

The new beam  
 been facing come  
 on the big flat to  
 day. I have been  
 shearing our four-  
 teen sheep. Found  
 it as much like  
 work as ever. In  
 fact I ~~would~~  
 could not have  
 done another one  
 without a great effort.

My cousin Horace  
 husband of G. Rose  
 came to call on  
 us this evening. He  
 has stopped on his  
 way from Chicago to  
 New York, just for  
 a day. He seems  
 to have become tired  
 of his continued sep-  
 aration from his  
 family, & will probably  
 stay.

Have had Joe hoi-  
 ing come on the big  
 flat while Lewis and  
 I went out with a  
 load of gravel to  
 put under our cham-  
 shed. Our bee was  
 a success and a  
 good job was done.  
 we will not be likely  
 to see as much mud  
 and water there in  
 a long time as  
 there was last spring.  
 Lewis and I brought  
 home a load of  
 stone from the  
 quarries to night,  
 for the cellar.

I heard to day for  
 a certainty that  
 Mr Goodwin from  
 Hartford had been  
 appointed to us by  
 Lewis.