was late getting to supper at Burlingames. The camping party were all over there, too, and we spent a pleasant time. It rained on us coming home.

Saturday, Sept. 2  
Sent Noah over with mail this morning. Worked in the shop all day.

I went over to the camp with Mr. Holmes tonight and they made candy and we had a nice time.

Sunday, Sept. 3  
We have had some showers today. I have been writing a good many letters.

Mr. Holmes brought his wife to the camp tonight and as it was dark I took the lantern and helped them over the mountain.

Monday, Sept. 4  
Have been busy all day sorting and packing negatives and picking up things about the shop.

It has been a fine day and is cool tonight.

Tuesday, Sept. 5
Been busy packing up all day long. I called at the Sapphire Inn to say goodbye to the Phillips this afternoon. It is lovely weather.

**Wednesday, Sept. 6**

Shut up the cottage this morning and Zepha Nicholson took me and my baggage to Lake Toxaway. I had dinner at Mr. Jacobs, left some pictures at the Toxaway Inn and took the train for Tryon, where Mr. Conner met me and I am at their place tonight.

**Thursday, Sept. 7**

I went over town this forenoon and had a talk with Mayor Missildine about the picture business.

Went to the summit of Melrose mountain this afternoon to get some views. It is very sightly up there.

Had a letter from Kate tonight.

**Friday, Sept. 8**

I was over about town this forenoon visiting the studio of Prof. Rowel and buying a painting to take to Kate.

This afternoon I went up on Big Warrior Mt. and looked about the fruit farm of Mr. Lindsay.

Am going to stay at Mr. Howes' tonight.

**Saturday, Sept. 9**

Was over town during most of the forenoon. Settled up with Mr. Missildine and got a health certificate so I can get through Cincinnati on way home. Made several exposures for pictures. Stayed out in the Valley all this afternoon.

**Sunday, Sept. 10**

Been very pleasant all day. Mr. Conner took me for a ride over to a vineyard owned by a Frenchman, where we saw 27 acres of vines and were treated to a fine glass of wine. I stopped for dinner at the Keenan's and had a very nice time.

Am packed ready for my start to Michigan tomorrow.

**Monday, Sept. 11**

Let Tryon this morning and went to Asheville and there I took train for the north. I am on the Cincinnati sleeper tonight.

Had a beautiful ride along the French Broad this afternoon.

**Tuesday, Sept. 12**

Got to Cincinnati on time this morning, so I got the early train for Detroit. Kate was in Dexter for me and we got home in good season.

**Wednesday, Sept. 13**

Kate and I went to Dexter this forenoon to get my trunk. Don has a sick eye and Kate drove back with him and was there the rest of the day. I called on uncle John and aunt Ann. Went down to Ed. Balls peach orchard this afternoon and got some nice canning peaches.
Thursday, Sept. 14

I made a few Platinum prints today.

Kate Queal and her mother were here on a visit today. It was very cool this morning and signs of frost.

Friday, Sept. 15

I went up to Dexter this forenoon to take Millicent a bushel of peaches and do a few errands. Don went up with me. It has grown real warm.

We have a new calf at the barn, which I found in the field tonight.

Saturday, Sept. 16

Been cloudy all day so I could do no printing.

I took Kate over to Don's this forenoon where she helped most of the day.

It is raining tonight.

Lightning came in over the telephone wire very hard at one time.

Sunday, Sept. 17

It rained all last night and a good share of today.

I went over to Don's and stayed to dinner.

It cleared up fine toward evening.

The folks found out today that the lightning hurt the house a little last night.

Monday, Sept. 18

This was my 44th birthday.

I went to The Williams' to see about our working the roads in our district as I am the Pathmaster.

I made out to do a little printing this afternoon.

Kate and I called at Bennetts tonight.

Tuesday, Sept. 19

Been a pretty fine day though windy this afternoon.

I made a good many platinum prints.

Started John Bird to working on the road this morning, but he had to go threshing this afternoon.

Dewey has been sick all day and did not go to school.

Wednesday, Sept. 20
Fine day and I made use of it by making platinum prints.

Mr. Bayliss called this afternoon and stayed to supper.

John Bird worked on the road again this afternoon.

Thursday, Sept. 21

Been another nice day. Kate finished up some paintings and I mounted them.

John Bird continued work on the road. John Cushing finished his turn. Kate went over to Don's this afternoon to help him some about his housekeeping.

