

Mary Parson Smith (1868-1925)

1896-1898 Diary

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July to March

ECLIPSE COMPOSITION BOOK

1896

July 1st Wednesday - very warm day did up cherries & currants - We went to concert at night

July 2nd Thursday - nice day but very warm. Melborne over to Joe Nobbs for to help raise barn Mrs Hill. in

July 3rd Friday - was home all day Alma here after ten while Will & Melborne went to Norwich

July 4th Saturday was home all day done general work did up goose berries

July 5th Sunday - nice day - went to B. Church then to Mother's for tea

July 6th Monday - washed & ironed - rained some - station agent shot himself.

July 7th Tuesday - nice day rather cool. Mr & Mrs Wingrove here for dinner - Charlie Holmes was in Aunt Lill came

July 8 - Wednesday - Bruce & I went down home for the day.

July 9. Thursday - did up black currants - home all day

July 10 Friday. nice day home all day

July 11 Saturday busy most of day.

July 12 Sunday we went down home for afternoon & tea - Bruce came home

July 13 Monday - washed & ironed - home all day

July 14 Tuesday hot day I was down home all day rode wheel - Aunt Lill came home with me

July 15 Wednesday nice day Lill & Mina Lossing here for tea

July 16 Thursday nice day mother & Aunt Sara here for tea I not very well went to Dr Stocton after tea.

July 17 Friday nice day - I took Aunt Lill down home her & I to Soph's for tea

July 18 Saturday home all day. rather lazy day for me.

July 19 Sunday - warm day rained at night - we spent the day at mothers Aunt Lill & I went down to the Dr's.

July 20 Monday rainy morning home all day except in to Hills after tea very warm

July 21 Tuesday I went down home in the morning then to Tillsonburg after noon - got {po---} both

July 22 Wednesday hot day busy morning - River came up at night

July 23 Cool morning. Parson picnic at Marsh Bushell's Bruce went with me & Ma & Pa with Uncle Wm. Mel took me down home. and left me - cutting timothy

July 24 Aunt Lil left ma & Bruce went to woodstock Lill & I to Wyatts for tea - Mel came after me

July 25 Saturday home all day - Janie came here - in morning

July 26 Sunday - went to B. Church then to Wingroves for tea rained at night - Janie went home.

July 27 Monday. Mother came home from Woodstock we home all day Mrs Smith & Miss Reid here for tea. Joe Nobbs in after apples.

July 28 Tuesday English garden perdy rained in after noon we went to O - after tea I went to Dr's - Mother went with me

July 29 Wednesday was home till evening - then I went over to Brouchs after currants

July 30 Thursday hot day - home all day.

July 31 Friday hot day cutting oats home all day

Aug 1st Saturday - was home all day finished cutting oats Mel done Bama's chores rained very hard

Aug 2 Sunday - went to B. Church then home for Melborne done Bamas chores - Bruce came home with us

Aug 3 Monday - warm day - washed baked &c Mel took me down home after tea & left me

Aug 4 Tuesday hot day Janie & I went to Dover

Aug 5 Wednesday - hot day - Mel Bruce & I to Mothers for tea - went to get Charlie shod

Aug 6 Thursday - hot day - ranie at night Little Mel went to O - in morning over to Bamas rest of day

Aug 7 Friday hot day Mel over to B. most of day

Aug 8 Saturday hot day Bama here for dinner & Ed. Stover for tea

Aug 9 Sunday awful hot day - thunder storm in afternoon - we went to Wingroves for tea then to church at night

Aug 10 Monday - washed &c - Mel helping Bama plow thunder shower in night

Aug 11 Tuesday - home alone all day very warm - Soph's baby born 11 o'clock at night George & Soph a boy.

Aug 12 Wednesday - home all day - Lena McInstoch and two McFarlane girls here for tea

Aug 13 Thursday - went to town in morning - Mother came home with us. busy after noon

Aug 14 Friday nice day thrashers here all day - Mrs J. Johnson a baby girl

Aug 15 Saturday busy morning - I took Ma & Bruce home in after noon then called at Soph's then to Park for supper .

Aug 16 Sunday lovely day - we went to B. church then to Mothers for tea - Janie there also

Aug 17 Monday - washed down to Thelbert's most of day cut out wrapper - cool day.

Aug 18 Tuesday - home most of day was in to Will for short time cold day.

Aug 19 Wednesday - Lill Ethel & Delos here for afternoon & tea girls all night

Aug 20 Thursday. Lill Ethel & I to Joe Nobbs for dinner then to George Nobbs for tea girls here all night Bama in after tea

Aug 21 Friday - nice day I took girls to O - in morning Mrs Wingrove & Janie here for tea.

Aug 22 Saturday home all day - Mel to Norwich in after noon with apples.

Aug 23 Sunday - nice day - we went down to Wingroves for tea.

Aug 24 Monday - washed ironed &c - home all day.

Aug 25 Tuesday - nice day - Mel home thrashing in afternoon at Joe Nobbs. Mrs G. Jackson a baby boy

Aug 26 Wednesday rained some in after noon - I over to Bamas helping with thrashers.

Aug 27 Thursday - over to Bama's helping with thrashers for dinner

Aug 28 Friday nice day - Melborne at Helbert's thrashing I went down home for dinner - called at Soph's - to Lossing's for tea.

Aug 29 Saturday - home all day - Melborne over to John Brougths thrashing.

Aug 30 Sunday - went to B. Church nice day to Mothers for tea Ethel & Delos Pettit & Dick Goodwin there also.

Aug 31 Monday Mel over to J. Brough in fore noon Bama here cutting millet.

Sept

September 1st Tuesday - washed - went to Norwich after dinner got plums & peaches - Mr & Mrs Wingrove here for tea We went to O - after tea.

Sept 2nd Wednesday. home all day very busy

Sept 3rd Thursday rainy morning I called at Mrs George Jacksons in after noon

Sept 4th Friday - Mel sowed wheat I went down to O - with Bama - Lill came back with us & Bruce came up with Hill boys - we went to Garden party at Bama's.

Sept 5th Saturday - rainy morning Bama took Lill home I was home all day.

Sept 6th Sunday - We went down home for dinner then Mother & I went to English Church - then to Uncle Wm for tea

Sept 7th Monday - I went down home in morning to wash bedding - very bad cold - Mel thrashing at Lossing

Sept 8 Tuesday - home all day cold very bad mel went to mill at norwich

Sept 9 Wednesday - home all day - Mel took T. seed to norwich

Sept 10 Thursday - home all day - drew millet in Bama here for dinner & tea very hot

Sept 11 Friday - drawing millet in after noon Ma & Pa here for tea very hot

Sept 12 Saturday home all day

Sept 13 Sunday - cool day - went to B Church - in to Mothers for tea.

