

DIARY OF
JOHN W. HOWARD

1889 - 1899

A daily record kept by John W. Howard
Who lived in Otisco Valley, NY.
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body of the diary and was
discovered by research at
the Tully Area Historical Society,
and by interested parties in the
surrounding community.

*(There is also a companion page of some of John's unusual words that
have disappeared with time that appears at the end of the document. Elsie,
who transcribed John's diary, has provided a short definition in italics
next to the word in the diary.)*

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Jan. 1, 1889 Tues. - Very pleasant. Arose as usual about 4 o'clock. Put stove upstairs. Drew load of straw. Took washing to Columbia.

Jan. 2, 1889 - Very mild. A little misty. Didn't get out much a.m. Picked up stuff and commenced filing saw.

Jan. 3, 1889 - Went to Preble p.m. Got grey shod. Good wheeling. Thawed considerably. John Lloyd rode up tonight.

Jan. 4, 1889 - Went to Cortland with butter. Very nice day and good wheeling. Got home just dark.

Jan. 5, 1889 - Warren went down after washing and Ally came back with him. Went to Preble tonight after Mary - didn't come.

Jan. 6, 1889 - Rained all night and all day. Commenced snowing. Foggy.

Jan. 7, 1889 - Snowed and blowed all day. Not very cold. Wm. Lloyd called this morning. Didn't do much today.

Jan. 8, 1889 - Quite mild and pleasant. Columbia came up today. Hauled load wood p.m. Carried Columbia home. Quite soft.

Jan. 9, 1889 - Rainy with strong south wind. Snow went off considerably.

Jan. 10, 1889 - Frozen quite hard. Hardly any travel today. Husked some p.m.

Jan. 11, 1889 - Very pleasant but snowed a little. Put helve in axe. Snowed an inch or two this evening.

Jan. 12, 1889 - Very pleasant but cold. Warren went to Falls. I went to Tully. Paid taxes. Columbia here p.m.

Jan. 13, 1889 - Very pleasant. South wind , thawed a little. North wind tonight.

Jan. 14m 1889 - Pleasant but cold. Very little travel. Helped wash. Wrote letters for Em. Cleaned up grain.

Jan. 15, 1889 - Cold south wind. Took scaffold down from barn. Got ready to go Little Falls after Warren.

Jan. 16, 1889 - Started about 3:20 this morning. Got to Nightingales just light. Walked to Falls. Jim brought us up. Got home about sundown. Strong south wind. Staid to Nightingales to dinner.

Jan. 17, 1889 - Very warm and muddy. Picked up around. Sawed some wood. Churned p.m. Wind changed.

Jan. 18, 1889 - Quite cold and ground frozen. Hauled load of wood this a.m. Didn't do much else.

Jan. 19, 1889 - 5 above zero at noon. Shelled corn a.m. Went to Preble with John Lloyd p.m. Very rough. 1 above zero tonight.

Jan. 20, 1889 - Cold south wind. Grew warmer and commenced snowing. Wind very high tonight.

Jan. 21, 1889 - Several inches of snow and drifted this morning. North wind. Hauled 4 loads wood. Took grist and brought back one.

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Jan. 22, 1889 - Drifted some this morning. Quite pleasant. Unloaded wood and piled some. Helped wash p.m. Filed saw a little.

Jan. 23, 1889 - Went to Tully. Sarah Lloyd went with me. Got medicine. Horse shod. Drifts and hubs. Thawed little.

Jan. 24, 1889 - Air full of fine sleet a.m. Snowed fast while p.m. Warren visited Spafford Hollow School.

Jan. 25, 1899 - Cold south wind. Hauled 7 loads manure from basement. Very pleasant. Thawed a little. John Lloyd called this evening.

Jan. 26, 1889 - Cold south wind this morning. Hauled 3 loads wood and hauled 6 loads manure p.m. Warren went to Preble tonight.

Jan. 27, 1889 - Rained most all day.

Jan. 28, 1889 - Wind north. Helped wash.

Jan. 29, 1889 - Quite blustery from north. Didn't let cows out. Jim came tonight.

Jan. 30, 1889 - No entry.

Jan. 31, 1889 - Wm. brought Abbie up this morning. Stormed some.

Feb. 1, 1889 - Cold north wind. Columbia rode up with John. He stopped to dinner. Abbie went home with them.

Feb. 2, 1889 - Quite snowy and blustery. Wind south a.m. North p.m. Jim started for home. Warren went to Preble p.m. Banner cow came in tonight.

Feb. 3, 1889 - Quite cold. Warren and I went to church, called for Abbie. Not ready & John brought her up tonight.

Feb. 4, 1889 - Cold south wind. John & Josephine visited here tonight.

Feb. 5, 1889 - South wind blew hard last night and roads full. Shoveled out below schoolhouse. Snowed all day.

Feb. 6, 1889 - Wind changed last night and 4 below this morning. Carried Abbie to depot. John & Columbia called p.m.

Feb. 7, 1889 - Very windy all night and all day. Shelled a little corn. No travel today. Carried water to cows.

Feb. 8, 1889 - South wind. Bill and I shoveled out road. Snowed fast a.m. No travel. Newcomb put horse in and walked down to Roots. Drove through toward night. Hauled 2 loads manure.

Feb. 9, 1889 - Quite pleasant. Got load of sawdust D. Rowland buried. Hauled load straw and 3 loads manure. Stormy tonight.

Feb. 10, 1889 - Warren and I attended Miles Finebies (?) wife's funeral.

Feb. 11, 1889 - Helped wash. Didn't do much else. Strong south wind. Snowing fast tonight.

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Feb. 12, 1889 - S. S. Convention at Preble. Warren went and paid assessment. I split wood. Hung out clothes. Quite cold. J. W. Fuller called with no license petition.

Feb. 13, 1889 - Cold and stormy. 4 above. Columbia here. Helped man with load of barley.

Feb. 14, 1889 - 8 above, blustering and stormy. Carried water to horses and cows.

Feb. 15, 1889 - Quite pleasant. Warren & I plowed out road. Hauled manure p.m. Columbia here, school closed.

Feb. 16, 1889 - Went to Tully early this morning. Strong south wind and grew worse. Started for auction p.m. Went to Shawville & returned. Rainy and very bad.

Feb. 17, 1889 - Wind changed to north and was foggy. Fred and I shoveled road below schoolhouse.

Feb. 18, 1889 - Helped a little about washing. Snowed fast a.m. A blizzard a few minutes. Went after grist. Charlie came tonight. Wind blowing hard tonight.

Feb. 19, 1889 - Cold west wind. Charlie cut my hair. Went to town meeting p.m.

Feb. 20, 1889 - Cold west wind. Charlie went to Vesper p.m.

Feb. 21, 1889 - Chilly south wind. Very pleasant. Columbia and Allie rode up with Wm. & De Forrest & Charlie toward noon. Went away again in p.m. Hauled load manure from basement & one from horse barn. Cleaned little grain.

Feb. 22, 1889 - Cold south wind. Joe Mc Lane & Nett came just after dinner. Wind north tonight.

Feb. 23, 1889 - 5 below this morning and blustery. Hauled two loads of wood and went to Haynes auction.

Feb. 24, 1889 - 12 below this morning. Very still but wind in south. Quite clear and bright.

Feb. 25, 1889 - Joe & Nett started for Cortland this morning. Zero. South wind changed to north. Cold all day. Cut maple by shop. John Lloyd called.

Feb. 26, 1889 - Cold south wind. Didn't do a great deal.

Feb. 27, 1889 - Shoveled road below schoolhouse and drove through. Went to Tully and then to Bixby's auction. Roads quite full.

Feb. 28, 1889 - Eddie Strong came after me to see Bornt's. Went over and staid awhile & came home. Eddie came again soon saying he was dead. Went over and staid till toward night. Charlie came tonight.

Mar. 1, 1889 - Very pleasant. Hauled wood, got all but one load carried. Columbia and Allie home tonight. Mother & Charlie started for Pitcher p.m.

Mar. 2, 1889 - Bornt's funeral. Warren and I went to Tully. Quick thawing. Went after grist tonight & carried Allie home.

Mar. 3, 1889 - Went to Will Hills funeral with Strong folks.

Mar. 4, 1889 - Geo. Smith called. Warm and damp.

Mar. 5, 1889 - Started for woods to haul draft (*load*). Met Al Smith & said they broke their saw. Helped Bill plow road & then went up & got two drafts.

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Mar. 6, 1889 - Quite cold. Commenced washing. Mary McDonald came and we quit. Filed saws p.m. & sawed a little. Columbia & Allie here.

Mar. 7, 1889 - Cold north wind. Grew warmer & snowed. Quite stormy tonight. Finished washing.

Mar. 8, 1889 - Stormy and blustering all day. No travel. Didn't let cows out.

Mar. 9, 1889 - Blustering again today. Split wood. Carried water to cows.

Mar. 10, 1889 - Stormed some but not as hard. Carried some water to cows this morning. Took them to sand spring p.m.

Mar. 11, 1889 - 45 today. Took calf to Tully. Sarah Lloyd here. Cleaned up grain. Warren helped saw drafts.

Mar. 12, 1889 - Very pleasant. Went to Preble after mail.. Thawed considerably.

Mar. 13, 1889 - Went to Preble a.m. Stopped at Seth's. Mr. & Mrs. Woodford called & staid (*stayed*) to dinner. Ed Hill bought star cow \$34. Wind in north again. Arlie has a tooth.

Mar. 14, 1889 - Hauled load of hay. Took grist to mill & went to Seth Hobart's auction. Ed Hill took cow.

Mar. 15, 1889 - Warren & I went to Cortland. Changed his shoes, got tooth filled. Mother & Charlie came.

Mar. 16, 1889 - Went in woods a.m. Geo. Smith came up and we marked some more trees. Charlie went to Navarino. Warren & I worked in woods p.m. Quite warm. Went to Preble tonight.

Mar. 17, 1889 - Quite pleasant. Not much travel. Baby weighs 11 3/4 lbs.

Mar. 18, 1889 - Helped wash. Split wood. Sawed apple tree.

Mar. 19, 1889 - Hauled load straw then moved wall. Will Strong helped a little while. Thawed fast.

Mar. 20, 1889 - Misty this morning. Ground planes & axes. Hauled load manure. Cut trees in woods p.m.

Mar. 21, 1889 - Cut trees again p.m.

Mar. 22, 1889 - Hauled drafts (*loads*) today.

Mar. 23, 1889 - Finished hauling drafts a.m. Split wood in woodhouse p.m. Thawing fast.

Mar. 24, 1889 - Very pleasant. Not much travel.

Mar. 25, 1889 - Alice Haynes called before breakfast to swear to register. Geo. Smith called while we were eating. Went up with him and measured wood and marked more trees. Charlie came.

Mar. 26, 1889 - Frozen hard this morning. Shoveled & plowed out road p.m.

Mar. 27, 1889 - South wind this morning and looked like rain. Charlie started for home. I mended baby crib & glued high chair. Sawed wood. Filed saw. Dug around rocks p.m. Thundered. Wind changed.

Mar. 18, 1889 - Very cold north wind. Sawed wood. Filed & set saw. Dug around rocks some more. Columbia and Allie Haynes moved. Shelled corn. warren went to Preble.

Mar. 19, 1889 - Hauled load straw then moved wall. Will Strong helped a little while. Thawed fast.

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Mar. 26, 1889 - Frozen hard this morning. Shoveled & plowed out road p.m.

Mar. 27, 1889 - South wind this morning and looked like rain. Charlie started for home. I mended baby crib & glued high chair. Sawed wood, filed saw. Dug around rocks p.m. Thundered, wind changed.

Mar. 28, 1889 - Very cold north wind. Sawed wood. Filed & set saw. Dug around rocks some more. Columbia & Allie Haynes moved. Shelled corn. Warren went to Preble.

Mar. 29, 1889 - John Lloyd called. Hauled two loads top wood. Little hay. Mrs. Geo. Smith here. snowing & blustery p.m. Finished shelling corn. Windy tonight.

Mar. 30, 1889 - Went to Tully a.m. & around by Preble after the mail. Emma Haynes visited here. Squally.

Mar. 31, 1889 - Snowed & rained most all day.

Apr. 1, 1889 - Hauled stove wood. Six loads & small ash log to mill. Foggy. Very good sleighing this morning.

Apr. 2, 1889 - Finished hauling wood a.m. Helped shovel out road on hill p.m. Drove up through tonight.

Apr. 3, 1889 - Rainy a.m. Thundered. Cleaned up grist, picked up cobs etc. Columbia here. Went to mill p.m. & carried her home. Got stuck in snow bank. Warren & I went to Vesper to Temperance meeting tonight.

Apr. 4, 1889 - Cold north wind with snow squalls. Cut up & picked up stuff in woods. Orange & Bert sawing.

Apr. 5, 1889 - Very pleasant. Helped wash. Sawed wood. Shoveled snow away from wood house. Cow came in tonight.

Apr. 6, 1889 - Hauled horse manure a.m. Load hay p.m. Warren went to Preble. I went to Council tonight.

Apr. 7, 1889 - Very nice day. Warren & I went to S. S. & church.

Apr. 8, 1889 - Pleasant. Helped wash awhile in morning. Warren & I hauled manure from horse barn. A. Hobart borrowed lumber again. Ally here.

Apr. 9, 1889 - Went to Charlie Knowlton's auction.

Apr. 10, 1889 - Went to mill after grist this morning. Hauled stone from wall to gulf. Hauled out two rocks.

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Apr. 11, 1889 - Ground frozen some this morning. Went up in woods & got load of long wood. Cleared out wall bottom. Quite warm. Hauled out the other rocks.

Apr. 12, 1889 - Rained some. Split wood a.m. Filed saw. Helped wash carpet p.m. Columbia & Ally came.

Apr. 13, 1889 - Cold north wind all day. Ground frozen some. Took up board fence west of gulf & then Warren & Columbia & Allie went to Tully. I unloaded wagon & picked up stuff for kindling. Oiled door rollers p.m. Filled up holes down west & dug up stone. Warren & I went to Council meeting this evening.

Apr. 14, 1889 - Ground frozen hard. Warren & I went to S. S. Carried Columbia home. Took Em & Arlie riding.

Apr. 15, 1889 - Helped wash & chored (*did chores*) around a.m. Hauled wood out of woods p.m. Very pleasant.

Apr. 16, 1889 - Drew load of hay to horse barn. Hauled apple tree wood. Commenced plowing pasture. Plowed patch for peas this morning & piece side of road for potatoes.

Apr. 17, 1889 - Plowed on greensward (*turf on which grass is green - plowed for first time*) today.

Apr. 18, 1889 - Hauled posts this morning & then plowed. Very hot awhile. Took grist to mill & got load of sawdust p.m. Em took baby over to Strong's.

Apr. 19, 1889 - Took a load to Tully for Columbia. Very warm & dry. Drew load of manure tonight.

Apr. 20, 1889 - Took load of manure down & plowed some. Plowed p.m. Hauled another load manure. Intended to go to Preble tonight but gave it up,

Apr. 21, 1889 - Very nice this morning but wind came up strong from north p.m.

Apr. 22, 1889 - Very cold north wind & Warren walked to Preble this a.m.

Apr. 23, 1889 - Finished plowing piece this a.m. Hauled off stove p.m.

Apr. 24, 1889 - Hauled manure from basement on furrow (?). Warren harrowed it over tonight.

Apr. 25, 1889 - Rainy. Sawed & split wood.

Apr. 26, 1889 - Still wet. Went down & got grist & sawdust.

Apr. 27, 1889 - Quite warm. Emptied grist & sawdust. Commenced cleaning up oats. Warren & Eddie went to Preble p.m.

Apr. 28, 1889 - Warren & I went to church. Rained on the way. Temperance sermon.

Apr. 29, 1889 - Commenced moving wall. Hauled 6 loads a.m. Cold & showery. Warren went to Tully with Strong.

Apr. 30, 1889 - Moved wall a.m. Tipped wagon over & broke axle. Warren went to Shawville & got new stick.

May 1, 1889 - Commenced plowing corn & potato ground. A little wet but plowed pretty well. Warren plowed corn.

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May 2, 1889 - Warren plowed a.m. I finished cleaning up oats. I finished plowing piece p.m. Rainy tonight.

May 3, 1889 - Worked at axletree a.m. Alick P. called. Fixed fence on side hill p.m. Dragged gulf bank tonight

May 4, 1889 - Sowed oats this morning & Warren harrowed them in. I walked to Preble p.m. Warren finished harrowing.

May 5, 1889 - Very pleasant & quite warm.

May 6, 1889 - Plowed rest of corn stubble. Very warm.

May 7, 1889 - Cleaned up 15 bushel of barley & oats to sow. Hauled stone off & harrowed one part & nearly finished sowing it. Very hot. Got very tired.

May 8, 1889 - Finished dragging rest of piece & then sowed it & then harrowed on south piece. Didn't quite finish it. Very hot.

May 9, 1889 - Took Em & baby to Preble this morning. Fulton set two shoes on gray. Finished harrowing oats & barley p.m. Sent to Peny & Co. for seed

May 10, 1889 - Plowed gardens and piece below basement a.m. Got Strong's wagon & moved wall p.m. Hail storm.

May 11, 1889 - Carried Em & Arlie to Tully. Left them & came back by Preble and got mail & got seed from depot. Warren & I went to Council tonight. He was initiated.

May 12, 1889 - Very pleasant. Warren went to Tully after his mother and Arlie.

May 13, 1889 - Warren went to Geo. Smith's after potatoes. I sowed grass seed and rolled about half of it and it rained.

May 14, 1889 - Tried rolling again. Too wet so quit. Rained again hard p.m. Fixed stone boat & hauled some stone. Cleaned a little grain. Split a little wood.

May 15, 1889 - Hauled stone out of wall bottom & hauled them to gulf. Warren went fishing. Finished rolling.

May 16, 1889 - Took down boarding from south end of house. Finished hauling stone from wall bottom.

May 17, 1889 - Alick helped. I plowed piece side road for potatoes. He fixed fence around pasture. Sawed wood. Harrowed and marked potato ground. Columbia & Arlie came tonight.

May 18, 1889 - Took colt down to Wm's. this morning & then went to Preble & Tully. Alick & Warren planted potatoes & made fence. Put up wire fence in gulf p.m.

May 19, 1889 - Em took baby to church first time.

May 20, 1889 - Damp this morning. Commenced plowing south of house, rained soon & quit. Sawed old boards in barn. Worked on axletree p.m.

May 21, 1889 - Finished axletree this morning. fixed fence nest to Strong's p.m. then commenced plowing. Rained.

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May 22, 1889 - De Ettes heifer came in last night. Plowed & dug stone. Went over & pruned apple trees by bridge at noon.

May 23, 1889 - Finished piece & hauled couple boatloads stone out of wall bottom a.m. Plowed on east piece p.m.

May 24, 1889 - Plowed all day. Didn't feel very well.

May 25, 1889 - Finished east piece and went around middle few times a.m. Em got ready to go to Falls but baby didn't appear well & gave it up. Finished plowing.

May 26, 1889 - Em & Warren started for Falls about 10. Windy & cold.

May 27, 1889 - Threatened rain all day. Masters called & brought plank. Geo. York came & got load.

May 28, 1889 - Bill & I went down to mill & measured out plank for Masters. Warren came little after noon.

May 29, 1889 - Went to Preble this morning. Very cold. Froze quite hard in some places.

May 30, 1889 - Decoration Day. Eddie Strong here most all day. Churned this morning. Drew stone off corn & millet ground. Harrowed corn ground.

June 1, 1889 - Rainy all a.m. Churned twice. Split wood. Took grist to mill p.m. Looked at colt. Council at Tuffley's.

June 2, 1889 - Quite pleasant staid home & dozed.

June 3, 1889 - Went to Homer with two tubs butter. Very pleasant but looked some like rain. Got home about 1 o'clock. Hauled stone p.m.

June 4, 1889 - Finished hauling stone from millet ground a.m. Very warm. Cleaned out basement p.m.

June 5, 1889 - Warren went to Falls. I churned. Didn't feel very well. Showery most all day.

June 6, 1889 - Cold north wind. Didn't do much but chores.

June 7, 1889 - Went to Preble this a.m. Carried mother over to Strong's Tightened fence p.m. Em. & Warren came home.

June 8, 1889 - Very warm. Warren & Eddie Strong went in Hollow.

June 10, 1889 - Commenced harrowing millet ground. Rained before I got much done. Wm. Lloyd brought up grist. Commenced making fence in barn.

June 11, 1889 - Lowery (*overcast or threatening sky*) & raining all day. Didn't do much.

June 12, 1889 - Cleaned rotten apples & lumber out of cellar. Em & Arlie went to Preble with me. Harrowed a little tonight.

June 13, 1889 - Very pleasant. Harrowed millet ground. Picked bugs off potatoes at noon. Drew a little hay tonight.

June 14, 1889 - Sowed part of millet before breakfast. Sowed Hungarian & finished harrowing ground tonight. Warren went to Geo. Smith's to Council. Mother went to Ad Burrs.

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June 15, 1889 - Got up soon as I could see & finished sewing millet. Rained just as I got done. Rolled it this a.m. Finished just as it rained hard. Very wet.

June 16, 1889 - Very warm all day. Thundered & threatened rain.

June 17, 1889 - Rained hard this morning. Ground full of water. Tool calves to Tully. Strong took one & Hobart Long. Called on Columbia. Mowed door yard p.m. Split wood. Warren went fishing. Cooler tonight.

June 18, 1889 - Mowed door yard. Hoed potatoes. Went down to see colt. Pulled Long Burrs (?) Took roller home.

June 19, 1889 - Gathered Long Burrs this morning. Rained. Finished churning.

June 20, 1889 - Didn't feel very well. Sam William's & Wm. Strong called tonight. Warren went to Vesper.

June 21, 1889 - Didn't do much but chores.

June 22, 1889 - Fixed fence a little next to Rooney's this morning. Strong went to Preble with butter. I went to Vesper & Tully with it p.m. Went down to De Forest Rice's with it tonight.

June 23, 1889 - Quite pleasant but cool. Warren rode over to Tully with Mr. Camp tonight.

June 24, 1889 - Went to Cortland with two tubs butter. Got home between 5 & 6.

June 25, 1889 - Cultivated sweet corn & potatoes a.m. Hoed some p.m. Helped put down carpet. Went to Tully to meeting of Milk Union tonight.

June 26, 1889 - Didn't do much today. Sarah Lloyd visited here. Warren & I went to milk meeting at Preble tonight.

June 27, 1889 - Churned a.m. Picked up brush in orchard p.m. Burned brush & long burrs in orchard.

June 28, 1889 - Fixed fence next to Rooney's & put more posts in wire fence. Churned again. Didn't do much p.m. Cleaned stove pipe. Warren & I went to Vesper to Council tonight.

June 29, 1889 - Churned again. Mowed little in dooryard. Frank Caughey called. Columbia & Allie here p.m. I didn't do much. Em & Warren went to Preble tonight.

June 30, 1889 - No entry.

July 1, 1889 - Went to Tully this morning with calf. Very warm. Put up wire fence on side hill p.m. Rainy tonight.

July 2, 1889 - Didn't do very much. Churned.

July 3, 1889 - Warren & mother went to Tully p.m. after Columbia & Allie. Eddie Hill came. Fireworks.

July 4, 1889 - Columbia, Allie & I started for the Falls about noon. Very warm. Got there about five.

July 5, 1889 - Father W. went to Syracuse with us. Had two shoes set at Camillus. Got back 7.

July 6, 1889 - Started for home about noon, very hot. Stopped at Nightengale's & got some vinegar.

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July 7, 1889 - Very pleasant. Warren went to church horseback. Mr. Roger's preached. Eddie & Helen baptized.

July 8, 1889 - Ground (*sharpened*) scythe this mornin8ng & cut my finger badly hanging it. Went down to Adlam's after pigs tonight.

July 9, 1889 - Alick came this morning and went home to hoe his onions. Churned.

July 10, 1889 - Alick commenced this morning. Cultivated potatoes and mowed road.

July 11 & 12, 1889 - No entries.

July 13, 1889 - Drew hay in road and what was in lot. Threatened rain.

July 14, 1889 - No entry.

July 15, 1889 - Lowery this a.m. Alick didn't come. Em & De Ette went to Mrs. Spoxis. (sp)

July 16, 1889 - Alick still absent. Finished mowing piece by graveyard and cut some next to Rooney's Warren mowed. Raked piece by graveyard tonight.

July 17, 1889 - Alick came this morning, unloaded wagon. Mowed a little piece across south end of west lot. Drew piece by gravel & raked what was down west. Hauled two loads. Mowed around west a few times. Hauled load tonight.

July 18, 1889 - Mowed this a.m. Very hot p.m. Raked and drew what I cut last night and raked part of the other

July 19, 1889 - Baby sick all night. Finished raking and drew all but part of a load. Rained hard all p.m.

July 20, 1889 - Lowery all day. Didn't do much. Warren went to Preble.

July 21, 1889 - Quite pleasant. John Lloyd called & Wm's. folks.

July 22, 1889 - Alick & Warren went berrying I helped churn and mowed rest of west lot. Very warm. Drew two loads and commenced mowing by horse barn.

July 23, 1889 - Arlie a year old, 15 3/4 pounds. Finished piece and mowed part of south piece. Finished west lot p.m.

July 24, 1889 - Cloudy and hay didn't dry much. Finished mowing a.m. Raked & drew north piece. Raked part of the other. Quite warm. Will Strong had rake.

July 25, 1889 - Cleared out lean-to to make more room this morning. Alick opened win rows and turned over the rest. Drew 6 loads p.m. & finished up.

July 26, 1889 - Patch barn roof a.m. Very hot. Went to Tully & the park p.m. Got home little before night.

July 27, 1889 - Rained hard all a.m. Churned. Father W. & Warren went to Adams after another pig.

July 28, 1889 - Quite warm. Laid abed most of the day.

July 29, 1889 - Took calf to Tully. Rained hard going over. Unloaded hay p.m. Rained hard again.

July 30 & 31, 1889 - No entries.

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Aug. 1, 1889 - No entry.

Aug. 2, 1889 - Mrs. Spore sowed (sewed) here. Warren went after her.

Aug. 3, 1889 - Felt badly a.m. Helped Wm. Lloyd p.m. Warren sick. Em took Mrs. Spore home tonight. I churned. - Wouldn't separate - had to leave it.

Aug. 4, 1889 - No entry.

Aug. 5, 1889 - Lowery a.m. Father W. & Warren went up to Hubs p.m. I went to Manchester's. Mr. Wheeler called.

Aug. 6, 1889 - Kenny cut barley and oats. Mr. Wheeler & Johnny called and staid to tea. I went to see Alick tonight. School meeting.

Aug. 7, 1889 - Fixed barn and chored around. Went to Strong's p.m. to thresh. Broke down. Came home & raked up grain. Warren helped Wm. Lloyd.

Aug. 8, 1889 - I went to Strong's & staid awhile. Came home & we went to cocking (*shocking*) barley. Whistle blew & Alick went & helped thresh. Warren & I drew 2 loads a.m. Got 5 loads p.m. & cocked the rest. Worked til 9:30.

Aug. 9, 1889 - Worked at barley. Finished p.m. Last load got wet some.

Aug. 10, 1889 - Rained hard last night. Warren raked barley scatterings p.m. I churned twice. Hub & Mary came a.m. Em & I went to Preble tonight.

Aug. 11, 1889 - Cool north wind. Warren went to the Falls with Father W. & De Ette.

Aug. 12, 1889 - Pleasant a.m. Showery p.m. Helped wash. Warren came just dark.

Aug. 13, 1889 - Cut around oats p.m. Warren went up to see Alick.

Aug. 14, 1889 - Rainy. Committee commenced on school house.

Aug. 15, 1889 - Lowery a.m. Cleared off p.m.

Aug. 16, 1889 - Henry cut oats a.m. Alick came at noon & went back. Frank Caughey called.

Aug. 17, 1889 - Got stones out of road a.m.

Aug. 18, 1889 - No entry.

Aug. 19, 1889 - Alick helped get oats. Rained a little just before night. Columbia & Allie here.

Aug. 20, 1889 - Warren & I finished oats. Left load on wagon.

Aug. 21, 1889 - No entry.

Aug. 22, 1889 - Went to H. C. Brown's. Took bushel pears to Frank Carr & carried Columbia & Allie home. Got there about 2 p.m. Staid til 7.

Aug. 23, 1889 - Cut Hungarian this p.m. Picked Clapp's favorite pears.

Aug. 24, 1889 - Went to Homer. Left carriage to be fixed. Took half bushel pears. Raked Hungarian.

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Aug. 25, 1889 - No entry.

Aug. 26, 1889 - Helped wash a.m. Turned Hungarian. Raked and drew it p.m. John Lloyd called.

Aug. 27, 1889 - Took pears to Tully p.m. Warren raked Hungarian scatterings.

Aug. 28, 1889 - Warren went to Tully tonight with plums. I picked rest of pears.

Aug. 29, 1889 - Warren & I went to Cortland. Peddled pears & plums. Got Warren's teeth filled and one of mine. Called on Dr. Potter. Got carriage. Very dusty. Got home around sundown

Aug. 30, 1889 - Drew Hungarian & oat scatterings. Warren helped Eddie pick pears.

Aug. 31, 1889 - Em, Warren & Arlie went to Falls. I churned. Wrote school meeting notices. Drove down in Hollow. Went up to Longs this morning.

Sept. 1, 1889 - Very pleasant but dusty.

Sept. 2, 1889 - Drove down to Norton's & then to Vesper. Notified for school meeting and paid assessment. Churned p.m. Pulled weeds from potatoes.

Sept. 3, 1889 - Very warm p.m. Made 3 lengths fence & put up 5 along road.

Sept. 4, 1889 - Putting up fence & turned calves out before breakfast. Milked late. John Lloyd called. Our folks came about 1 p.m. Churned. Got ready & Warren took me to Tully. Went to city to Convention. Mrs.. Gongas spoke.

Sept. 5, 1889 - Convention opened at 9 and closed about 2. Warren met me at Tully. Got home just dark.

Sept. 6, 1889 - No entry.

Sept. 7, 1889 - School meeting this p.m. Good attendance.

Sept. 8, 1889 - No entry.

Sept. 9, 1889 - Bated cows in road this morning. Dug rest of potatoes. Fixed fence next to Longs p.m.

Sept. 11 & 12, 1889 - No entries.

Sept. 13, 1889 - Em & I went to Hub Brown's Rained a little when we started for home but didn't amount to much. Warren & I went over to Council tonight but no one there.

Sept. 14, 1889 - No entry.

Sept. 15, 1889 - Warren went to church with Will Strong & Em, Addie & I went in carriage. Warren went to Preble tonight.

Sept. 16, 1889 - Went to Tully this morning, carried Helen. Got Em's shoes topped. Engaged help to thresh. Wind changed and rained p.m.

Sept. 17, 1889 - Threshed today. Rained. Had to cover the belt. Got done about 3:30.

Sept. 18, 1889 - Threshed for Cord. Staid & helped get chaff into the barn & ate supper.

Sept. 19, 1889 - Threshed at Manchester's. Rained hard p.m. Went down after colt tonight.

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Sept. 20, 1889 - Pleasant this morning. Went down to see Rooney. Rained hard p.m.

Sept. 21, 1889 - Didn't feel well & didn't do much. Churned toward night.

Sept. 22, 1889 - Quite pleasant. Warren went to S.S. with Will Strong. They went to church to Preble tonight.

Sept. 23, 1889 - Pleasant but cold wind. A little frost this morning. Helped wash. Mowed around millet. Will Strong had team to harrow.

Sept. 24, 1889 - Very nice day. Cut sticks for school house a.m. Didn't do much p.m. Mrs. Strong called tonight.

Sept. 25, 1889 - Got Strong's machine & cut part of millet. Cultivated strawberry bed.

Sept. 26, 1889 - Rained a little a.m. Fixed fence next to Cord's buckwheat p.m. & hauled sticks for school house.