Friday, Sept. 22

I helped a little about working on the road this forenoon. Kate has been sick with a very bad cold all day. Ma and I went to Dexter this afternoon. Nellie rode back with them as far as Don's.

Saturday, Sept. 23

I was over at Don's a little while this morning.

We all went to a private picnic at Independence Lake and had a very good time.

It has been cool today.

Sunday, Sept. 24

Kate, Dewey and I went out to Henry's today and took dinner with them. We had a good visit.

It is very pleasant weather.

Monday, Sept. 25

Helped Kate wash this forenoon. Wrote some letters also.

Found a patch of bad weeds in the orchard and mowed and burned them out.

The Shultz men began cutting the corn.

The insurance man was here and adjusted our damage by lightning.

I began developing last exposure I made in the south.

Tuesday, Sept. 26

I finished up all the developing and made a couple of vecros of the house with the Kodax.

There was some frost this morning.

Kate and I are preparing to go to Detroit tomorrow.

Wednesday, Sept. 27
Kate and I went to Detroit early this morning and spent the day there. We took dinner at the Habbells, then we visited the Art Museum. Kate did some trading and I bought wrapping paper, twine, etc. We watched the boats on the river for half an hour before our train left for home.

It has been a fine day.

*Thursday, Sept. 28*

It has been a real hot day. We have a fresh cow, who is young and she kicks so I think we will never be able to milk her. The folks went to a missionary tea at Mrs. Kenny's this afternoon.

*Friday, Sept. 29*

Another very hot day. I went up to Dexter this forenoon to take peaches to Millicent and do some errands. Brought Nellie back to Don's with me.

Got my stock of wrapping paper, twine and corrugated board from Detroit.

*Saturday, Sept. 30*

Nice day.

I picked the snow apples this forenoon and made some platinum prints this afternoon.

Kate went over to Don's to help Nellie about some work and Dewey went with her.

*Sunday, October 1*

It has been cloudy today and some showers to settle the dust. Don and Nellie were here at dinner. One of the Sunday School classes came and I made a group photo of them.

*Monday, Oct. 2*

It rained hard all last night. It cleared off bright this afternoon and I made some platinum prints. John Bird has concluded not to move and so we expect him to work considerable for us.

*Tuesday, Oct. 3*

Been a nice day. I spent the forenoon in writing letters and doing up pictures to mail. Kate and ma went to Dexter this afternoon. Ma has a card from Nill and he expected to come home tonight. Kate got my box of freight.

John Bird picked apples this afternoon.

*Wednesday, Oct. 4*

Fine day. I found some of my choice negatives broken in the box.

Will came out on his wheel this afternoon. He says he is not going back to Illinois again.

Kate painted 26 pictures today.

*Thursday, Oct. 5*

Another nice day.

I made a batch of platinum prints this forenoon.
Mowed the lawn this afternoon.

Friday, Oct. 6

Fine day.

We expected the Hubbells from Detroit today but they did not come.

John Bird was here again picking apples.

Kate and ma went to Dexter this afternoon.

I mounted up a good many of the paintings.

Called on Don and Nellie tonight.

Saturday, Oct. 7

We had a visit this forenoon from Chas. Truthill who used to live in this community, but now lives in the north of the state. Will was here at dinner and took the horse and buggy home tonight to come out with tomorrow.

We have nearly 40 bushels of apples in the cellar now.

Lawrence Queal came up from Ann Arbor.

Sunday, Oct. 8

Very nice day.

Will and Millie came down to spend the day. Henry and Kate came to church and took dinner with us.

Monday, Oct. 9

Kate took Millie up home this morning and took the washing up to be done, so she can have more time to paint.

I made up a batch of platinum prints. Had John Bird husk some corn and we drew it in this afternoon.

Tuesday, Oct. 10

Cloudy and misty and tonight it is raining quite hard.

Kate painted and I mounted up a lot of them.

Put all the stock in stables tonight.

The threshers came in tonight.

Wednesday, Oct. 11

Don and Mr. Schultz did the threshing here today and I had to help and so got a dose that makes me feel mean tonight. It was pleasant early, then drizzled a little, and this afternoon we had a regular snow squall.

Will is staying here tonight.

Thursday, Oct. 12
It has been cold and windy all day.

I printed and finished a batch of platinum photos. Kate did a lot of painting.