Sept 14 Monday - washed I went to town after noon Jill Mina & {Neiline} Lossing Delos Pettit & Dr Stocton here for tea

Sept 15 Tuesday - baked bread ironed we went to Tilsonburg in after noon got teeth treated

Sept 16 Wednesday - was home & busy all day.

Sept 17 Thursday - nice day Ma here for dinner I had quilting in after noon

Sept 18 Friday - Mel went after binder - Vel ma & Mrs Smith here for tea.

Sept 19 Saturday rainy & cold day. we went to O - after noon - pa to Father's for tea

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Sept 20 Sunday - Ma Pa & Bruce here for dinner we went down to George's for tea

Sept 21 Monday nice day - was in to Bama's for four minutes

Sept 22 Tuesday - went down home in morning to rag bee at {---} Darling's - in after noon

Sept 23 Wednesday - washed ironed &c.

Sept 24 Thursday - busy day - home all day except in to Hills for short time

Sept 25 Friday nice but windy day we went to Tilsonburg got teeth treated

Sept 26 Saturday damp day. was home all day.

Sept 27 Sunday rainy night & morning.

Sept 28 Monday washed & ironed home all day.

Sept 29 Tuesday pick cider apples rainy afternoon Belle & {--- ----} both in for short time

Sept 30 Wednesday rainy day - home all day took apples to cider mill

Oct 1st Thursday damp day - we went to Tilsonburg in after noon.

Oct 2nd Friday lovely day - went to O. show in after noon Bruce came home with us

Oct 3rd Saturday lovely day went to O. show and to concert at night

Oct 4th Sunday nice day home till evening then went to church at night

Oct 5th Monday washed ironed went down to Thelberts for tea. Mel {diping} potatoes

Oct 6th Tuesday nice morning Melborne thrashing over to Joe Nobbs I went down home for day called at Clares. rainy afternoon & night

Oct 7th Wednesday - home all day - Mel went to O- with load of hay.

Oct 8th Thursday nice but cold day Melborne to O- with load of hay in after noon Lill came home with him. Willie came here for tea.

Oct 9th Friday. nice but cold day. moved cook stove Lill & I went to Tilsonburg got teeth filled.

Oct 10. Saturday nice day busy at home all morning over to Bama's after noon they had thrashers - Mel sick headache.

Oct 11- Sunday nice day - we went to B. Church their to Mrs Wingroves for tea.

Oct 12- Monday. Mel down to Will Brouchs all day - washed ironed &c.

Oct 13 Tuesday - Mel down to Will Brouchs most of day. we went to O - after tea I called at Jones's.

Oct 14 - Wednesday - nice day. Zina here most of afternoon.

Oct 15 Thursday busy morning - Mel to Thelbert after noon- I was down to G.H. Hills for tea.

Oct 16. Friday - Mrs Smith & I spent the day down South She at Mrs Kelly's & I at Aunt Fannys. Mel & I to McInstoshes for tea

Oct 17. Saturday - Lill here all night - had thrashers - snowed so ground white.

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Oct 18 Sunday - took Lill home was to mothers for dinner then to B. Church - home for tea

Oct 19 Monday home all day.

Oct 20 Tuesday nice day. we went to O - after tea Mel to Lodge.

Oct 21 Wednesday nice day. sewed all day

Oct 22 Thursday nice day. we went to Jack Brouchs for tea

Oct 23 Friday nice day home all day.

Oct 24 Saturday cold day - busy all day went to O - after tea

Oct 25 Sunday nice day - went to B. Church - to mothers for tea

Oct 26 Monday nice day. washed & ironed I went with Melborne on load of hay to O - after tea

Oct 27. Tuesday lovely day - Lil came up she & I went to Aunt Martha's for dinner to Fred {Claus} for tea Bruce came up

Oct 28 Wednesday nice day. Lil went home after dinner

Oct 29 Thursday nice day sewed all day - Maggie McF called

Oct 30 Friday nice day after rain in morning Mel went & made cider & Pa came home and helped load hay.

Oct 31 Saturday busy day - Lill & Mabel here for tea Bama in after tea

Nov 1st Sunday nice day. Lill & Mabel D. here all night and for breakfast & dinner we went to church at night

Nov 2nd Monday, lovely day. Melborne started ploughing I went over to Joe Nobbs for while in afternoon.

Nov 3rd Tuesday lovely day. Mrs Smith & I to Mothers for dinner then I down to Bev Lossings to rag bee

Nov 4th Wednesday. rainy day. went to quilting at Mrs J.B Hills.

Nov 5th Thursday home all day

Nov 6th Friday home all day till about four then went with Mrs Wingrove & {Lil recthorne} to Bama's for tea Mrs Wingrove here all night.

Nov 7th Saturday nice day busy all day. Mrs Wingrove went home about nine

Nov 8th Sunday - nice day - {--} Ellie Purvis here all day we took her home after tea.

Nov 9 Monday washed Mel sick with sick head ache he went to Dr for medicine - rained after supper

Nov 10 Tuesday - home all day sewed on smock.

Nov 11 Wednesday rainy night - home all day.

Nov 12 Thursday cold day. I went to Norwich in after noon with Mrs W. Wingrove Mrs Thelbert - Mel & I to O - after tea He had rash on body.

Nov 13 Friday home all day Mel some ploughing in after noon.

Nov 14 Saturday cold windy day I sick with neuralgia Ma + Mrs Wingrove came up but we were starting for {--} had one tooth out.

Nov 15 Sunday. nice day - home all day - I sick with neuraliga

Nov 16 Monday. home all day. head some better John Bushell married

Nov 17. Tuesday - nice day. Lill came up at noon with Uncle Wm started her black dress
Bama came for me his mother sick

Nov 18 Wednesday - sewed all day - in to Bama's for short time We peeled apples after tea

Nov 19 Thursday - Sewed all day - Lill went home at night

Nov 20 Friday busy all day - into Bama's in after noon

Nov 21 Saturday busy fore noon Bama came for me at noon over there all after noon.

Nov 22- Sunday. nice day. went to B. Church - was in to Mother's short time.

Nov 23 Monday. washed & done some ironing Mrs Wingrove in We went over to Bama's -
rained some.

Nov 24 Tuesday - busy day. home all day except into Bamas - Mr Howse burried

Nov 25. Wednesday. home all day - except in to Bama's Joe Nobbs - a baby boy. 11 a.m.

Nov 26 Thursday. Thanksgiving day - Mrs Best called also {Frankee Kirkly} - home all day.

Nov 27. Friday. busy day. Bruce came up but went right back as we were going to O - rainy.

Nov 28. Saturday busy morning. went to Uncle Bushells funeral peeled apples at night

Nov 29. Sunday. nice day. but cold. we went to B Church then to Mother's for tea

Nov 30. Monday - ~~home all day~~ Mel went to Norwich I called at Joe's Nobbs + Zina Broughs
then after tea we went over to Bama's

1896

Dec 1st Tuesday busy all day. Mel killed pig after noon. weighed 220 lbs.

