

*The Diaries of  
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*1861*

## NOVEMBER, 1861.

## MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon, 2d. 10h. 56m. Morn.  
 First Quarter, 9d. 5h. 36m. Morn.  
 Full Moon, 17d. 7h. 59m. Morn.  
 Last Quarter, 25d. 5h. 59m. Morn.

D. of the M. Week.	Sun Rises. h. m.	Sun Sets. h. m.	Moon Rises. h. m.
1 Frid.	6 30	4 57	5 13
2 Sat.	6 31	4 56	sets
3 F	6 32	4 54	5 29
4 Mon.	6 34	4 53	6 28
5 Tues.	6 35	4 52	7 33
6 Wed.	6 36	4 51	8 44
7 Thur.	6 37	4 50	9 54
8 Frid.	6 38	4 49	11 1
9 Sat.	6 40	4 48	morn.
10 F	6 41	4 47	0 7
11 Mon.	6 42	4 46	1 7
12 Tues.	6 43	4 45	2 8
13 Wed.	6 44	4 44	3 8
14 Thur.	6 46	4 43	4 5
15 Frid.	6 47	4 42	5 4
16 Sat.	6 48	4 42	6 2
17 F	6 49	4 41	rises
18 Mon.	6 50	4 40	5 20
19 Tues.	6 51	4 39	6 10
20 Wed.	6 53	4 39	7 6
21 Thur.	6 54	4 38	8 6
22 Frid.	6 55	4 38	9 9
23 Sat.	6 56	4 37	10 14
24 F	6 57	4 36	11 19
25 Mon.	6 58	4 35	morn.
26 Tues.	6 59	4 35	0 26
27 Wed.	7 0	4 35	1 35
28 Thur.	7 2	4 35	2 46
29 Frid.	7 3	4 34	4 3
30 Sat.	7 4	4 34	5 20

## DECEMBER, 1861.

## MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon, 1d. 9h. 9m. Ev.  
 First Quarter, 8d. 10h. 2m. Ev.  
 Full Moon, 17d. 8h. 0m. Ev.  
 Last Quarter, 24d. 4h. 44m. Ev.  
 New Moon, 31d. 2h. 46m. Morn.

D. of the M. Week.	Sun Rises. h. m.	Sun Sets. h. m.	Moon Rises. h. m.
1 F	7 5	4 34	sets.
2 Mon.	7 6	4 33	5 10
3 Tues.	7 7	4 33	6 19
4 Wed.	7 8	4 33	7 33
5 Thur.	7 9	4 32	8 25
6 Frid.	7 10	4 32	9 52
7 Sat.	7 11	4 32	10 57
8 F	7 12	4 32	11 59
9 Mon.	7 13	4 32	morn.
10 Tues.	7 14	4 32	0 29
11 Wed.	7 15	4 32	1 58
12 Thur.	7 15	4 32	2 56
13 Frid.	7 16	4 32	3 54
14 Sat.	7 16	4 33	4 52
15 F	7 17	4 33	5 49
16 Mon.	7 18	4 33	rises.
17 Tues.	7 18	4 33	5 0
18 Wed.	7 19	4 34	6 0
19 Thur.	7 20	4 34	7 2
20 Frid.	7 20	4 35	8 7
21 Sat.	7 21	4 35	9 11
22 F	7 21	4 36	10 17
23 Mon.	7 22	4 36	11 23
24 Tues.	7 22	4 37	morn.
25 Wed.	7 23	4 37	0 31
26 Thur.	7 23	4 38	1 43
27 Frid.	7 23	4 39	2 56
28 Sat.	7 23	4 39	4 11
29 F	7 24	4 40	5 23
30 Mon.	7 24	4 41	6 29
31 Tues.	7 24	4 42	sets.

January, TUESDAY 1, 1861

This day has been spent, principally in writing letters, and attempting to arrange my thoughts in an essay upon the subject "A familiar scene" while many of my fellow students were enjoying New years in various ways; the ladies, a few of them at least, improved part of the day, by taking the gentlemen out sleigh riding.

## WEDNESDAY 2

Nothing of much note has occurred today; this evening, at half past nine the Adrian Brass Band gave us a short serenade.

Feel this evening, the necessity of living a devoted Christian, and being more faithful in the discharge of Christian duty, that sinners may be led to Christ.

## THURSDAY 3

8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> P.M.

Have just returned from the students weekly prayer meeting. Had quite a pleasant and profitable writing before God. Many spoke of their intentions and resolutions to live this year, better Christians than they have done in the year that is just past. My prayer is that God will enable us to live.

Jan.

FRIDAY 4,

1861

11 O'clock P.M.

This this was the day appointed for fasting and prayer. Did not attend Church in the city. Star Society was this evening, members performed their duty promptly, and the discussion was very interesting. Am pledged on for discussion next evening. Find that I will have to study some with reference to the powers of Congress and pass up.

SATURDAY 5

This day spent, principally, in studying my lessons for Sunday commencing reviewing Greek. Nothing of special importance that I know of, has happened today. Feel that I am one day, and also one week nearer to my final account, than ever before. Have tried to form a covenant with God, that I will live nearer to him in the future, and do more for his cause.

SUNDAY 6

The labors of another sabbath are just closed and I am about to lay me upon my bed to rest. The first thing which I met this morning when I awoke, was a temptation, not to arise and let a fellow student in, who came to my door and knocked; but thinking of a passage of Scripture, "He that seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" I immediately arose and opened the door. "How he wanted my ash-pail."

Jan.

MONDAY 7,

1861

The labors of another day are about closed, and nothing of very great importance has transpired. Think that this day has been spent profitably, although my Latin lesson was not thoroughly prepared, I feel that I have done my duty so far as studying is concerned. History lessons furnished some interesting facts. A fellow student mistook a question and said the Americans crossed New Jersey in Flat Boats.

TUESDAY 8

This day spent in exceedingly hard study and did not have my Latin lesson well prepared. Received a cheering letter from home. A small fracas occurred among some of the boys at the wood-pile, in which a professor of religion struck a non professor. Think this was not a very good example to set before the world. O for more of the spirit that was in Christ!

WEDNESDAY 9

Devoted to hard study and recitation. Nothing very special has happened today, except that I heard, for the first time, of a cigar going along the street, with fire on one end, and a foot on the other. Find the history of the revolutionary war very interesting. Like very much to study history, if I had a little more time to spend on it. Find it quite beneficial to my progress.

Jan. THURSDAY 10, 1861

Usual routine of duties through today, and nothing special has transpired. Prayer meeting this evening rather spirited, confined principally, to the male portion of the audience. Some very good thoughts suggested with regard to formal prayers; Would that I could always come to God in a child-like manner, and ask him just for those things which I need. God is his dear to him.