John Bird is husking right along now.

Friday, Oct. 13

Spent the forenoon in doing up pictures to mail, and mowing up a lot more.

Kate and I went to Dexter this afternoon. We make a call at Mr. Kearny's. There was a heavy frost this morning. It has been pleasant all day.

Saturday, Oct. 14

Kate spent the day at Don's as he has threshers. Will came down and he and ma went to the Farmers Club at Mr. Morrison's. They did not come home tonight. Dewey and I had our dinner and supper alone. Drew in 90 bushels of corn today. It has threatened rain.

Sunday, Oct. 15

Been a regular fall day. Don, Nellie and Myra Rosrin were here to dinner.

Ma came home tonight having stayed at Morrisons all last night.

Kate is about sick tonight as she thinks she has lost her two rings.

Monday, Oct. 16

Kate took the washing to Dexter this morning and came back to Don's to get dinner for his threshers. I made some platinum prints this forenoon. Aunt Delia and Ida called this afternoon.

It is cool tonight.

Monday, Oct. 17

Been cloudy and threatening to storm all day. I went to Wheelers this morning and got the old buggy which George had fixed up for us.

Drew up 45 bushels of corn this afternoon and did other odd jobs.

Tuesday, Oct. 18

It rained hard last night and this morning and has showered at times all day. John Bird and I took the hogs up to Dexter this forenoon. They weighed 13330 # and brought ma $66.50. I brought back some lumber.

Tonight we all went to a reception at Clay Alexander's for the new married folks, Frank Winslow and wife. We had a very nice time.

Wednesday, Oct. 19

Rainy again today. Kate and I planned to go to a concert tonight but gave it up because of rain and mud.

Will came down this afternoon and is staying tonight.
John Bird worked here this afternoon.

Friday, Oct. 20

A big wind blew up last night and continued all day. It was very disagreeable out. I mounted and signed up paintings and did chores.

Saturday, Oct. 21

Heavy frost this morning. Kate went to Dexter to get the washing and took Dewey up and got him an overcoat and shoes and cap. I put the ridge boards on the shop and repaired the damage lightning did to the house.

Tonight it looks stormy again.

Sunday, Oct. 22

There was a nasty little drizzle this forenoon but it did not make out to storm much. Ralph and Nellie Williams and Mr. Bayliss took dinner with us. I went over to Don's this evening ad walked about over his orchards and woods with him. It is chilly tonight.

Monday, Oct. 23

I went to Dexter this morning, took the washing up and took Nellie to school. Did considerable trading and bought a stove to put up in Kate's studio. Had John Bird draw up all the husked corn this afternoon.

Tuesday, Oct. 24

Cloudy today until evening when it cleared up and has grown cool.

Spent a good deal of the day in fixing up paintings.

Wednesday, Oct. 25

Kate and I went to Ann Arbor to do some trading. It has been a pleasant day.

We called at Cushman's, McCormicks, and Nettie West's.

It was cold this morning and seems colder tonight.

Thursday, Oct. 26

Spent most of the day in signing and doing up pictures.

Kate and ma went to a missionary dinner at Bert Kenny's.

Will came down and took a load of wood up to his house this afternoon.

It acts rainy tonight.

Friday, Oct. 27

Will and I drew up some corn stalks this forenoon. This afternoon we looked over the timber in the north woods to see what logs would do to sell. Ester Johnson came tonight to make a visit.

It seemed like rain this forenoon but is fairer and cooler tonight.
Saturday, Oct. 28

Will began drawing off wheat for ma today.

It was bright early in the morning but got cloudy and cold. I tried to do photo printing but did not complain much.

Nettie West is here tonight.

It is freezing hard tonight.

Sunday, Oct. 29

Ther.: 24+

It froze very hard last night.

I drove to Ann Arbor this forenoon to take Nettie West home. It was cool riding but not unpleasant.

Monday, Oct. 30

Will drew off another load of wheat today and then we got two loads of stalks in as it threatened rain and had rained some this evening. I did some photo printing this forenoon. Word came this morning that Sylvia Williams, Frank's wife, was dead.

Tuesday, Oct. 31

Been cloudy today so I could do no picture work.

Will was here this forenoon but went back to Dexter after dinner.

We had a new calf at the barn this morning.

Mr. Schultz began to husk his corn today.