Dec 2nd Wednesday very busy day. churned. {----} our lard - &c.

Dec 3rd Thursday - spent the day down home.

Dec 4th Friday - very busy day- we went to Will Brouchs for tea

Dec 5th Saturday busy day. made head cheese &c.

Dec 6th. Sunday - nice day - We went to B. Church to Mother's for tea. She came home with us

Dec 7th Monday. washed churned &c. took Mother home & brought Mrs Murray home with me.

Dec 8th. Tuesday. nice morning rainy after noon - Scott here fixing chimley I took Mrs Murray to Lynn's.

Dec 9th Wednesday. busy all day. peeled apples at night

Dec 10th. Thursday. home all day.

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Dec 11 Friday nice day home all day.

Dec 12 Saturday nice day. busy morning Mrs Thelbert in I called over to see how Zina was - John & Carrie baby girl

Dec 13 Sunday went to B. Church then to Mothers for tea Mina + Mabel there

Dec 14 Monday - nice day. Mr & Mrs Wingrove here for dinner

Dec 15 Tuesday. cold & windy day - we went to town in after noon.

Dec 16 Wednesday. lovely day Mother & Soph here for dinner we went to New England supper at Springford

Dec 17 Thursday - home day day.

Dec 18 Friday home all day.

Dec 19 Saturday nice day. we went to O. after dinner

Dec 20 Sunday. I ~~very~~ bad cold - we went over to Joe's after tea - for short time

Dec 21 Monday - washed &c - we went to O - after noon

Dec 22 Tuesday - Snowy day - home all day

Dec 23 Wednesday. home all day

Dec 24 Thursday. home all day - & busy.

Dec 25 Christmas day. Mel sick headache we went down home - Lill & I went down town after noon Called on Carrie.

Dec 26 Saturday nice day. Bruce here. Mel & I went to O - in after noon.

Dec 27. Lovely winters day - we went to B. Church - Bruce here

Dec 28 Cold day - Thelberts here for tea - home all day.

Dec 29 Tuesday - home all day - except little while in after noon then was in to Bamas & Hills

Dec 30 Wednesday - busy day. Joe & Annie Nobbs here for tea

Dec 31 Thursday we went to B. Concert. Lill came home with us.

1897

Jan 1st Friday - rainy after noon Ma - Pa - Lill Bruce Mr G. Mr & Mrs Wingrove here for dinner - Lill & Bruce all night

Jan 2nd Saturday lovely day over head muddy underfoot Bert Hill called. Mel went with him to Spencerville I took Lill & Bruce home

Jan 3rd Sunday. home till evening then to Mothers for tea then to church then to Darlings.

Jan 4th. Monday. washed but did not put clothes out

Jan 5th. Tuesday finished washing - churned baked bread then went to O - in after noon - I called at Lossings

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Jan 6th. Wednesday - Mel went to O. after seeder.

Jan 7 Thursday - home all day.

Jan 8 Friday - Mel to O- with load of hay - Mr & Mrs Wingrove called.

Jan 9 Saturday home all day Mel to Norwich in after noon Janie Will Brouchs here all evening

Jan 10 Sunday - Janie here all day - we went to Mrs Wingroves for tea then to church

Jan 11 Monday - ~~Mel went to Norwich in morning~~ home all day

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Jan 12 Tuesday. cold day. Mel & I to Norwich in after noon I called to see Frankie - went to O - after tea Mel to Lodge John Smart & Mrs Dow married

Jan 13 Wednesday - nice day I had cold We to C. Jacksons for tea - &c

Jan 14 Thursday Mel went to Delhi in after noon I stopped at Mothers.

Jan 15 Friday - nice day. Mel went to {Austices} Sale then we were at Bamas for tea

Jan 16 Saturday - nice day. I in to Mrs Hills after dinner peeled apples.

Jan 17 Sunday. rainy day - we went to mothers for tea Mrs Fischer there for tea - Lill & I was in to Charlie {Pen's} for while

Jan 18 Monday windy day - washed & ironed

Jan 19 Tuesday - lovely winters day - Mrs Smith & I to Mrs Wingroves for dinner.

Jan 20 Wednesday - snowy after noon - Mel went to Norwich I home all day. busy at general work.

Jan 21 Thursday - first sleighing Mel & I to Tilsonburg in after noon in cutter.

Jan 22 Friday snow day - home all day peeled apples Bruce came up

Jan 23 Saturday cold day Mel to Norwich with oats Bruce here we went to town after tea

Jan 24 Sunday cold day went to B Church then home

Jan 25 Monday - very cold - Mel went to sale with Barry to Norwich peeled apples

Jan 26 Tuesday very cold day. Mel to Norwich with oats we went in to J. B Hills after tea

Jan 27 Wednesday little warmer - Mel & Bama cutting wood peeled apples

Jan 28 Thursday - nice day Mel after wood twice home all day

Jan 29 Friday nice day Mel after wood twice peeled apples after tea

Jan 30 Saturday busy all day - Mel went after wood in morning - drew hay to Thelbert after noon we went to town after tea I stayed all night.

Jan 31 Sunday lovely day - I went to S.S. & B.C. then to Mrs Wingrove for tea - Mel came down for tea - my plants froze.

1897

Feb 1st. Monday - washed & ironed & peeled apples - lovely day.

Feb 2nd. Tuesday - lovely day- Mel went to Norwich in morning then he went to Wingroves to press straw I went down home for the after noon.

Feb 3rd. Wednesday- Mel helping to press straw we went to Best's after tea - lovely night.

Feb 4th. Thursday - lovely day. I down to Thelbert they pressed Hay Mel & I up to Velma's after noon - did not stay John {Lyons} died.

Feb 5th. Friday nice day Mel & Bama cut wood in morning Mel after load in after noon I was in to Bama's

Feb 6th Saturday sick all night rainy night & day - home all day Bama & Mother here for tea &c.

Feb 7th. Sunday - lovely day went to B. Church then to Mothers for tea Janie came home with us

Feb 8 Monday - nice day over head in after noon - Mel went to went to mill in morning Janie & I went & called at Frankie's in after noon went to Thelbert for tea

Feb 9 Tuesday - home all day Janie went down to Wills broughs Jack & Zina here for tea &c.

Feb 10 Wednesday Will & Belle {-----} - George Nobbs here for tea crowd from O. after tea

Feb 11 Thursday - Janie went home - Lizzie Kellet came on noon train.

Feb 12 Friday - nice day. we all went to town on bobs - Bama in most of fore noon - Dr Stocton & two Lossy girls here for evening

Feb 13 Saturday Lill went home in morning - Lizzie on noon train - Sam Wallace died

Feb 14 Sunday nice day - we went to B. Church then to mothers for tea - Bruce sick

Feb 15 Monday - washed white cloths - went to S. Wallace frunel then to mothers for tea - {Rena} . Miss Bell & Mr Gill there.