FRIDAY 11,

Spent pleasantly, and I hope profitably. Society rather interesting this evening; all the members performing the duty assigned to them except myself; owing to the portion of time taken up by my studies, I was unable to prepare anything for discussion, and not wishing to expose my ignorance, I procured a substitute, who did better, perhaps, than I could have done, for the resolutions <sup>session of a date?</sup>  
"Res. that Congress possess the power to prevent the"

SATURDAY 12

Spent in studying, preparing for the duties of another week.

Nothing of any special interest has occurred today. Realize this evening a consciousness of having done my duty today, so far as my studies are concerned, and for aught I know my religious duties also.

Mr. Miller took his trunk from my room this evening.

Jan. SUNDAY 13, 1861

Prof. McKeever preached a good sermon on faith. Urged the necessity of having more living faith, such as will enable us to be the instrument in the hands of God of converting our own people. Prayer meeting this evening quite interesting. But one sister there who took up the cross. Oh! why is there such a backwardness on the part of Christians to do their duty.

MONDAY 14

Had my lessons pretty well prepared, and felt that I could recite as well as the majority of my class, but on account of my drowsiness this evening, I fear I shall not recite so well tomorrow, for I have long lessons to get, and this pretty hard. Will go to bed with an easy mind and trust to Providence for strength to do my duty in the fear of God.

TUESDAY 15

Attended a prayer meeting in one of the rooms this evening. Had quite a pleasant, and I think profitable waiting before God. Invited the brethren present, to meet in my room this evening one week, for the purpose of holding a similar meeting.

This, perhaps, as profitable a way as any how can be spent, to engage in prayer.

Jan. WEDNESDAY 16, 1861

Another day, with its pleasures, blessings, pains and sorrows, is papered into eternity, and I am left one day nearer the grave and the final judgment. O! am I this much better prepared than I was at this time last evening? I feel that this day has passed under the smile of my heavenly Father, and I will praise him for his kindness to me.

THURSDAY 17

The labors of another day are done & closed. Another means of grace has passed me, and I would gladly believe that it has been improved to the honor and glory of God who gave it. One more privilege is now added to the very many for which I shall have to give an account at the final day of accounts, before an assembled world.

FRIDAY 18

Each day that passes brings new scenes and new privileges, and for each privilege I shall have to give an account. The labors of this day, have been somewhat inquisid and tardy, but they were counterbalanced this evening by the reception of a letter from Molly, Lydia, and a short note from Polly containing the news of Polly's death. Rather bad!

Jan. SATURDAY 19, 1861

Had pleasure, this evening, of listening to a lecture read by the distinguished Horace Greeley, subject, "The West." This gentleman, although a distinguished writer, is not an orator in any sense of the word, but take the proceedings this evening all in all, they were very interesting and instructive, quite worth the admittance fee, twenty five cents.

SUNDAY 20

Usual exercises passed through, preaching this morning at half past ten Sabbath School, very interesting, at two. Lesson on the temptation of Christ by the Devil. Learned something, from I think. Prayer-meeting this evening not very lively, but the remarks made by Prof M<sup>r</sup> Eldowney were such as were calculated to arouse Christians to a sense of their duty. Long may they be remembered by all who heard them.

MONDAY 21

Life is fast passing away. Each day as its paper leaves me one day nearer the grave, and I would realize each evening that, I am better prepared to meet my Judge, than I was the evening previous. I want to correct some one, or more of my faults each day, so that I may have "A closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame!"

Jan.

TUESDAY 22,

1861

A few of my fellow students met in my room this evening and we held a prayer meeting. Had quite a good time. Felt that the Lord was in our midst, and that O. H. P. I feel strengthened this evening for the discharge of the duties which are before me, and expect to be more useful in the world hereafter.

WEDNESDAY 23

The busy scenes of another day are passed and nothing of very special note has transpired. Star Society met this evening and elected officers. Today we finished the history of the War of the Revolution. We just about commencing to recite Greek where we have no English to refer to. Think we shall not have much difficulty. Snowing some this evening.

THURSDAY 24

Quite a large attendance at the prayer meeting this evening, and a good degree of the Christian spirit seemed to pervade the assembly, but owing to the state of the atmosphere in the room being vitiated with something connected with the Chemical Apparatus we were obliged to adjourn until some future time.

Jan.

FRIDAY 25,

1861

This day has been one of considerable interest. President Makam delivered a lecture this afternoon, on the capability of the earth to sustain its increasing population. Society was somewhat interesting, although the discussion was somewhat one-sided. Question, "Res. That ministers of the Gospel should take no part in political discussion". P. was my lot to speak on the negative.

SATURDAY 26,

Have made no very brilliant achievements to-day, have spent the day mostly in preparing for the Sabbath, getting in wood &c. &c. Read my Greek lesson over for Monday and also my History lesson, in which we have an account of the first steamboat, the time, it was built, and by whom. O! that for each day I may be able to give a better account to the great Judge.

SUNDAY 27

This has been a day of rest to my soul; I have felt that it was good to meet with the people of God for his worship. Sabbath School today was very interesting, and prayer meeting this evening was a great source of enjoyment to me. I realize this evening that it is good to wait upon the Lord; and I will serve him the remainder of my days.

Jan. MONDAY 28, 1861

Received the news that my neighbors, Potter and Pattison have given themselves up to the Lord to follow him hereafter whithersoever he shall lead them. The main thought which occupies my mind this evening is this, As I write something upon the pages of this little book each day, I trust I may have some good deeds registered in the Lamb's book of life.

TUESDAY 29

Last evening some of the boys took the bell from its place, and Professor told them this morning that he saw them and would allow them to carry it back tonight. Prayer meeting in my room this evening, well attended and quite interesting. Mr Potter and Mr Pattison both spoke of their <sup>good</sup> resolutions for the first time in our hearing.

WEDNESDAY 30

Another day has rolled into eternity, and I am one day nearer that bourne from whence no traveler ever returns. Nothing very unusual has happened today, and as it is growing quite late in the evening I will not take time to multiply words but will retire for the night.

Jan. THURSDAY 31 1861

The closing scene of another month is now about to transpire, and when tomorrow's sun shall rise its rays will cause the beginning of another. This day has been spent about as usual, but the prayer meeting this evening was marked with unusual promptness on the part of the gentlemen, while with the ladies it was just the reverse.

February, FRIDAY 1.

Society met this evening as usual and had quite a spirited meeting. All the performances were creditable but somewhat lengthy. Evangelical by ex-president, C. M. DeGood, quite interesting and instructive. Miss Price's first critical essay, read tonight, was very good, and the authoress was much applauded by the audience.

SATURDAY 2

What kind of an account shall I give of this day's proceedings. I have not done much today but to run round and do up my usual Saturday work. My lessons for next Monday are very lengthy and hard but I have not got them prepared. Did not study any of my accounts today, have studied pretty hard this evening.

Feb.