Wednesday, November 1

There was a blustering snow squall this morning.

Esther Johnson left here this afternoon going over to Stahls.

I did some platinum printing this forenoon.

It is freezing hard tonight.

Thursday, Nov. 2

Real bright this forenoon and I made a lot of platinum prints, which I developed this afternoon. Kate went at the painting again. The wind is south and it appears very stormy tonight.

Friday, Nov. 3

It was a cloudy day after a small storm squall during last night.

Will drew off a load of wheat this afternoon, then we went to Dexter and I took my second degree in masonry tonight. Am spending the night with Will.

Saturday, Nov. 4
Will and I drove down early this morning. He went to drawing wheat and I to printing pictures. It has been very pleasant all day. Kate and I went over to Don's a little while tonight.

**Sunday, Nov. 5**

Been a bad day with a nasty rain from the southeast. Kate, Dewey and I took a walk down to the north wood this morning before it began to storm. Nellie came down from church and is staying here tonight.

**Monday, Nov. 6**

Wind north west cold and dreary. I went to Dexter this forenoon. Mounted pictures this afternoon.

**Tuesday, Nov. 7**

We got up early this morning and crated a lot of chickens. I took them to Dexter this forenoon and sold them. Had to come home in a wet snow storm which made the ground white. It kept storming all this afternoon. Been trimming and mounting more paintings and Kate had been coloring.

**Wednesday, Nov. 8**

It has been a miserable squally day. Will came down this forenoon. I helped him saw up a tree top in the south woods this afternoon.

Kate was at Don's this afternoon.

**Thursday, Nov. 9**

Don had his auction today and Kate was over there all day. It has been more pleasant but there is still snow on the ground.

Will was here all day. I mounted up a lot of the paintings.

**Friday, Nov. 10**

Cloudy all day and threatening storm but tonight it has all cleared off. Will and I drew up 70 bushels of corn this afternoon.

We went up to Dexter this evening and attended lodge. I came home by moonlight.

**Saturday, Nov. 11**

There has been bright sunshine all day, the first of any account for many days.

Kate, ma and Dewey went to the farmers club meeting at Ira Backers'.

I did my best at printing and got a good number of pictures off.

Kate has been down to John Williams twice today to help the sick folks, aunt Em being down with rheumatism.

**Sunday, Nov. 12**

Very pleasant all day.

We went up to Dexter and had dinner at Will's.
Will and I took a long walk down the railway to where the engines take water while running.

We heard this evening that Nettie West's aunt was dead.

Monday, Nov. 13

It clouded up today, drizzled some at noon and then turned to a lively snow squall. It is cold tonight. Will came down and drew up two loads of corn. Ma went to Ann Arbor to be with Nettie West.

I started printing but got none done because of storm.

Tuesday, Nov. 14

Ther.: 14+

Real cold this morning. Will finished drawing up the corn this forenoon. I did considerable at photo printing as it was bright all day. Will went to Mr. Steptoes to work this afternoon. Kate was down to help aunt Em Williams twice today. It is very chilly tonight and looks like more storms.

Wednesday, Nov. 15

I drove over to Delhi this forenoon to meet mother at the train. Mrs. Nichols of Ann Arbor came with her to help her sister, aunt Em Williams who is having a bad spell of rheumatism. I started to print this afternoon but it got so cloudy I had to give it up, so I split some wood.

Thursday, Nov. 16

Kate went to Ann Arbor today, May Ball going with her. It has been rather raw and chilly all day and is growing colder tonight.

I managed to get some more platinum printed so I finished them tonight.

Friday, Nov. 17

Been fine day and warmer. I finished a lot of Platino prints today. Had a phone message from cousin Martha at Lansing and I drove to Ann Arbor tonight and met her and husband. There was great excitement in town over a great football game there tomorrow.

Saturday, Nov. 18

Walked about the farm with cousin Lige[?]. This forenoon and this afternoon we went to Dexter. It has been a lovely day.

Kate had to go down to stay with aunt Em tonight.

Sunday, Nov. 19

Been a fine day.

We went to church this forenoon.

This afternoon ma, Lige[?] and Martha drove up to Dexter to see Will and wife, and uncle John and aunt Ann.

Monday, Nov. 20

I took Lige[?] and Martha Sanders to Ann Arbor. We got there at noon and had our dinner at Macks restaurant. I took Lige[?] up to see the University buildings and we went through the museum.
It has been a chilly day.
Will came down tonight.