Feb 16 Tuesday - washed flannel & ironed Mr Foster here for tea

Feb 17 Wednesday - done general work.

Feb 18 Thursday - nice day - I was in to Mrs Smiths George Soph here for tea

Feb 19. Friday - I down home all day went on bobs - Lill to Norwich

Feb 20 Saturday home all day - rainy after noon

Feb 21 Sunday nice day - Mel & I to Uncle Wm for tea

Feb 22 Monday home all day except to Hills - Frankee Kirkly died

Feb 23 Tuesday nice day - Elenor Mary & I to mothers for dinner

Feb 24 Wednesday cold day Mel + I went to Peteis Kirklys after noon

Feb 25 Thursday cold day Frankee Kirkly burried we went to frunnel

Feb 26 Friday nice day - Mel took hay away I went to O. in after noon

Feb 27 Saturday very cold day - home all day except in to Hills

Feb 28 Sunday - nice day we went to B Church then to Mothers for tea

March 1st Monday snowy day - had wood sawers - I was in to Mrs Hills

March 2nd Tuesday - Mel home took me to O. in morning - I went to convention - Mel came after me at night

Mar 3rd Wednesday nice day - we went to Dave Hamilton's splendid sleighing

March 4th Thursday - washed - Last day of sleighing - I was in to Hills

March 5th. Friday rained most of day we went to Wills Broughs for tea &c.

March 6th Saturday Aunt Franny John & Mary hobbs here for dinner we to George hobbs for tea &c.

March 7 Sunday regular march day- was home till evening then went to Wingroves for tea

March 8 Monday washed flannels - was home all day Mel went of to chop (Daniel James Mr Mitchel & Mr Sypes died)

March 9 Tuesday nasty day - was home all day

March 10 Wednesday - nice day overhead - we went to Tilsonburg got tooth filled & new cape called at Lizzie Kelletts

March 11 Thursday nice day overhead I went down home all day. Lill came home with me - Bama in after tea

March 12 Friday sewed all day - peeled apples after tea

March 13 Saturday - done general work finished at apples

March 14 Sunday regular march day. took Lill home was to mothers for dinner then to B. Church

March 15 Monday washed &c - was home all day

March 16 Tuesday ironed & baked bread down to O. all after noon

March 17 Wednesday Joe Nobbs - George Jackson & families here for tea Mrs Smith here after tea.

March 18 Thursday foggy morning Mel took me down home I went to rag bee at Ella McFarlanes.

March 19 Friday - sewed all day.

March 20 Saturday rainy night high wind & thundered busy all morning. Mel went after grist & took dried apples - Bruce came up - very muddy

March 21 Sunday - nice day over head we went to B. Church was in home for short time

March 22 Monday - home all day - sewed &c.

March 23 Tuesday - rainy day - home all day.

March 24 Wednesday - went to town in afternoon.

March 25 Thursday - canned syrup - made jelly &c. was into Bama's for short time

March 26 Friday home all day Bruce came up at night

March 27 Saturday home all day - set here.

March 28. Sunday - went down home for dinner then to B. Church - road bad

March 29 Monday . home all day

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March 30 Tuesday home all day till evening then went down to Dave Purvis for evening.

March 31 Wednesday washed home all day till evening then went to Will Holmes. Mel went fishing

April 1st Thursday nice day. Lill & Nellie here for tea we were in to J. Brouchs for short time

Apr 2nd Friday lovely day I down to George's for dinner to Mothers for tea. Bruce came home with me

April 3 Saturday home all day - went to O. after tea Pa came home with us.

April 4 Sunday Pa here all day. rainy afternoon - I took him home - about five.

April 5 Monday washed flannels. &c - Mel took milk &c.

April 6 Tuesday - rainy day. We went down to Thelbert's for warm sugar. I not feeling very well

April 7 Wednesday - home all day rainy night

Thursday April 8. busy morning - I went down home in after noon

April 9. Friday home all day. not very well snowed

April 10 Saturday - cold day Mel & I went to Norwich in after noon

April 11 Sunday nice day - went to B. Church to Mother for tea

April 12 Monday. washed &c.

April 13 Tuesday ironed not very well

April 14 Wednesday- Ma & Mrs Wingrove here for dinner Mel took me to see Doctor - Lill came down with us inflammation of bladder & gall bladder

April 15 Thursday sick all day.

April 16 Good Friday - some better home all day

April 17 Saturday nice day I took Lill home - Bama in to Mothers for tea - Peg. acted up coming home

April 18 Sunday. nice day. we to B. Church then to Mother's for tea Soph & George there also. Lill to Tilsonburg bring with Mabel Darling.

April 19. Monday started house cleaning - upstairs Bruce here

April 20 Tuesday started papering bedroom ceiling

April 21 Wednesday. finished papering - Mel started to work on land

April 22 Thursday busy all day - Mel started to sow oats

April 23 Friday - busy day washed ironed &c very warm Winnie here all after noon rainy night

April 24 Saturday very busy - Mel & Bruce went to Norwich in after noon - we went to O. after tea

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April 25 Sunday - rainy day. went in to Bama's - then we went to M church - at night

April 26 Monday rainy morning - we went to Oddfellows concert

April 27 Tuesday cleaned front room started pantry

April 28 Wednesday nice day home all day - finished cleaning pantry- {M--} & Pugsly called

April 29 Thursday nice day. Watkins took pump away. Scott here fixing {eaves} pipes - I went to O. with bus {---}

April 30 Friday rainy after noon - Bruce came up.

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May 1st Saturday rainy day. Bruce here. home all day.

May 2nd Sunday rainy day - we went down to Mother's for dinner.

May 3rd Monday washed & done most of ironing rainy day dry spells.

May 4th Tuesday finish ironing &c - home all day.

May 5 Wednesday Mel & I to O. after dinner in wagon.

May 6 Thursday - cleaned hall & started dining room - very tired

May 7 Friday Arbor day. Bruce came up - finished cleaning dining room and kitchen

May 8 Saturday. Mel finished sewing oats home all day.

May 9 Sunday nice day - we went to B. Church then to Mothers for tea

May 10 Monday washed. ironed &c - home all day.

May 11 Tuesday - home all day - sewed &c - cow kicked me - we went over to Watkins after {sucker} for pump.

May 12 Wednesday - showery day - I spent it down home was in to Sophs - to Clares. Lena D - &c.

May 13 Thursday - cloudy day. Mr & Mrs Wingrove here for dinner on their way home from Brantford.

May 14 Friday - rather cool day - rained at night headed - hailed & rained in after noon - home all day.

May 15 Saturday rainy in after noon - I was in to Bamas.