SUNDAY 3,

1861

My 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday is now past, I have tried to spend this day to the honor and glory of God. Prayermeeting this evening of a very affecting nature. Have spent the time since in trying to persuade Mr. Perry to become a Christian. O! may God seal conviction on his heart, and enable him to yield to the influence of the Holy spirit.

MONDAY 4

Have felt a strong desire today to see souls converted unto God. Met this evening with a few of the brethren in Seconners room for the purpose of praying for sinners. Want to get a little nearer to Christ, that sinners may be converted through my instrumentality. Feel a stronger desire to see sinners converted than ever in my life before. "O for a closer walk with God."

TUESDAY 5

This day has not been marked by any very peculiar dispensation of Providence, so far as I have been concerned. Prayermeeting this evening in Dan. Hoffmans room. About the same spirit manifested as on previous occasions. My Greek lesson for tomorrow seems to worry my patience, and I cannot satisfy my mind with it at all. Very, very perplexing study.

Feb.

WEDNESDAY 6

1861

Nothing of very peculiar interest has transpired today. Prayermeeting this evening in Mr. Gaffins room; there were quite a number in, and we had a very pleasant time, although I do not know feel as deep an interest in the cause of Christ, as I should feel, yet I cannot think for a moment of abandoning it.

THURSDAY 7

This day has passed off pleasantly. Owing to the seats being moved into the new Chapel, we did not have Chapel exercise this morning, & for the same reason, we did not have the regular prayermeeting, but a few of us met in Mr. Potters room, and had an interesting meeting. O! for more of the love of God in my heart.

FRIDAY 8

Nothing of very peculiar interest has transpired within the limits of my knowledge today. Society met this evening as usual and we had quite an interesting attempt at making an arrangement for seating the new society-room, failed; but a committee of three ladies and three gentlemen was appointed to furnish the room for the reception of the society.



Feb. SATURDAY 9, 1861

My mind, this evening is taken up with the idea that I should talk religion more to those around me, and invite those who now make no profession of religion, to our private prayer meetings, and try to do them good, this has been brought to my mind, by a young man asking me if he might attend the prayer meeting this evening.

SUNDAY 10

Preaching in the Chapel today for the first time; Sabbath School there also. congregation somewhat increased. prayer meeting tonight very well attended, and the time pretty well occupied by the brethren but the sisters took no part whatever. O! that they would arouse to a sense of their duty.

MONDAY 11

Realize, this evening, my proneness to wander from God; and one of my failings is, I give my appetite too loose reins. This I believe to be injurious to my mind and to my health in general. It is my determination, now, to try and remedy this growing ail. I trust that God will give me strength to overcome temptation, that I may at last come off more than conqueror.

Feb. TUESDAY 12, 1861

Another day has passed, and I cannot see that I have made any advancement, in the divine life. Would that I could feel a deeper interest in the subject of religion. Would that I could awake to my duty and perform it with more zeal and delight that sinners may be converted unto God.

WEDNESDAY 13

It is said that, The darkest hour is just before the break of day, if this is true, I have some reason to hope that a bright day is about to dawn upon me, for I feel that I have been groping in darkness long enough. Prayer meeting in Hyatt's room tonight all seemed to enjoy more than I did. I have not lived near enough to the foot of the cross to enjoy perfect bliss.

THURSDAY 14

The most important part of this days proceedings, was the prayer meeting, at which some of the young men misbehaved and were sharply, but solemnly, reproofed first by Miss Duman afterward by some others for their conduct. May God reward those who manifested such a Christian spirit towards the offenders, and may the reproof have a good effect upon their hard and impenitent hearts.

Feb. FRIDAY 15, 1861

Recitations of another school week are now closed. Society met this evening and transacted some miscellaneous business, and adjourned on account of the renowned Bayard Taylor's lecture. I have spent the evening in writing a letter to Robt and Thamer. I think this evening that it is very uncertain whether I shall ever see them again on earth, but I expect to meet them in Heaven.

SATURDAY 16,

Nothing very special occurred today under my special notice. We met this evening in Mr Bowler's room for prayer. Had a precious time, resolved that we would make Mr. Wotley, Perry and Boston the special objects of prayer during the coming week, and use our influence to bring them to Christ. May God help us to do, wisely.

SUNDAY 17,

The most important feature of this days proceeding, was a sermon preached by President Mahan, in which he showed that the little acts of our lives, performed without reference to any particular object, have the most telling effects upon our associates, and if those acts are good, of course they will have a good effect, because a good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit.

Feb. MONDAY 18, 1861

Have no mighty act to record this evening; death has not made any inroads upon our number during the day, and we, as students are yet living moving monuments of the mercy of God. O, why is he so kind to us sinful creatures? Why does he not say "Cut them down, why can't they stay the ground?"

TUESDAY 19

With feelings rather more encouraging than common I set down to record the proceedings of the day. Mr. Geo. Todd declared his intention this evening to become a Christian. In connection with this, I have been able to get out all my Greek lesson and parts of my History for tomorrow. Reviewing for examination.

WEDNESDAY 20

Recitations today went off about right. Prof. McKeever and his lady called in to see me this evening the first time Mrs. McKeever has been in my room since I came to Adrian College. Have not got my lessons this evening, and they are quite lengthy. Fear I shall stand a very poor examination next week.

Feb.

THURSDAY 21

1861

Prayermeeting this evening was well attended; room nearly full, and more than usual took part in the exercises of the evening. It seems that this will likely be the last time that we shall meet this term, and this caused deep feeling in the hearts of some who are going to leave us when the term closes and will not return.

FRIDAY 22

Spent the Sabbath in New York. This is the birthday of the "Father of his Country." Star Society met this evening in the new room for the first time. Members, who were appointed for the occasion, performed their duty with promptness, and the meeting was indeed pleasant. New room does very well so far as it is furnished.

SATURDAY 23

Another week almost drawn to a close, and yet I have quite an amount of work to do before I shall be prepared to perform the duties which shall devolve upon me next week. Oh! how ignorant I am, and how much more I might have known, had I improved the time when I was younger; but those times cannot be brought to me again.

Feb.

SUNDAY 24,

1861

Spent in the usual way, heard President Graham preach in the Chapel this morning, attended Sabbath School in the afternoon, and Prof not being at prayermeeting this evening it fell upon me to lect. Meeting continued about one hour and the time was pretty well occupied. One lady gave her testimony in favor of religion.

MONDAY 25

Was examined today in Greek, did not find it very difficult. Prayermeeting this evening in Pettis room. Quite a number of non-prophets in Pexbone in Parrish's room. Bruce said this evening that a witness in our courts of justice only receive about six shillings per day, but the witness of Christ shall reap an eternal reward at his right hand in Heaven.

TUESDAY 26

Today spent principally in listening to the examination of classes. Prayermeeting this evening in Mr Parrish's room. About the usual tone of feeling prevailed. Quite a number of our uncon-verted fellow students were in and behaved themselves very respectfully. Would that they would make up their minds to be Christians.