Sept. 27, 1889 - Finished mowing millet p.m. & started to go to Council but rained & we came back. Orrin Rice's house burned today.

Sept. 28, 1889 - Raked the millet cut first p.m. Cocked (shocked) some of it. Churned twice tonight. Killed chicken.

Sept. 29, 1889 - Very nice day. Cloudy tonight.

Sept. 30, 1889 - Arose about 5:30. Sprinkled little. Cleaned out stove pipe and cocked millet awhile. Milked after breakfast & finished cocking first lot & raked the rest a.m. & finished cocking p.m. Em & Warren helped. Sprinkled some but not serious.

Oct. 1, 1889 - County Convention & mass meeting at Cortland. Rained p.m. and tonight. Churned nine times today. Geo. Warford called.

Oct. 2, 1889 - Work commenced on school house. Churned a.m. Picked Pound Sweets p.m. Rained. Helped about washing & mended lantern.

Oct. 3, 1889 - Finished picking Pound Sweets & picked (*didn't finish sentence.*)

Oct. 4, 1889 - Finished picking apples nearly.

Oct. 5, 1889 - Went to Cortland. Took tub butter. Quite cold. Columbia & Allie here.

Oct. 6, 1889 - Quite wet. Warren carried them down in Hollow tonight.

Oct. 7, 1889 - Warren went down & got Mrs. Spore this morning. I milked.

Oct. 8, 1889 - Cleaned up some oats.

Oct. 9, 1889 - Got butter ready a.m. Carried it to Preble p.m. Rained a little. Warren carried Mrs. Spore home.

Oct. 10, 1889 - No entry.

Oct. 11, 1889 - Opened a few cocks of millet & drew them. Not very dry. Two loads.

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- Oct. 12, 1889 - Opened more millet & Warren helped to draw it. Got 4 loads.
- Oct. 13, 1889 - Very quiet.
- Oct. 14, 1889 - John Lloyd & Will Strong helped draw millet. Got it nearly all. Cold north wind.
- Oct. 15, 1889 - Went to Cortland. Had Arlies picture taken. Got Warren some clothes. Father W. stopped at Homer.
- Oct. 16, 1889 - Carried mother & Warren to the depot this morning. Raked millet scatterings p.m. Em went to Wm's. (*Women's*) Aid. Fixed kerosene can.
- Oct. 17, 1889 - Will Strong helped draw scatterings. Helped shingle on school house. Churned this evening.
- Oct. 18, 1889 - Helped shingle again today. Henry helped awhile p.m. Churned this evening.
- Oct. 19, 1889 - Chored around and churned this a.m. Alick called. Eddie Lloyd stopped to dinner from B. Helped J. Long dig potatoes p.m. Fixed apples tonight.
- Oct. 20, 1889 - Quite chilly day. Went to Shawville tonight.
- Oct. 21, 1889 - Trouble at school house this morning. Helped John dig potatoes again p.m.
- Oct. 22, 1889 - Picked a few apples. Finished John's potatoes p.m. Snow was disagreeable.
- Oct. 23, 1889 - Ground white & frozen hard this morning. Moved chipboard a.m. Dug stone out of road this p.m. Warren came tonight. Painter came this p.m.
- Oct. 24, 1889 - Warren went to Preble this morning. I took rack box off wagon & changed reach. Churned. Worked on road p.m. Very pleasant. Minister from Hollow called.
- Oct. 25, 1889 - Strong south wind all day. Put up hay rack & bob boxes & put box on wagon a.m. Hauled 3 loads wood p.m. & 3 loads stone to gulf.
- Oct. 26, 1889 - Hauled stone from road side out to gulf & in road. Very pleasant.
- Oct. 27, 1889 - Rained all day. John Lloyd called.
- Oct. 28, 1889 - Broke stones in road some. Cleaned up grist.
- Oct. 29, 1889 - Cleaned cow stable out. 3 loads. Commenced plowing p.m. down west.
- Oct. 30, 1889 - Took grist to mill this morning & brought Father W. home. Plowed again p.m. Quite mild.
- Oct. 31, 1889 - Went down & got grist a.m. Commenced plowing p.m. but rained some and rained till night. Warren out canvassing.
- Nov. 1, 1889 - Foggy & damp all day. Watched cows a.m. & dug stone side the road. Finished back furrowing p.m. Plowed fence back & ten times around piece.
- Nov. 2, 1889 - Father W. & Warren started for Marcellus about noon. Helped John L. pick up stuff around schoolhouse & put down seats & c. Rained hard tonight.
- Nov. 3, 1889 - Quite pleasant. John went over after teacher.

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Nov. 4, 1889 - Helped around schoolhouse this morning then churned & helped Em wash. Warren came.

Nov. 5, 1889 - Em, Arlie & I went to Tully to election. Quite cold, a little snow in air.

Nov. 6, 1889 - Chored around a.m. Ground frozen quite hard. Fred & I plowed out ditches p.m. John L. called.

Nov. 7, 1889 - Went to Preble after desks a.m. Freight due on them & I left them. Churned after dinner. John came up. Wrote letter for him & he went to Preble.

Nov. 8, 1889 - Chored around a.m. Plowed p.m. til whistle blew and then went to Wm. Lloyd's to church. Threshed til dark. Warren took teacher home.

Nov. 9, 1889 - Threshed at Wm's. all day and awhile by lantern. Warren went to depot after mother.

Nov. 10, 1889 - Very pleasant. Warren went after teacher.

Nov. 11, 1889 - Arose at 5. Expected to thresh at Norton's but machine didn't come. Split some wood. Churned and helped wash a.m. Plowed p.m.

Nov. 12, 1889 - Picked what apples were left in orchard. Then went down to Steve Adlams. Plowed p.m.

Nov. 13, 1889 - Plowed a.m. Went to Preble after school seats p.m. Rained all the way. Didn't get them.

Nov. 14, 1889 - Rainy a.m. Commenced plowing p.m. Plowed seven furrows & rained hard & I quit.

Nov. 15, 1889 - Cold month. Wind & snowed a little. Helped Strong thresh a.m. Carried apples down cellar at noon. Commenced threshing at Rooney's. Warren went to Tully with teacher.

Nov. 16, 1889 - Finished threshing at Rooney's a.m. Alick P. called & staid to dinner. Chored around p.m. Thawed.

Nov. 17, 1889 - Very pleasant. Warren went after teacher tonight.

Nov. 18, 1889 - Threshed at Warren's Commenced raining at noon & rained til night. Helped put in seats.

Nov. 19, 1889 - Helped finish putting down seats this morning. Then churned. Went to mill p.m. Quite warm.

Nov. 20, 1889 - Plowed p.m. 18 furrows. Threatened rain but didn't amount to much.

Nov. 21, 1889 - Plowed again a.m. & p.m. Quite warm.

Nov. 22, 1889 - Went down this morning & got grist. Dug in road coming back. Rained all a.m. Went to Vesper p.m. Had Ned shod & paid assessments. Warren carried teacher home & brought Helen back. Tipped over in gulf.

Nov. 23, 1889 - Rained all day. Paid school taxes. Filled up hole over by bridge. Moved stove. Churned. John Lloyd called. Dressed poultry tonight.

Nov. 24, 1889 - Quite pleasant. Warren went after teacher. Went to meet them with lantern.

Nov. 25, 1889 - Cold north wind. Went to Homer with poultry. Very muddy.

Nov. 26, 1889 - Helped wash & churn. Warren helped a.m. Finished dug-way on side of hill p.m.

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Nov. 27, 1889 - Ground covered with snow. Put roosters in hen house a.m. Alick Parkinson called & settled p.m. Carried teacher home tonight. High wind.

Nov. 28, 1889 - Rained all night. Wind changed this morning & snowed most all day. Thanksgiving. Warren went down to Norton's & Jean & D.S. came here.

Nov. 29, 1889 - Snowy by spells all day. Brown painted in school house. I banked barns. Churned.

Nov. 30, 1889 - Banked horse barn & got bobs out a.m. Took up fence and drew load of wood p.m.

Dec. 1, 1889 - Quite pleasant. Mrs. Strong called. Em went after teacher tonight.

Dec. 2, 1889 - South wind and mild. Went up in woods a.m. Went to Vesper & got horse shod p.m.

Dec. 3, 1889 - Hauled down drafts for Orange & Bert. Snowed this morning. Grew colder. Churned at noon. Teacher & Warren went to Preble.

Dec. 4, 1889 - Steve Adlam commenced this morning. Hauled drafts a.m. Worked at road in gulf p.m.

Dec. 5, 1889 - Strong south wind. Steve & I worked in woods. Cut 4 basswood. Stormy p.m. Cleaned up oats and Steve put up grist & I churned.

Dec. 6, 1889 - Took pigs to Norton's to butcher. I put glass in windows. Teachers father came after her.

Dec. 7, 1889 - Steve cut up pork a.m. Hauled manure. P. W. Warren went to depot after Anna. Wm. Lloyd called a.m. I fixed windows, cut sausage meat this evening.

Dec. 8, 1889 - Rainy all day.

Dec. 9, 1889 - Wm. brought teacher over. I took grist to mill. Steve & I fixed water trough. Fixed bridges in woods p.m.

Dec. 10, 1889 - Steve didn't come. I hauled manure from basement. 7 loads. Churned p.m. Figured up notes with Anna.

Dec. 11, 1889 - Went to Mrs. Egbertson's funeral. Wind blew hard from north. Blows hard tonight.

Dec. 12, 1889 - Steve & I hauled drafts a.m. Hauled manure from calf pens in basement p.m. Nice day.

Dec. 13, 1889 - Carried Anna to depot this morning. Hauled 2 loads manure & went after grist p.m.

Dec. 14, 1889 - Steve came up & went home again. Snowed most all day. Fixed calf stable.

Dec. 15, 1889 - Quite pleasant. Chilly wind. Very little travel.

Dec. 16, 1889 - Steve & I cut basswood logs. Very pleasant. HE cut his hand toward night & we came home. Teacher & Warren went to Preble.

Dec. 17, 1889 - Cut old logs out of the road. Cut up hemlock & cut down another one p.m. Cut up hemlock, peeled bark off & commenced cutting white wood.

Dec. 18, 1889 - Steve put up leach in woodhouse & sawed wood a.m. Hauled down drafts & basswood logs p.m.

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Dec. 19, 1889 - Sawed up whitewood & cleared road a.m. Hauled down whitewood p.m. Hauled 2 drafts & 3 basswood.

Dec. 20, 1889 - Cut hemlock on hill a.m. Made road & sawed it up p.m. Em & Arlie called at Cord's.

Dec. 21 1889 - Wind blew down grape trellis last night. Cool today. Warren & I went in woods & cut hemlock & basswood.

Dec. 22, 1889 - Rainy by spells all day. Wind blew quite hard tonight.

Dec. 23, 1889 - Steve & I sawed up basswood & hemlock a.m. Took team up p.m. Loaded one log. Broke hame strap. Finished sawing hemlock. Came home & sawed beech log.

Dec. 24, 1889 - Didn't do anything all day. Rained p.m.

Dec. 25, 1889 - Christmas. Columbia, Allie & Warren came this morning. I didn't do much. Christmas tree this evening.

Dec. 26, 1889 - Steve helped today. Finished banking horse barn. Cleaned up oats & barley. Wind blew very hard.

Dec. 27, 1889 - A little snow. Went up in woods & got bobsled & a whiting log. Hauled 4 loads manure from stable. Churned p.m.

Dec. 28, 1889 - Hauled 4 loads wood. Em rode up in woods once. John Lloyd called p.m. with mail. Em & I went to Preble tonight.

Dec. 29, 1889 - Strong south wind. Chimney took fire & house came near burning.

Dec. 30, 1889 - Strong north wind & quite cold. Split some wood. Churned p.m. Tully called with his bill. Still tonight.

Dec. 31, 1889 - No entry.

Jan. 1, 1890 - Very strong south wind. Carried hams back to milk house. Rained p.m. Commenced making wood box.

Jan. 2, 1890 - South wind & warm a.m. Fixed up fence & got ready to go to Tully. Went to Tully p.m. Paid tax.

Jan. 3, 1890 - Mended harness this morning. Went up in woods & marked trees for the boys. Moved butter p.m. Hauled 2 loads manure from basement. Cool & snowed a trifle.

Jan. 4, 1890 - Cold south wind. Fixed cellar door. Steve brought beef & flax seed. Picked up sugar wood p.m. Miss Lathrop & Warren went to Preble this evening. I churned.

Jan. 5, 1890 - Lowery (*overcast & threatening*) rained a little. Miss L. went to Preble to church with Van Denburgh's. Warren went in Hollow with Strong's.

Jan. 6, 1890 - Rainy a.m. Cut up beef & helped fix sweet apples. Plowed p.m., 17 furrows. Wind changed and blew hard from north.

Jan. 7, 1890 - Plowed today, 55 furrows. Quite cool. Mr. Strong & Fred & Mrs. Chrysler called tonight.

Jan. 8 & 9, 1890 - No entries.

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Jan. 10, 1890 - South wind & warmer this morning. Took grist to mill. Hauled 2 logs p.m. Carried Miss Lathrop home tonight.

Jan. 11, 1890 - Rainy most all day. Warren went to Preble p.m. I helped Em some upstairs. Went after grist tonight.

Jan. 12, 1890 - No entry.

Jan. 13, 1890 - Helped wash a.m. Quite mild & pleasant. Warren & I picked up wood in sugar bush p.m. North wind blew very hard.

Jan. 14, 1890 - Steve helped. Skidded hemlock & basswood logs a.m. Cleared out around hemlock & made roads p.m.

Jan. 15, 1890 - Ground covered with snow this morning but rained & thawed it off.

Jan. 16, 1890 - Hauled six logs from woods. Very blustery. Didn't let cows out.

Jan. 17, 1890 - Chored around and hauled load of straw this morning. Hauled seven logs. Teachers mother here.

Jan. 18, 1890 - Frozen quite hard this morning. Hauled one log from woods to mill & another down to house a.m. Went to mill with it.

Jan. 19, 1890 - Miss Lathrop, Em, Arlie & I went to Hollow to church to preaching. Drove around the church & came back.

Jan. 20, 1890 - Helped wash a.m. Quite warm. Worked in sugar bush awhile toward night.

Jan. 21, 1890 - Wm. Lloyd's folks here this evening. Went home in blizzard.

Jan. 22, 1890 - Quite blustery a.m. Went up in woods toward night & hauled down 2 logs.

Jan. 23, 1890 - Strong south wind & snowed fast. Went to Jacob Schoffers to be initiated into the Grange.

Jan. 24, 1890 - Hauled one log from woods a.m. Didn't do much p.m. Put new tube in chimney this evening.

Jan. 25, 1890 - Cold south wind. Burrough's came & insured me this a.m. Hauled 4 logs to mill p.m. Em & Warren cleaned school house p.m.

Jan. 26, 1890 - Em, Warren & Arlie went in Hollow to church with Strong's folks.

Jan. 27, 1890 - Helped John Lloyd put up curtains in school house this morning then put beef to smoke & helped wash. Warren went to Preble p.m. I went up to Geo. Smith's & Henry Tuffley's.

Jan. 28, 1890 - Hauled 3 logs from woods to mill. Made new saddle for bobsled p.m. Quite cold tonight.

Jan. 29, 1890 - Hauled large logs from woods to mill & one to house a.m. Frozen this morning. Thawed quite fast. Warren came down with the grippe.

Jan. 30, 1890 - Warren quite sick all day. Better tonight. Teacher went home.

Jan. 31, 1890 - No entry.

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Feb. 1, 1890 - Florence VanDenburg visited school & took dinner here. Quite cool. Hauled 3 loads manure.

Feb. 2, 1890 - Teacher sick with grippe today.

Feb. 3, 1890 - No school today. Went to Homer. Arlie sick with grippe.

Feb. 4, 1890 - Up all night with Arlie. Wm. went to Homer with bark.

Feb. 5, 1890 - No entry.

Feb. 6, 1890 - Cold north wind. Went to Tuttle's to Grange. Left horse at Vesper to be shod. Carried teacher home tonight.

Feb. 7, 1890 - Very cold south wind. Staid in house most all day.

Feb. 8, 1890 - Eddie Strong helped Warren draw fodder to horse barn. I didn't go out. Hard cold & felt badly tonight.

Feb. 9, 1890 - Warren & Eddie went in Hollow to church.

Feb. 10, 1890 - Went after teacher early this morning. Quite good sleighing. Went to Tully with logs p.m. Rooney helped me.

Feb. 11, 1890 - Warren & I went to Tully with logs a.m. Dined with Columbia. Thawed fast p.m. Took grist to mill & got sap.

Feb. 12, 1890 - Warren & Willie went to the Falls. I didn't do much, about sick with cold. Cold north wind.

Feb. 13, 1890 - Wind in south & warmer. I went up in woods & looked around a.m. Fixed up cow mangers & tapped trees p.m. Warren & Will came just after dark.

Feb. 14, 1890 - No entry.

Feb. 15, 1890 - Didn't do very much. Warren went down & got grist & sawdust. John Lloyd carried teacher to Preble.

Feb. 16, 1890 - Em & Warren went in Hollow to church. We started to go after teacher tonight & met her coming.

Feb. 17, 1890 - John Lloyd went with me to Otisco to Dowding's auction. Large crowd. Muddy coming back. Went with John to Tully to caucus tonight. Rained a little & quite dark.

Feb. 18, 1890 - Foggy & damp. Went to town meeting & got 50 sap buckets & spiles. Didn't feel very well.

Feb. 19, 1890 - Laid around and did nothing all day. Colder & a little snow on the ground. Warren gone to meeting.

Feb. 20, 1890 = Split wood considerable & churned. Commenced making fender for stove.

Feb. 21, 1890 - Hauled load of hay to horse barn. Snowed some from north & quite cold. Fred Strong called this evening.

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Feb. 22, 1890 - Zero, coldest morning of the season. Warren & Edith went to Preble this morning. Hauled three logs to mill p.m. & one from woods. Rather poor sleighing.

Feb. 23, 1890 - Em & Edith went to church with Ned & the cutter. Thawed considerably.

Feb. 24, 1890 - No entry.

Feb. 25, 1890 - Rained hard this morning. Gathered sap in the rain. School closed today. Em took Edith home tonight. Emma & Fred Strong called.

Feb. 26, 1890 - Wind north but not very cold. Hauled manure from basement. Very muddy. Drove up to Manchester's & Alfred Smith's tonight.

Feb. 27, 1890 - A little snow & frozen & trifle this morning. Walked up to A. Smith's again. Came back across the hill & down through the woods. South wind & sap running very fast. Went up and dug place for arch p.m.

Feb. 28, 1890 - Rained hard this morning. Gathered sap & boiled it in fireplace. Finished it this evening.

Mar. 1, 1890 - Cold north wind. Went in woods a.m. Cut hollow basswood for sap trough. Went to Preble tonight, awful rough.

Mar. 2, 1890 - Very cold north wind. Em, Warren & Arlie went over to Strong's toward night.

Mar. 3, 1890 - Hauled 2 loads manure from basement. Drew load of lumber to wood & brought back some wood.

Mar. 4, 1890 - Em, Warren & Arlie started for Falls about 1:15. I went in woods & cut road to sap trough.

Mar. 5, 1890 - Went to Steve Adlam's auction. Got back about 2:30. Very cold & a little snow.

Mar. 6, 1890 - Went to Edinger's for Grange meeting p.m. Cold north wind. 6 above. Warren came home.

Mar. 7, 1890 - Went to Steve Master's after seed oats & got harness & cradle at Steve Adlam's a.m. Went to Tully with log p.m. Not very good sleighing.

Mar. 8, 1890 - Made two trips to Tully. Lost clevis & back holdback iron in tongue this morning. Got new one & got line mended. Thawed a good deal p.m.

Mar. 9, 1890 - Very pleasant but cold wind. Warren went in Hollow to church. Mr. Camp preached.

Mar. 10, 1890 - Hauled small basswood to house & two hemlocks to mill a.m. Got brick of Rooney & hauled two loads wood p.m.

Mar. 11, 1890 - Hauled load of bark & load of wood & a few stone for arch a.m. Black cow came in this morning. Crosley, tree agent, called p.m. Hauled load cow manure after supper.

Mar. 12, 1890 - Warren went to Preble a.m. Got barrel. I worked at pipe for arch. Minister called. Tapped woods p.m. Quite warm.

Mar. 13, 1890 - Rained all a.m. Got sugar & molasses out of barrel & heated it up. Went up & got trough p.m.

Mar. 14, 1890 - Gathered sap in woods a.m. Commenced boiling in kettles p.m.

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Mar. 16, 1890 - No entry.

Mar. 17, 1890 - Took load little logs to mill & brought up new boards a.m. Started with logs for Tully p.m. Left it & came back home.

Mar. 18, 1890 Borrowed Manchester's sleigh & took the log to Tully. Quite soft. Hauled load manure & load straw tonight.

Mar. 19, 1890 - Hauled & worked at sugar shanty a little.

Mar. 20, 1890 - Hauled sand to woods & hemlock butt to house. Warren took 2 basswood to mill. Got ice out of dishes in woods & fixed shanty. Hauled load manure tonight.

Mar. 21, 1890 - Went in woods p.m. Gathered sap in pans.

Mar. 22, 1890 - Warren went to Preble this morning. I worked at arch a.m. Gathered sap p.m. Rained hard.

Mar. 23, 1890 - Cold & snowy. No travel all day.

Mar. 24, 1890 - Took two basswoods to mill this a.m. Drew two loads wood to house. Didn't do much p.m.

Mar. 25, 1890 - Warren went to Tully a.m. I boiled sap in woods. Wind blew hard from south. Syruped (*boiled syrup*) down tonight.

Mar. 26 & 27, 1890 - No entries.

Mar. 28, 1890 - 3 or 4 inches new snow this morning. Finished pipe for arch. Rained hard p.m. Went to woods & boiled sap down tonight.

Mar. 29, 1890 - North wind & snowy & blustery all day. Got arch fixed & boiled what we had. Had great time getting a going. Warren went to Preble tonight.

Mar. 30, 1890 - Quite pleasant but cold. No travel.

Mar. 31, 1890 - Hauled two loads wood to house. Tipped over & hurt my leg. Hauled load of hay to horse barn. Had sugar wood p.m. Emptied ice out. Warren went to Preble.

Apr. 1, 1890 - Hauled load stove wood & load of pole wood a.m. Warren went to Tully p.m. I drove up to A. Smith's. Cold.

Apr. 2, 1890 - Went to Tully after Em, Warren & Arlie. Very muddy, grew warmer. Settled for logs. Got order cashed by Vail.

Apr. 3, 1890 - Very warm pleasant day. Looked at butter this morning & Warren took a tub to Preble. I tapped more trees & worked at arch.

Apr. 4, 1890 - Rained hard this morning. Finished arch in the rain & boiled all day & Warren & Will boiled tonight. Drew sugar wood & gathered sap p.m.

Apr. 5, 1890 - Cold north wind. Didn't do great deal a.m. Hauled 3 loads sugar wood. Boiled sap on hand & gathered & boiled what was on flat. Took till almost midnight.

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Apr. 6, 1890 - Em went to church with Strong's Alfred Smith & wife came to ell us about Charlie & brought groceries.

Apr. 7, 1890 - Rained all a.m. Got butter ready to ship. Steve Adlam called & settled. Gathered sap in woods p.m. Fixed fence & sawed wood tonight. Emma boiled syrup. J. Lloyd called.

Apr. 8, 1890 - Warren took butter to depot & got horses shod. I boiled sap in woods all day. Got done just dark. South wind blew hard.

Apr. 9, 1890 - Rained a little. Quite warm. Thundered. Cow came in.

Apr. 10, 1890 - Cold north wind. Wm. Lloyd called. Warren went to Tully p.m. Took parsnips.

Apr. 11, 1890 - No entry.

Apr. 12, 1890 - Very warm. Went up to gather buckets & found so much sap, boiled p.m. Em went up gathered things tonight. Warren & mother went after mail tonight. Very warm.

Apr. 13, 1890 - Em, Warren & Arlie went to church. Mrs. S. & Will went.

Apr. 14, 1890 - Hauled two loads wood out of woods & brought down sugar things. Very warm. Hauled manure from basement. Grew colder & rained a little p.m.

Apr. 15, 1890 - Warren took grist & got it ground this morning. Hauled nails & posts & load manure. Finished plowing Greenswood piece.

Apr. 16, 1890 - Warren & Eddie Strong went to Jamesville. Didn't do much a.m. Fixed fence p.m. Hauled load manure & two load stone.

Apr. 17, 1890 - Went down & piled up some lumber. Didn't get home til 1:30. Went to Tully after the boys. Quite dry roads.

Apr. 18, 1890 - Very cold north wind. I didn't do much.

Apr. 19, 1890 - Hauled two loads & finished picking stone off west lot. Cold north wind. Plowed among currents.

Apr. 20, 1890 - Very pleasant. All staid at home.

Apr. 21, 1890 - Warren harrowed out ground over once. Wm. Strong took calf to Tully. I pruned & transplanted currents.

Apr. 22, 1890 - I finished harrowing oats ground. Warren went after drill tonight.

Apr. 23, 1890 - Drilled oats. Rained some middle of day. Warren took drill home tonight.

Apr. 24, 1890 - Rolled oats today. Quite cold north wind. Minister called & staid to supper.

Apr. 25, 1890 - No entry.

Apr. 26, 1890 - Commenced plowing lot south of house. Dug stone. Commenced raining about noon.

Apr. 27, 1890 - Blowing & showery all day.

Apr. 28, 1890 - Quite wet but pleasant. Piled up wood east of wood house. Plowed again p.m.

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Apr. 29, 1890 - Plowed some a.m. Didn't do much p.m. Commenced papering mothers room today.

Apr. 30, 1890 - Put on what paper we had, not quite enough. Em, Warren & Arlie went to Preble tonight. I fixed fence some. Very pleasant out.

May 1, 2, 3, 1890 - No entries.

May 4, 1890 - Em & Warren went to church.

May 5, 6, 1890 - No entries.

May 7, 1890 - Dug ditch down below horse barn. Warren hauled manure. Quite cold.

May 8, 1890 - Dug ditch above road south of house. Columbia & Allie came tonight.

May 9, 1890 - Dug ditch most all day. Orrin Rice called p.m. Rained about supper time.

May 10, 1890 - Rainy most all day. Hauled load of hay to horse barn. Split a little wood. Dug ditch a little & Warren carried Columbia & Allie to Shawville.

May 11, 1890 - Em & Warren went to church with Strong's.

May 12, 1890 - Went to Preble this morning. Paid W. W. Wright. Settled with Eugene & Frank. Dug ditch some after I got home. Fixed fence below schoolhouse p.m. Wm went to Shawville. Quite warm.

May 13, 1890 - Took calves to Tully this a.m. Brought one of them back. Rice came after cows p.m. Hauled fence and put up some of it. Quite rainy.

May 14, 1890 - Finished putting up fence & turned cows in a.m. Rained before we got gate hung.

May 15, 1890 - No entry.

May 16, 1890 - Fixed fence next to Rooney a.m. Didn't feel well. Finished plowing piece by sand spring.

May 17, 1890 - Plowed a.m. Warren plowed some. Harrowed planting ground p.m. North wind blew hard & cold.

May 18, 1890 - Em & Mrs. Strong went to church & staid to O. F. concert.

May 19, 1890 - Rained all day. Didn't feel well.

May 20, 1890 - Rained nearly all day. Fixed table & chairs & put shelf in pantry. Dug ditch awhile tonight.

May 21, 1890 - Foggy this morning but cleared off, pleasant. Split wood & fixed fence a.m. Turned cold out. Plowed down west.

May 22, 1890 - Threatened rain a.m. but didn't amount to anything. Plowed, harrowed planting ground p.m.

May 23, 1890 - Marked ground this morning & Em commenced planting corn, planted a few potatoes & it rained. Cleared off and finished what potatoes we had & Warren finished corn & commenced on sweet corn. Plowed some.

May 24, 1890 - Very warm. Finished plowing down west. Warren finished sweet corn. Em & Warren went to Preble tonight. Cord moved his barn.

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May 25, 1890 - Strong south wind. Turned horses out. Warren walked to church.

May 26, 1890 - Rainy most all day. Put strip next to base in north room upstairs, hung curtains. Jim came tonight.

May 27, 1890 - Pleasant a.m. Hauled load manure & hauled stone off barley & oat ground. Harrowed p.m.

May 28, 1890 - Em took Jim to depot this morning. Cold north wind. I dug ditch, finished harrowing p.m.

May 29, 1890 - Sowed barley & oats then helped Cord move his barn. Warren harrowed them in. I dragged bank along gulf tonight.

May 30, 1890 - Wet this morning. Cleared off. Warren & Eddie went to Decoration. I helped Em black stove, clean pipe, put down oil cloth, shake carpet.

May 31, 1890 - Helped Cord today. Warren got corn & planted over some. I planted potatoes & Em planted corn tonight.

June 1, 1890 - Very pleasant. Em & I started going to church tonight. Met Warford said there was no meeting.

June 2, 1890 - Finished planting potatoes this morning. Plowed garden below basement. Got some stone off. Manure on & harrowed & marked it after supper.

June 3, 1890 - Planted sweet corn & finished digging ditch. Warren went to Vesper. Mrs. Fuller called.

June 4, 1890 - Rained hard last night & a little today. Very warm. Hauled stone for ditch and laid some of it. John Lloyd called tonight.

June 5, 1890 - Very hot all day. Worked stoning ditch some. So hot quit & helped Em in house. Charlie Barber came. Very hard thunder & hailstorm tonight.

June 6, 1890 - Still very warm. Charlie, Warren & I went fishing. Got pail full. Rained p.m. Staid on the lake til sundown.

June 7, 1890 - Wind in north & growing cold fast. Charlie & I went to Vesper & Tully p.m. Rained a little.

June 8, 1890 - All but mother went in Hollow to church. Pleasant.

June 9, 1890 - Worked on road. Went to Wm. Baker's with Charlie tonight.

June 10, 1890 - Staid at Wm's. til most night. Went fishing. Lettie came home with us. Threatened rain but failed.

June 11, 1890 - Quite pleasant. Cultivated potatoes in garden. Picked bugs off before breakfast. Hauled load manure, load stone for ditch. Planted over potatoes. Charlie & Lettie went tonight.

June 12, 1890 - Rained hard last night & considerable today. Stoned ditch some. Cut up ham. Tended baby some.

June 13, 1890 - No entry.

June 14, 1890 - Warren went to Preble tonight. Julie & Eddie Huston called.

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June 15, 1890 - Em & Warren went to church with Strong's. Quite pleasant.. Warren went with Jean & Willie to children's exercises tonight.

June 16, 1890 - Didn't feel like doing much. Fixed fence a little while this morning.

June 17, 1890 - Charlie went to Vesper. Folks got ready to go to Falls p.m. Looked so much like rain gave up.

June 18, 1890 - Warren went after Johnnies horse, started about 8:00 for Falls. I didn't do much. Rode up to Manchester's with Charlie tonight.

June 19, 1890 - No entry.

June 20, 1890 - Worked on road. Eliza Barber here to dinner.

June 21, 1890 - Rained considerably. Folks came home tonight.

June 22, 1890 - Very pleasant. Em & Warren went to church with Strong's folks.

June 23, 1890 - Warren & I cultivated corn, potatoes & sweet corn, twice one way and once the other. Quite tired.

June 24, 1890 - Intended to take calf to Tully but gave it up. Warren & I cultivated sweet corn and potatoes side the road and in garden. Very warm. 5 year old star came in. Warren went to Vesper p.m.

June 25, 1890 - Warren & I hoes corn & potatoes. Ladies Aid at Strong's Mother, Em & Warren went. I was too tired.

June 26, 27, 1890 - No entries.

June 28, 1890 - Worked at stoning ditch a little. Two cows came in this p.m.

June 29, 1890 - Em & Warren went to church with Anna in carriage. I didn't feel well.

June 30, 1890 - Very hot, finished stoning ditch & nearly filled it. John Lloyd called tonight.

