

HENRY H. SCADIN DAIRIES

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Monday, January 1
Ther: 38+, 42+, 30+

It rained a good share of the day, making a lot of slush in the deep snow. Tonight the wind blows hard from the west and it is growing cold.

Tuesday, January 2
Ther: 26, 22+, 16+

Grown cooler today. Dewey and I drew up some wood this forenoon. We went to the village this afternoon and got a load of cal ashes. Had a letter and [re..?] from Baker today.

Wednesday, January 3
Ther: 16+, 18+, 20+

Cloudy all day and a light snow storm this evening. Unloaded ashes, cleaned poultry houses, and sawed some wood. Sent off order to [Na..?] book and Suit Co. for some cloth and a pair of pants. Dewey has gone to C.E. meeting tonight.

Thursday, January 4
Ther: 18+, 24+, 12+

Some snow flakes occasionally, but quite a decent day. Kate and Dewey went to the annual church meeting dinner, so I was alone most of the day. It has grown colder tonight.

Friday, January 5
Ther: 6+, 20+, 12+

Made some photo prints today. Mrs. Corwin and mother called here this afternoon. Tonight it is growing warmer fast and looks like snowing.

Saturday, January 6
Ther: 12+, 18+, 0+

Been quite cold all day. I fixed up and mounted the Whitney group photo. I had to saw considerable wood. We have not had a letter from mother this week, and I fear her fall she had Christmas day is making her sick.

Sunday, January 7
Ther: 16-, 6+, 2-

Very cold morning. There seems to be a change coming tonight with the wind from the east. Kate and Dewey went to church and Sunday school. It has kept me busy with the fires.

Monday, January 8
Ther: 14+, 22+, 22+

There has been a heavy fall of snow all dy long and it looks as though we were about buried. Dewey drew up two loads of wood. Had a long letter from mother this morning. She seems to be gaining.

Tuesday, January 9
Ther: 18+, 31+, 20+

Quite mild most of the day. I shoveled the snow off the roof of the old shed. Sawed some wood as usual. Dewey had to break out our roads. He has gone to grange tonight.

Wednesday, January 10
Ther: 18+, 16+, 14+

The wind has blown some today and drifted the snow. Dewey went to town this afternoon with cream and eggs.

Thursday, January 11
Ther: 5+, 12+, 2+

A clear, pleasant day, but quite cold. I printed and finished some views to send south. It seems to be turning warmer tonight.

Friday, January 12
Ther: 10+, 16+, 16+

More light snow fell and the wind last night made some heavy drifts. Wrote some letters and cards, sawed some wood and kept up the fires.

Saturday, January 13
Ther: 2+, 6+, 2+

A cold day. Dewey had to go to the village for feed and to take cream. The snow has been drifting with the wind all day.

Sunday, January 14
Ther: 2+, 20+, 14+

Kate and Dewey took a long cutter ride over into Brookfield township to make a call on the Trask family. I found the field mice are gnawing our young apple trees because of the deep snow, so shoveled and tramped around them all. I did all the chores tonight, milking the four cows which was a job for me. The folks got home at 7 o'clock tonight.

Monday, January 15
Ther: 22+, 22+, 28+

Been quite mild. Helped Kate wash this forenoon. Went to the woods this afternoon to help Dewey trim tree tops for fire wood. The snow is very deep and bothersome.

Tuesday, January 16
Ther: 16+, 20+, 14+

Sent some view photos to Baker's and must make a lot more. Helped Dewey chop wood again this afternoon. A cold wave is reported to be coming tonight.

Wednesday, January 17
Ther: 2-, 2+, 14-

Very cold. I just saw wood and build fires. Dewey took cream and eggs to market. Had a letter from Lucy Raines telling about her folks.

Thursday, January 18

Ther: 2+, 14+, 22+

Some milder today, but very windy, with drifting snow. I tramped around some of the young apple trees this morning. Dewey drew some wood.

Friday, January 19

Ther: 16+, 6+, 2+

A wind last night made hard and deep snow banks. Kate spent the day at a club meeting of the East hill ladies at Mrs. Betts.

Saturday, January 20

Ther: 2+, 18+, 22+

Made some photo prints today. It grew milder and tonight snows some.

Sunday, January 21

Ther: 32+, 40+, 36+

Some misty this forenoon and quite a thaw all day. I found one young McIntosh apple tree completely girdled by mice. I called a few minutes at Mattoons this afternoon. They are having much sickness.

Monday, January 22

Ther: 22+, 16+, 12+

Helped Kate do the washing this forenoon. Dewey and I went to the wood this afternoon and did sawing. The thaw of yesterday is well frozen up.