Feb. WEDNESDAY 27 1861

A prayer meeting was held in Mr. Smith's room this evening, and I can say that it was good to be there. I learned from remarks made by Mr. Parrish, not to spurn the sinner from my company, but to try and exert a good influence over them. He reproached Christians for not talking more upon the subject, and said he would thank us to tell him politely when we see him doing wrong. May God give us all strength to do our duty.

THURSDAY 28

From some cause, unknown to me, there was no prayer meeting this evening; for my part, I feel rather disappointed, for I thought that we should have one more good meeting before we should separate, but it is too late now, and perhaps we shall never all meet in the capacity of a prayer meeting again, but I hope we shall meet in Heaven.

March, FRIDAY 1.

Examination closed this afternoon with the expulsion of L. F. Smith & H. J. Pomeroy, for violating the ladies rooms without permission. Society this evening was rather spirited and pleasant. "Question Res. That the signs of the times indicate a downfall of the republic" decided in favor of the negative. I shall have to speak for the savages at our next meeting.

March, SATURDAY 2, 1861

Left at 10 o'clock and came to a place by way of the cars, saw some of the rougher country I ever saw. Am now at Mr. Nichols. Have learned a new way of keeping mice out of cribs; turn a tin pan mouth down over the pillars. Michiganders tie their cattle so close to the rack, that they have but little room to move sideways. beautiful weather here now.

SUNDAY 3

Very wet day. Went to church on horseback without a saddle. Heard Mr. Laughman preach a fine sermon, many from there to the "masses"; some hard boys there. Had quite an interesting time this evening. Stayed in the fore church, came home through the mud. On the whole the country about it presents rather a gloomy appearance.

MONDAY 4

Fine forenoon, went with Potts to a neighbor's and shelled some corn, went to mill, did not get our grain, went to school in Rolland. School very disorderly. Roads very muddy. Intended to go to church this evening, but it was too stormy. Another curiosity of Michigan, is, they plow in a rock. A big wood fire looks very cheerful.

March, TUESDAY 5, 1861

Attended meeting at the log school-house. Much humility manifested ever & saw among Christians. A poor house and pride cannot find an entrance. Nice looking folks if they would pay more attention to their dress. One bro said that the use of tobacco hindered his spiritual progress & he was determined to abandon its use. Carried after the congregation was dismissed. Did not get home until 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY 6

Visited the school taught by Miss Em. Childs. Was favorably impressed with both Teacher & scholars. In the evening had a very pleasant visit to Deacon Childs in Co. with Peter, Cottion, and Miss Kef. Em. accompanied us through back. Heard the President (Lincoln's) inaugural read. Houses here are rather small, but the inhabitants are very friendly, and I enjoy myself well among them.

THURSDAY 7

Chopped wood in the morning. Went with Peter to Mr. Gillets for dinner, but being late we did not get our expected supper of Trout until supper time. Went to Mr. Smith's and spent the evening. Had a good time all round. C. G. stayed all night. Charly and I borrowed a lantern, and came home. Have rather a favorable opinion of the ladies about here. Saw a remarkable rock, compounded of little pebbles.

March, FRIDAY 8, 1861

Very wet day. Intended to go and visit Miss Aggy Sprague's school, but it rained too much. Stayed at Mr. Cottison's, & made a paper lantern. Quite a curiosity to the folks. Heard Grandpa tell of a girl who was so large that she kept two hours all night, & neither knew that the other was there until they started home. Went to Mr. Purchase's & stayed until bed time. Ch. at church & had not got back when we left. Stayed over night with Charley.

SATURDAY 9

Stayed at Mr. P's. Made another lantern and went round over the farm some. Read Mr. Lincoln's inaugural aloud. Have enjoyed my visit well so far, and know of nothing to hinder me from enjoying my visit all through. Mr. P's are very fine friendly folks, and do what they can to make my visit a pleasant one.

SUNDAY 10,

Went to church to Hudson in forenoon, heard Rev. Langhman preach. Attended Class meeting and a concert of the different Sabbath Schools. Went to Rolland to church in the evening. Four persons forward for prayers. Meeting there going to continue some time. Folks very much taken with the new lantern there. One boy wished to know of it was made of bladder.

March, MONDAY 11, 1861

Made a lantern for Oliver in forenoon,  
Visited Miss Aggy Sprague's school in after-  
noon, and was well pleased; Went to Mr Smith's  
and took tea with O. B. Potter Aggy, & the  
Smith family. Spent the evening at home  
with Mr Smith, with the former Co. were  
entertained with music on the melodian.  
Gained one philopona from Mrs. S. and got  
the mitten by asking her to take my arm as  
she started home. She saved that philopona  
by so doing

TUESDAY 12

Third term commenced. Came from  
H on the 2 o'clock train. Thus ended  
my visit to H. and now having formed  
some new acquaintances, I feel like going  
to studying. This has been a fine day  
but is a little cloudy now. Some  
strangers here this term, but there  
are still some here whom I know.  
Charley Pattison came with me from H.

WEDNESDAY 13

Forenoon spent in settling up my  
accounts, registering for the term,  
getting my books etc. In the after-  
noon, went with Charley Pattison down  
to the city and put two letters in  
the office, one for Mrs. and the other  
for Edwin Miller. Studied some  
in the evening, making preparations  
for tomorrow's recitations. Reflect, with  
pleasure, on my visit to Hudson's vicinity.

March, THURSDAY 14, 1861

Forenoon spent in recitation as usual.  
Afternoon recited in Greek, and went  
to the city for exercise. This evening  
met in the prayer circle and had a good  
time. Miss Carry Robinson expressed her  
determination to become a Christian.  
Miss Lois White took part for the first  
time among us - think she will be  
the means of arousing some of the sisters  
to their duty

FRIDAY 15

Spent in study and recitation  
Miss Pomeroy being absent, we did  
not recite in Algebra this morning.  
Took a small part in the discus-  
sion this evening of the following  
resolution. Res. That the layages  
have a right to the soil. Spoke on  
the Aff. Res. was gained. Have to  
decline at our next meeting.

SATURDAY 16

Spent the forenoon in committing a  
declamation, carrying in wood lettering  
my Historiae Sacrae etc. Spent the afternoon  
in reading getting my Greek and Latin  
lessons for Monday. Do not feel like  
studying any this evening although  
I know that I have need to improve  
all the time which is afforded me.  
Next week will be a byeone, no doubt,  
if my life should be spared.

March, SUNDAY 17, 1861

Heard Prof. McEldowney preach from the words "The Lord reigneth let the earth rejoice." Preached a very good discourse. Walked down to town with Charley P. for exercise. Prayer meeting this evening not very lively. House rather cold. No lady but Miss White took any part.

MONDAY 18

Recited to-day as usual. Nothing very especially interesting has occurred. Charley came in this evening and we had a season of prayer before retiring. Weather very cold and remarkably unchangeable for this time of year.