July 1, 1890 - Went to Tully with calf. Very hot. Took dinner with Columbia. She and Allie came home with me.

July 2, 1890 - Rained last night & lowery this morning. Mowed around the edge of thistle patch. Went to Cord's raising p.m.

July 3, 1890 - Plowed dirt into ditch & mowed west part & around the other a.m. Mowed around a few times p.m. & gave out. Warren went to Louie Hill's picnic.

July 4, 1890 - Haven't done anything but chores. Em, Warren & Arlie have gone to Shawville.

July 5, 1890 - Cultivated sweet corn in garden & potatoes side the road. Warren finished mowing weeds. Hauled load manure & three wagon loads stone off of millet ground. Warren went to Preble tonight. I went down to Lanning's to see about pies.

July 6, 1890 - Em, Warren & Arlie went to church with Ned.

July 7, 1890 - Warren & I cultivated corn and potatoes a.m. We went to Preble toward night.

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July 8, 1890 - Finished hoeing potatoes. Em went down to help Josephine. Hector lectures at Tully.

July 9, 1890 - Rained last night. John L. called. Em & Mother went down to John's to Aid.

July 10, 1890 - No entry.

July 11, 1890 - Mowed road with machine a.m. Broke machine p.m.

July 12, 1890 - Drove up to Alfred's & got machine bar this morning. Mother & I went to Mrs. Vandenberg's for wood. Wm. Baker & Fellows & Chrysler ate dinner here. Warren & I got wagon ready, drew load of hay from road & went to Preble after mowing machine.

July 13, 1890 - Warren walked to church in Hollow twice.

July 14, 1890 - Raised posts in basement this morning. Ground knives & mowed a strip. Very hot. Unloaded wagon & cleared out barn some. Raked & cocked (shocked) hay tonight.

July 15, 1890 - Mowed around piece by graveyard. Fixed rake wheel. Went to Preble p.m. Mowed a little tonight.

July 16, 1890 - Opened hay cocks this morning. Drew three loads, raked the other & drew two loads. Raked what I cut last night & finished mowing the piece tonight.

July 17, 1890 - Tinkered machine & ground knives this morning. Warren raked scatterings. Hauled what was raked. Raked & docked the rest. Rained some p.m. Warren went to Preble.

July 18, 1890 - Mowed piece by horse barn a.m. Strong north wind. Commenced mowing clover tonight.

July 19, 1890 - Warren went berrying this morning. Rained a little. I fixed rake wheel. Raked & cocked hay p.m. Em went to Homer.

July 20, 1890 - Warren walked to church. Em & Johnnie went to Columbia's.

July 21, 1890 - Finished mowing piece of clover a.m. Will Strong helped. Drew piece by horse barn, five loads.

July 22, 1890 - Mowed piece of clover a.m. Warren went to Preble p.m. & I raked what was cut & cocked it & raked what I cut a.m. & cocked part of it. Drew one load.

July 23, 1890 - Arlie's birthday, two years old, weighs 23 pounds. Hauled 8 loads hay. Ladies Aid here p.m. South wind.

July 24, 1890 - Will Strong helped finish drawing hay. Four loads. Very strong south wind. Rained a little p.m. Warren worked for John.

July 25, 1890 - Wet this morning. Pulled carrot in oats. Em & Arlie went to Falls p.m. I mowed grass on north side. Wrote school notice.

July 26, 1890 - Churned. Raked & cocked hay. Not very well.

July 27, 1890 - All quiet. Very pleasant day.

July 28, 1890 - George Wicks commenced work. Mowed Timothy west of barn. Raked it after dinner. Will Strong helped draw the other & cocked that. Commenced mowing clover.

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July 29, 1890 - Finished mowing. Raked it after dinner. Geo. Rice helped draw.

July 30, 1890 - Finished haying. Very hot. Strong north wind p.m.

July 31, 1890 - Very hot. Made pig food. Pruned grapevine. Rained toward night.

Aug. 1, 1890 - Em, Arlie & I went to Tully. Took dinner at Mr. Camp's. Very warm. Got buggy spring mended.

Aug. 2, 1890 - Warren & I fixed fence next to Longs this morning. Finished putting buggy together. Warren went to Skaneateles with Jean. Gray had colt.

Aug. 3, 1890 - Very warm, rained some. Hard storm at Cortland.

Aug. 4, 1890 - Split wood. Helped wash. Em cut my hair. Warren got home about noon. Didn't do much p.m.

Aug. 5, 1890 - Felt poorly all day & didn't do much. School meeting.

Aug. 6, 1890 - Cows in dooryard this morning. Cord called to get school for Florence. Felt badly all day. Mrs. Strong called tonight. Columbia went home.

Aug. 7, 1890 - Went up to see Florence & to get Henry to cut oats. Warren went after Geo. to help. Made fence south of house. W. C. Brown & Olive came. Cool.

Aug. 8, 1890 - Finished fence. Dug two rows potatoes for road. John Lloyd helped draw oats..

Aug. 9, 1890 - Cleared north end of barn this morning & put hay in it. Hauled oats. Very warm. Rained about 5 p.m. one load left out.

Aug. 10, 1890 - Warren walked in Hollow to church.

Aug. 11, 1890 - Quite cold. Helped wash. Didn't feel well. Warren went to Preble. Herbert Brown came.

Aug. 12, 1890 - Commenced putting up cow trough. Turned over oats & John Lloyd helped draw them. Went to Tully.

Aug. 13, 1890 - Finished putting up eaves trough. Raked oat scatterings. did nothing p.m. Folks went to Aid at Wm. Lloyd's.

Aug. 14, 1890 - Shiftless today. Did very little. J. L. called tonight.

Aug. 15, 1890 - Helped J. L. mow oats. Got home before supper. Unloaded load of oats. Gathered ducks (?). Picked up lumber. Sawed up basswood log. Fixed wall out south.

Aug. 16, 1890 - Hauled rakings a.m. Helped John Lloyd draw oats p.m.

Aug. 17, 1890 - Em, Warren & Arlie went to the Falls.

Aug. 18, 1890 - Mowed part graveyard. Dug teasles & carrot above house. Cleaned out shop. Mowed road west of school house. Burned brush & weeds. Cooked eggs.

Aug. 19, 1890 - Mowed east side of road and fed to cows. Joe Long called. Filed saw p.m. Rained. A. Parkinson called. De Ette & Warren came. Mowed briars along crossroad.

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Aug. 20, 1890 - Went to Tully with Wm. Lloyd. Ate dinner at Columbia's Rode home with Johnnie. Mowed & cut brush in graveyard.

Aug. 21, 1890 - No entry.

Aug. 22, 1890 - Mowed part of school house lot & fed to cows. Warren took wire up on hill. Went up after dinner to make fence. Rained & came back. Went to Shawville. Covered lumber.

Aug. 23, 1890 - Cold north wind, didn't do anything. Frank Caughey came to see calves. Laura came up this morning. Warren went after De Ette tonight.

Aug. 24, 1890 - Warren walked to church & to concert this evening.

Aug. 25, 1890 - Commenced mowing oats & barley.

Aug. 26, 1890 - Took two calves to Tully. Got home about noon. Got Strong horse & mowed part of barley p.m. Gave out at supper time.

Aug. 27, 1890 - Laid abed most all day. Warren carried Laura & De Ette over to Tully p.m.

Aug. 28, 1890 - Did very little today.

Aug. 29, 1890 - Still on retired list.

Aug. 30, 1890 - Better today. Warren took chickens to Tully & got De Ette. I changed fence to let cows in above house. Showery & rained quite hard tonight. Quite cold.

Aug. 31, 1890 - Damp & cold all day.

Sept. 1, 1890 - Mowed corner of barley lot a.m. by hand. Warren got John Lloyd's mare & I nearly finished cutting.

Sept. 2, 1890 - John L. went to Tully with me. Took 5 calves. Ate dinner at Columbia's. Finished mowing barley. Put pipe on woodhouse chimney.

Sept. 3, 1890 - Hauled manure from cow stable. Raked barley. Hauled three loads. Quite warm.

Sept. 4, 1890 - Got two loads barley & left a little. Warren had sick headache p.m. I went to Vesper got Ned shod. Got stoneboat plank. Paid assessment.

Sept. 5, 1890 - Rained a little last night and again this a.m. De Ette & Warren started for Falls about 10 o'clock. Very warm. Didn't do much but chores.

Sept. 6, 1890 - Em, Warren & Arlie came home tonight.

Sept. 7, 1890 - Mother & Warren went in Hollow to church.

Sept. 8, 1890 - No entry.

Sept. 9, 1890 - Warren went to Preble. Got some coal & coffee.

Sept. 10, 1890 - Rained all day. Auction at Lee Hobart's postponed. I felt quite poorly.

Sept. 11, 1890 - Felt a little better today. John Lloyd called & staid to dinner. Warren about sick. Rained a considerable of the day.

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Sept. 12, 1890 - Rainy as usual. Helped wash some a.m. Didn't do much p.m. Churned this evening.

Sept. 13, 1890 - Unloaded barley & took rack off. Drew up some wet barley for hens & load sweet corn.

Sept. 14, 1890 - Em & Warren went to church. Quite pleasant.

Sept. 15, 1890 - Didn't do much a.m. Dig potatoes p.m.

Sept 16 thru 23, 1890 - No entries.

Sept. 14, 1890 - Pickled some sweet apples. Warren cut corn & I helped finish p.m.

Sept. 25, 1890 - Some frost. Warren bound up corn. Drew two loads to barn.

Sept. 26, 1890 - Rainy. Minister called & staid awhile.

Sept. 27, 1890 - No entry.

Sept. 28, 1890 - Em, Warren & Arlie went to church. Charles Barber came.

Sept. 29, 1890 - Em took Helen Lloyd to Tully, Warren & I finished digging potatoes. Got about a load. Egbert Wright called to look at cows.

Sept. 30, 1890 - Hauled corn together & fenced it. Made fence along road. Mrs. Manchester visited here. Charlie came tonight.

Oct. 1, 1890 - Charlie & I went to Cortland to horse trot & to see Mrs. Wood. Got home a little after 9. Charlie very sick.

Oct. 2, 1890 - I set posts next to Long's a.m. Didn't do much p.m. Mrs. Pratt came tonight.

Oct. 3, 1890 - Didn't do much a.m. Charlie & I went to Tully p.m. Rained tonight.

Oct. 4, 1890 - Charlie cut Warrens hair then went to Vesper. Churned.

Oct. 5, 1890 - Em & Warren went to church. Quite pleasant.

Oct, 6, 7, 1890 - No entries.

Oct. 9, 1890 - Warren took me to Tully. Came to Syracuse & the Falls.

Oct. 10, 1890 - Took early train for Canandiagua. Arrived about 10 o'clock. Went downtown p.m.

Oct. 12 thru 17, 1890 - No entries.

Oct. 18, 1890 - Went downtown. Got some bread & crackers.

Oct. 19, 1890 - Quite rainy. Mr. Barnes & family here to dinner & gave us some music.

Oct. 20 thru 24, 1890 - No entries.

Oct. 25, 1890 - Went downtown tonight. Walked down and was too late for the car back.

Oct. 26, 1890 - Mr. Barnes came & played tonight. John, Fred & Anna were here.

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Oct. 27, 1890 - No entry.

Oct. 28, 1890 - Donation. Quite cold. Rained by spells. Got a letter from home.

Oct. 29, 1890 - Took it easy today. Sawed a little wood.

Oct. 30, 1890 - Sawed & split some wood & kindling and got ready to leave. Started at 4 p.m. but Jim came so I came back. Anna & I attended church social at Mr. Freeman's tonight.

Oct. 31, 1890 - Helped Jim get his chest up stairs and got ready to leave again. Took 1 o'clock train. Staid at Falls. Terribly windy.

Nov. 1, 1890 - Took train this morning. Had to walk to depot. Went around town some & went home with Calvin to dinner. Staid til 3:15 & went around town some more. Rode home from Tully in snow storm.

Nov. 2, 1890 - Rainy day. Warren took Eddie Hill & Will Strong to church.

Nov. 3, 1890 - Cold & a little snow. Moved stove & cupboard & milk rack. Gathered a few apples & Warren got his cabbage.

Nov. 4, 1890 - Election. Cleared off floor in basement. Fixed Clyde's halter. Churned. Cleared out corn house. Warren went to see threshers. Em, Arlie & I called on Mrs. Strong.

Nov. 5, 1890 - Churned & helped Em wash. Quite pleasant.

Nov. 6, 1890 - Very pleasant all day. Opened ditch in basement & north of barn. Went to Knowlton's to see about threshing.

Nov. 7, 1890 - Steve here today. Stoned & covered ditch. Fixed floor in basement & got ready for threshing. Machine came just dark.

Nov. 8, 1890 - Very rainy with north wind this morning. Stopped & we had a good time to thresh. Got done before noon. Warren took tank to Preble. Steve cleaned barley.

Nov. 9, 1890 - Strong south wind & rained some.

Nov. 10, 1890 - Arose at 5. Intended to go to Tully but gave it up. Churned twice a.m. Didn't do much p.m.

Nov. 11, 1890 - Went to Tully. Gone all day. Roads very bad. Bought bbl. flour. Settled with Scammel.

Nov. 12, 1890 - Helped wash. Let cows in dooryard.

Nov. 13, 1890 - Churned. Ground new axe. Put new helve in old one. Em, Arlie & I called at Strong's tonight.

Nov. 14, 1890 - Took grist to mill. Hauled logs on logway. Went to Preble & Tully p.m. Brought Helen over.

Nov. 15, 1890 - Made bin in corn house for buckwheat. Filled wood house in schoolhouse. Warren had toothache. Rainy tonight. Wind north & cooler.

Nov. 16, 1890 - Very pleasant all day.

Nov. 17, 1890 - Rained all day. Churned. J. W. Fuller brought buckwheat. Helped wash.

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Nov. 18, 1890 - Rained again. Commenced fixing hog pen.

Nov. 19, 1890 - Unloaded sawdust. Took grist to mill & brought one back. Squally. Plowed out ditch in road. Soldered coffeepot & Pans. Fixed door latch. Put hook on pantry door. Warren sick tonight. Snowy. Killed 3 chickens. Fixed window.

Nov. 20, 1890 - Fixed pen & got pigs into basement. Got apples down cellar. Warren didn't go to school. Went down & got grist & 7 bushel water lime. Quite cold.

Nov. 21, 1890 - Alick here today. Banked horse barn. Filled leach. Emptied grist. Drew load straw. Drew 4 loads manure from basement. Quite pleasant.

Nov. 22, 1890 - Worked in woods. Cut & trimmed trees in sugarbush. Cold north wind. Warren went to Preble tonight.

Nov. 23, 1890 - Quite pleasant. Warren went to church.

Nov. 24, 1890 - Quite pleasant. Churned. Em packed tub butter. I boarded up window in mother's room.

Nov. 25, 1890 - Em washed. I fixed windows. Rained & wind changed p.m. Growing cold tonight.

Nov. 26, 1890 - Alick & Bert helped cut trees in sugar bush. Froze all day. Churned tonight.

Nov. 27, 1890 - Bert helped again. Cut trees a.m. Hauled them together p.m. Snowing some tonight.

Nov. 28, 1890 - Alick & I hauled rest of wood together & cut some more a.m. We sawed some p.m. at house.

Nov. 29, 1890 - Sick & didn't do anything. Rubin Case buried. De Forest Rice & wife came up. Alick finished sawing poles & split it.

Nov. 30, 1890 - Quite pleasant a.m. Rained toward night. Em, Warren & Arlie went to Shawville.

Dec. 1, 1890 - Mother & I started for Pitcher about 10 a.m. Stopped at McGrawville for dinner. Got to Mr. Roderick about dark. Had to lead Ned up and down the hill. Got to Oscar's about 7:40.

Dec. 2, 1890 - Down to zero this morning. Very cold all day. Oscar carried me up to Della's. I took supper at Joe McClanes & walked to Uncle Joe's.

Dec. 3, 1890 - Staid at Uncle Joe's last night. After breakfast called on John's folks then to Oscar's & took horse to shop & walked up to Wheeler's. Wheeler walked down tonight. Called on Francis. Drove over to Asa's. DeForest & Ivdene (?) there.

Dec. 4, 1890 - Blustery this morning. Started about 9:30. Walter rode up to Delia's with me. Reached Herbert's about 4:30.

Dec. 5, 1890 - Started for home about 10, Came by Preble. Reached home about 1. Tinkered this p.m. Arlie has bad cold.

Dec. 6, 1890 - Cold south wind. Took up fence a.m. Snowed. Alick went home after dinner. Warren went to Preble tonight. Shipped butter to Anna.

Dec. 7, 1890 - Quite pleasant but cold.

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Dec. 8, 1890 - Orange called & rode up to woods with me. Marked some trees. Hauled 3 loads of poles. Went to Tully p.m. Took buckwheat got bran.

Dec. 9, 1890 - Cold south wind. Alick sawed wood & cleaned pig pen a.m. I helped Em wash. Sawed two Basswood p.m. Herbert Brown came tonight.

Dec. 10, 1890 - Helped Herbert haul logs all day. Got out 7 & left one on sled. I hauled 3 basswood.

Dec. 11, 1890 - Hauled 5 logs from woods & 3 mill. Alick churned twice & sawed wood. Quite mild. Snows a little tonight.

Dec. 12, 1890 - Got the last log from woods. Tipped over coming down the dug way. Herbert took & log & went home. Alick rode with him. John Lloyd called. I put double windows in pantry. Fixed horse barn door.

Dec. 13, '890 - 8 above zero. Churned & split some chunks. Warren went to Preble tonight. John Houston called.

Dec. 14, 1890 - Quite pleasant. Eddie & Grover called.

Dec. 15, 1890 - Quite mild. Commenced box for manure sled. Quit.

Dec. 16, 1890 - Cold south wind. Alick came split wood. I worked a littl4 more on box. Didn't do much.

Dec. 17, 1890 - Alick & Warren hauled manure a.m. Snowed fast from north p.m. Alick cleaned oats. Mrs. Strong here.

Dec. 18, 1890 - Alick & Warren took grist down to mill. I went down tonight & got part of it. Carried water to cows.

Dec. 19, 1890 - Drove down to Houston's corner then hauled draft from woods. Snow nearly 2 foot deep.

Dec. 20, 1890 - Cold south wind. Alick helped put lumber wagon away. Settled up & he went home. I went to Preble toward night after oil meal. Roads fair.

Dec. 21, 1890 - Snowed this morning, turned to rain & rained all day. Warren went to church by horseback.

Dec. 22, 1890 - Went over & opened school house door this morning. Went up in woods & marked trees for Bert. Folks started for Falls about 1 p.m. South wind tonight.

Dec. 23, 1890 - Skimmed milk & churned this a.m. Wm's. folks & Johnnie called. Allen called for threshing bill. Folks arrived about 7:00 p.m. in snow storm.

Dec. 24, 1890 - Cold north wind & snowy. Hauled two whitewood logs to mill.

Dec. 25, 1890 - All went to John Lloyd's to Christmas. Quite cold.

Dec. 26, 1890 - Churned twice. Em, Arlie & I went to Tully toward night. Quite stormy. Columbia & Allie came home with us.

Dec. 28, 1890 - Not much travel today. Carried water to cows.

Dec. 29, 1890 - Quite stormy. Didn't do much. John L. called. Put oilcloth under stove.

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Dec. 30, 1890 - Churned & Em packed tub butter. We were going to city but backed out. Warren went to Preble.

Dec. 31, 1890 - Chored around some. Split some wood & sawed a little. William came after Columbia & Allie.

Jan. 1, 1891 - South wind & thawed all day. Had chicken for dinner. Filed saws p.m. Chimney caught fire.

Jan. 2, 1891 - Wm. Strong & I went to Tully together to lawsuit. I was drawn & he came home.

Jan. 3, 1891 - Staid at hotel until after breakfast. Went up to Camp's & got shoes. Staid around town until noon & walked home. Very hard walking, about used up.

Jan. 4, 1891 - Quite cold south wind but pleasant. Warren took De Ette & Arlie out riding.

Jan. 5, 1890 - Em & I started for the Falls about 1 p.m. Got there about 6. Nice sleighing.

Jan. 6, 1891 - Started for city about 7:30. Shipped tub butter @ depot. Hard sleighing beyond Camillus. Got there about 11:30. Left butter at Calvin's. Sold oats. Put team in barn. Took dinner at Calvin's. Started back about dark. Quite snowy.

Jan. 7, 1891 - Started for home about 9:30. Started for village & paid taxes at Nightengale Jr. & got some money at Nightengale's. A few minutes at Ned Bakers & left bird cage at Hills & left cup & saucer. Got home about 3:30. Cold north wind.

Jan. 8, 1891 - Went to Vesper. Got Gray shod. Called at Tuttle's at Jane Rowland's. Went to Tully, paid taxes. Got some fuel. Called at Camp's & Columbia's.

Jan. 9, 1891 - Chored around. Started about 4 p.m. for H. C. Brown's.

Jan. 10, 1891 - Very nice day. Started for Pitcher about 9:30. Stopped & got some halters at Cuyler. Called on Abbie but she was gone. Staid at Oscar's to supper & mother went with me up to Wheeler's.

Jan. 11, 1891 - Rained all day. Came down with Wheeler & Eula. Took mother to Oscar's & then went to church. Staid at Oscar's to supper & then went over to Asa's.

Jan. 12, 1891 - Wind north & blustering. Started for home about 9:30. Got as far as Herbert Brown's & staid there.

Jan. 13, 1891 - Still quite storm. Herbert had wood bee. Started for home about 10:00 a.m. Left mother, got home about one.

Jan. 14, 1891 - Sawed up what wood was drawn & split some. Cleaned up oat tailings. Wind changed & snowed & blew.

Jan. 15, 1891 - Hauled drafts from woods. 6 loads. Warren drove team & I cut sugar wood. Nice day. South wind.

Jan. 16, 1891 - Hauled 3 loads manure a.m. Warren & I went to Tully p.m. Took grist & got mother from Columbia's. Quite cold.

Jan. 17, 1891 - No entry.

Jan. 18, 1891 - Quite stormy. Warren went to church with Will Strong.

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Jan. 19, 1891 - Didn't do very much.

Jan. 20, 1891 - Staid in house. Mrs. Pratt called p.m.

Jan. 21, 1891 - Still on the retired list. Very pleasant.

Jan. 22, 1891 - Rained all day. Wind north & blowing hard tonight. Warren has gone to church.

Jan. 23, 1891 - No entry.

Jan. 24, 1891 - Hauled load of hay this morning & two basswood logs down from Strong's lot. Took them to Tully p.m. & got grist. Thawed some.

Jan. 25, 1891 - Em & Warren went to church with Mrs. Strong & the boys. Mr. Bryers preached.

Jan. 26, 1891 - Quite snowy this morning. Hauled 4 basswood from woods & 2 loads of poles. Snow deep & sticky.

Jan. 27, 1891 - Took load of logs to Tully a.m. Nice going. Helped wash some after I got home. Emptied meal and sawed some wood. Warren gone to church.

Jan. 28, 1891 - Got nearly ready to go to Tully again with logs & gave it up.

Jan. 29 thru 31, 1891 - No entries.

Feb. 1, 1891 - Warren went to church today & this evening. Mrs. Strong spent the evening here.

Feb. 2, 1891 - Didn't do much. split a little wood.

Feb. 3, 1891 - No entry.

Feb. 4, 1891 - 10 above this morning & blustery all day. Finished splitting wood and sorted potatoes. Warren went to Vesper with jar butter and got shoe set.

Feb. 5, 1891 - No entry.

Feb. 6, 1891 - Went to Tully with logs, last load. Hauled load of hay to horse barn. Got load of drafts.

Feb. 7, 1891 - Went over & engaged Strong to help butcher. Snowed fast p.m. will Strong brought registered letter from Anna.

Feb. 8, 1891 - Nearly a foot of new snow. Wind north. Not much travel. Walked down to Lanning's tonight.

Feb. 9, 1891 - Went over & got kettle & started fire to butcher but weather so bad gave it up. Very strong wind from south.

Feb. 10, 1891 - Shoveled snow most all a.m. Shoveled out kettle & Warren made fire. Butchered p.m. Warren gone to donation tonight. I cut up hog.

Feb. 11, 1891 - Went to Homer with pork. Very nice day. Got 1200 feed, got home about 7:30.

Feb. 12, 1891 - Alick came this morning. Sawed in woods. Warren hauled 3 loads poles. Shoveled out piles p.m. Sawed some at the house tonight.

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- Feb. 13, 1891 - Hauled load of hay & straw to horse barn. Hauled manure from basement.
- Feb. 14, 1891 - Alick & Warren finished hauling cow manure & commenced on horse manure. Very cold.
- Feb. 15, 1891 - Warren went to church.
- Feb. 16, 1891 - Churned.
- Feb. 17, 1891 - Town meeting. Rained & foggy all day. Didn't feel well & didn't go.
- Feb. 18, 1891 - Strong north wind. Churned a.m. Hauled 3 loads stove wood from woods p.m.
- Feb. 19 1891 - Very nice day. Sawed & chopped wood in a.m. Warren went to Vesper & got shoe set a.m.
- Feb. 20, 1891 - Worked in woods p.m.
- Feb. 21, 1891 - Finished one pile in woods & cut some sugar woods besides. Rained a.m.
- Feb. 22, 1891 - No entry.
- Feb. 23, 1891 - Worked a little while in woods and gave it up.
- Feb. 24, 1891 - Em, De Ette, Warren & Arlie went to Tully p.m. Got back around 8 o'clock. Rained.
- Feb. 25, 1891 - Rained hard a.m.
- Feb. 26, 1891 - Worked in woods. Warren helped saw p.m. Quite cold north wind.
- Feb. 27, 1891 - Worked in woods a.m. Quite cold & squally,
- Feb. 28, 1891 - Hauled load of drafts a.m. So icy gave it up. Snowed fast p.m. Geo Baldwin got tub butter. Warren & I sawed up drafts. I commenced stoneboat. Warren went to Preble toward night. Wind changed to north & blustering & stormy.
- Mar. 1, 1891 - Warren went to church. Charlie Baker & Charlie Goodreau came.
- Mar. 2, 1891 - Charlie pulled teeth for mother. De Ette & Warren took him to Vesper p.m.
- Mar. 3, 4, 1891 - No entries.
- Mar. 5, 1891 - Stormy & blustering all day. Snowed considerable.
- Mar. 6, 1891 - Very nice day. Went to Marcellus via Vesper. Charlie went with us to Wm. Bakers.
- Mar. 7, 1891 - Went to depot & Mrs. Austin's this morning. Started for home about 10. Got to Wm's. about noon. Staid until about 3. Charles stopped at Vesper. Thawed.
- Mar. 8, 1891 - No entry.
- Mar. 9, 1891 - Rained all day. Wind in north tonight. Took box off bobs. Put batten's (*narrow strip of wood used in flooring*) in barn. Churned. Made pipe out of powder cans.
- Mar. 10, 1891 - Some new snow. Hauled 4 loads drafts from woods. Warren went to Preble p.m. Shipper tub butter to Anna.

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Mar. 11, 1891 - Warren took potatoes to Preble a.m. Steve Adlam brought Jack home & got some old harness. Went to Greenleaf's auction p.m.

Mar. 12, 1891 - Rained all day.

Mar. 13, 1891 - Lowery this a.m. Sawed some wood at house. Rained again p.m.

Mar. 14, 1891 - Very cold north wind. Hauled 4 loads stove wood a.m. I worked in woods picking up around. Went up to see Florence after dinner. Split wood some. Went down to Rooney's & got wheel barrow. About sick tonight.

Mar. 15, 1891 - Did chores this morning then gave up. Warren went to church.

Mar. 16, 1891 - Quite sick today. Didn't do anything. Wm. Lloyd called.

Mar. 17, 1891 - Warren went to Preble & got waterproof overalls & apron.

Mar. 18, 1891 - Very nice day. Warren went to Long's auction. I tapped trees in yard. Got pretty tired.

Mar. 19, 1891 - A little new snow this morning. Warren went to Tully after Em & Arlie. Allie H. came over with William. Nice day.

Mar. 20, 1891 - Rained most all day. Warren churned. Em packed tub butter. I felt some better but didn't do very much.

Mar. 21, 1891 - Went to Tully. Took tub butter & bag buckwheat. Got a little corn & feed. Got home about 2 o'clock. Clearing off, pleasant. Em, Arlie & Warren gone over to Strong's.

Mar. 22, 1891 - Very muddy. John Lloyd called. Rain tonight.

Mar. 23, 1891 - Got up early & churned. Em packed small tub & Wm. Lloyd took it to Tully. I filed his saw.

Mar. 24, 1891 - Rainy & lowery. I walked to Preble & back after mail. Fixed wagon box p.m.

Mar. 25, 1891 - Frozen quite hard. Cold north wind all day. Warren went to Pompey. Em & I called at Strong's tonight.

Mar. 26, 1891 - I went to Preble a.m. Got shoes set on Ned.

Mar. 27, 1891 - Hauled load of straw a.m. & went to wood. Hauled two loads sugar wood. Tapped trees p.m. Sap ran very fast.

Mar. 28, 1891 - Hauled sugarwood, tapped more trees. Fixed up arch & boiled. Worked till midnight.

Mar. 29, 1891 - Very pleasant. John L. brought Allie a.m. Em, John & I walked up to sugarbush.

Mar. 30, 1891 - Took Allie to Tully this morning. Waited all day for teacher & found her here when I got home.

Mar. 31, 1891 - Cold south wind. Warren boiled sap a.m. & I churned. finished boiling p.m. Snowing fast.

Apr. 1, 1891 - Went to Tully. Quite snowy. Warren went after Dr. for Allie p.m. Strong sick. Dr. went there.

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Apr. 2, 1891 - No entry.

Apr. 3, 1891 - Strong wind. Bad all day. I staid there most all day. Will went after Dr.

Apr. 4, 5, 1891 - No entries.

Apr. 6, 1891 - Hauled wood this a.m. Alick came. Drew load hay after dinner. Hauled 3 loads manure. I filed saw.

Apr. 7, 1891 - No entry.

Apr. 8, 1891 - Alick & I sawed wood all day. He went home tonight.

Apr. 9, 1891 - Boiled sap & hauled wood p.m.

Apr. 10, 1891 - Snowed fast from south. Boiled sap most all day. Got done about 5.

Apr. 11, 1891 - Quite rainy all a.m. Split wood, churned, went over to Strong's. Went to Preble p.m.

Apr. 12, 1891 - Rained all night. Rained some today. Had sugar on snow.

Apr. 13 thru 15, 1891 - No entries.

Apr. 16, 1891 - Warren went up & got sap buckets. a.m. P. Egbertson bought cow. Went to Tully p.m.

Apr. 17, 1891 - Took cow over this morning. Went to Preble on cars. Rode home with Wm. Lloyd.

Apr. 18, 1891 - Alick helped draw load of hay & straw to horse barn then worked on fence.

Apr. 19, 1891 - Warren went to church. Very pleasant. I took Arlie out.

Apr. 20, 1891 - Commenced plowing. Rather wet at first. Lewis Smith & Geo. King called to engage seed oats. Scammel's first trip.

Apr. 21, 1891 - Warren plowed & I worked at ditch by sand spring a.m. Didn't do a great deal. Plowed a little p.m.

Apr. 22, 1891 - Finished plowing piece this morning. Plowed around the rest few times & came up & plowed garden. Plowed piece below basement p.m. Very warm, thunder showers. Fixed fence p.m.

Apr. 23, 1891 - Finished digging ditch & stoned & filled it. Warren plowed.

Apr. 24, 1891 - Warren finished plowing a.m. Borrowed Strong's harrow & harrowed it p.m. Warren went to engage drill. Quit cold tonight.

Apr. 25, 1891 - Very cold north wind with snow squalls. Drilled in oats. Warren & his mother over to Preble tonight.

Apr. 16, 1891 - Very pleasant but cool north wind.

Apr. 27, 1891 - Went to Tully this morning, had Ned shod. Warren went to Vesper & got Grey shod. Finished sowing & dragged oats & fitted & planted potatoes.