**Tuesday, Nov. 21**
Another fine day.
I did up and mailed some pictures this morning.
Printed a batch of platinum pictures.
Will and John Bird drew up the last of the corn stalks this forenoon. Will took a load of wood up to his home this afternoon.

**Wednesday, Nov. 22**
A nice day.
Will went out to Hamburg and met aunt Eliza at the train this forenoon. I finished a batch of photos.
Henry and Kate stopped here on their way home from Ann Arbor and took supper with us.

**Thursday, Nov. 23**
Quite warm and pleasant all day.
Will put down a cement floor in the hog pen.
The ladies all went to a Missionary dinner at Walter Hubbs. I made up a large lot of platinum prints.

**Friday, Nov. 24**
It rained some this morning and a shower at noon. A heavy gale raged all the afternoon and this evening. Kate and I drove up to Dexter tonight and Will rode up with us, then we all went to see a magician perform at the opera house. It was a very good show.

**Saturday, Nov. 25**
Wrote letters and fixed up pictures to mail this forenoon.
It has been a very decent day.
Aunt Eliza went up to Dexter to make a visit, John Bird taking her up with our rig this afternoon.

**Sunday, Nov. 26**
Quite pleasant today but growing colder. I drove up to Dexter this afternoon after aunt Eliza and Mrs. Webster rode up to call on uncle John and aunt Ann.

**Monday, Nov. 27**
I printed platinum photos today.
Mother and aunt Eliza visited at Ralph Williams' today. Kate went over to Don's to help Mrs. Bert Birnham about settling some things.

Tuesday, Nov. 28
Ther.: 64+

A heavy rain from the east set in last night and early this mornign.

Will came down at noon and used the team this afternoon to haul a bed from Mc Calls up to his house in Dexter.

It has set in to rain very hard tonight.

Wednesday, Nov. 2
Ther.: 40+

Water in every depression this morning. It grew cool fast this afternoon and tonight the wind blew hard from the North east with snow squalls. I went to Delhi to meet Nettie West at the train tonight and we had a rough ride home. Will took a horse and buggy up home to come down in tomorrow.

Thursday, Nov. 3
Ther.: 16+, 14+

Cold this morning but a nice clear day. I went to Delhi and meet the Hubbells from Detroit. It was a cold ride for them. We had a big crowd to dinner for us. Everything passed off pleasantly and we all had a good time. The Hubbell family stay all night.

Friday, Dec. 1
Ther.: 22+

The Hubbells left for Detroit this forenoon. Will and I taking them to the train.

It is warmer but very chilly.

Will walked back home tonight.

Saturday, Dec. 2

The ground was white with about 2 inches of damp snow this morning. It melted some but has grown cold tonight so the remainder will stick on. Kate and Nellie were at Don's all day and ma and aunt Eliza went to Mrs. Kenny's for a visit. Dewey and I looked after things here.

Sunday, Dec. 3
Ther.: 18+

Been squalls of snow all day. It seems pretty cold tonight.

Dor came over and took dinner with us. Have been writing letters tonight.

Monday, Dec. 4
Ther.: 19+

I took aunt Eliza to the train at Holmburg this forenoon. It was chilly riding, but not excessively cold.

Will came down at noon to work at cutting wood with John Bird.

I made some platinum prints this afternoon.
Tuesday, Dec. 5

Looked stormy all day and did snow a little this afternoon.

John Cushing was here to dinner.

I had a letter and remittance from Tryon agency.

Wednesday, Dec. 6

It looked very stormy this morning, but cleared up and has been a pleasant day.

I printed photos.

Will drew wood up to his house in Dexter.

It thawed some today.

Thursday, Dec. 7

Been a bright, mild day. Mounted pictures this forenoon.

Kate and I went to Ann Arbor this afternoon to do shopping for Christmas and to get me some shoes. Will and John Bird were cutting wood all day for us.

Friday, Dec. 8

Another fine day.

I signed and did up paintings to send off this forenoon. Will and John Bird continued with the wood business all day.

Talked with mother today about renting the farm from her and rerenting it myself to John Bird.

Mother went to Dexter this afternoon to do errands and Mrs. Webster rode up with her to take the train.