TUESDAY 19

Recited as usual. Went with Charley down to Mrs. Sekors this evening, came back at half past seven. Studied my Latin lesson some, mended my pants, and propped the bed as the next place for me. Do not feel very well. Chum not here down at town. Weather still very cold but not stormy.

March, WEDNESDAY 20, 1861

Snowed pretty near all day. Recited as usual except that my Greek lesson was not well prepared. Society met this evening for the election of officers. Elected S. B. Hathaway president & Miss Robinson vice president. Feel to regret this evening that I am so cold and formal in the cause of religion. Want to live nearer to the throne of Divine grace.

THURSDAY 21

Recited today as usual, had pretty good recitation in Latin and Algebra. Greek not so good. Prayer meeting pretty good, time pretty well occupied but wholly by the male portion of the audience. Ladies seem to be remiss in their duty. Mr Wright came in to our room and engaged with us in prayer after the meeting adjourned.

FRIDAY 22,

In my recitation in Algebra this morning I made a mistake, and said take the larger number from the greater did not notice it until my classmates told me of it. Society this evening rather interesting. (C. to exclude all from the regular meetings of the society carries the day. Weather something like spring. Snow pretty near all gone.

March, SATURDAY 23, 1861

Spent in studying my Algebra lesson, writing letters, cutting wood &c. Prayer meeting this evening in the chapel, very few there, but there were enough to claim the promise of God and I feel that it was verified, and we had a solemn waiting before God. Miss Pomeroy told of the death of her Grandfather in very touching terms.

SUNDAY 24

Heard Prof. G. McElhoney preach this morning about the sacrifice offered by Cain and Able. Had Sabbath School & loafed in the afternoon, sacrament, after loafing, and then re-organized the church. Went to the Methodist church in town this evening. heard a good sermon and did not remain for prayer meeting. Beautiful moonlight night.

MONDAY 25

My recitations were pretty well executed. Nothing very important has occurred today. Society met at 4 o'clock for the purpose of incorporation. Adjourned one week. Weather not so fine this evening as it has been it is raining some. No news from home lately, look for some soon.

March, TUESDAY 26, 1861

Recited as usual. Nothing of special note occurred through the day, spent the afternoon principally in studying up a subject for an essay. Have concluded to write about 'Washington the Father of his country.' Cannot do the subject justice but I will do the best I can under the circumstances. Very wet day.

WEDNESDAY 27

Recitations as usual. All pretty good. Went to town this evening and put a book in the P.O. for Dr. S. Miller paid 20 cts postage. Rain river pretty high. Boys had quite a time rolling a stone along the walk. Pleasant weather now for the time of year. Begin to think some of going home.

THURSDAY 28

Recitations today as usual, but our Greek lesson was a failure and we have it to get over. Prayer meeting this evening met very lively, for my part I am too cold in the cause of religion want more of the true Christian spirit and then I shall enjoy life better myself and make others happy.



March, FRIDAY 29, 1861

Very wet day all through.  
Rhetorical exercises postponed one week. Caged class did not recite. Union school examination came off today. Society met this evening. & declaimed. Was not very well prepared. No word from home yet. Do not know what is the matter. Will wait patiently until the time comes.

SATURDAY 30,

Visited McKee's folks in the morning then went with chum down to town as he was starting home. got in some wood for Sunday, made some maple molasses out of sugar in the afternoon. Studied my Latin and Algebra lessons for Monday. Weather somewhat fairer than it has been of late.

SUNDAY 31

Heard Prof. McKee preach in the forenoon from the words "Prove all things." A prayer meeting in the evening, the one thought seemed to prevail. Oh! how cold we are! Prof. McEldowney suggested that we make use of the prayer of the Psalmist, Open thou my mouth & my lips shall show forth thy praises.

April, MONDAY 1, 1861

Was a very wet day and very disagreeable. Had my lessons pretty well prepared, makes me feel good to recite my lessons well.

Greek seems to get a little easier as I progress; hope it will continue so. No letter from home yet. Wood which we have is of an inferior quality.

TUESDAY 2

Very fine spring day, had my lessons all pretty well prepared. Took a walk at noon for exercise. Went to town after four o'clock with C. H. Patton. Boys had a good time exercising with the iron ball on the walk. Quite a good state of feeling seems to prevail among the students.

WEDNESDAY 3

Nothing more than common has happened with us to-day. Our lessons were not as well prepared as they should, and would have been had we had more time to prepare them. Did not exercise any of any account today. Do not feel very well this evening. No word from home yet.

April THURSDAY 4, 1861

Robt & Liz started for Iowa.  
Beautiful day. Proceedings  
something after the manner  
of days previous. Went to town  
in the afternoon for exercise.

Prayer meeting this evening very  
interesting. Ladies did not  
take part. J. Leagoner has re-  
turned and takes an active  
part. Signs of better times.

The Lords work reviving in my heart.

FRIDAY 5

Fine day. Recited in Algebra &  
Latin as usual. Took part in  
rhetorical exercise in the afternoon,  
read an essay subject "Washington's  
Wishbone to Killers home and get  
some shavings, came back & wrote  
a letter to C. C. Potter. Attended  
Society in the evening. Discussion inter-  
esting. Does, Res. that external circumstances  
indicate that this continent will be submerged

SATURDAY 6

Heard of Robt & Tamara going West.

Was thinking in the morning that I  
ought to have a letter from home.  
C. H. brought me one, and five more. "What  
a pity when it rains it pours"

Rained some today. Wrote until  
half past eleven O'clock at night,  
and then was not near through.  
Still have green mood & brown does  
not even good by any means.

April, SUNDAY 7, 1861

Heard Prof. McKever preach from Rom  
14 & 17<sup>th</sup> an excellent sermon. Sabbath  
School as usual, but Dr. Chubb being  
absent, it fell to me to open with prayer.  
Prayer meeting in the evening very  
solemn. Deep impressions made on  
some minds. Old professors making  
new resolutions and starting afresh  
for the Kingdom of Heaven. O!  
may the good work be revived.

Sabbath Society MONDAY 8 Incorporated  
Nothing of any special note happened  
except that the Sab Society met to  
finish its incorporation. Intended  
to go to town this evening but it rained  
so that we did not go. Did not  
feel well in the evening. Greek  
lesson of today pretty hard, and not  
very well recited. Next lesson some-  
thing shorter. Algebra lessons getting  
harder. Miss Emergins' Sabbath day!

TUESDAY 9

Wet day. Lessons pretty well recited.  
Went to town in the afternoon &  
received a letter from Geo. Bosley,  
no very particular news. Time  
passing away very rapidly. Will soon  
have passed through one college year  
and know but little more apparen-  
tly than when I commenced. Christian  
religion still precious to my soul. Wish  
to live out its principles more fully.