May 16 Sunday - sprinkled in morning - we went to B. Church then in home for tea

May 17 Monday. washed & ironed

May 18 Tuesday - ~~rainy after noon~~ home all day

May 19 Wednesday - home all day.

May 20 Thursday rainy day mother & Soph here all day.

May 21 Friday home all day Bruce came up just noon He & Mel went to Norwich Mildale & {Ottwell} got {---dge}

May 22 Saturday rather nice day Mel planted potatoes & washed buggy. Mrs McFarlane called Lill went to Brantford

May 23 Sunday rainy day home all day Bruce here Bama here most of after noon

May 24 Monday - I {nav} down home all day - went to the woods. Lill & Mabel came here off train Jim Brantford George & Soph was up after tea

May 25 Tuesday cool day. I took girls home after dinner Pa came up with rig - & Mel came down after tea

May 26 Wednesday - washed & ironed &c.

May 27 Thursday - rather nice day. Mrs G W. Hill here for tea. Mel went to Norwich to get horse shod.

May 28 Friday - rainy day we went to picnic at Kelletts cold day

May 29 Saturday cold day - I was in to Zina in after noon - sent milk to factory at night

May 30 Sunday - we went to Lizzie Kelletts for tea rained in afternoon

May 31 Monday. washed ironed &c - home all day

~~May 31 Tuesday~~

June 1st Tuesday. home all day.

June 2nd. Wednesday - little warmer but not much Mel sick headache in night Mother & Mrs Clarke here for tea

June 3rd. Thursday - rainy morning - nice after noon - we went to ball play then in to Soph's for while - Lill came home with us

June 4th Friday home all day.

June 5th Saturday home all day we went down to Will Brouchs after tea

June 6th. Sunday - nice day - we went down to Mothers for dinner Aunt Martha's were there then to B. Church then to Wingroves for tea

June 7th. Monday - washed - &c. rained in after noon Bama in

June 8th Tuesday. nice day home all day - I went down to Will Brouchs for pansy plants then down to Thelberts to come back with Melborne.

June 9th Wednesday - lovely day Melborne putting in mothers H. {Trelfy} & Lettie Harris married

June 10 Thursday. home all day.

June 11 Friday - Melborne to raising at J.B Hills - I went down home all day. Bruce came up with me.

June 12 Saturday lovely day Melborne & Bruce to Norwich in after noon - Dola & Flo Parson's here all after noon I took them to O - after tea

June 13 Sunday lovely day - we went to B. C. then Pat Melborne came up and done chores - then came after me.

June 14 Monday - washed nice day - Alma & Nina here all after noon.

June 15 Tuesday - nice day - ironed &c - Took girls to O - was at mothers for tea

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June 16 Wednesday - busy all day. Pa here for supper - we went to Lizzie Kelletts for evening.

June 17. Thursday - rather nice day. I had rag bee Lillie Fanny & Lizzie Kellett stayed all night

June 18. Friday - lovely day girls went home on evening train Bruce came up (Mrs Deane burried)

June 19 Saturday - nice day - Mrs Hill was in. Pa & Ma called on way home from Tom Parsons - Bruce went home with them

June 20 Sunday - we went to B. Church then to mothers for tea very cool.

June 21 Monday washed & ironed - went to O - after tea I was in to Sops while Melborne went to town

June 22 Tuesday - I went down home in morning - Pa came up then He & Melborne came down after me.

June 23 Wednesday- home all day - shops burnt 1/2 past 2. in night.

June 24 Thursday - nice day baked bread &c. Mr & Mrs Reid called we went to O - after noon - Mrs Thelbert came up

June 25 Friday - nice day. home all day.

June 26 Saturday done work up - went to Norwich to bank - then to O - after tea. was in to Hill for short time

June 27 Sunday - nice day went to B. Church - then to mothers for tea. Bruce came up.

June 28 Monday - nice day - home till after tea then went to hunt strawberries - then to O - after sugar

June 29 Tuesday - had lovely rain - went after strawberries rained.

June 30 Wednesday done up strawberries & baked bread.

July 1st. Thursday I went down home in morning - Mina - Lill Soph & I went to woods in morning - then to park in after noon - Pa came up in after noon - & Mel came after me - Lill came home with us.

July 2nd. Friday ~~day~~ warm day sewed all day. Minnie Best here for tea we took her up to C. Jackson's after tea

July 3 Saturday very warm day. Lill here we sewed on Lill skirt

July 4 Sunday extremely hot day- we went down home in morning was there for dinner then to Wingroves for tea

July 5 Monday washed - very hot day- we went over to Mildale for strawberries - after tea

July 6 Tuesday warm day - Mrs Smith - Mr & Mrs Wingrove here for tea - churned & ironed Bruce came up S. Dorland died

July 7 Wednesday warm day Mrs Hill in afternoon

July 8 Thursday very hot day - Mrs Smith + I went to Simeon Dorlands frunnel - was to Mothers for tea

July 9 Friday. very hot day - Bruce went home I was home all day

July 10 Saturday very hot day - home all day

July 11 Sunday - some cooler. home all day till after tea then we drove down to see Belle Glinhoff. lovely drive

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July 12. Monday. very warm day - I went to town in morning - got home by noon. Mel started to cut his hay.

July 13 Tuesday - home all day. Bruce came up. I went down to Elmer after noon to sell {apled} currants

July 14 Wednesday - home all day - Lill called in on way to Woodstock

July 15 Thursday - little cooler - home all day- Janie here for tea.

July 16 Friday home all day - drawing in hay - Bruce went home.

July 17 Saturday - Mel sick head ache - Bruce came up - at noon drew hay in in after noon I in to Hills - Mrs H - Mrs William & Maggie McF. called.

July 18. Sunday. rainy morning - we went to B. Church then to Mothers for tea Janie & Soph there rainy.

July 19. Monday - washed - picked berries - ironed some went to O - in evening

July 20 Tuesday - ironed - baked bread &c. home all day.

July 21 Wednesday - showery - home all day - Mel cutting wheat

July 22 Thursday very busy day. home all day.

July 23 Friday - nice day. went {want} to Pirie at Mothers Lizzie P. came home with us

July 24 Saturday very busy day. Jamie & Mrs Wingrove called Lizzie Parsone here all night

July 25 Sunday - nice day. John & Carrie here for tea Bruce came up with them

July 26 Monday - washed I went to O. then to Cornell after cherries - rained Lill came home with me

July 27 Tuesday - rainy day- (Zina sick baby boy 1) Mel went to O - after noon - Bama here for tea

July 28 Wednesday warm day - sewed most of day - Lill here

July 29 Thursday warm day - home all day - except to call on Zina Elenor called here - Lill went home after tea

July 30 Friday I went to O - after dinner to pirie up paid Janie came home with me.