Saturday, Dec. 9

There was a heavy fog this morning which is in indication of colder weather and it seems to be coming tonight. Kate, ma and Dewey went to the Farmers Club. I worked at my pictures and Will and John kept on with wood cutting.

Sunday, Dec. 10

Quite a pleasant day. It has grown cool and windy tonight.

Don was over and had dinner with us.

Monday, Dec. 11

Kate took Nellie to Dexter early this morning. Will came home with her and this afternoon took old Net up to have her shod. He will come back tomorrow. Had John Bird fixing up fences all day. It has grown warmer.

Tuesday, Dec. 12
I took mother to the train this forenoon and she went to Ann Arbor to make a visit. I made out to get a number of Photo prints done today. Will hauled a load of wood up to his home this afternoon.

*Wednesday, Dec. 13*

Cloudy about all day. Colder tonight.

Will and John Bird finished the lane fence this forenoon and drew up wood this afternoon.

Will went back to Dexter tonight.

*Thursday, Dec. 14*

*Ther.: 16+, 24+*

It was cold this morning. The sun shown brightly and I made a large batch of platinum prints. Eva James made us a call this afternoon.

I had poor old Zoe horse disposed of this afternoon. Mother telephoned up this forenoon. She is not coming home this week.

*Friday, Dec. 15*

A chilly east wind all day. I did up and mailed pictures this forenoon.

Went to Dexter this afternoon to get supplies, the washing and Nellie.

It is clear and bright tonight.

Lew Bennett and wife called on us tonight.

*Saturday, Dec. 16*

There was wonderful frost work on the trees, shrubs, and grass this morning. John Bird began his work on the farm today and I resigned control of most of the chores.

The sun shone bright this afternoon.

*Sunday, Dec. 17*

More frost work this morning and it held on all day for it has been cloudy and still.

Don took dinner with us again.

Myra Rosier was here to see Nellie a while this evening.

*Monday, Dec. 18*

Been dark, cloudy and still all day, seeming like a coming snowstorm.

I went to Dexter this morning and took Nellie and the washing up. I met ma at the train as she came from Ann Arbor. Went down to Lew Bennett's and brought a mare home to try and see if we like to buy her. Kate and I went to Dexter with her this afternoon. Called on uncle John and aunt Ann. Uncle John is very miserable. Will was out today, coming on his wheel. The roads are very smooth.

*Tuesday, Dec. 19*
Another dark still day.

Will came down today and has worked on the fence.

I sent off pictures by mail for Christmas gifts.

This afternoon I mounted some paintings.

*Wednesday, Dec. 20*

Still cloudy and threatening storm. Will and John continued work on fencing. We did up and mailed more pictures for Christmas.

Went down to Maude Williams to practice singing for the Christmas exercises tonight. It was sprinkling as we came home.

*Thursday, Dec. 21*

The ground was covered with soft snow this morning and there has been snow and rain about all day.

We got our first Christmas presents today, from the Conners at Tryon.

*Friday, Dec. 22*

John took feed up to Dexter to hoe ground today.

I went up this afternoon to get Nellie and the washing.

It does not get very cold.

We received lyalax leaves, missletoe and holly from the Burlingames.

*Saturday, Dec. 23*

Been a blustery and chilly day. Will and John finished the fence by J. Williams.

I took Will up to Dexter this afternoon and got a couple of express packages pertaining to Christmas.

We all went to the tree and exercises at the church tonight which went off very nicely.

*Sunday, Dec. 24*

Quite cold this morning, but the sun shone today for the first time in over a week. We all went to church this forenoon. Don took dinner with us.

I spent part of the afternoon in taking a nap.

*Monday, Dec. 25*

We spent the day at Will's in Dexter, he having a sort of Christmas gathering. We took Maude Williams up with us. It was a gray day as to weather.

We had some more Christmas packages by mail today.

*Tuesday, Dec. 26*
A nice sunny day and I printed up a big lot of pictures.

Dewey went to visit Munnis Kenny today and Nellie went with Don out to seen Henry's folks.

Kate worked at the painting.

*Wednesday, Dec. 27*

Another pleasant day and I made a large number of prints.

Tonight I went to Dexter and attended the installation of officers at the Masonic lodge.

Came home by riding down with Don and walking from the corner.

*Thursday, Dec. 28*

It clouded up today and is storming a little rain tonight. Kate and ma went to a missionary dinner at Mrs. Kach's. Nellie went over to Don's and is staying at Steptoes tonight.