Apr. 28, 1891 - Very cold north wind. Warren harrowed his strawberry ground & then commenced plowing down west. I didn't do a great deal.

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Apr. 29, 1891 - Warren plowed all day. Cold north wind. Charlie Barber came toward night.

Apr. 30, 1891 - Warmer today. Warren plowed a.m. Picked up & chored around. I plowed p.m. Emma Haynes here. Helen Lloyd called.

May 1, 1891 - Picked stone from oat ground a.m. Got roller & rolled it. Warren plowed some toward night.

May 2, 1891 - Plowed awhile & got ready & went to Buddy Parkenson's funeral. Mother & Mrs. Strong went to Preble with Charlie tonight.

May 3, 1891 - Used up all say. Charlie went to Vesper tonight.

May 4, 1891 - Didn't do much a.m. Warren finished plowing piece & hauled two loads manure. I went to Tully p.m. Very cold north wind.

May 5, 1891 - Very cold north wind with snow squalls. Hauled manure from basement a.m. & one load p.m. Warren harrowed awhile & quit because it was so cold. Ground white with snow tonight.

May 6, 1891 - An inch or more of snow. Staid in most all a.m. Drizzly & squally. Cleaned up oats to sow. Split some wood. Harrowed p.m. Warren harrowed toward night. Got very cold.

May 7, 1891 - Warren finished harrowing this morning & drilled in the oats. Mr. Shotwell called. Went to Grange tonight. Got groceries.

May 8, 1891 - Took drill home. Hauled load manure. Picked two loads stone off oat ground. Thunder shower toward night.

May 9, 1891 - Rolled oat ground a.m. Warren finished setting strawberries. I went to Preble p.m. Quite warm.

May 10, 1891 - Very pleasant. Mary went to church at Otisco. Charlie called.

May 11, 1891 - Cold north wind. Put up board fence next to pasture & fixed fence next to Rooney. Took down pig pen.

May 12, 1891 - Didn't do much. Hauled some poles for fence this morning. Warren fixed fence along road.

May 13, 1891 - Drove down to Wm's. & Johnnies this morning. Took Arlie. Went to Tully p.m. Shipped butter to Anna.

May 14, 1891 - Hitched colt on cart this morning & then on lumber wagon. Went to A. Case's after pigs. Fixed wire fence.

May 15, 1891 - Turned cows in lot above house. Drew off stone & commenced plowing. Plowed p.m.

May 16, 1891 - Warren plowed awhile. I didn't feel well, plowed awhile & quit. Very cold drizzle. Charlie brought his furniture & staid to dinner.

May 17, 1891 - Frozen a little this morning.

May 18 thru 21, 1891 - No entries.

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May 22, 1891 - Very foggy & damp. Marked ground & planted potatoes. Charlie helped. Jane visited here.

May 23, 1891 - Charlie helped put roofing on wood house. I planted corn p.m.

May 24, 1891 - Very pleasant. Teacher walked to Otisco.

May 25 thru 29, 1891 - No entries.

May 30, 1891 - Warren & teacher went to Decoration. Rained a little.

May 31, 1891 - No entry.

June 1, 1891 - Warren plowed some. I didn't do much.

June 2, 1891 - Warren plowed again. Quite warm.

June 3, 1891 - Warren finished plowing p.m. Rained some toward night. Alick & Jean gone fishing.

June 4, 1891 - Cold north wind. I didn't do very much.

June 5, 1891 - No entry.

June 6, 1891 - Went to Tully p.m.

June 7, 1891 - Charlie & Pearl here to tea. Warren went to church.

June 8, 1891 - Warren borrowed millet ground. I went to Preble with Charlie B., Arlie too. Lib & Mary & Alice came tonight.

June 9, 1891 - Mother went to Falls with Lib & Warren finished harrowing. Drove Grey & Colt to Preble tonight.

June 10, 1891 - Went over & paid school tax this morning. Fixed school house door. Em & Warren washed carriage. Faulkner came with oil cloth. John L. drove up tonight.

June 11, 1891 - Painted carriage wheels. Rained hard toward night.

June 12, 1891 - Fixed up trellis & pruned grapevine. Warren & I took teacher to Tully p.m. to go home. Drove Grey & Colt.

June 13, 1891 - Sowed Hungarian & harrowed & rolled it. Very hot p.m.

June 14, 1891 - Warren walked to church. Charles B. came p.m. Took his horse to Wm's.

June 15, 1891 - Bated (*waved arms*) horses & cows in road this morning. Helped wash some. Put up curtains, moved bureau. Warren stained furniture. Very hot.

June 16, 1891 - Warren & Jean went fishing.

June 17, 1891 - Quite hard rain last night. Warren went to Vesper got horses shod. I put up eaves troughs. Went to Tully p.m., Got something in my throat.

June 18, 1891 - Dumped around all day.

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June 19, 1891 - Didn't do much today. Men came to look at calves.

June 20, 1891 - No entry.

June 21, 1891 - Warren went to Hollow to children's exercises tonight.

June 22, 1891 - Em & Arlie went to Mrs. Spores, gone all day. Warren & I cultivated & hoed potatoes and cut thistles out of sweet corn some. Very warm. Rained a little a.m. & hard shower p.m. Tried sights on rifle.

June 23, 1891 - Cultivated corn part of the day.

June 24, 1891 - Cultivated a little while & Warren finished it. Charlie painted his carriage.

June 25, 1891 - Warren finished cultivating potatoes. I hoed corn some. Charlie finished painting his carriage. Mr. Pratt called p.m.

June 26, 1891 - Hoed corn some. Quite warm.

June 27, 1891 - Hoed corn a.m. Planted cucumbers. Em, Arlie and I went to Albert Baker's p.m.

June 28, 1891 - Started for Falls about noon.

June 29, 1891 - Mother & I started for home about 9:30. Came by Albert's & got celery. Reached home about 2. Hoed some tonight.

June 30, 1891 - Hoed awhile a.m. Gave out and didn't do much.

Jul. 1, 1891 - Felt badly all day. Rained a little p.m. H. C. Brown called. Warren & I went to Preble.

July 2, 1891 - Quite wet this morning. Went to Tully, sold calves. Took dinner with Charlie.

July 3, 1891 - Took calf to Tully a./ 217 lbs. @ 5 1/2. Rained a little. Charlie came after his horse tonight. Warren cultivated potatoes.

July 4, 1891 - Rained considerable a lot of the time. Warren painted carriage & went to Park in evening.

July 5, 1891 - Rained some. Ned cut his leg on fence.

July 6, 1891 - Let pigs out. Commenced raising sill on beam in basement but gave it up. Very pleasant but rained toward night. Cultivated some.

July 7, 1891 - Rainy all day. Warren & I took calf to Tully. Walked over to Vesper tonight.

July 8, 1891 - Charlie & Jim drove to Syracuse. I rode to Tully & went out on cars. Let Charlie have my ticket & rode back with Jim. Got home just dark.

July 9, 1891 - John Lloyd & I went to Preble & Warren cultivated with his mare while we were gone. We cultivated with gray p.m. I finished getting in school wood tonight. Very nice day.

Jul. 10, 1891 - Started for Falls about 1 p.m. Quite warm. Came via Borodino & saw Patterson.

Jul. 11, 1891 - Put posts in cellar under chimney.

Jul. 12, 1891 - Em, Arlie & I came home today. Very hot.

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Jul. 13, 1891 - Warren & I cultivated corn. Went over tonight to see Alick.

Jul. 14, 1891 - Alick & Warren cultivated corn & Potatoes.

Jul. 15, 16, 1891 - No entries.

Jul. 17, 1891 - Drew hay. Raked & cocked some tonight. School closed today.

Jul. 18, 1891 - Carried teacher to depot & Mary Redding & Columbia. Rained before I got away. Didn't rain much here. Drew in hay.

Jul. 19, 1891 - No entry.

Jul. 20, 1891 - Warren mowed about half the grass a.m. Went down & got parts off Rooney's machine.

Jul. 21, 1891 - Commenced mowing rest tonight & machine gave out. I went over & got Charlie's horse to go to Pitcher.

Jul. 22, 1891 - Rigged old machine & Warren cut part of piece. Mother & I started about 9. Reached Oscars about 3:40.

Jul. 23, 1891 - Waited & took Net home & came via DeRuyter. Rained a little at Cuyler. Reached home about 3:30. Helped cock hay & drew one.

Jul. 24, 1891 - Rained last night. Lowery a.m. Alick & I went down & piled up lumber. Warren went after ginseng. Opened hay p.m. Will S. helped draw.

Jul. 25, 1891 - Rained again last night. Alick went home. Warren raked scatterings & went to bed sick. I drew them in. Washed Charlie's wagon & drove to Tully via Preble. Alice H. came back with me.

Jul. 26, 1891 - Drove over to Vesper & Charlie brought me back.

Jul. 27 thru 31, 1891 - No entries.

Aug. 1 thru 3, 1891 - No entries.

Aug. 4, 1891 - Em, Warren & Arlie went to Preble p.m. I dug ditch a little. Wm. L. called & settled school meeting.

Aug. 5 thru 16, 1891 - No entries.

Aug. 17, 1891 - Wm. & Millie Strong helped draw oats. Em, Warren & Arlie went to Tully after teacher.

Aug. 18, 1891 - School commenced today.

Aug. 19, 1891 - No entry.

Aug. 20, 1891 - Went to Preble after Mr. & Mrs. Matteson.

Aug. 21, 1891 - Showery. Went black berrying up Bedford hill.

Aug. 22, 1891 - Mr. Matteson, Warren & I went over to the salt wells and around by Tully. Came back through the park. Having a clambake there. Warren shot a woodchuck.

Aug. 23, 1891 - Showery all day.

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Aug. 24 thru 31, 1891 - No entries.

Sept. 1, 1891 - No entry.

Sept. 2, 1891 - Em, Arlie & I went to Falls p.m. Drove Gray and the Colt.

Sept. 3, 1891 - Horses out this morning. Found them up by the schoolhouse. De Ette came home with us.

Sept. 4, 1891 - Lowery. Didn't feel well & didn't do much.

Sept. 5, 1891 - Took Em & Arlie to Tully to see Edith. She had gone so they staid at Columbia's while I went to Herbert Brown's.

Sept. 6, 1891 - Quite pleasant.

Sept. 7, 1891 - Will Ross stopped today.

Sept. 8 thru 11, 1891 - No entries.

Sept. 12, 1891 - Felt quite poorly today.

Sept. 13, 1891 = No entry.

Sept. 14, 1891 - Took calf to Tully & went up to H. C. Brown's. Rained a little Staid to dinner.

Sept. 15, 16, 1891 - No entries.

Sept. 17, 1891 - Went after rest of my shingles. Got nails and door rollers. Very hot.

Sept. 18, 1891 - Hauled timber from woods & one stick to mill.

Sept. 19, 1891 - Hauled timber today.

Sept. 20, 1891 - No entry.

Sept. 21, 1891 - Commenced on barn. Laid wall for north side. Jones came & got cows.

Sept. 22, 1891 - Charlie & I started for Canandigua this morning. Arrived about 6 o'clock.

Sept. 23, 1891 - Anna & Charlie went down after paint a.m. Commenced painting after dinner. Painted two roofs and commenced another.

Sept. 24, 1891 - Finished piazza roof & commenced on the mansard (*roof having two slopes on all four sides*). Painted nearly half of it. Got very tired.

Sept. 25, 1891 - Finished painting roofs tonight. Anna & Cora, Miss New & Charlie went to Dr. Potters tonight.

Sept. 26, 1891 - Anna went over to Bristol after peaches & hadn't returned when we left. Came on the 1 o'clock train. Found Warren at Preble.

Sept. 27, 1891 - Em, Arlie and I went in Hollow to church. Warren had a chicken cooked when we got home.

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Sept. 28, 1891 - Tore the lean-to down a.m. Went in woods & cut stick for sill & 2 sleepers toward night. I took stick to mill & got load of lumber. Mr. Pratt here tonight.

Sept. 29, 1891 - Horses out this morning. Found them at Norton's Warren took minister to depot & got roofing. Rained a little. I picked up shingles. Charlie framed timber.

Sept. 30, 1891 - Warren & I fixed fence & drew water. I went to woods & got two sleepers. Charlie hewed sleepers & framed some. I made out tax list.

Oct. 1, 1891 - Buried calf. Took tax list down to Rooney's. Got sleepers in & laid floor.

Oct. 2, 1891 - Got sticks for girt's (*alternate past tense & past participle of gird (to encircle)*) from woods & hauled water a.m. Cut corn p.m.

Oct. 3, 1891 - Cut corn all day. Lloyd's helped. Extremely warm.

Oct. 4, 1891 - No entry.

Oct. 5, 1891 - Rained a little a.m. Charlie & I boarded up north side of barn p.m. Quite cold.

Oct. 6, 1891 - Charlie sick. Will helped finish cutting corn & dug some potatoes.

Oct. 7, 1891 - Rainy all day. I picked up things in barn. Got pigs in.

Oct. 8, 1891 - Cleaned out well this morning. Dug load 26 bushels potatoes.

Oct. 9, 1891 - Dug potatoes a.m. Gave out p.m. and didn't do much. Will helped p.m.

Oct. 10, 1891 - Charlie went to Vesper. Will & Warren finished digging potatoes & drew load fire wood.

Oct. 11, 1891 - No entry.

Oct. 12, 1891 - Warren took teacher to Preble to go to Institute. I threshed at Frank Pilton's. Threshed a little while at Cord's tonight.

Oct. 13, 1891 - Threshed at Cord's today. Got done a little before night.

Oct. 14, 1891 - Threshed at Rooney's a.m. Crated & shipped calves p.m. Charlie & Warren went to Tully a.m. Columbia came back with them.

Oct. 15, 1891 - Gurd & Dewitt helped. I worked on barn a.m. Threshed at Hobart Long's p.m. Didn't finish. Cold north wind.

Oct. 16, 1891 - Rained some. Gurd & Dewitt helped clear up floor & make oat bin & went home. Helped finish threshing at Hobart's & threshed here p.m. Took tank to Larry Longs & went to Preble.

Oct. 17, 1891 - Worked on barn a.m. Laid roofing. Helped Wm. Lloyd thresh p.m. Didn't finish.

Oct. 18, 1891 - Em went to Otisco with Mary to church.

Oct. 19, 1891 - Helped finish threshing at Wm's. this morning. Gurd & John Lloyd helped shingle.

Oct. 20, 1891 - Rained hard all day. Warren went with Charlie to move his stoves & brought one here.

Oct. 21, 1891 - Picked up apples this morning. Moved stoves. Charlie started for convention.

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Oct. 22, 1891 - Warren's birthday. Gurd helped finish shingling roof a.m. Warren & I drew load of wood. Drew in sweet corn, pumpkins & corn & picked Pound Sweets p.m. Very chilly.

Oct. 23, 1891 - Got up and did chores and gave up, sick with carbuncle. School closed today.

Oct. 24, 1891 - Warren took teacher home.

Oct. 25, 1891 - Carbuncle very sore. Managed to do chores.

Oct. 26, 1891 - Didn't do much. Drove Strong's cows home.

Oct. 27, 1891 - No entry.

Oct. 28, 1891 - Warren went to Preble after mother p.m.

Oct. 29, 1891 - No entry.

Oct. 30, 1891 - Charlie made doors to barn. Warren helped. I husked some.

Oct. 31, 1891 - I finished husking corn in barn. Warren took grist to mill. Got pine of Wm. & load of sawdust. Star came in. Rained toward night.

Nov. 1, 1891 - No entry.

Nov. 2, 1891 - Finished gathering apples.

Nov. 3, 1891 - Election. Drew in 11 loads of corn.

Nov. 4, 1891 - Very pleasant. Husked corn. Went to Preble this evening. John Lloyd called

Nov. 5, 1891 - Our folks & Strong's folks went to Cortland for pictures. I helped John L. shingle

Nov. 6, 1891 - Helped John again today. Mother went with me. Warren went to Preble tonight

Nov. 7, 1891 - Didn't feel very well. Hauled load manure & finished drawing corn.

Nov. 8, 1891 - No entry.

Nov. 9, 1891 - I finished wall under basement & husked some. Leg quite sore. Charlie drove Colt. He & Warren went to Preble p.m.

Nov. 10, 1891 - They finished barn doors & boarded up east side a.m. Charlie went after his forceps p.m. & pulled teeth for Burnett, Strong's & Lanning's.

Nov. 11, 1891 - Rainy this morning. I fixed windows, helped move stove a little & put down oil cloth.

Nov. 12, 1891 - Rainy again. Warren made cider at Rooney's. I did nothing.

Nov. 13, 1891 - Charlie drove Colt & helped Warren some.

Nov. 14, 1891 - Got out & helped some. Boarded up north side of basement. Put window in south and fixed up south doors. Quite cold.

Nov. 15, 1891 - No entry.

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- Nov. 16, 1891 - Brought water from spring & wheeled up barrel. Charlie came, helped draw off cider. Fixed horse barn floor & stalls p.m. Strong south wind.
- Nov. 17, 1891 - Rained hard a.m. Went to Preble. Wind changed so I faced it back. Snowed & blew p.m. Charlie went to Vesper tonight.
- Nov. 18, 1891 - Snowed a little. Warren took grist to mill on sled. Hauled two loads of wood. Quite cold. Warren got grist tonight.
- Nov. 19, 1891 - Cold south wind. Em, Warren & Arlie went to the Falls. I churned. Moved privy.
- Nov. 20, 1891 - Took mail to Shawville. Cleaned hog pen p.m. Grew warmer & thawed some.
- Nov. 21, 1891 - Went down to Lanning's and got a couple pigs. Put hinges & battens (*narrow strip of wood used to secure*) on north basement door. Picked up lumber & rubbish. Husked awhile toward night.
- Nov. 22, 1891 - Mr. Irvin lectured at the school house.
- Nov. 23, 1891 - Strong south wind. Husked most all day. Rained hard toward night, thundered.
- Nov. 24, 1891 - Colder this morning. Churned. Em & Arlie came.
- Nov. 25, 1891 - No entry.
- Nov. 26, 1891 - Em & I went to Preble tonight. Got vinegar. Snowed some. Shipped tub butter.
- Nov. 27, 1891 - Em & I went to Tully. Took dinner with Columbia.
- Nov. 28, 1891 - Cold. Got apples down cellar a.m. Went to Preble after turnips p.m. Got Hobart's bull.
- Nov. 29, 1891 - No entry.
- Nov. 30, 1891 - Got boxes of apples down cellar. Churned & Em & I took butter down to Wm. Lloyd's.
- Dec. 1, 1891 - 1 thru 3, 1891 - No entries.
- Dec. 4, 1891 - Strong south wind. Rained very hard p.m. Lifted roofing on barn. Snowed tonight.
- Dec. 5, 1891 - Charlie came & we picked out lumber for cupboards. Drove up in woods & looked around.
- Dec. 6, 1891 - Very pleasant.
- Dec. 7, 1891 - Went to Tully with calf and around by Preble. Looked at Caughey's sheep.
- Dec. 8, 1891 - Very pleasant. School commenced. Went down & helped John Lloyd fix roof on his barn & mill.
- Dec. 9, 1891 - Charlie & Pres came. Went in to work in woods. Shotwell came and I went to school with him. Got calf of Hobart at noon. Worked in woods p.m.
- Dec. 10, 1891 - Charlie & Pres helped make road. Built bridge.
- Dec. 11, 1891 - Made road clear up through today.

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Dec. 12, 1891 - Charlie finished up along road. Plowed & scraped p.m. Hauled load wood. Charlie & Em went to Preble this evening.

Dec. 13, 1891 - Beautiful day. Christadelphian meeting.

Dec. 14, 1891 - Alone today. Drew load of straw to horse barn. Brought water to wash. Put knob on teakettle cover. Mended line. Husked a little.

Dec. 15, 1891 - Rainy all day. Finished husking on barn floor p.m.

Dec. 16, 1891 - Picked up shingles & rubbish from barn floor. Snowed some. John L. called. Hauled load of school wood tonight..

Dec. 17, 1891 - Coldest day so far. Blustering north wind. Worked at laying barn floor. Went up & got load of school wood just at night. Split & put in this morning what I drew last night.

Dec. 18, 1891 - Banked horse barn & chored around a.m. Charlie came. Went to Vesper & got horse shod p.m. Charlie took me up to Burroughs to pay assessment. Drew load of wood tonight.

Dec. 19, 1891 - Quite mild. Thawed p.m. Em, Arlie & I went to Tully p.m.

Dec. 20, 1891 - Didn't feel very well. Two loads came from Tully to meeting. I didn't go.

Dec. 21, 1891 - Very nice day. Wm. called. I helped wash. Charlie came. He filed saw p.m. & helped me put pump in well. Cleaned up grist.

Dec. 22, 1891 - Took hogs down to Wm's. to butcher. Em went with Eddie. Charlie & I went in woods, cut one basswood & it rained so we quit.

Dec. 23, 1891 - Rained all day. Took Charlie to Tully a.m. Helped cut meat & chored around.

Dec. 24, 1891 - Rainy all day. Went to Marcellus p.m. Took teacher as far as the village.

Dec. 25, 1891 - Christmas. Warren & I went to depot after trunk. I stopped at Mrs. Austin's. Started at 9:30 for home. Arrived a little after 2:00. John L.'s folks here to supper & tree.

Dec. 26, 1891 - Went up in woods & fixed road a little. Dug ditch open below school house. Rained some. Went down to Wm's. & got sheep & got grist.

Dec. 27, 1891 - North wind & frozen. A little snow.

Dec. 28, 1891 - Warren went to Manchester's and got sheep. Hauled hay & straw.

Dec. 29, 1891 - South wind & rain. Laid some barn floor.

Dec. 30, 1891 - Drove Topsy to Preble. Hauled wood p.m. Quite cold.

Dec. 31, 1891 - No entry.

Jan. 1, 1892 - Churned. Hauled two loads manure & load of straw & hay. Warren helped.

Jan. 2, 1892 - Rained all day. Cleaned up oats and shelled corn. John Lloyd called. Snowy tonight.

Jan. 3, 1892 - About 4 inches snow. All mud under it. Warren went to Spafford Hollow with Jean.

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- Jan. 4, 1892 - Took Warren to Tully to 10:28 train. Broke cutter shoe and got new pair put on. Found teacher.
- Jan. 5, 1892 - Bill & Frank L. butchered heifer Got done before noon. Joe Long called. Very pleasant.
- Jan. 6, 1892 - Snowed most all day. Took Bill's beef over. Got load of wood and hauled load of manure.
- Jan. 7, 1892 - Carried Wm's. beef down this morning. Dug snow out of ditch. Took grist to mill. Took Em & Arlie down to Irving's & took rest of Em's. beef.
- Jan. 8, 1892 - Em & I went to Preble p.m. Drove Topsy & Clyde.
- Jan. 9, 1892 - Packed beef in snow. Helped wring & hung out clothes. Went down after grist tonight.
- Jan. 10, 1892 - Eddie brought Columbia up this morning. Mr. Irwin lectured in school house p.m.
- Jan. 11, 1892 - Took Columbia home this morning. Drove Topsy. Helped about washing p.m. Drew load of wood & a little hay.
- Jan. 12, 1892 - Hauled 4 loads of school wood. Had a job clearing out brook. Paper from Jimmie S.
- Jan. 13, 1892 - Rainy & foggy a.m. Churned. Finished drawing wood from gulf, 4 loads. Rainy tonight.
- Jan. 14, 1892 - Foggy & icy. Hauled 5 loads of wood home. Quite crusty. Piled it up tonight.
- Jan. 15, 1892 - Hauled nearly all the seasoned wood. Got quite tired. John L. went to Preble.
- Jan. 16, 1892 - Split & piled school wood. Quite cold. John L. called at noon.
- Jan. 17, 1892 - Cold south wind. Wm. & Johnny went to Tully to hear Mr. Strictler.
- Jan. 18, 1892 - South wind & snowed quite fast. Drew load hay tonight. Meeting at John L's. So stormy we didn't go.
- Jan. 19, 1892 - No entry.
- Jan. 20, 1892 - Helped Em wash. Drove Topsy to Preble tonight. Very sharp. 10 to 20 below zero this morning.
- Jan. 21, 1892 - Carried Em & Arlie to the Falls. Got there about noon. Found Anne & De Ette getting ready to leave. Reached home about 7.
- Jan. 22, 1892 - Didn't feel very well & didn't get much done.
- Jan. 23, 1892 - Quite snowy. Put in new stanchion.
- Jan. 24, 1892 - Not much travel today.
- Jan. 25, 1892 - Took calf to Tully. Road quite loose. Thawed some. Wind in north tonight.
- Jan. 26, 1892 - Down to zero this morning & staid there nearly all day. Strong north wind and stormy. No travel. Worked at tightening up barn & chored.
- Jan. 27, 1892 - Not quite so bad today but very cold. Broke out roads but no travel.

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Jan. 28, 1892 - Some travel today. John L. went to Tully. I didn't do very much.

Jan. 29, 1892 - Started for the Falls at 7:15. Reached there about 10:30. Helped fix the stove some. Got home just dark.

Jan. 30, 1892 - Very nice day. Hauled a little manure.

Jan. 31, 1892 - Staid at home as usual.

Feb. 1 thru 3, 1892 - No entries.

Feb. 4, 1892 - Pleasant a.m. I. W. Fuller & wife called. John Lloyd & I went to Tully p.m. & around by Preble.

Feb. 5, 1892 - Em started for Herkimer this morning with Wm. Lloyd. I drove to Preble toward night.

Feb. 6, 1892 - Tried to work some but didn't make out much.

Feb. 7, 1892 - Very pleasant but little travel.

Feb. 8, 1892 - Went to Preble, took Arlie as far as Van Patten's & brought her back. Called at Rooney's and got order cashed. Houston's folks there. Thawing.

Feb. 9, 1892 - Town meeting. Quite stormy. Sawed a little wood. Arlie not very well.

Feb. 10, 1892 - Very pleasant. Finished sawing log a.m. Went to Preble p.m. Went in woods & got basswood log.

Feb. 11, 1892 - South wind. Snowed most all day. Carried in shingles from barn. Snow quite deep. Wind changed just at night & is very blustery.

Feb. 12, 1892 - Very stormy & blustery all day. Churned & finished picking up shingles.

Feb. 13, 1892 - Blustery a.m. Shoveled out road p.m. Apple packers came along.

Feb. 14, 1892 - Not much travel. Rained a little.

Feb. 15, 1892 - Colder again & some blustering. Went to Preble after mail p.m. and again tonight after Em.

Feb. 16 thru 19, 1892 - No entries.

Feb. 20, 1892 - Warm & thawing. Shoveled snow and ice off barn roof. Sawed wood a.m. Carried folks up to Frank Pelton's p.m. Went up & staid the evening.

Feb. 21, 1892 - Quite pleasant. Charlie went to church.

Feb. 22, 1892 - Went up in woods p.m. Shoveled on road some. Cut down a big basswood. Thawed quite fast. Tapped a few trees.

Feb. 23, 1892 - Worked in woods again. Cut four trees a.m. Tapped rest of trees in yard. Sawed up two trees p.m. Quite warm & sunny.

Feb. 24, 1892 - Charlie went to Vesper & Tully today. All went to Tully to Temperance lecture.

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Feb. 25, 1892 - Went to Preble this morning, got butter tub. Paid interest on Manchester's note. Drew hay p.m. John L. called. South wind. Finished mangers in basement.

Feb. 26, 1892 - Sawed up what drafts we had & I went to woods & got a couple. Quite slumpy (*slump - to fall or sink suddenly as into a bog or crusty snow*) Charlie & I went to Tully to Temperance meeting.

Feb. 27, 1892 - Town meeting on license question. Took lumber for cupboards to be dressed. Found folks gone to Wm. Lloyd's when I got home. Went after them tonight.

Feb. 28, 1892 - Charlie went to Vesper to church.

Mar. 1 thru 4, 1892 - No entries.

Mar. 5, 1892 - Charlie went to Tully p.m. Took cherry lumber to be dressed for cupboards. Snow blew in considerably toward night.

Mar. 6, 1892 - No entry.

Mar. 7, 1892 - Helped about baking. Emma Haynes called p.m.

Mar. 8, 1892 - Helped wash.

Mar. 9, 1892 - Hauled tree from woods & cut it up.

Mar. 10, 1892 - Stormed some. Charlie went to Vesper tonight for Demorest contest. Very blustery.

Mar. 11, 1892 - Birthday. Worst day of the season. Carried a little water to stock toward night, Building full of snow everywhere.

Mar. 12, 1892 - Pleasant today but not very nice. Got cows down to sand spring. Shoveled road some but no travel. Charlie came tonight. Blowing again.

Mar. 13, 1892 - Some blustering all day. One team passed.

Mar. 14, 1892 - Blustering & cold all day. No travel. Churned. Charlie stitched shirts.

Mar. 15, 1892 - Shoveled out road this morning & then went down to Rooney's. Went up in the woods p.m. & cut some small trees. Snow very deep.

Mar. 16, 1892 - Ella Vandenberg called. Went up & gathered sap & boiled it p.m.

Mar. 17, 1892 - No entry.

Mar. 18, 1892 - Went down & got grist. Tuffley came & brought heifer.

Mar. 19, 1892 - Went up & got sugar things. Buckets most full. Alick called. Helped saw & Charlie filed saw for him.

Mar. 20, 1892 - Em taken sick this morning. Went after Mr. Smith & Mrs. Strong. Charlie went for Dr. Bliss. Harry Tuffley killed beef. Charlie carried Mrs. Smith home.

Mar. 21, 1892 - No entry.

Mar. 22, 1892 - Dr. called today.

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Mar. 23, 1892 - No entry.

Mar. 24, 1892 - Sarah staid last night. Wm. came up today. Ella here tonight. Em quite feverish.

Mar. 25, 1892 - Mary Mc Laughlin came tonight.

Mar. 26, 1892 - Alick came today. Hauled manure.

Mar. 27, 1892 - Marvin commenced today. Hauled manure & cut wood & fixed fence.

Mar. 28, 1892 - Marvin commenced plowing.

Mar. 28, 29, 1892 - No entries.

Apr. 1, 1892 - Rainy. Mary went to Tully with Rooney's folks.

Apr. 2 thru 7, 1892 - No entries.

Apr. 8, 1892 - Mary went to Otisco with Charlie.

Apr. 9, 1892 - School commenced.

Apr. 10 thru 14, 1892 - No entries.

Apr. 15, 1892 - Mary drove Ned to Tully. Rained a little.

Apr. 16 thru 21, 1892 - No entries.

Apr. 22, 1892 - Mary drove Ned to Preble.

Apr. 23 thru 25, 1892 - No entries.

Apr. 26, 1892 - Packed 8 pails butter. Rode to Tully with Strong's. Got 4 more. Rainy tonight.

Apr. 27, 1892 - Bill & Charlie went to city. Sent butter by them to Tully. Quite pleasant.

Apr. 28, 29, 1892 - No entries.

Apr. 30, 1892 - Decoration Day. Lowery a.m. Churned. Shot 2 woodchucks. Regulated sights.

June 1892 - Only one entry on June 18, 1892. Dusted current bushes. Churned & packed butter.

Jul. 1 thru 17, 1892 - No entries.

Jul. 18, 1892 - Didn't do a great deal. Sold pigs to Frank Caughey. Rigged wagon. Went to Shawville.

Jul. 19, 1892 - Carried pigs to Tully. John Lloyd went with me. Found H. C. Brown & wife here when we got back.

Jul. 20, 1892 - Mowed in road with machine. Mowed out around school house with scythe.

Jul. 21, 1892 - Finished mowing along road south & cross wash. Helped Rooney draw hay p.m.

Jul. 22, 1892 - Marvin commenced today. Mowed north piece and he finished mowing road. Raked & cocked it p.m. Rained just as we got done.

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Jul. 23, 1892 - Wet this morning. Mowed out graveyard and finished drawing what was cut.

Jul. 24, 1892 - Charlie carried De Ette home today. Very warm.