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July 31 Saturday hot day - Mel over to Bamas - {---} here all night - to Shebbes for dinner then here again

Aug 1st Sunday lovely day - we went to Mothers for dinner & to B. Church then to Mrs Wingroves for tea Mr & Mrs W. Holmes here

Aug 2 Monday - washed was very busy all day. Mrs Smith here all night

Aug 3 Tuesday hot day baked - made jelly done of currants & ironed.

Aug 4 Wednesday - very hot morning. oddfellows pirie I went to O - in morning - poured rain in after noon Jamie Lill & I to Paxton's for tea

Aug 5 Thursday - warm day- ~~Mel started to cut oats~~ home all day.

Aug 6. Friday warm day - Mel started to cut oats

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Aug 7 Saturday nice day- I was in to Hills and to Zina after tea

Aug 8 Sunday home all day rained

Aug 9. Monday washed - in to Mrs Smith for few minutes went to O - after tea

Aug 10 Tuesday ironed - rained in morning - home all day

Aug 11 Wednesday - home all day. Mrs Thelbert & winnie here in after noon

Aug 12 Thursday home all day. Mrs {-----} a baby boy.

Aug 13 Friday Mel over to J. Nobbs all day - I over to Mrs Smiths

Aug 14 Saturday warm day - busy morning I went to O - after noon - Mel over to J. Nobbs. thrashing

Aug 15 Sunday - rained some in night cloudy morning we went to B. Church then over to {---gis} for tea rain at night Belle {Fish} baby girl

Aug 16 Monday - washed ironed - home all day.

Aug 17 Tuesday I went down home in morning Pa brought my home then I went to Lossing for tea Pa brought Mother + I up after tea Mel at Thelberts all morning thrashing

Aug 18 Wednesday windy day Ma + I over to Joe Nobb's for tea

Aug 19 Thursday home all day - rainy morning Janie here for tea. put quilt on

Aug 20 Friday cool day - quilted most of day we took Mother home after tea

Aug 21 Saturday home all day - very busy - Barma helping Mel draw in oats

Aug 22 Sunday nice day - to Thelberts for dinner to church at night

Aug 23 Monday washed & ironed - home all day

Aug 24 Tuesday - I went down home in morning - washed bedding - call at Jones - to Mrs Tilbots for tea

Aug 25 Wednesday home all day baked {---} &c {---} all after noon - Mel over to B - all fore noon drawing oats

Aug 26 Thursday home all day quilted Ben Collver killed

Aug 27 - Friday - lovely day - home all day Melborne over to Bama helping take in H - hay - Mrs Hill in most of after noon took quilt off

Aug 28 Saturday busy day- we went to town after tea Pa came home with us

Aug 29 Sunday Pa here all night till after dinner we went to B. Church then to Mothers for tea - called at Sophs & Mrs Wingroves Lill came home with us. Ben Collver burried

Aug 30 Monday washed & ironed put quilt on started Lills {naist} - &c

Aug 31 Tuesday - warm day cool night Mrs Wingrove here for dinner Mel & Lill to Norwich - Zina here for short time

Sept 1 Wednesday rainy after noon - Mel went to O - Lill went home- Mrs Thelbert here for short time Mel's cold bad

Sept 2 Thursday home all day quilted the quilt off - Thelberts up after pears - Maud Kirkly was in.

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Sept 3 Friday nice day- Maud Kirkly & Mrs J. B. Hill here for dinner and afternoon Pa came up & I went home with him (Sara Frank died)

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Sept 4 Saturday I was down to O - all day to Miss Talbots most of day - Mel came after me at night

Sept 5 Sunday warm day - we went to Sara Frank's frunnel then to Father for tea

Sept 6 Monday hot day washed &c. Mel over to Bama's thrashing - Mr Goodwin gave Lill bicycyle

Sept 7 Tuesday very hot day home all day - working on purple wrapper - churned & ironed &c.

Sept 8. Wednesday - Melborne over to J. Brouchs thrashing Mrs Thelbert & I went to Norwich in after noon for {Joleens} I got 1pk of greengages - I done up peaches. Lill & Mina called in wheels

Sept 9 Thursday - nice hot day I went down home after noon Melborne over to Will Brouchs thrashing Bruce came home with me.

Sept 10 Friday done up plums. Mrs Thelbert up to get head washed worked on apples.

Sept 11 Saturday busy day - home all day.

Sept 12. Sunday - we went to O. Ma & I went to English Church then Ma Pa & us to Wingrove's for tea

Sept 13 Monday - washed ironed cut red wrapper out went up to Grays after plums - very tired got bushell

Sept 14 Tuesday - done up plums- sewed in after noon - Lill wheeled up stayed for tea.

Sept 15 Wednesday - busy day - Melborne went to Norwich to get chop - I was in to Bama's for short time

Sept 16 Thursday awful hot day. I down home all day quilting Mrs S. {W---- } & Soph there.

Sept 17 Friday home all day finished wrapper - Bama helping draw in Hungarian. we went to peach social at Springford quite hard frost

Sept 18 Saturday busy morning - I went to O - after dinner got {Eldar} berries - Melborne helping Joe Nobbs

Sept 19 - Sunday nice day but cool - went to B. Church to Mothers for tea Melly Millard burried

Sept 20 Monday washed ironed & fixed {---dge} - very cool

Sept 21 Tuesday worked on {---dge} cover - went to Norwich in after noon - got plum & peaches. Pa was up in fore noon.

Sept 22 Wednesday - Lill came up in fore noon - I made {----} Velma here for tea.

Sept 23 Thursday nice day. Lill went home in morning. I went down in after noon. called at Miss Talbots & Lena Darling's

Sept 24 Friday - home & very busy all day - swept all up stairs &c. sewed on night shirts

Sept 25 Saturday - busy day. Bruce came up at noon - home all day Minnie was up.

Sept 26 Sunday - we went down home for dinner - cool night.

Sept 27 Monday - sewed most of day on night shirt - Jack Madison here helping cut corn - we went down home after tea Lena + Talbot came on noon train

Sept 28. Tuesday - I was down home all day.

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Sept 29. Wednesday - busy day. made {chila} sauce - was in to Hills & Thelberts

Sept 30 Thursday - warm day Talbot wheeled up in fore noon we went to O - after tea.

Oct 1 Friday - warm day. we went to show in after noon Lill & Talbot went to Detroit

Oct 2. Saturday - cool wind - Mel dug potatoes - went to show about four. then to Mothers then to concert I stay down all night

Oct 3 Sunday nice day I went to B. Church Mel came down for tea

Oct 4 Monday washed & ironed. very tired

Oct 5 Tuesday . . done baking &c. went to O - after noon Lena came home with me - Mel at Thelberts thrashing

Oct 6 Wednesday. Mel down to Thelbert in fore noon we thrashed in after noon

Oct 7. Thursday - thrashers here in fore noon & for dinner - rained little in night

Oct 8. Friday - home all day- Melborne to Norwich to mill rainy after noon

Oct 9 Saturday nice day - busy all morning - I took Lena to O - in afternoon.