Tuesday, January 23

Ther: 8-, 8+, 0

Another cold spell on hand, and I can't do little but cut up wood and build up fires. Kate is painting pictures for our southern trade.

Wednesday, January 24

Ther: 0, 16+, 20+

Some warmer with snow squalls this afternoon and tonight. I made some forms to plate sink cards for the little painted photos. We made some pale cream this evening.

Thursday, January 25

Ther: 22+, 12+, 2-

A lot of snow fell during last night and this morning, then it cleared and began to grow cold. Beside sawing some wood I worked mounted colored prints.

Friday, January 26

Ther: 14-, 16+, 10+

Cold morning. Worked some fixing up picture mounts this forenoon. Waded about some young fruit trees this afternoon to try to get the snow away from them to prevent mice gnawing.

Saturday, January 27

Ther: 2+, 10+, 0

Pretty cold all today. Kate and Dewey went to the village this forenoon with cream and eggs to do some shopping and get feed. I baked the bread and biscuit and did the noon chores. This afternoon I went around the rest of the young fruit trees to get the snow down.

Sunday, January 28

Ther: 5-, 12+, 2+

Dewey went to the M.E. church this forenoon to hear the Vaspers come in from New York by Radio. She said it was very good. It has been a cold day.

Monday, January 29

Ther: 8-, 8+, 2-

Still cold weather. I called at MacKizer's this morning to take their mail which was left in our box. Helped Kate a little with the washing, and sawed some wood.

Tuesday, January 30

Ther: 8-, 8+, 0

Continues very cold. The sun shone brightly all day. I mounted some more paintings this afternoon. Dewey went to the dentist this afternoon.

Wednesday, January 31

Ther: 2+, 22+, 20+

The cold weather abated somewhat today. Kate washed a lot of wheat for our graham flour. I mounted a few more pictures this afternoon. A man called this evening to look over the cows, but did not buy.

Thursday, February 1

Ther: 22+, 32+, 32+

It has become much warmer today. Went to the village this forenoon and made views of buildings for Mr. Barnes. Dewey took a load of bags to the saw mill and brought a load of coal ashes home. I did most of the chores tonight.

Friday, February 2

Ther: 22+, 18+, 20+

Been busy at various odd jobs al day, but I am accomplishing nothing of any account and it begins to look as though I never would here or anywhere else again.

Saturday, February 3

Ther: 18+,32+, 8+

It was very mild part of the day, with quite heavy snow squalls this morning. Tonight it is growing cold fast. This forenoon I tread around all the young apple trees. Dewey went with a load of logs and brought the mail home and with it a box of oranges from Hiram. We started eating on them right away.

Sunday, February 4

Ther: 18-, 3+, 0

Very cold, so I have stayed pretty close to the house all day. We hear that the elder Mrs. Mattoon died yesterday and funeral will be tomorrow. The MacKizer boys were over on skis this afternoon.

Monday, February 5

Ther: 8-, 10+, 0

Still real cold. Kate and I went to the funeral of the elder Mrs. Mattoon this afternoon, which was at the house. Dewey has been cutting more ice on the brook.

Tuesday, February 6

Ther: 18-, 10+, 6+

Very cold morning. Worked some at the pictures. Had a letter from mother.

Wednesday, February 7

Ther: 8-, 12+, 12-

Keeps cold, but weather reports moderation tomorrow. I worked at fixing up pictures considerable but have to saw wood and build fires at frequent intervals. Dewey has gone to a sugar party at the church tonight.

Thursday, February 8

Ther: 6+, 30+, 28+

Have had such an eyestrain headache all day that I have been nearly useless. Kate went to MacKizer this afternoon to do some sewing. Much warmer today. Dewey began to pack the ice in the shed.

Friday, February 9

Ther: 22+, 20+, 16+

The thaw got frosted today. I had headache all last night, and became quite sick this morning and have been lying down all day.

Saturday, February 10

Ther: 12+, 16+, 2-

Cold weather again tonight. I have felt better today and think I will be well soon. Have been signing some pictures tonight.

Sunday, February 11

Ther: 4+, 20+, 16+

There was fine snow falling during the forenoon. Kate and Dewey went to church today. This afternoon Dewey went for a walk on his snow shoes.

Monday, February 12

Ther: 6+, 16+, 10+

A very chilly air today. This afternoon we started packing the ice. Had a letter from mother and she is now in Chelsea, Mich., visiting aunt Ella Burkhart, as we call her, mother's own cousin.

Tuesday, February 13

Ther: 14+, 26+, 18+

There was a heavy fall of snow last night and this morning. There was quite a drift under the window in our bedroom. I printed a few photos this afternoon.