Jul. 25, 1892 - Lowery this morning. Drove down and got John's horse and all went to H. C. Brown's. Very hot.

Jul. 26, 1892 - Finished cutting piece we commenced last night. Drew it in. Cut about half of the rest.

Jul. 27, 1892 - Marvin mowed about half of west piece. Raked other and drew some. Mowed awhile p.m. Looked like rain. Cocked up some of it.

Jul. 28, 1892 - Finished mowing piece. Raked it and drew all but two loads.

Jul. 29, 1892 - Very hot. Mowed around clover a few times. Hauled what hay was out. Rained at noon and p.m. Didn't do anything p.m. Warren came tonight.

Jul. 30, 1892 - Didn't do much. Worked at report. John Lloyd called. Warren went to Preble p.m. Got his mink.

Jul. 31, 1892 - No entry.

Aug. 1, 1892 - Foggy this morning. Cleared off and I mowed around piece awhile. Charlie came sick. Raked up hay p.m. Left it in winrow.

Aug. 2, 1892 - Rained nearly all day. Went to Tully p.m. and filed reports. School meeting tonight.

Aug. 3, 1892 - Wet all morning. Opened part of hay a.m. Marvin came p.m. opened rest & dressed it & he finished mowing.

Aug. 4, 1892 - Warren went to Truxton. Marvin finished mowing out gulf & raked & cocked hay then fixed fence next to Rooney. Rained a little. Sawed in woods p.m. til it rained.

Aug. 5, 1892 - Went down and got Wm. Lloyd's horse & Warren went to Falls after Anna & De Ette.

Aug. 6, 1892 - Filed saws & sawed wood a little. Didn't feel very well. Warren & load came about 3.

Aug. 7, 1892 - Very pleasant all day. Anna & Warren & Arlie went up in sugar bush.

Aug. 8, 1892 - De Ette went to Preble with me. Very warm. Got letter from Mary Mc. Took it down to Wilson's. Warren painted flat barn roof. Finished haying. Shot at mark. (*I'm sure he meant target*)

Aug. 9, 1892 - Carried campers down to the lake. Very hot. Rained hard. Got home just dark.

Aug. 10, 1892 - Didn't do much. Rained toward night.

Aug. 11, 1892 - No entry.

Aug. 12, 1892 - Rained nearly all day. Wm. went down & got groceries.

Aug. 13, 1892 - Rainy again. Sawed wood in basement. Commenced ditching toward night. Wm. brought Anna & Arlie up.

Aug. 14, 1892 - Quite pleasant.

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Aug. 15, 1892 - Dug ditch this morning. Mowed around oats. Warren mowed south part p.m.

Aug. 16, 1892 - Raked oats & hauled two loads, cocked the rest. Shubel & Emma Knight visited here.

Aug. 17, 1892 - Unloaded load, drew another a.m. Went to Grace Allen's funeral. Raked orchard and drew load tonight.

Aug. 18, 1892 - Warren raked scatterings this morning. I didn't feel very well. Finished getting in oats tonight.

Aug. 19, 1892 - Warren went to Vesper. Got Ned shod. I shot 3 woodchucks. Took up carpet in south room.

Aug. 20, 1892 - Mowed weeds. Ditched some. Split wood on hill. De Ette & Warren went to Preble tonight.

Aug. 21, 1892 - Anna, De Ette & Arlie went to Tully. De Ette staid & Miss Thompson came instead. They went to Wm's. meeting.

Aug. 22, 1892 - Went down to Shawville after Anna & Miss Thompson this morning. Sawed wood. Pitched off oats. Dug ditch. Mr. McLaughlin, Mary & Lizzie came. Mr. Bell buried.

Aug. 23, 1892 - School commenced. Had house photographed. Mowed around edge of oat lot. Went down & helped Mr. Wilson finish drawing oats. Warren got Clyde shod. Went down to mill & moved lumber. Rained tonight.

Aug. 24, 1892 - Anna & I went to see Mrs. Wood. Got home just dark. Stephen Rice buried today.

Aug. 25, 1892 - Fixed fence & mowed weeds. Rained some.

Aug. 26, 1892 - No entry.

Aug. 27, 1892 - Warren went to Falls with Anna & De Ette. Rained toward night. I split wood on hill.

Aug. 28, 1892 - Rained a little.

Aug. 29, 1892 - Wheeled stone into road this morning. Split in woods p.m. Charlie called. Warren came home.

Aug. 30, 1892 - Picked Clapp pears. Drew stone into road & gulf. Burned weeds. Finished stoneboat. John L. called.

Aug. 31, 1892 - Rained last night. Hauled stone p.m. Dug elm bushes in road. Em & Warren went to Wm's.

Sept. 1, 1892 - Warren took Charlie to Tully on his way to Corning. Rainy. I sawed wood. Hauled stone p.m. and two loads of old wood.

Sept. 2, 1892 - Picked small pears & a few apples. Dug stone out of wall.

Sept. 3, 1892 - Didn't feel well. Warren went to Tully with apples & pears toward night. He & Eddie S. went after mail with Topsy tonight. Eddie L. called.

Sept. 4, 1892 - Very pleasant. Warren, Arlie & I started to go to Mr. Pratt's wedding but was so late gave it up. Em, Warren, Arlie & baby went up to Manchester's & down to Shawville tonight

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Sept. 5, 1892 - Started about 7 for Skaneateles. Arrived about 10 a.m. Rained a little at & after noon. Mary & I started about 5:30 for home. Rain overtook us at top of hill & rained most of the rest of the way. Reached home about 9:45.

Sept. 1892 - Quite cold north wind. Sawed some wood. Finished picking pears.

Sept. 7, 1892 - Dug potatoes a.m. Picked them up p.m. Went to Tully after Charlie. Didn't come. Peddled pears.

Sept. 8, 1892 - Finished digging potatoes a.m. Picked them up just at night. Charlie came tonight.

Sept. 9, 1892 - Sorted potatoes.

Sept. 10, 1892 - No entry.

Sept. 11, 1892 - Very pleasant.

Sept. 12, 1892 - Went to Preble this morning. Wheeled stone in road. Hauled stone to gulf on boat, some from out south.

Sept. 13, 1892 - Went down & helped Mrs. Wilson milk this morning. Dug six rows potatoes. Went down & milked tonight. Strong south wind. Rained a little.

Sept. 14, 1892 - Found King tree broken down. Picked apples off and some from ground. Sorted potatoes. Charlie came.

Sept/ 15, 1892 - Charlie staid today. I went to Tully & Preble. Stopped at Rice's. Cut corn by barn. Quite cool.

Sept. 16, 1892 - Cut 32 rows of corn. Quite cold tonight.

Sept. 17, 1892 - Very heavy dew. Sawed wood this morning. Cut 12 rows corn. Picked apples some p.m.

Sept. 18, 1892 - No entry.

Sept. 19, 1892 - Cut corn some a.m. Foggy & damp p.m. Picked some apples on side hill.

Sept. 20, 1892 - Helped Wm. Thresh. Old Star came in last night.

Sept. 21, 1892 - Helped thresh a.m. & a little after dinner. Found De Ette's cow cast (*to give birth prematurely*) in the woods. Went to Preble after some Aconite. (*a species of Monkshood used as medicine for aches & headaches etc.*)

Sept. 22, 1892 - Rainy this morning. Bill helped get cow into barn. He went after Dean. I went over p.m. after catheter.

Sept. 23, 1892 - Up all night with cow. She died this morning. Strong helped skin her & bury her. Hauled load of stone. Bound & set up corn.

Sept. 24, 1892 - Picked crab apples a.m. & took hide to Preble. Geo. Warford called p.m. Bound corn some. Went up & found cow & calf in hemlocks. Very warm.

Sept. 25, 1892 - Thunderstorms. Lent lantern. Got cows in.

Sept. 26, 1892 - Very strong wind. Picked up 17 bushel apples. Fixed fences. Cut & set up one row corn.

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Sept. 27, 1892 - Bound corn. Didn't feel very well.

Sept. 28, 1892 - Set up corn a.m. Cut & set up three rows stouts (*strong & sturdy*) p.m. & a little more.

Sept. 29, 1892 - Finished cutting corn & dug about 20 bushel potatoes. Strong drew buckwheat. John L. went to Little York. Left a few potatoes on the south.

Sept. 30, 1892 - Helped Allen Smith thresh at Long's.

Oct. 1, 1892 - Finished picking up potatoes. Went to Preble p.m. Picked pears & tomatoes. Cold wind.

Oct. 2, 1892 - Some frost. Meeting at Schoolhouse. Charlie called.

Oct. 3, 1892 - Went to Orrin Rice's after the bull this morning. Threatened rain. Moved fence to put around corn p.m. Sorted potatoes & husked corn. Showery & warm.

Oct. 4, 1892 - Put up fence around corn between showers. Sorted potatoes some.

Oct. 5, 1892 - Finished sorting potatoes. Took up wire fence along gulf. Quite cold.

Oct. 6, 1892 - Put up wire fence by horse barn & laid up fence a little along road. Turned cows in. Got ready for threshing. Went to Preble tonight.

Oct. 7, 1892 - Threshed at Strong's a.m. & here p.m. Got done about 4:30. Straightened up things a little.

Oct. 8, 1892 - Went to Vesper & got Ned shod a.m. Called on Charlie. Will S. helped clean up barn floor p.m.

Oct. 9, 1892 - Went to Falls p.m. Arrived just dark.

Oct. 10, 1892 - Came home today. Very pleasant. De Ette & Willie H. came with us.

Oct. 11, 1892 - Finished early potatoes, about 14 bushel, late p.m.

Oct. 12, 1892 - Finished digging potatoes. 29 bushel.

Oct. 13, 1892 - Picked apples (Spitz) in lower orchard and Greenings, Spys & Russetts above house.

Oct. 14, 1892 - Picked Greenings & Cossetts, about 21 bushel.

Oct. 15, 1892 - Picked Kings, Baldwins & Spys. About 23 bushel. Had to go after horses & drive sheep home.

Oct. 16, 1892 - Cold & damp. Mary, De Ette & Willie went to church.

Oct. 17, 1892 - Damp & cold. Picked Spy's. Didn't feel very well. John L. called.

Oct. 18, 19, 1892 - No entries.

Oct. 20, 1892 - Em, De Ette & Arlie visited at Irving Northrup's p.m. Willie & I went to Tully.

Oct. 21, 1892 - Columbus Day. Finished Spitzenbwrg's. Nearly attended school p.m. (*not sure what that means*).

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Oct. 22, 1892 - Went to mill this morning to Williams and got some butter. Finished picking apples in orchard.

Oct. 23, 1892 - No entry.

Oct. 24, 1892 - Went to Tully with calf. 160 lbs. @ 6 cents. Quite cold.

Oct. 25 thru 27, 1892 - No entries.

Oct. 28, 1892 - Hauled two loads corn a.m. Sam Williams called with P. O. papers p.m. Went to Vesper & got Clyde shod.

Oct. 29, 1892 - Charlie went to Falls with De Ette, Willie and Mary Mc. Rained a good deal. I helped Em straighten up house.

Oct. 30, 1892 - Rainy a.m. Fellow came to get tooth pulled. Charlie & Lib came in the evening.

Oct. 31, 1892 - Lowery a.m. Went to Preble p.m. Charlie went to Vesper tonight.

Nov. 1 thru 4, 1892 - No entries.

Nov. 5, 1892 - Cold & snowy. Got some apples down cellar. Charlie started for Navarino p.m.

Nov. 6, 1892 - No entry.

Nov. 7, 1892 - Went to Tully with two calves, 360 lbs. @ 6 cents. Got home about 2 p.m. Found Wesley T. here after cow. Drew load of corn & load of wood.

Nov. 8, 1892 - Finished putting up wire fence back of house & went to election. Hauled 3 loads of corn. Husked some tonight.

Nov. 9, 1892 - Husked about 2 loads corn. Charlie came tonight. He helped draw a load & husked some this evening.

Nov. 10 thru 23, 1892 - No entries.

Nov. 24, 1893 - Thanksgiving. Charlie went to Vesper & got a big turkey.

Nov. 25, 26, 1892 - No entries.

Nov. 27, 1892 - Arlie went in Hollow to church with Charlie and to Wm's. to supper.

Nov. 28, 1892 - South wind & snowed considerable. Charlie & I went to Tully with calf. 185 lbs. @ 6 cents. Went up to Alfred Pierce's tonight & bought a calf for \$10.00

Nov. 29, 1892 - Charlie went to Vesper & got horses shod & got load of hay. Gone all day. Bought heifer of Morgan \$15. Called at Strong's tonight.

Nov. 30, 1892 - Went down to Ansel Case's & bought calf \$10. Charlie went over to Morgan's & got heifer and down to Bills to look at cow.

Dec. 1, 1892 - Finished getting apples down cellar. Charlie went to Tully p.m. & around by Vesper.

Dec. 2, 1892 - Charlie went to Vesper & got Topsy shod. I split wood & helped get out clothes.

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Dec. 3, 1892 - Put up stove in shop & Charlie filed saw. Sawed wood p.m. Borrowed Strong's churn and churned tonight. Sarah & Eddie called.

Dec. 4, 1892 - Went in Hollow to church with Charlie. Drifted.

Dec. 5, 1892 - Went in Hollow & got signers to P. O. bond a.m. Wm, Charlie & I went to Tully p.m. to be sworn in. Nice sleighing.

Dec. 6, 1892 - Charlie went up to Long's to work a.m. I hauled 3 basswood logs from woods and one to head of gulf. Took them to Tully p.m. Rainy.

Dec. 7, 1892 - Thawing some today. Alick came split wood while I filed his saw. Staid to dinner. John L. called. Went to Preble tonight, got shoe set on Ned.

Dec. 8, 1892 - Rained most all night. Sleighing nearly gone. Took log to mill & got grist. Rained hard. Hauled 2 loads corn p.m. Played out. Dec. 9, 1892 - Didn't do much today.

Dec. 10, 1892 - Did about the same. Charlie drew rest of corn.

Dec. 11, 1892 - Quite cold north wind. Mary walked to Otisco.

Dec. 12, 1892 - Quite pleasant. Charlie & Strong butchered beef.

Dec. 13, 1892 - Took beef down to Johnnies & Wm's. a.m. Took hide to Preble p.m. Had Clyde's hind shoes set over. Got. Charlie hauled load of wood.

Dec. 14, 1892 - Rainy. Sorted corn. Sawed wood. John L. called. Charlie went to Tully.

Dec. 15, 1892 - Charlie went down to Wm's. p.m. I husked some. Sam Williams called with mail route petition.

Dec. 16, 1892 - Sorted corn & split wood a.m. Went to Preble got mail & names on petition. Commissioner came. Husked some this evening.

Dec. 17, 1892 - Pitched up stalks & moved corn & got sled bottom out. Charlie was called this morning to go up & help lay out Joel Pierce. Went in woods p.m. got two loads of drafts. Sawed a little.

Dec. 18, 1892 - No entry.

Dec. 19, 1892 - Went to Tully with calf 180 lbs. @ 6 cents. Went up to H. C. Browns. Got home just dark. Squally.

Dec. 20, 1892 - Quite cold. Went over to Steve Doud's early after calf. Chored p.m. Put up some grist. Husked a little tonight. Charlie went to Preble.

Dec. 21, 1892 - About sick today. Helped saw little. Looked over P.O blanks & books.

Dec. 22., 1892 - Cold north wind. John L. called. I split some wood. Finished putting up grist. Snowing.

Dec. 23, 1892 - Went to Crofoot's to mill. Quite stormy. Got home just before night. Charlie took Clyde to Vesper to be shod.

Dec. 24, 1892 - Very blustery all day. Were all going to John Lloyd's but gave it up. John Hodge came to have tooth pulled.

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Dec. 25, 1892 - Not so bad but very little travel.

Dec. 26, 1892 - Shoveled road a little a.m. Went to Preble p.m. Got box from Warren. Got names on petition.

Dec. 27, 1892 - Cut & hauled drafts a.m. I trimmed tops p.m. Stone looked at apples. Em & Charlie went over the hill.

Dec. 28, 1892 - Charlie & John L. went to Tully & got chair for Wm. All went down & surprised them this evening.

Dc. 29, 1892 - Picked out King apples into crates. Helped saw a little. Mr. & Mrs. Wardell called.

Dec. 30, 1892 - Got wagon out of basement & hauled some manure. Went down to Johnny's & got calf. Em went to Irving's.

Dec. 31, 1892 - We sawed up drafts a.m. I went to Preble p.m. Em went to Cord's. Charlie went to see Mrs. Newman.

Jan. 1, 1893 - Snowed a.m. Rained hard p.m. Mary drove Ned to Otisco to church.

Jan. 2, 1893 - Quite blustery but not cold. Arthur Williams brought mail bag at 5 this morning. I went to Preble. Borrowed some stamps & C. Allen called for threshing bill. Charlie went with paper.

Jan. 3, 1893 - Strong went with mail. 12 letters.

Jan. 4, 1893 - Quite pleasant. Sawed wood p.m.

Jan. 5, 1893 - Charlie went to Syracuse. I split wood.

Jan. 6, 1893 - Very cold day. Gene Walters called to see about cutting wood. Went down to Johnny's.

Jan. 7, 1893 - Quite cold. Hauled three loads of top wood and hemlock draft p.m. Irving Northrup called for mail. Charlie went to Vesper.

Jan. 8, 1893 - Quite blustery. Mary went to Preble with Rooney.

Jan. 9, 1893 - South wind today. Went up to Gene Walter's p.m. Looked around in woods some.

Jan. 10, 1893 - Down to zero all day. Very blustery tonight. Sawed top wood in woodhouse. Put oil cloth under stove. Churned. Banked barns. 4 below.

Jan. 11, 1893 - Roads drifted. No mail today. John Lloyd called. Went & helped Fred Rice down through.

Jan. 12, 1893 - Mail bag crammed today. Wm., Eddie, Helen & Johnny here. Donation at Steve Masters.

Jan. 13, 1893 - Did some chores in morning. Sick all day. Charlie went to Navarino p.m. I did chores.

Jan. 14, 1893 - Rode down to Preble with Eddie this morning. Tipped over. Went to Tully p.m. Paid taxes. Quite cold.

Jan. 15 thru 17, 1893 - No entries.

Jan. 18, 1893 - Very cold south wind. Took chart over to school. Charlie took big hemlock to mill, then went in woods for a draft.

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Jan. 19, 1893 - Went to Crofoot's to mill. Quite cold. Not very good road from here to Preble.

Jan. 20 thru 22, 1893 - No entries.

Jan. 23, 1893 - Took two calves to Tully. Brought apple barrels back. Quite mild.

Jan. 24, 1893 - Charlie & I drove down to Orrin Rice's after calf. Didn't get it. Commenced getting out basswood.

Jan. 25, 26, 1893 - No entries.

Jan. 27, 1893 - Went to Tully with log and got some more barrels.

Jan. 28, 1893 - Strong south wind. Packers packed apples a.m. Wilson helped draw them p.m.

Jan. 29, 1893 - No entry.

Jan. 30, 1893 - Arlie & I went to Preble, got barrel of flour, got calf at Rice's. Masters boy stopped & had 2 teeth pulled.

Jan. 31, 1893 - No entry.

Feb. 1, 1893 - Sawed a lot of wood. Jay Burnet's wife had two teeth pulled.

Feb. 2, 1893 - No entry.

Feb. 3, 1893 - School closed today. Thawing a.m. Charlie plowed road p.m. Wind blowing hard from north.

Feb. 4, 1893 - Very stormy & blustery. Mary rode to Preble with the mail.

Feb. 5 thru 7, 1893 - No entries.

Feb. 8, 1893 - Sam William's commenced carrying the mail. Quite pleasant.

Feb. 9, 1893 - Sarah Lloyd visited here.

Feb. 10, 1893 - No entry.

Feb. 11, 1893 - Sawed up two logs a.m. Put up grist p.m.

Feb. 12, 1893 - No entry.

Feb. 13, 1893 - Took grist to mill this morning. Charlie went to Tully. Went down with basswood log p.m. & got 4 bags feed. Snowed fast.

Feb. 14, 1893 - Town meeting. About sick all day. Went over & voted after dinner. Didn't stay long.

Feb. 15, 1893 - Didn't do much today. Charlie & Strong's went to Tully to qualify.

Feb. 16, 1893 - No entry.

Feb. 17, 1893 - Charlie carried Em, Arlie & Hollie to the Falls p.m. Cold south wind. Snowing tonight.

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Feb. 18, 1893 - Stormy all day. Wind south this morning but changed and was quite blustery from the north. Husked a little, sawed a little wood. Wm. & Wilson called. Charlie came.

Feb. 19, 1893 - Quite stormy. Charlie went in Hollow to church but minister unable to preach.

Feb. 20, 1893 - Worst day of the season. Williams most ill day getting around. (*he is the new mail carrier*)

Feb. 21, 1893 - Quite pleasant but cold. Charlie hauled two drafts. Had to shovel a good deal.

Feb. 22, 1893 - Stormy again. Wm. Lloyd called, also John Rooney. Williams had a passenger. Henry Manchester called p.m.

Feb. 23, 1893 - Pleasant this morning. Shoveled out around and drove down the road. Sawed up draft. Drew a little hay. Went after grist & to Tully tonight. Snowed fast from south.

Feb. 24, 1893 - North wind & stormy some. Doc. went to Tully after his folks. Shoveled out road up the hill p.m.

Feb. 25, 1893 - Cut & hauled 6 drafts. Snow very deep. Sawed up one at noon. Charlie tried to go to Vesper tonight. No road further than Long's.

Feb. 26, 1893 - Very pleasant. Charlie went to Hollow to church. He & Doc went to Vesper tonight.

Feb. 27, 1893 - Went to Tully with 2 calves. Cold but pleasant. Got home about 2 p.m. Went to O. W. Rice's.

Feb. 28, 1893 - Eddie Lloyd came after Charlie before we went up to see his mother. He went after Dr. Very stormy. I split some wood & chored.

Mar. 1, 1893 - Didn't get out much. Charlie drove down to Wm's.

Mar. 2, 1893 - Strong north wind all day.

Mar. 3, 1893 - Took load of apples to Tully for Johnny. Stormed some from south. Wind north tonight.

Mar. 4, 1893 - Quite fair a.m. North wind came up and stormy tonight. Charlie & Doc went to Vesper.

Mar. 5, 1893 - Blustery all day. I walked down to Wm's. to see Sarah. Found her better. Called at Johnny's few minutes. Roads drifted in.

Mar. 6, 1893 - Helped shovel out Bedford Rd. p.m. Quite pleasant.

Mar. 7, 1893 - Didn't very much.

Mar. 8, 1893 - Hung beef to smoke. Packed barrel apples. Cleaned buckwheat. Got ready and went to the Falls p.m. Arrived a little after dark.

Mar. 9, 1893 - Rained most all day. Carried rotten apples out of cellar. Cut cows toenails & hair.

Mar. 10, 1893 - Frozen some. Took barrel of apples to depot. Father W. & I went up to Oliver's after wheat. He was gone. Came home p.m. Bad roads.

Mar. 11, 1893 - Strong south wind. shoveled road to basement. Charlie walked to Vesper, paid assessment.

Mar. 12, 1893 - No travel.

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Mar. 13, 1893 - Charlie went to Navarino p.m. I shoveled road some more & hauled jag hay & two loads manure. Fixed barn door. Very pleasant.

Mar. 14, 1893 - Frozen some this morning. Loaded manure from barn floor. Chopped ice from stable door. Rained p.m. Pruned apple trees toward night. Wind north.

Mar. 15, 1893 - Very snowy, cold & blustery all day. Didn't do much but chores.

Mar. 16, 1893 - No entry.

Mar. 17, 1893 - Charlie came back toward night.

Mar. 18 thru 23, 1893 - No entries.

Mar. 24, 1893 - Went up in woods this morning & looked around. Went down & shoveled snow off basswood log. Charlie & I cut some in woods p.m. Thawing quite fast.

Mar. 25, 1893 - Frozen some this morning. Went up & cut beech top out & got two basswood a.m. Got 3 p.m. Broke sled & quit.

Mar. 26, 1893 - No entry.

Mar. 27, 1893 - Frozen quite hard this morning. Strong & team helped Charlie haul basswoods a.m. We went to Dutch Hill p.m. Eliza came on stage. Cold tonight.

Mar. 28 thru 30 - No entries.

Mar. 31, 1893 = Eliza went back this morning.

Apr. 1, 1893 - Quite warm. H. C. Brown called. Rained hard p.m. Got ready to go to Preble but backed out.

Apr. 2, 1893 - No entry.

Apr. 3, 1893 - Very pleasant. Took calves to Tully a.m. Poor sleighing some of the way. Went down & piled lumber at sawmill.

Apr. 4 thru 8, 1893 - No entries.

Apr. 9, 1893 - Charlie went in Hollow to church.

Apr. 10, 1893 - Charlie went to Syracuse to buy goods. Anna Hoffman went to Canandiagua.

Apr. 11, 1893 - School commenced. Wilson called. I hauled load of top wood & load of drafts a.m.

Apr. 12, 1893 - Cleaned milk house & plastered it some. Charlie & Em went to Marcellus

Apr. 13, 1893 - I went to Preble a.m. Went to Tully toward night. Afterwards broke wagon & Charlie came.

Apr. 14, 1893 - Carried wagon home this morning.

Apr. 15, 16, 1893 - No entries.

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Apr. 17, 1893 - John Lloyd sick & sent for me. Drove down and saw him & got rest of grist. Drove down again p.m. & got eggs & stick for appletree. Rained tonight.

Apr. 18, 1893 - Went to Tully this morning. Got some things of Stone. Got Mary's order cashed. Charlie made appletree (*not sure what this means - not in dictionary*).

Apr. 19, 1893 - Went to Preble this morning. Got some flour. Helped mother some p.m. Charlie went to Vesper.

Apr. 20, 1893 - Strong south wind and rained most all day. Sawed wood a.m. Went to Shawville p.m. Up to see Mrs. Manchester tonight.

NO MORE ENTRIES FOR THE REMAINDER OF APRIL 1893.

NO ENTRIES FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1893.

June 1, 1893 - No entry.

June 2, 1893 - Lowery & showery. Marvin didn't come.

June 3, 1893 - Marvin helped fix fence. Moved stove. Cut posts.

June 4, 1893 - Charlie went to Navarino. Mary & Arlie went to Tully to church. Rained hard p.m. John L. here.

June 5, 1893 - No entry.

June 6, 1893 - Marvin & I picked stone & brush from orchard a.m. Rained some. He went home after dinner.

June 7, 1893 - Cleaned out cellar p.m. John L. called tonight.

June 8, 1893 - Burned brush by wood house this morning. Commenced plowing for buckwheat. Quite warm. Charlie came tonight.

June 9, 10, 1893 - No entries.

June 11, 1893 - Charlie took Em & Hollie to the Falls. Got back just before dark. Mary & Helen & Arlie went to Tully to church.

June 12 thru June 30, 1893 - No entries.

NO ENTRIES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 1893.

Aug. 1 thru 3, 1893 - No entries.

Aug. 4, 1893 - Went down to Wm's. a.m. & got Arlies sheep & 8 lambs. Made yard for them.

Aug. 5, 1893 - I finished mowing oats. Warren moved posts & fence. Very warm. Wm. got buggy pole.

Aug. 6, 1893 - Warren rigged pole on carriage and went driving. Charlie here.

Aug. 7, 1893 - Lowery & rainy all day. Cut wood filed saw.

Aug. 8, 1893 - Worked on road. Very nice day.

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Aug 9, 1893 - Worked on road again. Very warm. Went to Preble tonight & got barrel & bag of sugar. 2 barrels flour. Wagon wheel.

Aug. 10, 1893 - Very hot. Propped up floor in barn. Sarah Lloyd visited here. Warren & I went to Preble tonight with Colts & took eggs.

Aug. 11, 1893 - Drove fence posts around barley a.m. Too hot to work p.m.

Aug. 12, 1893 - Rainy part of a.m. Patched barn roof this morning. Took rack off wagon. Fixed fence against clover for sheep. Warren & Eddie went to Preble tonight.

Aug. 13, 1893 - Charlie went to the Park to hear Hector (?). He went again tonight.

Aug. 14, 1893 - Let lambs out this morning. They went up in woods & we looked for them. Charlie pulled four teeth for Warren. They and Arlie went to the Park p.m. Came home sick. Charlie went again tonight.

Aug. 15, 1893 - Put up fence around corn & potatoes a.m. Stretched wire around barley & buckwheat p.m. Warren & Eddie Strong went over to the lake.

Aug. 16, 17, 1893 - No entries.

Aug. 18, 1893 - Went down & got load lumber this morning. Warren mowed barley p.m. Didn't quite finish.

Aug. 19, 1893 - Warren finished mowing barley this morning. Then we went to Tully & Preble. Raked barley after we got back & cocked some. Rained.

Aug. 20, 1893 - Charlie came, went back after forceps & Arlie went with him. Came back by Hobart Long's. Rode over to the Park with Warren tonight.

Aug. 21, 1893 - Took calf to Tully a.m. Warren cleaned out horse barn. Let straw down in hen house and built new roost. Broke up bumble bee nest. Warren got stung.

Aug. 22, 1893 - Bunched up barley a.m. John L. & Marvin helped draw p.m. School meeting tonight.

Aug. 23, 1893 - Mr. Wilson helped draw rest of barley a.m. Got a few rakings & thistles p.m.

Aug. 24, 1893 - Rainy most all day.

Aug. 25, 1893 - Very warm. Put up fence & turned in below wash.

Aug. 26, 1893 - Charlie came. Horses got in corn.

Aug. 27, 1893 - Went & carried Arlie's clothes down to Wm's.

Aug. 28, 1893 - Lester Rockwood came p.m. I fixed fence.

Aug. 29, 1893 - Rained & wind. Blew terribly. Picked up apples.

Aug. 30, 1893 - Very pleasant. Charlie & I went to Cortland.

Aug. 31, 1893 - Farmer's picnic at Amber. I raked half & cocked some. Chored around.

Sept. 1, 1893 - Drew hay. Mowed orchard & finished it all up. Worked til dark.

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Sept. 2, 1893 - Lester & Warren went over to the lake fishing. I went to Preble p.m. Cold north wind.

Sept. 3, 1893 - Lester, Warren & Charlie & Arlie went to church. L. & W. drove over to the Park.

Sept. 5, 1893 - Started for home a little after six. Reached home about 10:30.

Sept. 6, 1893 - No entry.

Sept. 7, 1893 - Cleared cornstalks out of basement & hauled load of wood a.m. Rained hard p.m. Em went down to Johnny's. I took grist to mill tonight & took Lanning's tobacco home.

Sept. 8, 1893 - Took pump apart and got valve out. Gathered buckwheat. Filed saw. Sawed some. Hauled two loads of drafts. Went after grist. Broke harness. Sarah & Eddie started (*didn't finish sentence*).

Sept. 9, 1893 - Went to Tully & Preble. Got back about 2.

Sept. 10, 1893 - No entry.

Sept. 11, 1893 - Went to Preble this morning. Back by Wilson's. Em went down to John Lloyd's toward night. School commenced. Commenced cutting corn.

NO MORE ENTRIES FOR THE REMAINDER OF SEPTEMBER 1893.

NO ENTRIES FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1893.

Nov. 1 thru 11, 1893 - No entries.

Nov. 12, 1893 - Em sprained her foot. Wm. took Hollie home with him tonight.

Nov. 13, 1893 - Set water trough and started water in pipe. Threatened rain.

Nov. 14, 1893 - Fred helped. I went to Preble a.m. Shubal & Emma here when I returned. Plowed & scraped in ditch p.m.

Nov. 15, 1893 - Fred & I finished scraping ditch. Plowed dugway. Hauled stone. Snowed p.m. Very cold north wind.

Nov. 16, 1893 - Cold night & blustery. Shubal & Emma here when I returned. Plowed & scraped in ditch p.m.

Nov. 15, 1893 - Fred & I finished scraping ditch. Plowed dugway. Hauled stone. Snowed p.m. Very cold north wind.