April, WEDNESDAY 10 1861

Very fine day. Cut some wood in the morning. Lesson in Latin rather poorly recited. Walked out at noon and saw the ruins of Leott's barn which was burnt last night. Went to town after four o'clock. Studied in the evening until half past nine. Went into Mr. Parrish's room to see how it looks since being papered. Very nice.

THURSDAY 11

Principal occurrence of today, was the prayer meeting this evening in which Parrish spoke, and the Pomeroy arose for prayer. After the public prayer meeting quite a number of the brethren met in my room and we had a very interesting season of prayer in behalf of those who manifested a desire to become Christians. O may God deepen conviction in their hearts & make them white in the blood of the Lamb.

FRIDAY 12

Recited as usual. Did not exercise much. Rhetorical exercise uninteresting. No lecture by president on account of a funeral in the city. Society met as usual. Had a spirited discussion on the resolution. Res. That man is governed more by reason than by habit. Res. adopted. It would storm this evening. Got to write an essay for next Monday. Don't know what to write.

April, SATURDAY 13, 1861

Studied some about the Constitution of the United States in the forenoon, went to town and bought me a pair of pants. Also drew ten dollars from the bank on the draft which I received from home. Studied my Latin lesson over in the evening. Day not very profitably spent take it all round. Should have written an essay for rhetorical exercise.

SUNDAY 14,

Heard Prof. McElowney speak in the forenoon, Sabbath school as usual. Walked down to town with Mr. Wright. Prayer meeting quite interesting. None of the sisters spoke except Miss Backus. Bruce pretty warm. Wrote a number the p. Parrish not present. Neither of the Pomeroy boys was there. Prof. McElowney sang first volume.

MONDAY 15

Recitations pretty good. Studied hard all day. Went to town in the afternoon and purchased eight postage stamps. Studied Latin until eight in the evening and then worked at an example in Algebra until nearly eleven. Weather pretty fine. Frost this morning. Great excitement about the par. 75,000 volunteers called for by the President of the U.S.

April,

TUESDAY 16,

1861

Had good recitations in all my classes. Got some mood in the afternoon and then went to the city for exercise. Studied Latin in the evening. Got my lesson a job pretty well. Took up some of writing an essay about the rainbow. Studying also about the constitutionality of exercising the seceding states, preparing for debate.

WEDNESDAY 17

Had pretty good recitations. Latin class increased some in numbers. After I got through with my recitations I studied some, cut some wood, went to town, came back and exercised some, went down to McKeen's room & listened to some music from Miss Conway Miss P. Mrs. McKeen and several of the young gentlemen; was very fine but I could not stay to hear it. Came back to my studies again.

THURSDAY 18

Recitations all pretty good. Went to town after four o'clock to see the military, but was disappointed. Thought considerable about war. Prayer meeting. Not very lively, nor very many in attendance. One or two of the new students took part in the exercises. Studies very backward. Go one of them to take up the crop, notwithstanding there were quite a number there who profess religion.

April,

FRIDAY 19,

1861

Recited in forenoon as usual. read an essay in rhetorical exercises. Went to town to hear the news. Went to Star Society - had an interesting time - heard Fox Watts and Spooner speak perhaps for the last time - All who were there gave them an expression of their sympathy and an assurance that they should be remembered.

SATURDAY 20

Took a good wash in the forenoon. Helped Rowley to pack up his things, furnished a letter to John, wrote one to W. Miller. In the afternoon numbered the Sabbath school books, went to town and saw the soldiers march and got me a pair of boots for which I paid \$5.00. Great excitement in town about the war. Harpers Ferry destroyed.

SUNDAY 21

Had no religious services here today. But Sabbath school. Went to the city & heard a sermon preached to the soldiers. Walked out with Miller after L.S. Caught a snake and Miss Fowle. Stopped a short time at Farris. Went to town to church at night. Heard Mr. Eldon preach a sermon with respect to the war. Very good indeed; better than morning sermons.

April, MONDAY 22, 1861

Recited pretty well in forenoon. Had the headache and did not have my Greek lesson. Went to town in evening. Saw the soldiers from here sitting to get their pictures. Did not study any from four, until seven o'clock. Rotted the ball some on the walk. Most beautiful weather. Very warm. Not quite so much excitement to-day about war as there has been for some days back.

TUESDAY 23

Recitations pretty good except Algebra. Nothing very especial occurred during the day. Very fine spring weather. Some of the boys had summer coats on. Very heavy thunder storm in the afternoon. Persons was shocked by lightning as he came from the city. Folks have commenced plowing some. Dr. Chubb returned from Lansing. Singing this afternoon. Longsbury Teacher.

WEDNESDAY 24

Recitations as usual except Algebra which appeared to be the hardest kind. Nothing very especial happened during the forepart of the day. Went to town in the afternoon. Came back heard Prof. use some pretty hard language - gave him the book "Guilty Tongue" to read - hope he will reform. Heard that the Middletown boys had joined a military company.

April, THURSDAY 25 1861

Was a day of deep interest. A flag <sup>25</sup> 5 ft long and 1.5 ft wide was raised over the N. Hall yard. The Military from the city were present. Speeches delivered by Graham, McEldowney, Pitts, McHaver and Honner. Star Spangled Banner sung by a number of ladies and gentlemen. Prayer meeting very interesting. More than like by the last time we shall meet. See now, Watts, Free and Presler in the Thursday evening prayer meeting. Persons much affected.

FRIDAY 26,

Funeral Service

Recitations of the forenoon as usual. Historical exercise in the afternoon. Our division did not meet on account of the illness of Prof. McEldowney. Walked with Mr. A. M. Wright out into the woods and heard him speak his original declamation subject "Peace", very good indeed. Spoke in society this evening. Society laid a tax of fifty cents on each member for the furnishing of the room. Presler gave his Farewell Address and was cheered for it.

SATURDAY 27,

Studied Algebra in the forenoon. Read part of my Greek lesson after dinner, then went to the city. Coming back stopped for a short time with Lindley. Visited McKewen. Attended an Oyster Supper which was gotten up for the soldiers who are about to leave the institution. Did not return from it until eleven o'clock. Very wet afternoon evening.

April,

SUNDAY 28,

1861

Attended church at the Plymouth and heard Presby. Mahan preach his farewell sermon. Sabbath school as usual four. Attended church again at the Plyn. in the evening and heard him preach a political sermon. Soldiers present. One of the most beautiful of days. Somewhat uneasy to hear from home on account of the war excitement.

MONDAY 29

Students Start to War

Arose at 1/2 past four o'clock and attended prayer meeting at the Chapel at five. Ladies flag was run up after breakfast, and then we were excused from recitations to go and see the military start. Great crowd in attendance. Boys went off very cheerfully considering the circumstances. Great many tears shed today by mothers whose sons have joined the ranks. Paid McKewens advice in the afternoon.