Oct 10 Sunday - lovely day - we went to B. Church then to Mothers for tea.

Oct 11 Monday washed - & Hacked two stoves and put them up - very tired XXXX

Oct 12 Tuesday - ironed. churned &c - cleaned up parlor. then went and got some nuts.

Oct 13. Wednesday - busy all day. . .

Oct 14 Thursday lovely day. Mrs D Purvis & Mother here for tea.

Oct 15 Friday was home all day till evening then we went to O - Bruce came home

Oct 16 Saturday - home all day - gathered nuts Bruce here

Oct 17 Sunday - we went to B. Church then to Mothers for tea

Oct 18 Monday washed ironed &c - very tired picked two chickens

Oct 19 Tuesday - nice day went to O - after noon - Talbot & Lena came up with me.

Oct 20 Wednesday rainy after noon - Talbot & Melborne went to O -

Oct 21 Thursday - {L--} & Melborne went Hunting &c.

Oct 22 Friday - home all day. Melbon + Talbot to O - after dinner - Lill & Ella Paxton here all night Melbourne {--} {---} {---}

Oct 23 Saturday home all day very busy - Lena went to O - Ma came home with hime

Oct 24 Sunday - Pa walked up. lovely day I took Ma & Pa home

Oct 25 Monday - damp fore noon - Lena & I called at Joe Nobbs T. W. O. to O - in after noon

Oct 26 Tuesday nice day - Lena + I sewed most of the day T.W.O came up at noon - retired at 9. Mel went for Dr at ½ past 9. as Lena was taken sick

Oct 27 Mother - Elenor & Dr here all night baby born ½ past two a.m - Mrs Kenny here washing - Lill was up.

Oct 28. Thursday - very busy day - Dr. called - Zina & Mary called also Elenor - Bruce & T.W.O went to Norwich

Oct 29. Friday - Dr here twice - very tired.

Oct 30. Saturday very busy morning - I went to town in after noon - Elenor called Snowed most of morning.

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Oct 31 Sunday. Pa & Bruce came up. I took them home before dark - rained in night

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Nov 1st. Monday - raivy day - Dr called

Nov 2nd Tuesday - rainy day.

Nov 3rd Wednesday - lovely day washed & some ironing Mrs J. Hobbs Elenor - {---} Clare - George & Soph called

Nov 4th Thursday nice day ironed &c. Mel went to Norwich with wheat Lill & Mrs Purvis, Marth + Zina called.

Nov 5th Friday - busy day nice day - ~~Lill + Mrs Purvis~~ Ma + Talbot went to O - for the day.
rainy night - Mrs Wingrove here for dinner.

Nov 6 Saturday very cold wind - I went with Meborne to J. Johnsons for the ride - Maggie
McF & Nellie Lossing called. Nellie Clare a baby boy.

Nov 7. Sunday nice day - Mel + I to B. Church - TWO - to O - with us Mrs Smith called.

Nov 8. Monday - washed - rainy day. & night Mel got up in night & {work clothes down} -
brought Lena down stairs

Nov 9. Tuesday - rainy morning nice after noon - got part of cloths dry - Mel took Mother
home.

Nov 10. Wednesday - nice morning - rainy after noon Mel went to O - Mrs G H Hill called

Nov 11 Thursday - showery day - busy all day not feeling very good

Nov 12. Friday - showery day. Bruce came up after school - I was very tired and not feeling
well

Nov 13 Saturday - not very nice day Bruce went home with Maggie &c.

Nov 14 Sunday. rainy after noon home all day.

Nov 15 Monday. washed but did not put clothes out rainy day T W O - came back from
Brantford

Nov 16 Tuesday {Cleared} by noon - Ma & Mrs Wingrove Mrs Purvis & Lill was up - T W O -
went to O - with them

Nov 17. Wednesday - ironed &c Zina called.

Nov 18. Thursday. Bama here helping draw in corn his birthday I took Lena & Baby to O - in
after noon T W O came back with me

Nov 19. Friday - busy day. straightened up house T W-O - went to O.

Nov 20 Saturday busy day.

Nov 21 Sunday - nice morning - cold in after noon - we went down home for dinner & tea.

Nov 22 Monday. washed &c. Pa + TWO here for dinner we went down to Thelberts for while
- snowy.

Nov 23 Tuesday - churned - ironed &c - home all day

Nov 24 Wednesday - busy all day.

Nov 25 Thursday Thanks giving day - we went down home for dinner - rainy day- Barna in
after tea

Nov 26 Friday- home all day made sofa cushin &c rainy day.

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Nov 27 Saturday - cold day. I was in to Mrs Hills for short time

Nov 28 Sunday - Melborne sick head ache all day & night nice day home all day

Nov 29 Monday - cold day- Mel finished plowing - we to Bama's for tea - also Jim Brough's.

Nov 30. Tuesday - nice day - Mel went to mill to Norwich in after noon - home all day

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Dec 1st Wednesday - snowed in night I went down home Dick Goodwin & wife there Lena &
I to Aunt Janes - for dinner- Mel helping Thelbert

Dec 2nd Thursday - cleaned stove & put up up stairs - we went to O - after tea

Dec 3rd Friday - nice winters day. Melborne over to Joe Nobbs thrashing I was home alone
all day. rather a long day.

Dec 4th Saturday home all day rainy day.

Dec 5 Sunday nice day we went down home for dinner then to B. Church - then to Mrs
Wingroves for tea

Dec 6 Monday washed &c. home all day.

Dec 7 Tuesday ironed &c. sewed all after noon - Mel went to norwich & got horses shod

Dec 8 Wednesday - home all day sewing &c. Melborne down to Thelberts in after noon
drawing in corn lovely day

Dec 9 Thursday. Melborne down to Thelberts - I went down home for the day.

Dec 10 Friday - sewed all day - we went to Bamas for oysters springford folk there

Dec 11 Saturday busy all day - was home - roads soften up.

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Dec 12 Sunday nice day over head we at Jones for dinner call at Mothers.

Dec 13 Monday - churned &c. very busy Dick Goodwin to his father home.

Dec 14 Tuesday - rainy day road horrid

Dec 15 Wednesday busy morning we went to town in after noon - to mothers for tea

Dec 16 Thursday. busy all day. made xmas pudding &c. Will Elenor & Edith Burgh here for
supper &c.

Dec 17 Friday snowed all day - Mel helped Bama kill beef

Dec 18 Saturday - cold day Melborne helping Thelbert husk corn - I was home all day

Dec 19 Sunday. we went to B. Church - called at clare's then to mothers for tea

Dec 20 Monday - I was down home all day. Talbot + Melborne hunting all day.

Dec 21 Tuesday - washed- Melborne went to mill I went down after Lena in after noon.