Nov. 16, 1893 - Cold night & blustery. Shubal & Emma went home a.m. I got things down cellar & hauled wood.

Nov. 17, 1893 - Cold south wind. Charlie had team to get a load of coal. I boarded up south door. Fixed cellar way & made door. Rain tonight.

Nov. 18, 19, 1893 - No entries.

Nov. 20, 1893 - Wm. & Sarah brought Hollie home. I banked cellar way.

Nov. 21, 1893 - Banked north wall of barn a.m. Cased trough. Strong south wind. Chambers stopped. Charlie came.

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Nov. 22, 23, 1893 - No entries.

Nov. 24, 1893 - Hauled 3 loads manure from basement p.m. Charlie called.

Nov. 25, 1893 - Blustery. Fixed barn. Cut wood. Went down to Wm's. after Hollie. Took Arlie. Tired out tonight.

Nov. 26, 1893 - Pleasant but cold north wind. South tonight.

Nov. 27, 1893 - Cold south wind. Finished topping turnips this morning. Tightened up basement. Sawed & split wood.

Nov. 28 thru 30, 1893 - No entries.

NO ENTRIES FOR NOVEMBER 1893.

Jan. 1, 1894 - Very pleasant. Commence cleaning buckwheat. Took Em & children to Shawville p.m. Took buck home.

Jan. 2, 1894 - Pleasant & thawed some. Cleaned a little buckwheat. Didn't feel very well. Mrs. Strong called.

Jan. 3, 1894 - Quite pleasant. Finished cleaning buckwheat a.m. Wm. called p.m. Went up & skidded 3 logs & cut & hauled one home. South wind.

Jan. 4, 1894 - Very pleasant. Thawed up. Didn't feel very well. Didn't feel very well. Charlie came tonight. Looks like rain.

Jan. 5, 1894 - Rained hard this morning. Wind changed p.m. Freezing tonight. Charlie went down to Wm's. and got his horse. Helped wash. Sawed & split wood.

Jan. 6, 1894 - Trees covered with frost a.m. Snowed some p.m. I hauled 2 loads wood p.m. Charlie went to Vesper. He & Em went down to Wm's. tonight.

Jan. 7, 1894 - Quite pleasant. North wind.

Jan. 8, 1894 - Quite cold but pleasant. Em went down to Wm's. to help wash. I took buckwheat to mill p.m. Charlie went to Vesper.

Jan. 9, 1894 - Snowed a little. Not very cold. Em came home after dinner. Split wood a.m. Charlie & I fixed apples.

Jan. 10, 1894 - Charlie went to Tully & Vesper. Gone all day. John Lloyd & I went to Nathan Pierce's auction.

Jan. 11, 1894 - Quite pleasant a.m. Went to Little York after grist. Snowed fast coming back. Wind changed. Blustery.

Jan. 12, 1894 - Very cold blustery day. Water stopped. Wm. brought beef. Charlie took it to Vesper.

Jan. 13, 1894 - Cold south wind. Went to Preble got barrel oil. Charlie started for Canandiagua. Churned.

Jan. 14, 1894 - Very nice day. Thawed a little.

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Jan. 15, 1894 - Nice a.m. Rained some p.m. Helped wash. Finished box stall & put Gray & Colt in tonight.

Jan. 16, 1894 - North wind & foggy all day. Freezing tonight..

Jan. 17, 1894 - Very nice day. Hauled 5 loads manure from basement.

Jan. 18, 1894 - Strong south wind. Alick called at noon. Hauled two loads wood p.m. & hauled down some drafts to road. Rain tonight.

Jan. 19, 1894 - Very pleasant but cold. Finished cleaning basement, 2 loads.

Jan. 20, 1894 - Cold south wind. Went to Preble p.m. Got two barrels & bag sugar. Menzie helped unload it.

Jan. 21, 1894 - Rainy a.m. Quite pleasant p.m.

Jan. 22, 1894 - Very pleasant. Lots of callers. Went to John L. & got tub butter a.m. Opened barrels of sugar.

Jan. 23, 1894 - Fred helped cut logs. Cut 3 trees. Cut up 2. Very nice day.

Jan. 24, 1894 - Joe & Fred helped today. Cut down 5 trees. Rained coming home. Snowing & blowing tonight.

Jan. 25, 1894 - Joe & Fred sawed. Cut one hemlock & hung it up on a root. It is there yet. Cold north wind. Couple inches snow. .

Jan. 26, 1894 - Joe helped Fred saw a.m. Got hemlock down & cut it up & part of oak. Cut dead basswood for coons. Fred & I got out 6 logs p.m.

Jan. 27, 1894 - Fred hauled two loads of wood. I put hammer strap on Strong's bobsled. Fred split wood. Cleaned grist p.m. Went after calf.

Jan. 28, 1894 - Very nice day.

Jan. 29, 1894 - Fred hauled manure. Cleared cow & horse stables & pig pen. Strong south wind. Snowed toward night. We fixed pig pen. Made calf pen & fixed sheep rack.

Jan. 30, 1894 - Very stormy & blustery. North wind. John Lloyd called.

Jan. 31, 1894 - Snowed & blew this morning. Fred helped draw logs p.m. Got out six. About a foot of snow.

Feb. 1, 1894 - Hauled hemlock & 1 oak log. Got another oak started, broke wiffle tree iron & It snowed so we quit. Quite blustery tonight.

Feb. 2, 1894 - Cold this morning. Very nice day. Wind changed to south & blew hard tonight.

Feb. 3, 1894 - Went to Preble p.m. Took Arlie. Drove colts. Charlie came.

Feb. 4, 1894 - Cold north wind. Em & Arlie went down to Shawville with Charlie.

Feb. 5, 1894 - Down to zero. Took Charlie to Tully to go to Syracuse. Fred hauled logs to mill. Charlie returned tonight.

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Feb. 6, 1894 - Cold south wind. Fred finished hauling logs to mill and cleared out basement. Charlie went to Vesper.

Feb. 7, 1894 - Fred hauled wood a.m. I went to Preble. We got oak logs down p.m. Thaw.

Feb. 8m, 1894 - Fred & I finished getting out logs above the road. Got 7. Homer Butt buried today. Charlie called. Thawed considerably.

Feb. 9, 1894 - Rained most all day. Cleaned stove pipes.

Feb. 10, 1894 - Fred took log to mill & got rest of grist & cleaned stables a.m. Took one log p.m. Stormed & he quit. I went in woods & peeled hemlocks. Anna came.

Feb. 11, 1894 - Quite stormy & blustery.

Feb. 12, 1894 - Quite cold. Charlie took Anna to the early train. Fred finished hauling logs to mill. Snowed p.m. He quit. Charlie went to Vesper.

Feb. 13, 1894 - Nearly a foot of new snow. Went with Charlie to town meeting and drove his horse back.

Feb. 14, 1894 - Very nice day. Helped a little about washing. Wm. & Sarah called p.m. Took Arlie home with them. I went to Preble to mail correspondence.

Feb. 15, 1894 - Snowed most all day. Blew some p.m. Tried to slide oak logs on side hill a.m. John Lloyd here to dinner.

Feb. 16, 1894 - Very blustery & stormy. Hitched up and drove through for Sam as far as H. Long's.

Feb. 17, 1894 - Quite pleasant. Started to go to Tully after Charlie tonight. Met Henry Manchester & he said he had gone to Penn. Strong south wind.

Feb. 18, 1894 - Very pleasant. Not much travel.

Feb. 19, 1894 - Very nice day. Took calf to Tully. Strong rode over & back. Brought back a calf. Em & I went to Preble tonight and got bob.

Feb. 20, 21, 1894 - No entries.

Feb. 22, 1894 - Cold south wind but pleasant. Em & Johnny went to the Falls p.m.

Feb. 23, 1894 - Very cold & blustery all day.

Feb. 24, 1894 - 22 below zero at Tully. Very cold all day. Broke into the woods p.m. & got a little wood. Went to Tully after Charlie tonight. John & Em came about 5 o'clock. Went after Clyde tonight.

Feb. 25, 1894 - Cold south wind. Charlie went to Vesper.

Feb. 26, 1894 - Carried Charlie to Tully this morning. Quite cold.

Feb. 27, 1894 - Very nice day. Thawed some. Helped a little about washing. Drew load of wood.

Feb. 28, 1894 - Fred helped today. Drew load of wood and cleared out basement. I went to Preble this morning. Thawed a good deal this afternoon. Wm. & Helen and John Lloyd called tonight.

Mar. 1, 2, 1894 - No entries.

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Mar. 3, 1894 - Got oak logs down a.m. Sawed wood a little p.m. I went to Preble for oil and to Tully for Charlie.

Mar. 4, 1894 - Very pleasant. Charlie walked over from Tully. I carried Arlie down to Wm's.

Mar. 5, 1894 - Worked at road p.m. Fred made sheep pen & I went in woods with Alick a.m.

Mar. 6, 1894 - Finished road & hauled 2 sticks a.m. Hauled 2 p.m. Water so high quit & hauled drafts from side hill.

Mar. 7, 1894 - Fred gone today. Charlie called & staid until after dinner. Stove collector here. John Lloyd called.

Mar. 8, 1894 - Fred made evener. We sawed basswood log & he split some. Went in woods p.m. got 3 logs down to bank & road for the rest. Arlie went up to Cord's. Sap day.

Mar. 9, 1894 - Fred & I sawed wood a.m. Rained p.m. & he went home. John Lloyd called. Charlie called, staid to supper.

Mar. 10, 1894 - Finished getting logs down to bank. Snaked drafts for Alick. Hauled hemlock out for wood. Cut hemlock stub below sugar house. Drew log out of the top

Mar. 11, 1894 - Fiftieth birthday. Had popcorn, sugar on snow, butternuts & cake. Clyde lame.

Mar. 12, 1894 - Cold north wind. Went to John Lloyd's for butter. Fred made hot bed. Charlie came & got Claude & the wagon to haul manure. Cut apple tree that lightening struck.

Mar. 13, 1894 - Went in woods. Trimmed hemlock top & hauled out the limbs. Rained & we came home. Fred cut wood in barn. Sawed some on big hemlock p.m. Wind blew hard. Wind north tonight.

Mar. 14, 1894 - Cold north wind. Went to Preble p.m.

Mar. 15, 1894 - Fred hauled oak log to mill & two loads limbs. Snowed p.m.

Mar. 16, 1894 - Fred hauled two logs to mill & two home. We got four logs & oak top down gulf p.m.

Mar. 17, 1894 - Got 6 logs out a.m. Fred went to Tully p.m. Very warm.

Mar. 18, 1894 - Took calf to Tully. Fred cut top wood. We sawed some toward night.

Mar. 20, 1894 - Sawed most all day.

Mar. 21, 1894 - Threatened rain most all day. Fred didn't come a.m. Sawed some p.m. Wm. & Charlie went to Syracuse.

Mar. 22, 23, 1894 - No entries.

Mar. 24, 1894 - Fred didn't come. Went to Preble p.m. Found surprise party here when I got back.

Mar. 25, 1894 - Quite cold. Wm. took Columbia home.

Mar. 26, 1894 - Cold north wind. Snaked drafts a.m. I went to Wm's. after Arlie after dinner. Fred hauled drafts. Warren came.

Mar. 27, 1894 - Hauled logs to mill with two teams a.m. Fred went home p.m. I got horses shod at Vesper.

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Mar. 28, 1894 - Fred & Warren hauled rest of logs to mill this morning. Got five logs out of woods. Warren & Arlie went to Preble p.m.

Mar. 29, 1894 - Snowed all a.m. Fred hauled the 5 hemlocks to mill. Warren went to Tully. Got 2 oak logs to mill p.m.

Mar. 30, 1894 - Commenced getting out ash - broke sled shoe & quit. Em & I went to Fletchers auction.

Mar. 31, 1894 - Fred didn't come. Hauled top wood a.m. Went to Preble & Tully p.m.

Apr. 1, 1894 - Charlie here. About sick.

Apr. 2, 1894 - Very cold north wind all day. Boys cleaned up barley & Warren took it to the mill p.m. & got some dirt for his hot bed. Fred & I sawed.

Apr. 3, 1894 - Warren went over & helped Charlie haul stone. Rained some. Drove Topsy home tonight.

Apr. 4, 1894 - Warren helped Charlie again today. Got seed oats. Fred & I opened ditch. Dug rocks. Cow came in.

Apr. 5, 1894 - No entry.

Apr. 6, 1894 - Fred took ash logs to mill.

Apr. 7, 1894 - Fred hauled ash from gulf & draft from woods. Wm. finished drawing top wood. Snowed p.m. Fred quit.

Apr. 8, 1894 - Quite snowy. Cold north wind. Wm. took Alice home. Warren had sick headache.

Apr. 9, 1894 - Good sleighing this morning. Fred & I finished getting drafts & wood down from pasture. Eliza called. Fred commenced plowing p.m. Warren & I set out cherry trees. Charlie called.

Apr. 10, 1894 - Warren & I went to Litz's auction. Ground frozen this morning. Fred plowed. Snowing tonight.

Apr. 11 thru 17, 1894 - No entries.

Apr. 18, 1894 - Warren helped plow sod. Finished it & both plowed stubble. Auction at Wilson's. Em went to Rooney's with Strong's folks.

Apr. 19, 1894 - Boys finished plowing stubble & hauled 2 loads manure. I planted potatoes and grafted some. Went to Preble tonight.

Apr. 20, 1894 - Warren went after drill (*machine used in planting oats etc.*) but rained so he left it. Fred dragged a little while & went home.

Apr. 21, 1894 - Fred & I sawed wood most all day. Quite showery. Warren went after oats & plowed for Charlie. Columbia came.

Apr. 22, 1894 - Lowery all day. Warren went down after Laura. Charlie came. They were going to the Falls but it rained so they gave it up.

Apr. 23, 1894 - Charlie & Laura started about 4 this morning. Warren carried Columbia home & got strawberry plants.

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Apr. 24, 25, 1894 - No entries.

Apr. 26, 1894 - Fred dragged sod ground. Warren & I hauled manure on it from basement. Warren went after drill & commenced drilling tonight.

Apr. 27, 1894 - Drilled oats on sod & about half of the other. Fred dragged.

Apr. 28, 1894 - Warren finished drilling this morning & took drill home. Fred & I plowed some ditches in last piece to keep from washing, then went down & hauled on logs. Fred & Warren picked stone from clover p.m. I grafted.

Apr. 29, 1894 - Very pleasant. John L. here.

Apr. 30, 1894 - Boys picked up fence lengths. Warren plowed on lot by graveyard. Fred rolled oat lots. Tagged sheep & turned them out.

NO ENTRIES FOR MAY 1894

June 1,2, 1894 - No entries.

June 3, 1894 - Quite pleasant. Charlie called p.m.

June 4, 1894 - Washed sheep a.m. Fixed doorstep & churned p.m.

June 5, 1894 - Drew brush from road to orchard. Picked up wire & posts down west. Rained. Em & Warren went to Preble p.m. Set up stove at mothers.

June 6 thru 9, 1894 - No entries.

June 10, 1894 - Very pleasant. Quite warm. Charlie came over toward night.

June 11, 1894 - Planted what corn we had. Warren hauled manure on garden lot. He went to Preble tonight after sweet corn.

June 12 thru 30, 1894 - No entries.

July 1 thru 26, 1894 - No entries.

July 27, 1894 - Finished Wilson's haying.

July 28, 1894 - Hauled hay into stack. Very hot. One load in horse barn. Rained a little toward night.

July 29, 1894 - Quite pleasant.

July 30, 1894 - Warren went to Preble. I went to engage reaper. Warren went after it p.m. Team ran away. Tinkered reaper rest of p.m.

July 31, 1894 - Warren cut barley & oats a.m. Mowed some in road & topped up stack p.m.

Aug. 1, 1894 - Warren cultivated cabbage & I cleaned up barn this morning. Wilson helped finish stack. Warren cut oats down west. Warren & I drew two jags (*small loads*) barley, oats etc.

Aug. 2, 1894 - Rainy all day by spells. Warren & I made fence for calf lot. Wilson got wagon.

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Aug. 3, 1894 - Warren went to Vesper early. Got colts shod. Paid Burroughs note. After he got back we finished putting wire on calf fence. He cut Strong's oats p.m. I turned over barley & about half of oats. Cold north wind tonight.

Aug. 4, 1894 - Went down & did chores for Wilson this morning. Put up tomato trellis. Turned over oats. John Lloyd helped draw p.m. E. E. Barber here. He took Em & the girls down to Wm's.

Aug. 5, 1894 - Pleasant but warm.

Aug. 6, 1894 - Warren went to Vesper & got Ned shod and then reaped oats below orchard. Wilson & I went to Tully with pig and chickens. Finished drawing oats from west lot. Charlie helped.

Aug. 7, 1894 - Wilson & Warren helped draw at Wm's. a.m. Warren came home at noon. Eddie Strong helped. We drew 3 loads oats. School meeting.

Aug. 8, 1894 - Wilson & Eddie helped Menzie and Warren went down to Wm's. to see to the reaper. Finished harvesting tonight.

Aug. 9, 1894 - Foggy & damp a.m. Went down to Wilson's & got calves. Warren went to Preble p.m. Made shed for calves. Charlie called tonight.

Aug. 11, 1894 - Put in sluice way (*channel to guide flow of water*) a.m. Mowed road and drew the hay.

Aug. 12, 1894 - Charlie, Warren & I walked down to Mr. Lanning's funeral. I went over to Wm's. and staid until night. Charlie, Warren & the Rumsey's went to Assembly.

Aug. 13, 1894 - Warren & I mowed graveyard & cross road. Charlie & I took the Rumsey's back. Warren went to Preble tonight.

Aug. 14, 1894 - Worked on road. Strong's cows got in corn & I had to fix fence awhile this morning. Em & Warren have gone to Preble tonight.

Aug. 15, 1894 - Worked on road again a little while. Rained and we quit. Helped fix Wilson's fence. Drew load oak lumber. Anna came.

Aug. 16, 1894 - Worked on road along here.

Aug. 17, 1894 - I raked stones from Bedford Rd. a.m. Anna went to Shawville. Hallie sick. Went after Anna tonight.

Aug. 18, 1894 - Uncle Joe & Warren went to Tully. Charlie came.

Aug. 19, 1894 - Warren went after Dr. last night. Warren & Sarah called.

Aug. 20, 1894 - Moved calf fence. Joseph went away. Charlie went to Tully with him. Warren went after Dr.

Aug. 21, 1894 - Dr. Barber came with Leonard this morning. Very cold north wind. Everybody here. Baby better.

Aug. 22 thru 31, 1894 - No entries.

NO ENTRIES FOR SEPTEMBER 1894

Oct. 1, 2, 1894 - No entries.

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- Oct. 3, 1894 - Machine came & commenced threshing. Had to fix machine & didn't thresh much.
- Oct. 4, 1894 - Finished threshing. Hallie died just before noon.
- Oct. 5, 1894 - No entry.
- Oct. 6, 1894 - Warren went after Mr. Bryer's this morning. Funeral this afternoon at 2 o'clock. I took Mr. Bryer's to Preble tonight.
- Oct. 7, 1894 - Very pleasant and Charlie & Anna went to the falls.
- Oct. 8, 1894 - Warren & Arlie went with Laura to the Falls this morning. I helped straighten up around the house & picked peas and few Pound Sweets. Threshed a little at Lanning's.
- Oct. 9, 1894 - Finished threshing about noon. Got a ride home. Warren & Arlie came about 3 p.m. Menzie helped cut sweet corn.
- Oct. 10, 1894 - Rained all a.m. Threshed at Hobart Long's p.m. Helen here tonight.
- Oct. 11, 1894 - Warren went after Wilson's bull. Em & Arlie went home with Helen.
- Oct. 12, 1894 - Warren had lame back. I made fence along cabbage a.m. Eddie & Menzie bound sweet corn & helped move stove p.m. Drew load of corn tonight.
- Oct. 13, 1894 - Rainy most all day. I husked corn. Fixed pig shed & yard and chored around.
- Oct. 14, 1894 - Drizzly all day and snowy tonight. Got calves into the barn.
- Oct. 15, 1894 - Warren went to Vesper and got horses shod. I cut rest of sweet corn. An inch of snow.
- Oct. 16, 1894 - Warren went to Apulia with lumber. I set up sweet corn. Not very well.
- Oct. 17, 1894 - Warren went to Apulia with last of Oak lumber. I went to Preble a.m. Picked six bushel of Baldwin's p.m. Drew load of corn.
- Oct. 18, 1894 - Warren dug potatoes. I helped some. Em picked up. Cleaned out cellar.
- Oct. 19, 1894 - Dug about 38 bushel. Warren went to Tully with load tonight.
- Oct. 20, 1894 - Wilson helped. Got about 60 bushel.
- Oct. 21, 1894 - Very pleasant. Em, Arlie & I went in Hollow to church. John Lloyd here tonight.
- Oct. 22, 1894 - Em & Arlie went to the Falls with Elizabeth. Warren & I dug about 26 bushel.
- Oct. 23, 1894 - Threatened rain all day. Helped Wilson thresh flax p.m.
- Oct. 24, 1894 - Rained all day. Sorted potatoes and husked corn. Charlie brought barrel over.
- Oct. 25, 1894 - No entry.
- Oct. 26, 1894 - Warren went to Scott for Wilson. Broke wheel. Got home 9:30 p.m. Em & Arlie came about 6.
- Oct. 27, 1894 - Warren & Wilson went to Cortland after oil. Got back about 10:30. I picked a few apples.

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- Oct. 28, 1894 - Em, Arlie & I went to church in Hollow.
- Oct. 29, 1894 - Finished digging potatoes & picked up about 12 crates. Very nice day.
- Oct. 30, 1894 - Wilson helped. Finished picking potatoes. Drew a lot of corn - pop corn - sweet corn. Fixed fence & picked a few apples.
- Oct. 31, 1894 - Rained all day. Husked, churned, put window in barn. Wm. & Sarah Lloyd called.
- Nov. 1, 1894 - Wilson helped husk p.m.
- Nov. 2, 1894 - Wilson helped all day. Fixed fence & picked apples a.m. Husked p.m.
- Nov. 3, 1894 - Rained hard this morning. Sorted corn a.m. Em helped husk p.m. & evening.
- Nov. 4, 1894 - Very pleasant. Carried Arlie down to go to church with Wm's folks.
- Nov. 5, 1894 - Rained a.m. Sorted corn. Charlie called. Snowed a little p.m. Went to Preble. Freezing tonight. Maude Henderson here.
- Nov. 6, 1894 - Election. Cold north wind with some snow. Fixed fences & chored around.
- Nov. 7, 8, 1894 - No entries.
- Nov. 9, 1894 - Went to Tully after Columbia p.m. Josephine sick & Em went down there.
- Nov. 10, 1894 - Pleasant this morning. Put up track for barn doors. Got one door hung.
- Nov. 11, 1894 - Cold raw north wind.
- Nov. 12, 1894 - Finished hanging barn doors. Put window in basement.
- Nov. 13, 1894 - South wind & snowy. Husked some a.m. Finished drawing in corn p.m.
- Nov. 14, 1894 - Made bin & emptied potatoes. Sarah Lloyd visited here p.m. Will & Pearl married p.m.
- Nov. 15, 1894 - Carried Em & Arlie to Shawville & got load of kindling. Went to Preble p.m. Drew load sweet corn tonight. Menzie called & helped husk this evening.
- Nov. 16, 1894 - Very nice day. Harvested beets, six loads. Worked til dark. Drew them in barn tops & all.
- Nov. 17, 1894 - North wind. Snowed a little a.m. Cut & piled about half of cabbage.
- Nov. 18, 1894 - Frozen quite hard this morning. Thawed some. Em & Arlie went to church. Charlie here.
- Nov. 19, 1894 - Snowed fast a.m. & blew hard from north. Cut a few cabbage this morning. Topped beets & got some of them & the apples down cellar. George King called.
- Nov. 20, 1894 - Frozen hard. Went up to Walter's after tax and over across to Longs. Got some more beets down cellar. Mrs. Northrup visited here. Husked & sorted potatoes tonight. South wind.
- Nov. 21, 1894 - Got beets down cellar. Cleaned chimney. Helen here p.m. Trimmed beets this evening.
- Nov. 22, 1894 - Didn't do much today. Em went to John Lloyd's. Very nice day.

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Nov. 23, 1894 - Buried cabbage. Rained hard after dinner. Wind changed & grew colder.

Nov. 24, 1894 - Went down to Northrup's with registered letter. Pulled turnips p.m. Warren went to Preble.

Nov. 25, 1894 - Snowy & blustery. Not very cold.

Nov. 26, 1894 - Topped turnips and got them down cellar. Warren helped Wilson drive cows to Scott. Wind south tonight.

Nov. 27, 1894 - Pleasant. Did up some packages in store this morning. Fixed north end of cow stable. Went up & marked trees for the boys tonight. Snowed some this evening.

Nov. 28, 1894 - Went to Tully this morning. Cold north wind & snowed. Quite bad going. John Lloyd called.

Nov. 29, 1894 - Very nice day. Chored around a.m. Drew load of straw to horse barn. Load of cabbage. Load of sweet corn. Took Wilson's bull home tonight.

Nov. 30, 1894 - Cold south wind. Churned. Got hog into basement.

Dec. 1, 1894 - Quite mild. Snowed some p.m. Hauled manure from basement. Wilson had Ned. Wind north tonight.

Dec. 2, 1894 - Damp & misty a.m. Snowy tonight. Charlie called.

Dec. 3, 1894 - Quite pleasant but cold. Went to Preble. Sent pail of butter to Newark. Went to Crofoot's mill. Henry gone. Hauled manure toward night.

Dec. 4, 1894 - Wilson helped. Hauled manure. Drew load of cabbage tonight. Nice day.

Dec. 5, 1894 - Wilson helped. Worked at oaks on side hill. Very pleasant.

Dec. 6, 1894 - Wilson helped. Worked at oaks. Have eleven logs down. Drew load of hay from stack.

Dec. 7, 1894 - Wilson & I cut 3 oaks this a.m. Got two logs down p.m. & left 3. Warren commenced dug road.

Dec. 8, 1894 - Worked at dug way. Alick helped. I filed his saws p.m. & he helped Warren lay poles. Rained toward night., Warren went to Preble.

Dec.9, 1894 - Lowery all day. Rained & snowed a little.

Dec. 10, 1894 - Wilson helped. Hauled load manure. Finished drawing sweet corn & load of cabbage. Got chunks into woodhouse. Worked at dug road p.m. Cold south wind.

Dec. 11, 1894 - Filed bucksaw. Didn't feel very well. Commenced making sawbuck. John L. called.

Dec. 12, 1894 - Rained most all day. Finished sawbuck & sawed some wood. Chored around.

Dec. 13, 1894 - Very strong north wind all day. Blew some more off stack last night. Warren & I helped Wilson awhile p.m. Charlie called tonight.

Dec. 14, 1894 - Went down & got load of lath for Charlie a.m. Made fence above barn p.m.

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Dec. 15, 1894 - Went to Vesper. Took lath & got horses shod a.m. Drew two loads cabbage & load of manure. Warren went to the Falls.

Dec. 16, 1894 - Quite pleasant. Carried Arlie down to go to church with Wm's. folks. Charlie here tonight.

Dec. 17, 1894 - Quite cold. Rigged bobs & hauled 3 loads top wood from side hill.

Dec. 18, 1894 - Didn't do much today. Wm. drew John Lloyd. Lowery.

Dec. 19, 1894 - Went to Preble a.m. Found Mr. Camp here. He staid to dinner. Got a book. Sawed some wood. Hauled load manure.

Dec. 20, 1894 - Went up and measured wood with Alfred Pierce, then took hog down to Lanning's to butcher. Washed carriage.

Dec. 21, 1894 - Cut up pork a.m. Chored around p.m. Henry Crofoot called. Rained a little tonight.

Dec. 22, 1894 - No entry.

Dec. 23, 1894 - Carried Arlie down to Wm's. Em went after her tonight.

Dec. 24, 1894 - Marvin helped. Skidded what logs were cut a.m. Cut some more p.m.

Dec. 25, 1894 - Christmas. John & Eddie Lloyd here to dinner.

Dec. 26, 1894 - Marvin helped. He & Wilson butchered cow a.m. We cut logs p.m. Snowing tonight.

Dec. 27, 1894 - Cold & blustery all day. Nearly 2 ft. new snow. Cut up beef. Miss Lind came on stage.

Dec. 28, 1894 - Marvin helped cut logs p.m. Broke out roads & got sheep down a.m.

Dec. 29, 1894 - Marvin helped all day. Cut logs. Went down to Wm's. tonight. Cold south wind.

Dec. 30, 1894 - Snowed a little today. South wind.

Dec. 31, 1894 - Cleaned out chimney. Hauled 2 loads manure. Drove up on side hill and got oak log.

Jan. 1, 1895 - Packed barrel of apples for Thomas a.m. Em, Warren & Arlie went to Falls p.m.

Jan. 2, 1895 - Warren helped. Snaked out 24 logs & hauled out two. Very nice day. Charlie called.

Jan. 3, 1895 - Went up in woods & looked around this morning. Hauled 7 logs to mill. Cold but pleasant.

Jan. 4, 1895 - Snowy & blustery all day. Went to mill with a log this morning. Got two more down from hill. Em, Warren & Charlie came tonight.

Jan. 5, 1895 - Very cold. Hauled two logs to mill with colts and 4 with old team. Very nice road.

Jan. 6, 1895 - South wind filled roads. Broke them out some.

Jan. 7, 1895 - Drew load of cabbage for Marvin. Strong's and I broke road below schoolhouse p.m. Shoveled out dug road & hauled one log from side hill.

Jan. 8, 1895 - Marvin & I cut trees for school wood a.m. Fixed road & hauled logs from side hill p.m. Log rolled over me & team ran away.

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Jan. 9, 1895 - Staid in house. Charlie staid last night & till after dinner today. Cut my hair. Helen Lloyd here. Marvin hauled manure & logs.

Jan. 10, 1895 - Warren & Marvin hauled logs & wood.

Jan. 11, 1895 - Rainy. Warren & Marvin finished hauling logs to mill. Hauled up ash plank. Hauled top wood from woods.

Jan. 12, 1895 - Warren went to Vesper & got colts shod. I helped Marvin cut drafts for wood a.m. Hauled them p.m.

Jan. 13, 1895 - South wind & grew colder all day.

Jan. 14, 1895 - Warren & I went to Preble & Tully. Quite cold.

Jan. 15 thru 17, 1895 - No entries.

Jan. 18, 1895 - Sold cabbage. Warren took one load p.m. Alice Hosford came tonight & went to meeting.

Jan. 19, 1895 - Eddie Strong helped trim cabbage a.m. Warren took them to Preble p.m. Quite cold.

Jan. 20, 1895 - Warren took Alice home tonight.

Jan. 21, 1895 - Warren & I went to Cortland & got oil.

Jan. 22, 1895 - Didn't do much today.

Jan. 23, 1895 - Edgar & Jane came about noon. Cleaned up grist a.m. Warren went to mill p.m. & took saw to Millford's to file.

Jan. 24, 1895 - Quite cold. Edgar & Jane started for Cortland after dinner. I went to woods & got scoop shovel. Sawed & split wood. Tightened up barn a little.

Jan. 25, 1895 - Plastered around stovepipes. Hung out clothes. Charlie here to dinner. Em, Arlie & I went to Tully p.m. William & Sarah here this evening.

Jan. 26, 1895 - Rained & snowed a.m. Cleaned up oats for Dr. Potter and went to Homer with them tonight. Got back about 8 o'clock.

Jan. 27, 1895 - Quite cold. John L. called toward night.

Jan. 28, 1895 - Cold north wind. Drove down to John's this morning & took buffalo & lines & got grist. They went to the Falls p.m. To Aunt Wealthy's funeral & Warren went with them. I went to Tully & around by Preble p.m. Charlie and I attended Royal Templar Oyster Supper at A. J. Smiths this evening.