TUESDAY 30

Recited as usual - lessons pretty well prepared - received a letter from India and Lydia. Potter came down with C. H. Patterson from Hudson. Had quite a time while he staid. Rained in the afternoon - rather cold. Another company of soldiers left Adrian. Did not go to see them off. Cards in the Co. War excitement running pretty high.

May,

WEDNESDAY 1, 1861

Miss Tomroy said I had a very good lesson in Algebra, but I did not believe her. Pretty good in Latin. Recited first lesson in Greek Testament. Went to town in the afternoon. No great excitement came back and prepared my Latin lesson. Very cold day for the first of May. Have a bad cold, somewhat hoarse. Times very dull on account of so many leaving school. Looks something like giving up the job.

THURSDAY 2

Good recitations all round. Greek better than common. Went to town with C. H. Patterson. Attended prayer meeting in the evening. Not very exciting. Ladies took no part except in singing. Went to last evening with us in prayer meeting. Did not prepare my lessons in in the evening. Very fine day.

FRIDAY 3

Lessons in Latin and Algebra not very well prepared. Spoke The Battle of Waterloo in rhetorical exercise. Heard the President's lecture on a protective tariff. Received a letter from John. Visited McKewens folks. Mr. Mills' birth day. - Did not attend Society but wrote a letter to Father and Mother. Rained today - Rather disagreeable.

May, SATURDAY 4, 1861

Finished a letter to Father & Mother. Took to the P.L. Helped to set out the <sup>maple</sup> trees in front of the College; had quite a spree over it. Very fine day. Studied Latin some. Studied and talked until 20 minutes past ten P.M. Very hard Latin lesson. Hard times for wood. Boys cut up some rails.

SUNDAY 5

Heard Prof. McHaver preach in the forenoon. Attended Sabbath School at the usual hour, more interesting than common. Took tea with Mr Wilcox at the Hall, then walked out South. Had a pleasant walk. Prayer meeting in the evening pretty well attended and time pretty well occupied. Some of the ladies took part but not all.

MONDAY 6

Recited as usual. Had pretty good lessons in Algebra and Latin, but Greek was hard. Went to town with Wilcox and Pattison, saw some of the finest specimens of penmanship I ever saw. Came back and studied until 20 minutes past 9. Wrote off the song Star Spangled Banner. Did not learn quite all the time. Perge by Day early in P.M.

May, TUESDAY 7, 1861

Algebra class was exercised. Recited in other classes as usual. Cut of a rail for fire wood. Went to town with C. H. Pattison. Had a conversation with V. Bruce in the evening, he told me some anecdotes about Hilledale College. Saw about the boys hauling the President's carriage to the creek and then having to haul it back he being in it all the time.

WEDNESDAY 8

Had pretty good lessons. Went to town in the afternoon. Heard no special news. Star Society met at seven o'clock for the election of officers. Elected boys Freddy, and Miss Atwood Vice President, Miss Baker Critic, Taylor Secretary, and Pathway janitor. Day more like spring than we have had, but too cold for vegetable to grow much.

THURSDAY 9

Recitations as usual. Went to town after four o'clock. Got a letter for Sue took it down and heard it read, had a jolly time with the folks. Attended prayer meeting in the evening, and took no part in <sup>except</sup> singing. Prof Mann gave in for testimony for the first time on the "Lord's side". "Loans thy bread upon the waters and it shall return after many days" has just been verified.

May,

FRIDAY 10,

1861

No one in the Algebra class but myself on account of the rain. Went to town in afternoon with Lindley. Took supper at Mr. Talcott. Did not find a letter in the P.O. for Mrs. McKeever and in consequence of my promise, had to write one for her. Society rather a mixed up affair. Presid. absent and Vice P. Miss Atwood took his place and did well.

SATURDAY 11

Went to town in forenoon and had my picture taken for C. H. Peterson, and got his. Went to Mr. Bruce's in the evening and had a good time. Did not leave here until midnight. First evening that I have been absent from my room unexcused since I came to Michigan. Weather very fair but not warm enough for the leaves to make very much progress. Saw some of our soldiers at camp from Detroit, with the folks coming from

SUNDAY 12

Attended a lecture in the city in the forenoon. Sabbath school as usual. Prayer meeting in the evening being very solemn and interesting. Gen. Spoonover being present, told us of some of the tempting scenes of a camp life, and also that his face was still brownward, and that he believed he should be firm to the end of his Christian course. C. H. also gave us good encouragement. D. C. told me of his various feelings.

May,

MONDAY 13,

1861

Lessons and well prepared. Lecture by the President, at school, on "Elocution." Went to town in afternoon. Met in the chapel to select pieces to sing at the close of the term; did not remain until the exercises closed. Partially learned a song which Lindley gave me. Wrote off the Love Journal for him. No news from home or anywhere else today. Very fine day rained some in the forenoon.

TUESDAY 14

Lessons in Algebra and Latin pretty well prepared - worked hard on Greek lesson, but did not get it all. Went to town. Got a letter from C. H. Potter. Took a short drill in Military tactics in the evening, S. B. Hathaway acting as Captain. Heard this morning of Amanda Todd's death. Lindley has got excused from school. Very fine day. Woods getting green pretty fast. Very backward season.

WEDNESDAY 15

Nothing of much note happened in the forenoon, recited as usual. Afternoon went through the usual routine of duties, exercised some, by going to town, drilling under Captain Hathaway, &c. Studied Latin in the evening, commenced reviewing the books, receding about Joseph setting ear to his brethren, when they came the second time.



May, THURSDAY 16 1861

Recited as usual. Went to town in the afternoon and got my likeness taken for Lindley. Came back and drilled until meeting time. Went to meeting and enjoyed a pleasant and profitable sitting before the Lord. Time pretty well occupied by the male portion of the assembly. Weather something warmer than formerly.

FRIDAY 17

Recited in Latin and Algebra in the morning, in rhetorical exercise in the afternoon, went to town and brought back Lindley picture & my own. Drilled some under boys. Went to society in the evening pretty good. Have to declaim at the next meeting. Weather fine. Lindley started home abt 20 minutes past 10 o'clock A.M.

SATURDAY 18

Drilled for a short time in the morning. Studied some and then wrote a letter to David and Ann, also a few lines to C. C. Potter. Went to town as usual in the afternoon. Prof. McEldowney brought me a letter in the evening from Anne, Willie and Lydia containing the news of Tom Kelly's death, and also Reynolds' health is not good. Rainy evening.

May, SUNDAY 19, 1861

Attended church at the chapel. Heard Prof. John McEldowney preach. Sabbath School appraisal. Prayer meeting in the evening, quite a number of sisters out but no one except some of the white work party in the exercise. Prof. made some very plain remarks to those who do not perform their duty. Feel like taking them to myself in a certain degree. Very cool day.

MONDAY 20

Had good recitations all round. Work better than common. Went to town with Charley in the afternoon, he got two letters, one from Byron and the other from ——. When we came back the boys were drilling, performing pretty well. Ross Captain. Elected Ingraham lieutenant, and Hoffman 2nd lieutenant. Very wet day and cold.