Will took a load of wood up home this afternoon and is staying here tonight.

*Friday, Dec. 29*

Snow squalls came up this afternoon and the wind blew pretty hard. I took will to Dexter this afternoon and brought Maude home.

There was a party at Bert Kenny's tonight but we did not go it was so stormy. We got some nice pictures of scenery from Colorado today. Dr. Queal sent them to us.

*Saturday, Dec. 30*

Ground white with snow this morning. I wrote letters and worked on pictures. It cleared up finely this afternoon, but has not grown severely cold as I expected it would.

*Sunday, Dec. 31*

Gloomy sort of day, but not very cold.

Aunt Delia and Ida stopped from church and took dinner with us.

Kate and I went calling this evening and had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Handley then called on Mrs. Sears and Brainard.

This is the last of 1905 and I must get a new diary.

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That old fashioned school house,
That hard seated school-house,
That school-house, the scenes of our floggings of old.

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O' never again to your ears will be wafted
A voice calling "Watch," from the hill-side above,
So tenderly pleading, you could not resist it
As onward you sped like the flight of a dove.
A comfort remains when life's voyage is over,
Our anchor is cast in the harbor of "line,"
We'll sing the "new song" in a chorus triumphant,
And join the dear voices in mansions above.
Those musical voices,
Those silvery voices,
Those heavenly voices in mansions above.

O! have you forgotten our ride once to Dexter
The bet I then made as to where Fox would go?
You laughed at my bet and declared you knew better,
You would leave it to Fox, and instantly we'd know.
He turned the wrong way and you said in an instant
"Why Fox, you old fool, where you're going, I say?"
'Twas plain to be seen that your equine companion
Just calmly and silently gave you away.
That funny old farm-horse
That foxy old farm horse
That farm horse which silently gave you away.

How dear to my hear are life's pictures of Webster,
"When fond recollection presents them to view."
The time thro' the grasses I chased you instanter,
When suddenly sky-ward my heels quickly flew.
That circular flower bed concealed 'mid the grapes,
The cause of my headling but downward career;
A glance backwards turning, you paused in your running;
A ripple of laughter saluted my ear.
That wonderful flower-bed,
That circular flower-bed,
That flower-bed the cause of my downward career.

There-to, was the barn-yard, where of len in summer,
With voices now silent, we played on the green.
And oft on the hay-mow, theatricals private
Were given, conducted by Ida, our queen.
Two sweet little maidens, the queen's little servants,
Were bowing, and scraping, and acting their parts,
When on to the mow came a "Knight of the Garter,"
A hero to captivate feminine hearts.
That green looking hay-mow,
That stagey old hay-mow,
That wonderful hay-mow, so dear to our ears.

O! Later in life is a spot to me sacred,
Where farms I so loved are now crumbling away.
Where the locusts' sweet blossoms the air is perfuming,
And robins are chanting their mantras always.
The church on the curve where oft in the firelight
We played "clear the walls", in the sweet days of old.
The school-house across where we searched after knowledge
AND GOT MANY TRIALS AND FLOGGINGS UNTOLD.

Quofso, Mich., March 13, 1905
Dear Cousin Henry;

Yours of the l[?] inst. Is before me, and I thought I might as well answer it. I sincerely trust that Dewey is well and able to be about. I think what you think of doing is a sensible thing to do.
Yes, I think your last letter head in the most business one, and I like it very much better.
Farming and Photography don't go very well together do they? Is it your uncle John Twamley that you mean? I thought he was only a half-brother, and I did not know where he lived.
I think you must be very busy with chores.
We have a horse, cow and pig, besides take care of a horse that my husband's brother-in-law has in our barn. What will become of Osbert if Ralph leaves?
I'll bet you a cookie he will get married, then good day to the rest of them.
I hope Maude will be able to go about in crutches, for it will seem so good to her. I don't know when we will succeed in selling out here, so can not say when we will be able to go to California if at all. I think I would like it there, however, unless I should get in the neighborhood of earthquakes, then I should want to go away. If father is dangerously sick, or he stands in need of anything, I want you to let me know, but don't let him know anything about it.
Well, "Hennery," I would like to see you any time.
I guess I will wind up by sending you some of the stories commeted by your name sake.
Remember me to all.

Your cousin,

Ellie Davis Diver.