Jan. 29, 1895 - Charlie helped clean up 25 bushel oats & took them over to Dr. Leonard & took oak lumber to be planed.

Jan. 30, 1895 - Charlie & I went to Syracuse. Florence Vandenburg married.

Jan. 31, 1895 - L. Willis called & took insurance. John Lloyd called. Charlie & I sawed wood. Very pleasant.

1895 - No entry.

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Feb. 2, 1895 - Quite cold north wind. Went to Preble p.m. Carried butter to Mrs. Haviland. Em & I took Arlie down to Wm's. after I got back.

Feb. 3, 1895 - Cold day. John Lloyd came up toward night.

Feb. 4, 1895 - Quite blustery p.m. Charlie went home. I pitched straw off from hay & cut down some.

Feb. 5, 1895 - Cold blustery day.

Feb. 6, 1895 - 8 below zero this morning. Wm. brought Arlie home.

Feb. 7, 1895 - No entry.

Feb. 8, 1895 - Worst day of the season. Sam got as far as John McDonald's & had to leave the team and walk home.

Feb. 9, 1895 - Kept two fires all night. Blustery all day. No mail. Carried in long wood from stack p.m.

Feb. 10, 1895 - Warmer today. Still blowing some.

Feb. 11, 1895 - Quite nice this morning. Broke out roads a.m. Sam got along about 5 o'clock with the mail going south. Wm. & John called.

Feb. 12, 1895 - Town meeting. Very nice day. Hauled manure from basement p.m.

Feb. 13, 1895 - Snowed some all day. Quite blustery tonight. Menzie's commenced work this p.m. Wm. Called.

Feb. 14, 1895 - Quite blustery. Menzie & I cleaned up grist & shelled corn. Menzie sawed wood. Wm. & John called.

Feb. 15, 1895 - Very nice day. Menzie & I shoveled road up to side hill. Menzie took grist to mill. Hauled 2 drafts & 3 sticks for sleepers. Em & Charlie went to the Falls p.m.

Feb. 16, 1895 - Menzie & I hauled down the oak logs. Went up & cut 2 trees p.m. Snow so deep we gave up. Sawed up log for wood tonight.

Feb. 17, 1895 - Very nice day. Charlie & Em came tonight.

Feb. 18, 1895 - Menzie hauled logs to mill & took another grist down & brought up the first. I went to Preble p.m. Charlie went home a.m. John L. called.

Feb. 19, 1895 - No entry.

Feb. 20, 1895 - Wilson & I went to Otisco to auction. Got back at 8 p.m. Menzie hauled manure.

Feb. 21, 1895 - Quite stormy. Menzie helped cut off sleepers. Sawed some wood. I fixed windows in horse barn.

Feb. 22, 1895 - Menzie cut his foot & went home p.m. I nailed on boot taps.

Feb. 23, 1895 - Chored around a.m. Smoked meat, put in wood house window. Mother & I went to Pompey p.m. Got there after dark. Went up to village after Clifford.

Feb. 24, 1895 - Very nice day. Called on Horatio toward night.

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Feb. 25, 1895 - South wind. Came home a.m. Got home just before noon. Rained some. Wind north p.m. & quite blustery tonight.

Feb. 26, 1895 - Quite blustery. John Lloyd called. I hewed one sleeper a.m. Went to Vesper toward night.

Feb. 27, 1895 - Very pleasant. Chored around a.m. Em, Arlie & I went to Cortland p.m.

Feb. 28, 1895 - Rained last night & some this morning. Went down to see Erv about cabbage

Mar. 1, 1895 - Rained most all day. Put up school tax notice. Walked over to Tully toward night to sell cabbage.

Mar. 2, 1895 - Frozen and snowing. Wilson helped me get out 9 cwt. cabbage & I took them to Tully p.m. John L. came after Em this morning.

Mar. 3, 1895 - Very pleasant. Arlie & I went down after Em.

Mar. 4, 1895 - Went to Tully this a.m. to see about cabbage. Nathan Pierce called with quote p.m. Charlie called. Snowed fast. Very rough tonight.

Mar. 5, 1895 - Quite cold. Wilson called. Going after his team.

Mar. 6, 1895 - Carried Em to Tully p.m. & got medicine for Josephine. Quite good going.

Mar. 7, 1895 - Woke about 1:30 lay til 4:00. Got up & put up load of potatoes. Took sleepers to mill & got grist. Sam said cars full so did not go.

Mar. 8, 1895 - Went to Tully after Em this morning.

Mar. 9, 1895 - Tom Fenlon called p.m.

Mar. 10, 1895 - Quite pleasant.

Mar. 11, 1895 - 51 Today. Took load of potatoes to Preble.

Mar. 12, 1895 - Hauled manure from horse stables. Henry Manchester called & paid school tax. Em visited at Strong's She & I went to Wm's. this evening.

Mar. 13, 1895 - Thawy. I put fastener on stable door a.m. Em & I went down to John Lloyd's p.m. Helped cut up his beef and sawed up slabs.

Mar. 14, 1895 - Cold north wind. Tin peddler staid here last night.

Mar. 15, 1895 - Warren came this p.m.

Mar. 16, 1895 - Warren helped saw school wood. Warren went to the Falls this p.m.

Mar. 17, 1895 - Marvin helped today. Sawed wood. Put in sleepers. Laid barn floor & banked wall.

Mar. 19, 1895 - Marvin helped cut oak logs on side hill a.m. Took load of hay to Tully p.m. Em went down to John Lloyd's p.m. Charlie came this morning. Went to Tully. Back tonight.

Mar. 20, 1895 - Took load of hay to Dr. Leonard's p.m. Tipped over.

Mar. 21, 1895 - Wilson got two loads hay about 7:00 Em & Clifford came. Horse sick and they went home.

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Mar. 22, 1895 - Hauled hay & straw to horse barn. Sheep had twins. I went to Preble tonight. Got horse at 11:00.

Mar. 23, 1895 - Marvin & I cut & got down two oak logs a.m. Em & I went to Falls p.m. Went over Long's hill through Otisco. Stopped at Wm. Barker's.

Mar. 24, 1895 - Em, Warren, Charlie & I came home today. Bad going.

Mar. 25, 1895 - Warm & pleasant. Roads very soft.

Mar. 26, 1895 - Colder today. Strong north wind & squally.

Mar. 27, 1895 - Hauled oak logs out of woods & rolled them down a.m. Loaded load of hay & put up grist p.m.

Mar. 28, 1895 - Quite cold & blustery & snowy. Warren & I snaked logs across flat & rolled down next hill & hauled some to mill.

Mar. 29, 1895 - Took hay to Tully. Quite good sleighing. Brought Columbia's stove over. Got back about 2:00 p.m. Went & got Wilson's buckets.

Mar. 30, 1895 - Borrowed Cord's bobsled & we drew logs to mill with both teams p.m.

Mar. 31, 1895 - Quite pleasant.

Apr. 1, 1895 - Warren & I went to Tully with calf. Rainy. Got back about 2:00 p.m.

Apr. 2, 1895 - Finished hauling logs to mill a.m. Went in sugarbush p.m. Shoveled out arch. Made fire. Tapped some trees. Sap ran fast.

Apr. 3, 1895 - Wilson drew two jags hay a.m. Very cold raw wind. Cleared out horse barn p.m. Warren went after Hobart's buckets.

Apr. 4, 1895 - Tore down sheep pen & calf pen. Hauled manure down west. Snowed p.m. Put calves in stanchions.

Apr. 5, 1895 - Went to Preble this morning, back at 10:00. Charlie here. Em washed buckets. Warren & I went in woods & tapped some more trees. Sap ran very fast. Wind south tonight.

Apr. 6, 1895 - No entry.

Apr. 7, 1895 - Boiled all night & till 10:00 o'clock.

Apr. 8, 1895 - No entry.

Apr. 9, 1895 - Quite warm. Warren went down to Wilson's & got platform wagon. Rigged it up & he went to Preble after Jim's folks. I cut some scion's (*woody plant used in grafting*). Lowery & rainy.

Apr. 10, thru 14, 1895 - No entries.

Apr. 15, 1895 - Marvin commenced work. Hauled manure. I went to Vesper & Tully. Very muddy.

Apr. 16, 1895 - Lowery & foggy. Boys got cabbage out & trimmed them. Charlie called & staid to dinner.

Apr. 17, 1895 - Got cabbage over to Tully p.m. Marvin made cow yard & sawed wood.

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Apr. 18, 1895 - No entry.

Apr. 19, 1895 - Marvin commenced plowing greensward (*turf on which the grass is green*) by crossroad. Jim & Warren went to Preble & Tully.

Apr. 20, 1895 - Boys plowed on oats stubble a.m. Gathered sap & buckets this morning. I boiled sap p.m.

Apr. 21, 1895 - Very nice day. Arlie & I went to church in Hollow.

Apr. 22, 1895 - Rained. Wind changed & grew colder. Boys plowed awhile. I gathered sap spikes. Boys plowed p.m.

Apr. 23, 1895 - Boys plowed all day. Cold north wind. I helped Jim fix foundation for hen house. Didn't do much p.m.

Apr. 24, 1895 - Boys got off stone & dragged oat ground & drilled about 3 acres. I helped Jim some. Wilson drew 2 loads hay. Wm. & Sarah here tonight.

Apr. 25, 1895 - Warren finished drilling oats a.m. & Marvin rolled them. I helped Jim side up hen house. Went to Preble p.m. Warren helped Jim. Marvin plowed greensward down west.

Apr. 26, 1895 - Warren & I took grist to mill & hauled on logs. Got plum trees from Stebbin's. Marvin harrowed greensward. Warren worked at ditch below school house p.m. I set out trees & helped Jim. Nice day.

Apr. 27, 1895 - Cold south wind. Boys plowed rest of greensward. I helped Jim put roofing on hen house. Warren went to Tully & got another roll. Rained a little.

Apr. 28, 1895 - Very nice day. Wm. brought Columbia over.

Apr. 29, 1895 - Marvin & Warren plowed cabbage ground. I walked to Tully a.m. Put up some potatoes & chord around p.m.

Apr. 30, 1895 - Warren took load of potatoes to Tully.

May 1 thru 3 1895 - No entries.

May 4, 1895 - Warren went down to Johnny's & got potatoes a.m. Planted them p.m. & got some at Strong's. Took potatoes over to Cowles tonight.

May 5, 1895 - No

May 6, 1895 - Went to Tully with Johnny's apples a.m. Went down & got rest ready p.m. Boys washed sheep. Got seed potatoes of Cowles.

May 7, 1895 - Took rest of apples this morning. Soaked & planted potatoes p.m. Rained a little tonight.

May 8, 1895 - Warren went with load for Wilson.

May 9, 1895 - No entry.

May 10, 1895 - Boys sheared sheep.

May 11, 1895 - Marvin went away. Warren plowed rest of orchard a.m. I took potatoes to Tully p.m. Staid to auction. Rained.

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May 12, 1895 - Cold & Lowery. Charlie called.

May 13, 1895 - Very cold, a little ice. Carried wool in house. Warren got horses shod a.m. I hauled up oak lumber & took load to Summit p.m. Pleasant. Warren hauled stone off of lot & he & Marvin rolled it.

May 14, 1895 - Threatened rain all a.m. Dragged orchard lot & drilled peas, barley & oats. Rained p.m. Warren went to Wilson's. Marvin & I cleaned up oats & cleared up barn. I went down to John Lloyds & up to Wm's.

May 15, 1895 - Went to see Mrs. Wood for John & Josephine. Rained this morning. Cleared off but cold. Got home about 6:30. Walked down to Johnny's.

May 16, 1895 - Cold north wind all day. Warren went to work for Johnny. Marvin dragged & marked corn ground & commenced plowing rest of corn stubble.

May 17, 1895 - Marvin rolled peas, barley & oats & finished plowing piece & Plowed south garden I sowed cabbage seed & planted garden a.m. Planted potatoes in garden p.m. Pruned raspberries. Marvin planted corn. Marvin planted corn. Warren worked for Johnny. He & Marvin gone to Tully tonight.

May 18, 1895 - Marvin & Warren both worked for Johnny. I plowed potatoes on end of corn row. Planted popcorn. Boys went to Preble tonight.

May 19, 1895 - Arlie & I went to church. Came home in rain.

May 20, 1895 - Made wire fence along side hill. Very cold. Boys went to Tully tonight. Took oats. Got bicycle.

May 21, 1895 - Boys finished wire fence. Put salt on potatoes. Dug ditch below school house. Drew stock pen & rubbish. Arlie & I went to Preble.

May 22, 1895 - Fixed fence on Columbia's place.

May 25, 1895 - Finished fixing fence & took yearling down.

May 24, 1895 - Worked at ditch. Marvin drew stone for ditch. Warren helped clean house.

May 25, 1895 - Finished getting out wall bottom and dug some ditch. Threatening rain.

May 26, 1895 - No rain of consequence. Bryan's little girl buried.

May 27, 1895 - Rained quite hard last night and this morning. Lib & I took Colt down to Columbia's. Marvin & Warren cleared out basement. They went to Tully tonight. I went down and got Colt.

May 28, 1895 - Boys plowed on Columbia's. Yearlings out, got them back & fixed fence.

May 29, 1895 - Boys plowed. I went down & pruned trees awhile. Very hot.

May 30, 1895 - Dug ditch. Rolled millet. Plowed side road. Planted cucumbers, beans, sweet corn. Went after grist & see yearlings.

May 31, 1895 - Planted pumpkins. Dug & stoned ditch. Rained. Very hot. Moved stove.

Jun. 1, 1895 - Worked at ditch a.m. Em, Arlie & I went to the Falls p.m. Marvin went to Skaneateles.

Jun. 2, 1895 - Very warm. Laura & I went up to see cow p.m. Started for home about 7 p.m.

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Jun. 3, 4, 1895 - No entries.

Jun. 5, 1895 - Warren took bridge plank to Tully. Marvin cultivated potatoes. I worked at ditch. Warren went after Em.

Jun. 6, 1895 - Marvin plowed on Bedford place. Warren cultivated. I work4d at ditch. Rained some.

Jun. 7, 1895 - Warren & I took Gray & Maude down to Columbia's. Marvin finished plowing & hauled stone for ditch. He took grist to mill tonight & Warren went to Vesper. I worked at ditch.

Jun. 8, 1895 - Worked on road. Heifers got out. Warren & I went after them. Went down again tonight & fixed fence.

Jun. 9, 1895 - Very pleasant.

Jun. 10, 1895 - Marvin finished cultivating potatoes & he & Warren hoed potatoes. I worked at ditch. Hot.

Jun. 11, 1895 - Warren helped Wm. hoe corn. Marvin & I worked on road a.m. Finished stoning ditch & filled it.

Jun. 12, 1895 - Marvin plowed cabbage ground. I dug stone some. Josephine helped. Warren worked for Johnny.

Jun. 13, 1895 - Mary Rice came. Marvin helped Hobart shear sheep. Rained. Sawed school house wood p.m. Warren helped Johnny again.

Jun. 14, 1895 - Marvin & Warren hauled on log way. Warren helped Johnny. Marvin brought up grist. Hauled stone off cabbage ground & rolled it. Rained some. Dragged it some. Helen here. Took her home & went down to see yearlings.

Jun. 15, 1895 - Warren & I went down again this morning Found yearlings & three more. Marvin finished dragging and I helped him mark. Warren went to get Claude shod. Hoed some of cabbage ground. Warren took Mary home.

Jun. 16, 1895 - Bees swarmed. Charlie called. Em, Lib & Arlie rode in carriage & Warren on wheel to the Falls.

Jun. 17, 1895 - Marvin put phosphate on cabbage ground & planted sweet corn. Went down to Wm's. & Johnny's in the morning & to Columbia's.

Jun. 18, 1895 - Went & got Wm's. cultivator & Marvin used it.

Jun. 19, 1895 - Marvin finished cultivating. I took it home & got buckwheat & phosphate.

Jun. 20, 1895 - Cut sills sleepers & C for barn this morning. Worked at school wood awhile. Boys hauled one stick to mill & 6 home p.m. I didn't do much.

Jun. 21, 1895 - Rained most all day. Boys set a few cabbage this morning. Worked at barn. Moved hay & changed floor. Raised sills some.

Jun. 22, 1895 - Pleasant. Set cabbage a.m. Boys went down & moved oak lumber & brought sill up. They went fishing tonight. No luck.

Jun. 23, 1895 - Charlie called. Warren went to Falls tonight.

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Jun. 24, 1895 - Marvin cultivated corn & potatoes. I took Wm's. plow & phosphate home & then went to Tully after phosphate. Em came. Went to Preble p.m.

Jun. 25, 1895 - Marvin & I hauled manure at Columbia's a.m. Warren helped p.m.

Jun. 26, 1895 - Marvin dragged on Columbia's. I went to Tully after seed. Warren plowed potatoes p.m. Marvin helped toward night. Rained hard.

Jun. 27, 1895 -- Marvin dragged Bedford lot a.m. Warren went & got Ned shod.

Jun. 28, 1895 - No entry.

Jun. 29, 1895 - Finished buckwheat on C's. Drilled hill lot p.m. Picked currants on Columbia's.

Jun. 30, 1895 - Threatened rain but failed. Walked down to see yearlings.

Jul. 1, 2, 1895 - No entries.

Jul. 3, 1895 - Marvin went to Skaneateles tonight with Clark.

Jul. 4, 1895 - Warren & Eddie Strong went to Tully on their wheels. I commenced tomato trellis. Went down & got cattle back. Took Lib & Arlie to Tully.

Jul. 5, 1895 - Warren mowed road with machine. Marvin with Scythe.

Jul. 6, 1895 - Warren took wagon wheel to Vesper. Got Clyde shod. Marvin & I drew hay from road. Wilson called tonight.

Jul. 7, 1895 - JohnW Howard Diary 1889 - 1899.wps entry.

Jul. 8, 1895 - Marvin mowed piece by graveyard. Helped Rooney p.m. Warren & I raked & cocked it. Warren went to Preble & Skaneateles.

Jul. 9, 1895 - I started for Falls about 5 this morning. Put wire on fence for Laura. Worked til dark.

Jul. 10, 1895 - Started for home about 6:30. Arrived a little after ten. Sore eyes. Went to Vesper tonight had Claude shod, got wheel.

Jul. 11, 1895 - Marvin mowed 3 acres on knoll a.m. Broke bar. Warren raked piece next Rooney's & we drew it. Em raked other & we cocked it.

Jul. 12, 1895 - Marvin finished mowing flat above road. Commenced yesterday p.m. Raked & hauled 7 loads p.m. John L. helped cock it. Two loads out.

Jul. 13, 1895 - Rained most all night. Put up wire along cabbage. Salted them. Got heifers home from Wm's. Opened & drew rest of half on flat.

Jul. 14, 1895 - No entry.

Jul. 15, 1895 - Drew hay from west lot a.m. Mowed orchard & piece below basement p.m. Raked & cocked it tonight.

Jul. 16, 1895 - Lowery a.m. Marvin drew lumber to top of gulf. Drew in hay p.m. 2 loads. Rained tonight. Raked scatterings.

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Jul. 17, 1895 - Went after Mary Rice this morning. Boys mowed on Columbia's. I helped John Lloyd cock hay toward night.

Jul. 18, 1895 - Boys drew hay on Columbia's. I helped Cord draw hay a.m. Helped at Johnny's p.m. Boys helped at Manchester's p.m.

Jul. 19, 1895 - Marvin worked at Manchester's. Warren at Wm's. I didn't do much. Shot 2 woodchucks tonight.

Jul. 20, 1895 - Marvin sick. Warren worked at Wm's. I worked for Frank Pelton. Rained a little toward night. I took Mary Rice home tonight.

Jul. 21, 1895 - Very warm. Rained some toward night.

Jul. 22, 1895 - Marvin & I mowed by hand on Columbia's a.m. Marvin mowed & raked pieces by gulf & I helped him draw them.

Jul. 23, 1895 - Unloaded hay. Cultivated cabbage. Went down & drew hay on Columbia's. Went to Apulia p.m. with lumber. Marvin finished cultivating cabbage & sweet corn.

Jul. 24 thru 26, 1895 - Rained. Marvin & I went down & got jag lumber. Commenced reaping in the morning.

Jul. 28, 1895 - Arlie went to Vesper to church with Charlie.

Jul. 29, 1895 - Marvin finished reaping oats. I took load lumber to Apulia a.m. Got some from mill tonight. Em & Arlie went to Falls.

Jul. 30, 1895 - Marvin sick. Rained a.m. I went to Apulia p.m. Warren went after Alice tonight.

Jul. 31, 1895 - Cold north wind. I went to Homer & Cortland. Returned oil barrels. Paid bank note.

Aug. 1, 1895 - Lowery. Warren helped saw school wood. He took Alice to Wm's. p.m. Brought Arlie home.

Aug. 2, 1895 - Worked at school wood a.m. Worked at oats p.m. Mowed around the other piece.

Aug. 3, 1895 - Threatened rain. Drew draft's for school wood. Warren cut his hand. Henry & Strong helped get a few oats. Too wet. Henry reaped a few. Warren & I sawed wood. Rainy tonight.

Aug. 4, 1895 - Elizabeth & I started for the Falls a little before seven. Very warm. Em came back with me. Arrived about 10:30.

Aug. 5, 1895 - Warren finished reaping oats a.m. I raked a few on other piece & turned some. Warren raked them p.m. Eddie Lloyd helped split school wood & drew one.

Aug. 6 thru 9, 1895 - No entries.

Aug. 10, 1895 - Eddie helped a.m. Took Eddie Strong home after dinner. Wm. Strong helped finish ours. all went down to William's after supper. Worked til dark.

Aug. 11, 1895 - No entry.

Aug. 12, 1895 - Warren & I got load of lumber from mill. Went blackberrying on Columbia's. Got about 20 quarts.

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Aug. 13, 1895 - Warren went to Apulia with lumber. Em, Arlie & I went to hear Powderly. Staid in evening.

Aug. 14, 1895 - Commenced mowing peas & oats. Warren put in school wood & went to Falls p.m. I helped Cord draw oats.

Aug. 15, 1895 - Lowery a.m. Jim & I went berrying & down to lake p.m. Claude fell & broke thill. (*either of two long shafts between which an animal is fastened when pulling a wagon*) Hired Miss Lind.

Aug. 16, 1895 - Jim & Ida went this morning, picked peas. Mowed peas & oats p.m. Quite warm.

Aug. 17, 1895 - Charlie Vandenberg helped finish mowing peas & oats. Rainy tonight.

Aug. 18, 1895 - John walked to Vesper. Gorge brought him back.

Aug. 19, 1895 - Picked Clapp's pears. Raked peas & oats. Shot 2 woodchucks toward night. Quite windy.

Aug. 20, 1895 - John L. & Charlie V. helped draw peas & oats. Raked scatterings & finished up tonight. John's folks went to Spafford..

Aug. 21 thru 23, 1895 - No entries.

Aug. 24, 1895 - John King called. I took mother to Tully. Rained a little before we got home, hard afterward. Went to Vesper & got shoe set tonight.

Aug. 25, 1895 - Had one of Wm's. horses harness & wagon. Em & Arlie & I went to John Kings. Staid to dinner & took John & wife to Pompey.

Aug. 26, 1895 - Staid til 4 p.m. Stopped to Columbia's to supper. Took wagon home tonight.

Aug. 27, 1895 - Worked at fence awhile this morning.

Aug. 28, 1895 - Picked pears a.m. Went to Tully & got harness p.m. Em got ready to go to Falls. Rained.

Aug. 29, 1895 - Em & Arlie started about 6:30 a.m. Mrs. Frank Smith & Alick came after pears, plums & cucumbers. Got fence up & turned called in p.m. Shot 2 wood chucks.

Aug. 30, 1895 - Finished fence south of house. Pulled chorlock (?) in potatoes p.m.

Sep. 1, 1895 - Em & Arlie came about 10 this evening.

Sep. 2, 1895 - Went to Tully a.m. Took pickles to Frank Smith & peas to D. Rogers. Threshed at Manchester's p.m.

Sep. 3, 1895 - Arlie & I went to J. McDonald's. Got apples on Columbia's Mowed millet & dug potatoes p.m. Charlie called with Joe Smith's wife.

Sep. 4, 1895 - Very warm. Raked millet tonight. Em & Helen went to see Mr. Bryers.

Sep. 5, 1895 - Rained. Cocked up part of millet. Boys killed sheep.

Sep. 6, 1895 - Threshed at Cord's & Strong's. Took til dark.

Sep. 7, 1895 - Went to Wm's., Rooney's, Al Smiths & C. Henry. Cut buckwheat.

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Sept. 8, 1895 - Warren & Charlie Adsit came last night. Went back tonight.

Sept. 9, 1895 - Took calves to Tully.

Sept. 10, 1895 - Wm. cut buckwheat p.m. Very hot. I cradled some.

Sept. 11, 1895 - Finished cutting buckwheat. Very hot.

Sept. 12, 1895 - No entry.

Sept. 13, 1895 - Drew scatterings & peas. Picked 10 bushel Pound Sweets.

Sept. 14, 1895 - Went to Vesper a.m. Started to draw buckwheat.

NO MORE ENTRIES FOR SEPTEMBER 1895

NO ENTRIES OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 1895

Jan. 1 thru 3, 1896 - No entries.

Jan. 4, 1896 - Quite stormy & blustery. North wind. Warren & I drew 3 loads top wood from Bedford gulf.

Jan. 5, 1896 - Quite cold. Grew cold fast toward night.

Jan. 6, 1896 - Coldest morning of the season. 22 to 36 below. Warren commenced school again.

Sept. 7, 8, 1896 - No entries.

Jan. 9, 1896 - Helped wash. Cleaned up buckwheat for Cord & Vandenberg. Snowed fast from south.

Jan. 10, 1896 - Chored around a.m. Went to Preble p.m. Helen visited here. Very nice day.

Jan. 11, 1896 - Warren went down & got grist. Hauled one load top wood a.m. & cut some at house. Drew two loads of drafts p.m. Very nice day.

Jan. 12, 1896 - South wind a.m. Changed tonight & snowing.

Jan. 13, 1896 - Wm. Lloyd & I went to Cortland. Snowed fast a.m. Got bbl. oil.

Jan. 14, 1896 - Quite blustery from north.

Jan. 15, 1896 - Cold & squally. Went up to mark trees for Gene Walters p.m. John Rogers & daughter called.

Jan. 16, 1896 - Cold south wind. Nice day. I sawed wood, tinkered around barn. Husked some & cut hole through barn floor this evening.

Jan. 17, 1896 - Pleasant. Went to DeForest Rice's tonight to donation.

Jan. 18, 1896 - Pleasant and thawed some. Warren & I sawed wood and cleaned up oats. He took the rest of Earl's over p.m. Charlie & Pearl here. Wm. called.

Jan. 19, 1896 - Snowed & thawed some. All staid at home.

Jan. 20, 1896 - Quite good day. South wind. I hauled manure from basement. Husked tonight.

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Jan. 21, 22, 1896 - No entries.

Jan. 23, 1896 - Hauled load of oak to Apulia.

NO MORE ENTRIES FOR REMAINDER OF JANUARY 1896

Feb. 1, 1896 - Rainy most all day. Reeled pipe back on old reel. Warren hauled manure toward night.

Feb. 2, 1896 - Old Bears Day. Quite pleasant p.m. Charlie called.

Feb. 3, 1896 - Cold south wind. Hauled two loads of oak from Hollow a.m. Snowed hard p.m. Husked.

Feb. 4 thru 6, 1896 - No entries.

Feb. 7, 1896 - Very stormy & blustery. Last day of school. I husked & chored around. Warren didn't come home.

Feb. 8, 1896 - Quite pleasant. Hauled manure from basement on hill. Warren came afternoon. He helped.

NO MORE ENTRIES FROM FEBRUARY 1896

NO ENTRIES FOR MARCH 1896

Apr. 1 thru 5, 1896 - No entries.

Apr. 6, 1896 - Carried Warren to Tully. Sold cabbage. Got them into the barn p.m. Em trimmed some. Snow tonight.

Apr. 7, 1896 - Ed Strong helped me weigh some hay for Mrs. Lloyd. 11:00 bad going. John L. helped trim cabbage.

Apr. 8, 9, 1896 - No entries.

Apr. 10, 1896 - Will commenced work this morning.

Apr. 11, 1896 - No entry.

Apr. 12, 1896 - Very pleasant.

Apr. 13, 1896 - Took Warren to Tully. Some snow in road. Claude quit lame. Very warm. Will fixed fence. Cut scions p.m. Gathered sap toward night and commenced boiling.

Apr. 14, 1896 - Boiled all night. Finished just daylight. Cleared out wood house.

Apr. 15, 1896 - Will went down & got grist a.m. and hauled manure. I hung door in end of wood house. Gathered sap buckets. Em & I went to Preble tonight. Paid Fred Strong's note.

Apr. 16, 1896 - Will commenced plowing oat stubble. Very warm. Sawed wood after dinner. Started to go after Warren tonight and met him. Celinda buried today.

Apr. 17, 1896 - Will plowed. I helped shovel out Bedford Rd. a.m.

Apr. 18, 1896 - Will plowed. Warren and I cleaned up oats & he took them to Wm's. Will plowed garden and we set gooseberry & current bushes & planted peas, radishes & lettuce. Washed buggy.

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Apr. 19, 1896 - Warren got the mumps.

Apr. 20, 1896 - Took 20 bushel oats to Dr. Leonard. Called on Stillwell. Will plowed.

Apr. 21, 1896 - Will plowed.

Apr. 22, 1896 - Will finished plowing piece & commenced on corn stubble by cross road.

Apr. 23, 1896 - Will finished plowing piece & commenced dragging. I put up grist & went to mill. Brought back three bags.

Apr. 24, 1896 - Went to Tully & got seven bags phosphate. Went to Dix Hobart's before breakfast to see about drill. Drove up to see Smith boys. Went down to Amasa's & got drill tonight.

Apr. 25, 1896 - Went to Dix's & got seeder. Couldn't use it, chain gone. Will drilled oats. Threatened rain.

Apr. 26, 1896 - Pleasant. Went with Arlie after leeks & flowers.

Apr. 27, 1896 - Took Warren to Tully. Will plowed a strip & dragged it p.m. Drilled peas & oats. Took drill home tonight. Horses ran away with it. Looks like rain.

Apr. 28, 1896 - Will & I went down to see drill this morning. Drew fence from line next to Strong's.

Apr. 29, 30, 1896 - No entries.

May 1, 1896 - Will finished plowing piece by school house a.m. Rolled oats & peas. I drove over to Dix Hobart's. Warren came.

May 2, 1896 - Will dragged piece by schoolhouse & his father sowed it. I went up to Walter's p.m.

May 3, 1896 - Very pleasant. Nice shower toward night.

May 4, 1896 - Drove Gray to Tully & Warren drove Maude.

May 5 thru 7, 1896 - No entries.

May 8, 1896 - Rained a little this morning. Cleaned up some oats. Will finished plowing and dragged it & we marked it one way.

May 9, 1896 - Warren came early this morning. Got potatoes all planted.

May 10, 1896 - Pleasant and quit warm. Charlie called.

May 11, 1896 - Warren drove Maude to Tully. I took marker home & Rooney's plow. Sharpened posts and staked at wood pile.

May 12 thru 14, 1896 - No entries.

May 15, 1896 - Finished planting corn today.

May 16, 1896 - Hoed potatoes some in garden. Didn't feel like doing much.

May 17, 1896 - Dr. Leonard came today. Very pleasant.

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May 18, 1896 - Harrowed piece for sweet corn a.m. Drew 3 loads stone from it p.m. & used Acine harrow on it some. Very lumpy.

May 19 thru 23, 1896 - No entries.

May 24, 1896 - Dr. Leonard came.

May 25, 1896 - Harrowed piece below road for sweet corn and hauled off 3 loads stone.

May 26, 1896 - Plowed garden and piece below horse barn. Commenced down west.

May 27, 1896 - Hauled two loads manure down west and plowed about 3/4 of it. Rained toward night. Cut down grapevines. Wm. Called.