Dec 22 Wednesday - busy morning Bruce came up - Melborne & I went to Tilsonburg

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Dec 23 Thursday - busy day. home all day

Dec 24 Friday - very busy day. Winnie here all fore noon Melborne went to O - after noon Lill
came home with him

Dec 25. Xmas day our folk came up in cutter TWO stayed & Lill went home.

Dec 26 Sunday home all day - TWO - went to O - Melborne went down to Thelberts after tea.

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Dec 27 Monday. Melborne went hunting with T.W.O. Lena & I home all day.

Dec 28 Tuesday - cold morning - Lena & I went up to Aunt Martha's in after noon - Will & Velma here for the evening.

Dec 29 Wednesday - cold windy & snowy day. home all day

Dec 31 Thursday I took Lena down home - was to mothers for dinner - came home.
Melborne & I to Lossings for tea Lena - TWO - + Nellies {Po-----}

Dec 31 Friday - home all day & busy. we went to S.S. concert in B. Church

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Jan 1st. Saturday churned - tried out lard very busy day home all day

Jan 2nd Sunday - cold windy day we went down home for dinner.

Jan 3rd. Monday - washed Mr & Mrs Wingrove here for dinner. Lena & TWO. up after noon.

Jan 4th Tuesday - home all day - Mel took two cows away to M. Williams - we went to O- after tea - Jones girls - {---} & Soph to Mothers {---}

Jan 5 Wednesday lovely day. I went to O- then Lena Mother TWO & I down to Aunt Fanny's

Jan 6. Thursday. home all day sewed. Aunt Fanny & Frank Parson's here for tea.

Jan 7. Friday - lovely day - we went to O- after dinner - Lena & I called at Darlings {-----} - Pettits - McInstochs McDougles - Paxtons

Jan 8 Saturday Bruce & TWO were here all night - till after dinner I was home all day.

Jan 9 Sunday - nice day. we went to B. Church then to Mothers for tea

Jan 10 Monday - sewed all day mel went to norwich to mill M Wingrove was in.

Jan 11. Tuesday - busy day - home til evening then we went to Charlie Purves for tea & evening. had nice time

Jan 12 Wednesday. rainy & foggy all day. thunder & lightened Mel & I down to Thelbert all after noon.

Jan 13 Thursday Snowed some in morning. I went to O- then Lena & I to Aunt Sally's for day - Lena here all night

Jan 14 Friday nice day Lena & I to Will Burgh for dinner - Marsh & {Eight} here for supper. mel down to Thelbert till 12 oclock

Jan 15 Saturday. Thelbert died half past three - we went down at four - came back about nine - I took Lena home

Jan 16 Sunday - nice day - down to Thelberts all day.

Jan 17 Monday busy morning - down to Thelberts all after noon.

Jan 18 Tuesday we went to Thelberts frennil at ten came back there and stayed till ½ after four.

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Jan 19 Wednesday - Zina was in sewed all day went down to Mary's at five and stayed till nine

Jan 20 Thursday - busy & home all day rainy day.

Jan 21 Friday I went down home in buggy Janie went with me.

Jan 22 Saturday nice day stormy at night Mel to Norwich in morning Janie here for dinner - Velma brught Alice down. We over to Bamas for tea rainy when we came home.

Jan 23 Sunday stormy day. Alice & Janie here all night - Mr & Mrs Wingrove here all after noon we went with Janie & Alice to Will Burghes for tea sleighing

Jan 24 Monday. washed. & ironed &c. very busy all day home all day

Jan 25 Tuesday busy morning - I went down home at noon with Bama snow night Lena & I went & called at Flo Purvis. was in to Wyatts to Wingrove after Mel came {after me}

Jan 26 Wednesday - nice day - we went down to Wingroves for tea

Jan 27 Thursday Alice went home - I went to O - at noon with Mel at Jasons Corner - stayed all night

Jan 28 Friday - snowy day - I came home with Bama - Mel sick head ache.

Jan 29. Saturday busy morning - Janie in in afternoon we went to O - was at Mothers for tea took Lena for sleighride

Jan 30 Sunday - cold day - we went to B. Church. Lena & TWO went with us - we were to mothers for tea

Jan 31. Monday - was home all day. Mel down to Mary most of morning then to Norwich after noon - very cold day.

Feb 1st. Tuesday cold day. we down to mother all afternoon - Mel & I went to a Bull sale

Feb 2nd Wednesday. very very cold day. Mel went to sale with Bama Lena left O {H}eville

Feb 3 Thursday not quite so cold - but yet cold - Bama - his mother & Miss Reid here for tea

Feb 4th Friday I went down to Mary's in after noon Mel came down for tea

Feb 5th Saturday cold & windy day also snowy home all day fruit agent here for dinner

Feb 6. Sunday - nice day - we went to B. Church then to Mothers for tea

Feb 7. Monday - nice day - washed & ironed &c. Mel got two loads of wood

Feb 8 Tuesday - rainy in middle of day - Mel after wood in morning - we went to O - after tea Ma sick in bed

Feb 9. Wednesday - down to Mary most of day. Sale there foggy day

Feb 10. Thursday - I went down home in morning - Mel came after me at night - nasty day foggy

Feb 11 Friday - Mel after wood twice home all day

Feb 12. Saturday. home all day Mr Graham here with machine.

Feb 13. Sunday - gloomy day - went to B. Church then to Mrs Wingrove for tea - I went in buggy

Feb 14 Monday - not very nice day - storm in night

Feb 15 Tuesday - stormy day - home all day.

Feb 16 Wednesday - Mel went to Norwich in after noon with oats - &c.

Feb 17 Thursday busy day - Jim Brough & wife Jack Brough & wife here for tea & evening. Mel after {bile} twice

Feb 18 Friday - foggy day - Mel after {bile} in morning - wood in after noon. Bama & {Goven} here after tea Bruce came up I went with Broughs to Hills for dinner

Feb 19. Saturday - 30 years old. we went to O - in after noon came home before tea - stormy night

Feb 20 Sunday - foggy day - we went to B. Church - then to father's for tea.

Feb 21 Monday - snowy morning - Mel went after load of {bile} started my blue waist - we went to concert in M. Church. Lill & Janie went with us.

Feb 22. Tuesday - ~~home~~ all day. sewed &c. Mel after Cold in a {-----} - ~~noon~~ - we went down to Marys - for tea

Feb 23 Wednesday - home all day. Mel after wood in after noon sewed most of day.

Feb 24 Thursday. Mel took pigs away. we went to O- after tea was in home also in to Wingroves

Feb 25 Friday - sewed most of day - Lossings & Lil here for the evening. Mel took hay to junction

Feb 26 Saturday busy day finished waist Mel after wood in after noon. sick head ache in night.

Feb 27 Sunday - was home all day Melborne had sick head ache.

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