Wednesday, February 14

Ther: 12+, 28+, 8+

Dewey went to the village for a load of feed this forenoon. We had a heavy snow squall this afternoon and a fierce wind that drifts the snow. Dewey got some wood, but it was a hard job to get to the woods.

Thursday, February 15

Ther: 12+, 10+, 2+

Cold, blistery day. Sawed wood and built fires as usual. Began writing up an advertising booklet on the Water Color Paper Prints that I am going to try putting on the market after a while.

Friday, February 16

Ther: 12-, 5-, 10-

This has been a very cold day. At last night the wind blew hard and drove the cold all through the house, and I had to get up to build up fires several times.

Saturday, February 17

Ther: 14-, 8+, 6-

Continued cold, so I do nothing much but saw wood and keep fires going. Dewey went to the village with cream and eggs this forenoon. Isabel MacKizer made us a call, coming on skis.

Sunday, February 18

Ther: 16-, 2+, 4-

So cold the folks did not go to church. I am feeling rather blue because my eyes are troubling me in a way to prevent my reading with any comfort.

Monday, February 19

Ther: 14-, 18+, 2+

Keeps right on being cold. Helped Kate wash this forenoon. Sawed wood and puttered about, but don't do much.

Tuesday, February 20

Ther: 2+, 21+, 6+

I had trouble with the hand grist well this morning and had to take it apart, but succeeded in getting it to run again. This forenoon I took the big clock apart and tried to make it run smoother, but will have to do more fixing. Had letters from mother, Will, and Mr. Dyer.

Wednesday, February 21

Ther: 0, 18+, 4+

Quite a nice winter day. I made out orders for mirsery stock today but am not sending for as much as I usually do each year.

Thursday, February 22

Ther: 4+, 18+, 12+

The looked for thaw does not come. Kate went on snow shoes up to O'Donnell's this forenoon. Mrs. MacKizer was here this afternoon. Dewey got up some wood.

Friday, February 23

Ther: 2-, 8+, 4-

Very cold again. I mounted a few paintings this forenoon, but spend most of my time sawing the wood and building the fires. Dewey has gone to a play at the village tonight.

Saturday, February 24

Ther: 8-, 14+, 10+

My eyes are feeling pretty bad lately and I can hardly do any reading, and not much writing. Dewey was at work packing ice and Kate was helping him.

Sunday, February 25

Ther: 14+, 24+, 18+

There was some snow last night and this forenoon. Kate and Dewey went to church. It is more moderate weather.

Monday, February 26

Ther: 10+, 30+, 26+

Cold morning but it grew much warmer during the day. I went with Dewey to a sawmill south of the village to get a load of saw dust this afternoon.

Tuesday, February 27

Ther: 24+, 36+, 30+

It really got to thawing today. We worked at packing sawdust around the ice Dewey has put up. Dewey has gone to a grange meeting tonight. We are glad to see a little warmer weather.

Wednesday, February 28

Ther: 26+, 33+, 26+

Moderate weather today. Kate and Dewey put a lot of seed potatoes to sunning, and Kate planted tomato seed in a box. I dug some ditches in the snow and ice in front of the house to drain off the water if it thaws much.

Thursday, March 1

Ther: 7+, 30+, 22+

It got quite cold early this morning. Dewey and I worked at cutting wood up in the sugar woods. Kate and Mrs. MacKizer went for a call on Mrs. [?] Matoon this afternoon. Had a letter from brother Will this morning.

Friday, March 2

Ther: 22+, 42+, 34+

Eclipse of the moon tonight

Quite warm and thawing most all day. Dewey had Harry O'Donnell this afternoon go with him for a load of sawdust. Kate went along to meet with some ladies. She came back on the snow shoes.

Saturday, March 3

Ther: 34+, 49+, 38+

Snow settled a good deal today. Dewey and I finished covering the ice with sawdust this forenoon for which we are glad. The brook brook[sic] loose and was roaring this afternoon..

Sunday, March 4

Ther: 32+, 38+, 38+

There was some snow squalls this forenoon, and some showers of rain this afternoon. Kate and Dewey went to church. I am having so hard a time to see to read that I feel lost.

Monday, March 5

Ther: 14+, 20+, 6+

Cold weather again. Helped Kate some with the wash. Went t the woods with Dewey this afternoon and we sawed up some logs. The wind blew pretty hard all day.

Tuesday, March 6

Ther: 3-, 20+, 11+

Very cold this morning and chilly all day. I went to the village and got my name on the last of voters. Today was Town Meeting. There is a little fine snow in the air tonight.

Wednesday, March 7

Ther: 12+, 16+, 6+

Some 8 inches of snow fell last night and today. There has been heavy winds, too. Kate went to the meeting of the woman's club of Mrs. Yeartaire. Dewey went with cream and brought home a load of coal ashes. It is very cold tonight.