NO FURTHER ENTRIES FOR MAY 1896

Jun. 1, 1896 - Strong took calf to Tully for me, 160# for 3 1/2 cents. I made yard and turned calves out.

Jun. 2 thru 4, 1896 - No entries.

Jun. 5, 1896 - Finished planting sweet corn. Very warm.

Jun. 6, 1896 - Helped Warren cultivate potatoes in garden. Dragged cabbage ground. Drew off stone & sowed & dragged peas & oats. Rained a little at noon.

Jun. 7, 1896 - Very nice day./

Jun. 8, 1896 - Sowed & dragged millet. Picked stone & rolled peas & oats, sweet corn & millet. Very hot. Took grist to mill & brought one up. Rained tonight.

Jun. 9, 1896 - Rained this morning a little. Em took Warren to Tully. Charlie came at noon., staid til night. Took up oil cloth. Rained some. Pulled clocks. (*the downy head of a dandelion that has gone to seed*). Had tooth pulled.

Jun. 10, 1896 - Rained hard this morning. Dug open ditch between barley & millet. Pulled weeds in strawberries p.m. Strong north wind.

Jun. 11, 1896 - Didn't do much today. Cold north wind.

Jun. 12 thru 17, 1896 - No entries.

Jun. 18, 1896 - Em & Tom came about 2 p.m. I mowed rest of daisies. Cultivated potatoes in garden p.m.

Jun. 19, 1896 - Finished plowing cabbage ground & dragged & marked it a.m. Hotchkiss called. Raked & drew jag of hay p.m. Commenced dropping phosphate.

Jun. 20, 1896 - Tom put phosphate on cabbage ground. I picked strawberries. Raked & drew rest of hay toward night. Drew brush from side of road.

Jun. 21, 1896 - Rained some.

Jun. 22, 1896 - Set cabbage plants a.m.

Jun. 23 thru 25, 1896 - No entries.

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Jun. 26, 1896 - Graduating exercises at Tully tonight.

Jun. 27, 1896 - Looked most all a.m. for cattle. Found them at Gene Walter's. Sam Clark brought Warren tonight.

Jun. 28, 1896 - Sam & Warren went to church. Rained p.m. Warren went to Tully tonight.

Jun. 29, 1896 - Alice Hosford came home with Warren. Set a few cabbage this morning. Worked on road.

Jun. 30, 1896 - No entry.

Jul. 1, 1896 - No entry.

Jul. 2, 1896 - Drew in hay from lot by graveyard a.m. Very hot. Went to Tully & got cultivator p.m. Tom raked scatterings.

Jul. 3, 1896 - Tom & I cultivated sweet corn a.m. Very warm. Rained some p.m. Set cabbage plants tonight.

Jul. 4, 1896 - Finished setting cabbage plants this morning. Tom went home. Warren went to 4th p.m. I rolled millet & buckwheat. Rained some. Set a few plants.

Jul. 5, 1896 - Quite pleasant.

Jul. 6, 1896 - Em & Warren went to see Mrs. Wood. Quite warm. Rained toward night.

Jul. 7, 1896 - Warren mowed points by gulf this morning. Put pole in rake. Dragged bean ground p.m. Tom & I placed stones in gulf.

Jul. 8, 9, 1896 - No entries.

Jul. 10, 1896 - Cultivated corn & potatoes.

Jul. 11, 12, 1896 - No entries.

Jul. 13, 1896 - Warren commenced mowing next to Rooney's. Mowed til it rained. Went to woods. Cut another tree.

Jul. 14, 1896 - Worked on road a.m. Warren finished peeling hemlock. Finished mowing piece p.m.

Jul. 15, 1896 - Mowed road. Rained a little.

Jul. 16, 1896 - No entry.

Jul. 17, 1896 - Warren mowed clover and orchard a.m. I raked piece down west. Drew it all but one load p.m. Warren & Tom went to Tully.

Jul. 18, 1896 - Finished drawing what was out except a few rakings.

Jul. 19, 1896 - Threatened rain. Charlie & the Brooks called.

Jul. 20, 1896 - Rained most all day. Warren went to Tully with calf. 150 # for \$5.00. Worked at rake teeth.

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Jul. 21, 1896 - Went to Preble a.m. Sowed turnip seed this morning. Warren mowed calf yard & piece below basement p.m. Picnic.

NO MORE ENTRIES FOR JULY 1896

Aug. 1, 1896 - Rooney helped draw oats. Got all of west piece a.m. Two loads from the other. Strong's drew two loads.

Aug. 2, 1896 - Rained last night.

Aug. 3, 1896 - Went to Homer with wool a.m. Warren & Rooney opened oats and unloaded wagon. Finished drawing.

Aug. 4, 1896 - Rooney helped put load on stack this morning and helped put rakings on tonight. School meeting

Aug. 5, 1896 - Warren cut barley a.m. Helped John Lloyd p.m.

Aug. 6, 1896 - No entry.

Aug. 7, 1896 - Hauled barley p.m. Got done just before it rained. Ed Strong helped a little. Cut peas & oats a.m.

Aug. 8, 1896 - Wet one. Stopped woodchuck holes. Warren & Arlie went to Pompey p.m.

Aug. 9, 1896 - Threatened rain this morning. Very warm.

Aug. 10, 1896 - Warren cut Strong's oats. I unloaded wagon. Helped Em wash.

Aug. 11, 1896 - Warren finished cutting Strong's oats. Finished mowing peas & oats. Opened & drew in what was out. Warren went to Tully p.m. I pulled weeds in cabbage.

Aug. 12, 1896 - Em & I went to see Mrs. Wood. Very hot. Warren helped Strong's p.m.

Aug. 13, 1896 - Raked & cocked peas & oats. Charlie here to tea.

Aug. 14 thru 16, 1896 - No entries.

Aug. 17, 1896 - Put lining under barn floor.

Aug. 18, 1896 - Hauled wood & got ready for threshers.

Aug. 19, 1896 - Helped Strong thresh a.m. Threshed here p.m. Finished about 5 o'clock.

Aug. 20, 1896 - Helped Marvin thresh and commenced at Rooney's.

Aug. 21, 1896 - No entry.

Aug. 22, 1896 - Finished Rooney's & threshed Downing's. Drew in peas & oats after I got home. Warren went to Preble.

Aug. 23, 1896 - Threatened rain all day.

Aug. 24, 1896 - Chored around. Cut out briars a.m. Set Raspberry & Strawberry plants p.m.

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Aug. 25, 1896 - Watered plants this morning. Fixed corn house & cleaned up bag of buckwheat. Filled woodchuck holes & commenced on fence next to Rooney.

Aug. 26 thru 28, 1896 - No entries.

Aug. 29, 1896 - Put up hen roosts.

NO MORE ENTRIES FOR AUGUST 1896

Sep. 1, 1896 - Cold north wind. Chored around. Mowed weeds. Put away Acme harrow. Fixed ground for turnip seed. Picked peas. Cut sweet corn. Willie called to buy hay.

Sep. 2, 1896 - Went to Tully p.m. Took old iron and got wire & glass.

Sep. 3 thru 15, 1896 - No entries.

Sep. 16, 1896 - Commenced cutting corn again. Caleb Kings wife came with Mr. & Mrs. Earnshaw. Cromwell came tonight.

Sep. 17, 1896 - Visited with Cromwell. Rained a little.

Sep. 18, 1896 - Cromwell helped cut corn. Cut 5 rows. Helen here and got load of sweet corn tonight.

NO MORE ENTRIES FOR SEPTEMBER 1896

Oct. 1, 1896 - Took Cromwell to depot this morning. Rained before I got home. Chored around and picked up. Mrs. Landon & Helen came. Cold north wind.

Oct. 2, 1896 - John L. & Charlie helped put pipe in garret. Moved stones after dinner. I fixed windows. Landon here. I turned over buckwheat p.m.

Oct. 3 thru 18, 1896 - No entries.

Oct. 19, 1896 - Helped Wm. thresh a.m. Helped Marvin thresh buckwheat p.m.

Oct. 20 thru 25, 1896 - No entries.

Oct. 26, 1896 - Dug potatoes. Em went to State Road with Wm's. folks. Very pleasant. Jim & Lib came.

Oct. 27, 1896 - Drew hay to Preble. Jim took a load. Em came home tonight.

Oct. 28, 1896 - Commenced fixing roof. Worked til dark. Looks like rain.

Oct. 29, 1896 - Finished roof. I went to Tully & got roofing.

Oct. 30, 1896 - James & De Ette went home. Lib staid. Griswold and I drew in corn a.m. Rained a little. Griswold fixed edge of roof p.m. I sorted apples, helped wash and chored around.

Oct. 31, 1896 - No entry.

Nov. 1 thru 15, 1896 - No entries.

Nov. 16, 1896 - Carried Warren to Tully and came by Vesper & got wagon wheel.

Nov. 17, 1896 - No entry.

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Nov. 18, 1896 - Went up to Gene Walters & got buckwheat the morning. Drew 3 loads cabbage p.m. Husked some.

NO MORE ENTRIES FOR NOVEMBER 1896

NO ENTRIES FOR DECEMBER 1896

NO ENTRIES FOR 1897

NO ENTRIES FOR JANUARY THRU AUGUST 26, 1898

Aug. 27, 1898 - Warren started for Herkimer & De Ette for Falls this morning. I didn't do much a.m. Went to Tully with pears p.m. Charlie thinned turnips. Tied up buckwheat.

Aug. 28, 1898 - Very pleasant. Cold nights.

Aug. 29, 1898 - William brought Clyde & wagon home this morning. I felt quit poorly. Masons came at noon. Plastered two front bedrooms. Rained hard. Charlie helped thresh at Manchester's. Sullivan Carr buried today.

Aug. 30, 1896 - Plastered 4 closets & nearly finished three rooms. Charlie threshed for Marvin a.m. Went after Columbia this evening. Mr. Wheeler there.

Aug. 31, 1898 - Plastered De Ettes & Warren's rooms & bathroom a.m. Plastered hall upstairs & fixed windows p.m. I didn't do much p.m. Lathed a little in hall tonight.

Sep. 1, 1898 - Finished two windows & put 2nd coat on hall upstairs a.m. Mr. Ebert & family came. Plastered parlor and little in hall & commenced on front door top. Warmest day of the season.

Sep. 2, 1898 - Finished parlor and first coat on hall and finished over door and windows. Charlie plowed on wheat ground. Thunder showers around us.

Sep. 3, 1898 - Finished mason work this morning and I took them to depot after dinner. Very hot.

Sep. 4, 1898 - Went down to Butler's with Columbia. Carried her home tonight. Arlie went. Hard thunder shower this p.m.

Sep. 5, 1898 - Fixed wire fence next to Strong's this morning and then drove up and fixed next to Al Smith's. Put on another wire. Got back about 2 p.m. Charlie plowed on wheat ground. I helped wash, cut & husked bushel corn for pigs. Commenced putting strip of felt roofing on barn. Rained some. Warner Mile buried today.

Sep. 6, 1896 - Charlie finished plowing a.m. I painted some. Hauled manure p.m. I picked pears. Rained quite hard toward night. John L. called. Will Lawson called.

Sep. 7, 1898 - Went down to Wm's. after plums. Rained before I got there. Rained all a.m. Phelps got lambs. Charlie hauled manure from basement p.m. I painted De Ette's room. Colder.

Sep. 8, 1898 - Charlie hauled manure. I painted. Went to Tully tonight. Borrowed Strong's mill & cleaned up bag of wheat & sent by Gambell.

Sep. 9, 1898 - Charlie finished hauling manure and dragged piece over once. I painted De Ettes room & clothes presses. Cleaned off lime & helped put down carpet in mothers room. Charlie Barber called.

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Sep. 10, 1898 - Went to Skaneateles after seed wheat. Got it at Geo. McLaughlin's. Broke wagon. Called on Wm. McLaughlin at the shop. Got him a little before 9.

Sep. 11, 1898 - Quite cold. Set up stove in dining room.

Sep. 12, 1898 - Moved wire fence from west side of clover to south side. Put another wire next to Strong's. Charlie & Mary Barber called.

Sep. 13, 1898 - Worked at fence. Nearly finished it. Charlie picked ducks. Very pleasant.

Sep. 14, 1898 - Charlie dragged wheat ground a.m. Picked stones and dragged it again. Nellie Smith worked here. Carried her home tonight.

Sep. 15, 1898 - Butler helped fix wagon wheels. Cut corn. I went after drill and dragged wheat ground. Fanning cut corn with machine p.m. Charlie helped him a.m. I rolled wheat ground. Picked up load of ears of corn.

Sep. 16, 1898 - Butler finished corn on hill. Charlie & I drilled wheat. Butler & Charlie cut corn below road p.m. I sowed rest of wheat & phosphate broad cast. Rained a little.

Sep. 17, 1898 - Butler & Charlie put wire on wall below school house this morning. I went after Nellie Smith. Went in woods to look for oak trees. Finished picking pears p.m. Butler & Charlie finished cutting corn. I put windows in. Carried Nellie home.

Sep. 18, 1898 - Rained last night and again tonight. Em & I started out with Maude but rain drove us back.

Sep. 19, 1898 - Cut oak for newel posts & took them to mill. Charlie husked p.m. I worked at sluice. Helen & Mary Rice called. Ed Barber & Fred called. Worked on road up Bedford hill. Took drill home tonight. Quite cold.

Sep. 21, 1898 - Went to Homer with pears p.m. Got back about 8 o'clock.

Sep. 22, 1898 - Cut buckwheat a.m. Broke reaper. Went to Tully after oak lumber p.m. Got back about 7. Rained. Found Charlie & sisters here.

Sep. 23, 1898 - Visited with Charlie's folks this morning. They went away about 10 o'clock. Worked some at sluiceway. Rained hard toward night. Charlie picked sweet apples & crab apples and thinned turnips. I took Nellie home tonight.

Sep. 24, 1898 - Quite cold & damp. Sarah here p.m. Wm. staid to supper.

Sep. 25, 1898 - Quite pleasant.

Sep. 26, 1898 - Took calf to Tully this morning. Cut around buckwheat on hill p.m. & went up to Walter's. Went to mill & got oak sticks. Rained tonight. Drew load of corn. Em & Charlie washed.

Sep. 27, 1898 - Drove up to Walter's this morning & then went down to Helen's after mother & her things. Cradled (*to reap grain with a cradle*) buckwheat on hill p.m. Quite cold wind.

Sep. 28, 1898 - Cradled buckwheat & finished it. Quite warm.

Sep. 29, 1898 - Fixed fence a.m. Painted windows p.m.

Sep. 30, 1898 - Helped Strong thresh. Painted after we finished there.

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- Oct. 1, 1898 - Set up buckwheat on hill. Worked til dark. Found Jim's folks here when we got home.
- Oct. 2, 1898 - C. Landon came up from Wm's. this morning. Jim's folks & Em & Columbia went over to Vesper tonight. Ed Strong & Charlie went to the Falls.
- Oct. 3, 1898 - Jim's folks & Columbia went this morning. Charlie drew load of sweet corn & drew all the corn from the hill. Picked up old lumber & set it in stack. Put up conductors for eaves tonight. Very warm.
- Oct. 4, 1898 - Charlie cut part of sweet corn. I wheeled old lumber. Put vinegar barrel in P.O. Went to mill & got planks & put them on bridge. Charlie buried sheep. Rained a little. I husked 4 crates corn.
- Oct. 5, 1898 - Rained most all day. Charlie husked. I filled cherry upstairs. Charlie here. Weaned pigs.
- Oct. 6, 1898 - Cold north wind. Charlie finished cutting sweet corn. I sorted corn. Helped finish cherry & painted windows upstairs. Churned p.m. Charlie plowed corn stubble for rye.
- Oct. 7, 1898 - Painted window sash in south bedrooms this morning. Adella & Mathew's folks came. I put down carpet. Charlie bound & set up sweet corn. Treacherous rain tonight.
- Oct. 8, 1898 - Lowery this a.m. Charlie husked & fixed fence next to Marvin's. Company went after dinner. Went & took Pierce's cradle home & got bushel of rye of Frank Pelton and sowed it.
- Oct. 9, 1898 - Quite cold north wind but pleasant.
- Oct. 10, 1898 - Dug about 24 bushel of potatoes. Rotting considerably. Drew load of sweet corn.
- Oct. 11, 1898 - Dug about 36 bushel potatoes. Em went to Vesper & got Claude shod. Drew load of corn tonight. Very strong south wind, rainy.
- Oct. 12, 1898 - Lowery a.m. Dug potatoes. C. & B. called this evening.
- Oct. 13, 1898 - Finished digging potatoes. Made another bin in cellar. Went on hill p.m. & set buckwheat. Drew load below road tonight.
- Oct. 14, 1898 - Rainy & lowery all day. Em & I scraped wainscoting. Charlie husked. Geo. & Helen called p.m.
- Oct. 15, 1898 - Rained all day. North wind & quite cold. Sorted potatoes & got them together. Fixed corn house door.
- Oct. 16, 1898 - Snowed a little this morning. Cleared off toward night.
- Oct. 17, 1898 - Went to Tully this morning. Took butter to Scammel. Took clock to be fixed. Found the Esten's here when I got back tonight & staid to supper. Charlie quit.
- Oct. 18, 1898 - Took the Esten's to Tully this morning. Came back by Vesper. Cold south wind. Drew in corn & sweet corn p.m. Got Strong's fanning mill. Got oak lumber into barn. Husked some.
- Oct. 19, 1898 - Rainy a.m. Cleaned up 4 bags wheat. Sent one by Gambell. Sarah L. visited here. Turned buck out. C. E. B. called toward night. Finished sluice way. Husked.
- Oct. 20, 1898 - Went to Homer. Took lumber for stairs. Took 3 bags wheat & got 5 sacks flour. Got home just before 7.

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Oct. 21, 1898 - Helped Erv Northrup thresh. Rained p.m. Wind blew very hard.

Oct. 22, 1898 - Lowery all day. Husked corn. Got part of mortar down cellar. Drove down to J. Lloyd's & got separator. Helen came & staid to tea.

Oct. 23, 1898 - Arlie went down to Wm's. to go to church but they didn't go.

Oct. 24, 1898 - Helped Wm. thresh. Came home in time to set up buckwheat. Em & De Ette pulled & trimmed beets.

Oct. 25, 1898 - Went to Tully after Curt this morning. Met him. Went to Preble p.m. Got Clyde shod. Got ready to draw buckwheat.

Oct. 26, 1898 - Rained a little this morning. Went over as far as schoolhouse after Curt. Butler came up to draw buckwheat. Sent him home. Rained quit hard most of the day.

Oct. 27, 1898 - Very cold north wind. Got part of beets into horse barn a.m. & covered the rest with leaves. Took Curt home p.m. The women folks got rest of beets in.

Oct. 28, 1898 - Sandpapered doors & painted them & the clock. Mrs. Strong called p.m. Em & Arlie went to Geo. Smith's and around by Long's tonight. I went up and looked at buckwheat. John L's. horse ran away and broke her neck.

Oct. 29, 1898 - Went up & turned over buckwheat this morning. Marvin came up worked on road awhile. Wm. & Butler helped draw buckwheat p.m.

Oct. 30, 1898 - Went down to see John L. Wm. went after Dwinelle.

Oct. 31, 1898 - Went to Tully after Curt. Rained some. Sold pork. Came home & got kettle & Strong and Marvin butchered. Curt went to Tully after paper.

Nov. 1, 1898 - Took port to Tully this morning. Drew load of sweet corn p.m. Didn't feel very well. Helen called.

Nov. 2, 1898 - Looked like rain this morning. Went down to help Wm. but he sent me home. Curt helped me draw load of corn & I took him home. Cleared off. Em & I went Shawville tonight.

Nov. 3, 1898 - Unloaded corn. Ground sausage meat a.m. Got beets in cellar p.m.

Nov. 4, 1898 - Fixed barn roof a.m. Em went down to John Lloyd's. Got mortar down cellar p.m. Put in cellar windows. Husked what was on barn floor evening. Warren came.

Nov. 5, 1898 - Warren helped clear barn floor & drew stalks corn & sweet corn. Commenced shingling shop.

Nov. 6, 1898 - Stormed some. Eddie Lloyd called p.m.

Nov. 7, 1898 - Warren & I made turnip bin. Butler pulled turnips p.m. Warren went after colt tonight. Snowy this morning.

Nov. 8, 1898 - Fixed horse stables. Fixed barn door track. Cut off lamb's tails. Moved stove & cupboard into dining room. Took Warren to Tully tonight. Back by Vesper.

Nov. 9, 1898 - Topped turnips a.m. Em helped some. Bruce & Jennie came just before noon. Rained all the afternoon.

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Nov. 10, 1898 - Rained nearly all day. Bruce & Jennie started for Cortland about 3 o'clock. I churned.

Nov. 11, 1898 - North wind & snowing. Grew colder. Freezing fast tonight. Got in turnips & covered up some. Put glass in windows. Cleaned pig pen. Put plank on bridge. Husked a little. Child's called about flax seed.

Nov. 12, 1898 - Quit pleasant & thawed some. Took kettle home this morning. Hauled on load manure & loaded another. Shingled a little on shop. Topped turnips. Went with Em to Will French's to trade drakes.

Nov. 13, 1898 - Quite mild. Em & De Ette went to John L.

Nov. 14, 1898 - Squally all day. Butler helped top turnips.

Nov. 15, 1898 - Finished turnips by basement & topped nearly all the piece across the road & got them in.

Nov. 16, 1898 - Finished all the turnips below the road and got about 14 bushel from orchard. Went to Orrin Rice's this evening after a calf.

Nov. 17, 1898 - Went to Orrin Rice's early this morning after another calf. Threatened rain but cleared off and was a very nice day. Got 28 bushel turnips.

Nov. 18, 1898 - Em & I pulled turnips & drew them in barn. Strong south wind. John Lloyd had Maude to go after Mabel p.m. Took her home with him.

Nov. 19, 1898 - Rainy all day. Fixed hog pen & made calf pen. Topped a few turnips & cut some wood. John L. called p.m. for mail & got sack flour. Husked this evening.

Nov. 20, 1898 - Lowery & chilly.

Nov. 21, 1898 - Went up to Bert Smith's to see about fanning mill. Came back & cleaned flax seed and took it to Tully. John L. rode over with me to go to Uncle Lanes (?) funeral.

Nov. 22, 1898 - Pulled & trimmed 9 bushel turnips. Cold & south wind. Felt poorly. Got wagon in. Rained tonight.

Nov. 23, 1898 - Freezing. Got rest of heaps of turnips in. Let cows in. Em topped turnips in barn. I topped some. Finished cleaning up flax seed.

Nov. 24, 1898 - Thanksgiving. Em & I trimmed turnips in barn. E. Lloyd called. I got wood in & picked up lumber. Snowing tonight.

Nov. 25, 1898 - Finished trimming turnips. Cold north wind.

Nov. 26, 1898 - Finished cleaning up wheat & put it in barn. Snowed fast from south. John L. called p.m.

Nov. 27, 1898 - Cold north wind & blustery. Not much travel.

Nov. 28, 1898 - Milder. Husked corn some & got turnip tops down in basement. Will Lawson called.

Nov. 29, 1898 - Took Strong's fanning mill home. Went down & got load of sawdust. Put part of it around turnips. Put up some corn. Got my fanning mill in & put sieves (*used in fanning mill to sift out small particles from grain*) in. Husked a little. Commenced M.O. statement. Quite mild and thawed some.

Nov. 30, 1898 - Didn't do much today.

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Dec. 1, 1898 - Sawed up wood in woodhouse. Piled up chunks.

Dec. 2, 1898 - Put rest of turnip tops on bin. Soldered lantern & mi8lk pail. Trimmed doors upstairs. C. E. Barber called & staid to supper.

Dec. 3, 1898 - Drew jag of wood. Two loads manure from basement on wheat. Very nice day. John L. called p.m.

Dec. 4, 1898 - Quite pleasant a.m. Snowing tonight.

Dec. 5, 1898 - South wind this morning & snowing fast. Wind changed to west and was very blustery all day. I finished husking what was in way of bobs.

Dec. 6, 1898 - Drifted quite badly this morning. Strong had bobs to go to Tully. Bought clock. Quite pleasant.

Dec. 7, 1898 - Fine day. Didn't do much. C.E.B. called, also J. Lloyd.

Dec 8 , 9, 1898 - No entries.

Dec. 10, 1898 - Quite pleasant a.m. Blustering p.m. Drew load of wood. Nellie VanDenburg visited here p.m.

Dec. 11, 1898 - Rather quiet. Snowed a little.

Dec. 12, 1898 - Snowed from south a.m. North p.m. Got grist ready after dinner & Em & I went to Shawville. Got M.O. deposit ready to send this morning. Moved P.O. into house.

Dec. 13, 14, 1898 - No entries.

Dec. 15, 1898 - Rooney went to Homer. Got check cashed.

Dec. 16, 1898 - John L. had team to go to Tully. Very nice day.

Dec. 17, 1898 - Snowed fast from south a.m. Drew load of wood. Went to Tully after Warren tonight. C.E.B. called.

Dec. 18, 1898 - North wind. Not very cold. Warren & Arlie went to Homer p.m. to see Lawson. Drove Claude & Maude.

Dec. 19, 1898 - Very nice day. Cold this morning. Warren fixed sheep rack & chored around. Went down & got grist. Rained a little tonight.

Dec. 20, 1898 - Rainy & thawed all day. Warren worked at Arlies room. I helped a little. Felt quite poorly.

Dec. 21, 1898 - Still thawing. Worked at Arlies room. Plastered p.m. Wm. & Sarah called. Husked two bushel tonight.

Dec. 22, 23, 1898 - No entries.

Dec. 24, 1898 - Arlie went down to Wm's. and we worked at her room. Fixed bureau. Put up curtains. Put down carpet. Columbia came on stage. Went down to John L's. this evening. Not Dec. 27, 1898 - very good going.

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Dec. 25, 1898 - Quite pleasant. Warren went down to Butlers with Columbia.

Dec. 26, 1898 - Cold south wind but pleasant. Helped Warren fix pig pen. Cleared out shop & filed saw. Warren went down to Butler's. I finished husking what was on barn floor tonight.

Dec. 27, 1898 - Snowed from south this morning. Came from north p.m. I filed saws a.m. Warren worked at horse stables.

Dec. 28, 1898 - Cold blustery from north. Warren worked at barn. I split some wood. Moved mothers stove p.m.

Dec. 29, 1898 - Warren went to Homer. Took wheat & got flour and lumber for hall. Very nice day.

Dec. 30, 1898 - South wind & thawing fast a.m. Clark & Jim Pierce here to dinner. I went to Erv Northrup's. Paid school tax. Postponed Christmas twice at school house. Wind changed and rained hard tonight.

Dec. 31, 1898 - Cold north wind. Nearly finished painting Arlies room. Warren & Arlie went to Tully p.m. John Lloyd brought stove pipe home.

Jan. 1, 1899 - Cold all day.

Jan. 2, 1899 - Warren, John & I went to Tully with calves and down to see Newton Tully. Cold south wind.

Jan. 3, 4, 1899 - No entries.

Jan. 5, 1899 - Cold north wind. Em went up to Marvin's and staid all day. Went down & helped Wm's. folks fill their floor tonight.

Jan. 6, 1899 - Warren hauled manure from basement. Em & I filled windows in sitting room. Stormy disagreeable day.

Jan. 7, 1899 - Cold wind. Warren hauled top wood from hill. I painted his room.

Jan. 8, 1899 - Cold south wind. Wm., Warren & Arlie went in Hollow to church and around by Charlie's. Roads drifted.

Jan. 9, 1899 - Warren took corn to mill this morning & then went to Apulia with maple lumber. Em went to Tully with Wm. to get the chairs.

Jan. 10, 1899 - Below zero all day. Warren went to Homer with Clyde to see Klock. Went down to John L's. this evening to surprise him.

Jan. 11, 1899 - Very cold. Threshed and cleaned up bag buckwheat.

Jan. 12, 1899 - Em & Warren went to Cortland. De Ette washed. I sawed some wood. Didn't feel first rate.

Jan. 13, 1899 - Thawing today. John L. called. Warren drew up rest of maple lumber. Fixed stanchions & sawed some wood p.m. Rained toward night.

Jan. 14, 1899 - Rained hard a.m. I painted Warren's room. Sawed some p.m. Warren went down after grist. I walked to Vesper to see Charlie. He had company. Wind blew very hard & stormed some.

Jan. 15, 1899 - Wind north and nice day.

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Jan. 16, 1899 - Stormy. Helped Warren butcher bull. I walked to Tully and back a.m. Went down to mill p.m. & piled lumber that wind had scattered. Warren went to Preble & Tully with beef.

Jan. 17, 1899 - Em & Warren went to Falls. Had John L's. wagon. I went down to John's and helped them change. Cut some beef after I got home.

Jan. 18, 1899 - Cold north wind. Went to Norton's auction. Nearly done when I got there.

Jan. 19, 1899 - Very nice day, wind south. Picked up stuff some. Em & Warren came about 10 p.m.

Jan. 20, 1899 - Warren took John's wagon & Geo. Warford's whiffletrees home. Went to Tully p.m. Brought Mabel.

Jan. 21, 1899 - Warren helped finish sawing maple log and the apple tree logs. Went on side hill p.m. & cut hemlock wood.

Jan. 22, 1899 - Cool north wind. Warren & I took a walk to the woods.

Jan. 23, 1899 - I finished trimming hemlock on side hill and piled brush a.m. Warren helped John L. fix his dam p.m. I husked some.

Jan. 24, 1899 - Snowed some south a.m. Manzie Stebbin's baby buried. Warren went to Tully tonight & took Mabel. Wind changed to north & snowing fast.

Jan. 25, 1899 - Quite cold north wind. Warren went to wood bee for Stebbin's p.m.

Jan. 26, 1899 - South wind. Warren went to Homer this morning. Took bag of wheat to Little York. Started for New York tonight. Wind changed to north & some snow & blowing.

Jan. 27, 1898 - Cold & blustery from north all day. Did chores & sawed some wood in wood house. Very nice tonight but cold.

Jan. 28, 1899 - Cold.

Jan. 29, 1899 - Very cold.

Jan. 30, 1899 - School closed with exhibition. I threshed some buckwheat. Warren came tonight.

Jan. 31, 1899 - Warren helped Wm. saw ice p.m. He & I cut down maple below road & apple tree a.m.

Feb. 1, 1899 - Warren helped Wm. draw ice. I fixed water trough. Helped wash. Set up stove down cellar.

Feb. 2, 1899 - Warren & I cut three hemlocks a.m. Got one log & took it to Bryan's p.m. Very nice day.

Feb. 3, 1899 - Went in woods & cut two more hemlocks & cut one next the one we took yesterday & Warren took it to Bryan's after dinner. Snowed & rained most of the time. Mrs. Stebbin's funeral p.m.

Feb. 4 thru 6, 1899 - No entries.

Feb. 7, 1899 - Warren & I went to see Mrs. Wood. Very nice day & very nice sleighing. Got home 3:40.

Feb. 8, 1899 - Snowed some. Warren hauled some pole wood & drafts for Mrs. Lloyd. Two loads hay.

Feb. 9 thru 11, 1899 - No entries.

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Feb. 12, 1899 - Very cold. Water pipe froze up.

Feb. 13, 1899 - Warren went to Homer after the Lawson's. Got back about 12:30. Very cold & some blustering.

Feb. 14 thru 16, 1899 - No entries.

Feb. 17, 1899 - Eddie Lloyd helped Warren saw wood. Em & I started for the Falls just before night. Got there about 10:30/

Feb. 18, 1899 - Quite stormy a.m. Split & sawed some wood. De Ette & Charlie came about noon. Jim drew load of hay. I went to Post Office.

Feb. 19, 1899 - Very nice day. Helen Austin called.

Feb. 20, 1899 - Went up & got Clyde shod this a.m. Jim washed. Pleasant & snowed fast.

Feb. 21, 1899 - Came home today.

END OF ENTRIES.