Thursday, March 8

Ther: 8+, 14+, 3+

Cold day. I sawed up some wood and wrote two letters. It is clear, cold, and still tonight.

Friday, March 9

Ther: 6-, 14+, 0

Cold, snug winter weather. I do little but saw wood and keep fires burning. Kate and Dewey fixed a dividing fence in the poultry house.

Saturday, March 10

Ther: 14+, 32+, 24+

Furious snow squalls this morning. Dewey went to a Gray gathering at the village. I sawed and split some wood. It was quite mild in midday, but it grows cooler tonight.

Sunday, March 11

Ther: 16+, 26+, 18+

Monday, March 12

Ther: 20+, 26+, 26+

Tuesday, March 13

Ther: 28+, 44+, 32+

Wednesday, March 14

Ther: 16+, 20+, 6+

Thursday, March 15

Ther: 2-, 28+, 26+

Friday, March 16

Ther: 16+, 44+, 34+

Saturday, March 17

Ther: 16+, 28+, 16+

Sunday, March 18

Ther: 12+, 42+, 32+

Monday, March 19

Ther: 32+, 58+

At the beginning point this morning, Dewey and I drove to town this forenoon to get various things among them a garden wheel hoe. Kate and Dewey set out an asparagus bed this afternoon and got rows marked for strawberry plants.

Tuesday, March 20

Ther: 36+, 68+

We put our strawberry plants, and planted early potatoes. Dewey went to town and got the flooring for the new hen house. Mrs. Justice came to see ma and they took her home with the horse and wagon. It was real warm today.

Wednesday, March 21

Ther: 36+

We took the pine boughs away from the house this morning. D planted out the red raspberries and Kate and D finished setting the strawberry plants. Dewey spent the day and some of tonight putting in some oats. The air is smoke from fires.

Thursday, March 22

Ther: 46+, 60+

Warm this morning but very windy and not so warm during the day. 50 chicks from Tenn. Came unexpectedly and keep Kate busy. I planted out 63 grapes times today. The Foutz family started to move to New Mexico today.

Sunday, March 23

Ther: 36+, 56+

Cool and windy. The folks went to meeting at Refuge and D took care of the new chicks. Dewey and I went to the woods this afternoon and found some [ar...?] blossoms.

Thursday, March 24

Ther: 32+, 68+

Quite cool this morning. Kate and Dewey went to town this afternoon. Kate had two teeth pulled. They got wire and their material for the poultry house. I worked in the garden and grubbed about 3 old grape vines.

Tuesday, March 25

Ther: 32+, 70+

Some frost this morning. I spent most of the day at the Over-Ridge orchard pruning young apple trees which job I finished. There were heavy fires down in the Hungry Creek section. We had [graf..?] music tonight.

Monday, March 26

Ther: 66+

Been cloudy and stormy looking all day and there are showers on tonight. We got our ¼ acre of potatoes planted by working late, so rain will help them. Dewey started plowing for another patch of oats.

Tuesday, March 27

Ther: 56+, 42+, 36+

Heavy rains last night and this forenoon, then a sudden change of wind to the north and growing colder all the time. I went to the store for oatmeal this afternoon. Called at Frank Pack's tonight.

Wednesday, March 28

Ther: 28+, 46+, 36+

Real cold this morning and very windy. Dewey went to the station and got his new buggy this forenoon, and we spent most of the afternoon setting it up. Tonight we went to Hill's for the organ and mother went along to stay there tonight.

Thursday, March 29

Ther: 32+, 56+

Cold this morning but grown some warmer. The last of the fruit plants and the rose bushes came by mail today and I was busy planting this afternoon. Dewey took his new buggy and went for ma this evening. Clocks set ahead 1 hour tonight.

Sunday, March 30

Ther: 34+, 70+

A little frost this morning. Mother, Kate, and Dewey went to Hendersonville to the M.E. church this forenoon riding in his new buggy. This afternoon Dewey and Kate drove over to the little orchard.

Thursday, March 31

Ther: 50+, 28+

It has been growing cold all day and there have been some snow flakes in the air. Dewey went to town this forenoon and got lumber and hay. I set out 12 [cu..?] bushes and hoed the newly planted strawberries.

Sunday, April 1

Ther: 24+, 44+

Cold and frozen this morning. Had to cut some wool for fireplace. Went to Frank pace's and bought 5 bu. wheat and to Morris and got a {?} of soy bean seed. This was Kate's birthday.

Monday, April 2

Ther: 14+, 40+, 32+

Grew some warmer today. Have done but a little work – getting in a little wood and helping Kate a little with washing.

Tuesday, April 3

Ther: 12+, 54+, 44+