TUESDAY 21

Met Mr Stewart at the door in the morning with Prof. McEldowney. They came in and chatted a while. Recited as usual, went to town also. Drilled some in the evening. Loaned my pants to a boy for the evening and he carried beer or some other vile stuff in it and did not wash it. Very fine day. Warm and clear. Talk of school closing one week from Thursday.

May, WEDNESDAY 22, 1861

Recited as usual, lessons pretty well prepared especially in Latin and Algebra. Went down after Latin class, to McKee's room and talked a short time with the folks.

Took a short walk with Charley at noon. After school hours in the evening went to town. Studied my Latin lesson after we came back. Very fine spring day.

THURSDAY 23

First thing in the morning was a debate on Philosophy between some of the boys at the front door.

Recited as usual. Soldiers commenced putting up the eating room. After reciting in Greek visited the folks at the other hall. Went to town after four o'clock. Took a walk with Mr. Stewart after we came back. Praying meeting very solemn and interesting. All took part except non-professors. Very fine day.

FRIDAY 24

Recited in all my studies as usual. Was not in rhetorical exercise, but they say that they had a good time. Visited McKee's in the afternoon. Society very interesting. Miss Baker read a paper in reply to the one which was read last week by Hoffman. Heard today of Colonel Sherwin's feat. Very fine day. Rained in the evening. Townsend swung off the roof by the flag rope but regained his position without being hurt.

May, SATURDAY 25, 1861

Washed up Miller's dishes in the morning, then helped C. H. Swanner to put down his carpets in the South hall. Afternoon went to town with A. M. Wright and got my picture taken over again for Lindley. Went to Bruce's in the evening with Charley. Had a pleasant time. Went to bed at half past eleven o'clock after returning.

SUNDAY 26,

Attended church in the chapel in the forenoon heard Bruce's Mahan preach. Sabbath school as usual. Praying meeting in the evening only Mr. Bruce and Charley, Charley, Halstead and myself there. Soldiers worked all day at their boarding house, and did not get it finished. Very fine day after the rain in the morning. Seems like good weather for the corn in the ground.

MONDAY 27

Moved out of No. 17 p. 140  
Recited in Algebra and Latin as usual and the Greek class being excused we did not recite in it. Moved out of No. 1 hall into the 2 S. hall and gave way to the soldiers. Went to town as usual. Came back and studied a little on my Latin lesson. Soldiers seem to be very profane. Very fine day but cool in the evening.

May, TUESDAY 28, 1861

Went to Algebra class but the room being filled up with the books we did not recite. Did not recite in Latin either. Went to town in afternoon and got my pen, went in evening and put letter in the office for Robt and Thamer. Came back to Bruce and spent the evening and night there with C. H. Atkinson. Very pleasant time. Rained in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY 29

Went from Mr Bruce to the depot in the morning to learn what time the cars start. Came back to chapel exercise. Run round all forenoon not doing much of anything. Went to town in the afternoon and went to Bruce. Attended the lecture in the evening. Mr G. M. Gregory speaker. Subject, Seasons of the time. Very good lecture and pretty full chapel. Rice family present. Day very fine.

THURSDAY 30

Commencement from 8 o'clock to 1 o'clock. Left Adrian for home at 1/2 past 3. Came from the College to the depot on foot just in time for the cars. Got to Cleveland at 8-45.

Changed cars and arrived at Wellsville at 1 1/2 P.M. Very pleasant day. Good commencement and congregation. All passed off pleasantly.

May, FRIDAY 31, 1861

Left Wellsville at 3 o'clock A.M. and arrived at Steubenville at 4 1/2 A.M. Crossed the river and arrived at J. Thorley's at 8.

Wined at home about 10. Found the folks all well. Men at Mr. Steen's shearing sheep. Went after my trunk with the buggy in the afternoon. Lydia and Mary went after Misses Adams & <sup>afternoon</sup> ~~there~~ in

June, SATURDAY 1,

Went to Mr Steen's and shored sheep until noon. Found Mrs Steen very poorly and Kenolds tottering around with a cane. Shored sheep at home in the afternoon, Grace Barber helping. Mr Albertson came in the evening with the intention of preaching next day. Day very fine but rained some in the afternoon.

SUNDAY 2

Harnessed the horses in the morning and went to Eldersville to church. Miss Adams and Din the buggy. Heard Mr. Albertson preach. Rained very hard as we came home. Read the letter with the pictures in it which they received while I was away, signed by Cronkey. Very wet afternoon. Wrote a letter to C. H. Atkinson.

June, MONDAY 3, 1861

Morning being wet, I polished one of my old fine boots. Read over some of the letters which I sent home. Afternoon we brought in some sheep and shorn five which remained of the first flock. Rain stopped us. L. M. Steen with us a short time. Syd and I spent the evening at Mr. Cassidy's. Clarkson McKeever came to shear sheep.

TUESDAY 4

Furnished mending my boots and mended Aunt Sally's and Mary's shoes. Talked a short time with J. T. Koles. Shorn sheep in the afternoon. J. S. Koles and Clark McKeever helping us. Did not get done. Put the sheep under the barn to keep them dry. Spent the evening with Aunt Sally and Ann.

WEDNESDAY 5

Furnished shearing sheep in the forenoon, and then separated them and took a flock to David's. Harrowed corn in the afternoon down in the lower bottom. Went up to David's and spent the evening. Very warm day.

June, THURSDAY 6 1861

Furnished working corn at David's in the afternoon. Spent the evening at David's with Mollie and Lydia. Had a fine time. Very warm day.

FRIDAY 7

Harrowed corn all day in the field here. Mr. Steen's men killed a ground hog in the meadow. Father had a conversation of rather an unpleasant character with David McCreary at Criss's blacksmith shop, no blows struck. Called father a liar different times. Pleasant day.

SATURDAY 8

Worked on the Sun road in the forenoon, and then went to Middletown to the Starling meeting. Saw quite a number of my Buffalo acquaintances. Preaching at night. Got a very large congregation out.

June, SUNDAY 9, 1861

Attended church in Middletown  
Sacramental occasion.  
Sabbath school in the afternoon.  
Preaching at night. Good  
congregations. Went to Mr.  
Lindsay's for dinner, and to  
Uncle Tommy's at night.  
Warm day.  
Ann Chiza McCahan joined the  
church.

MONDAY 10

Attended Lovefeast in Middle-  
town, an interesting time.  
Came home in the evening  
and wrote a letter to Prof.  
McKewer. Received one from  
Geo. Elliott. Mollie's Lys and  
I went to the top of the hill  
with Kate Cassidy and then  
came home again. Warm day.

TUESDAY 11

Finished working corn on the  
hill next Mr. Steen's at supper  
time. Found George Bealy at  
the house when we came to supper.  
Worked a short time in the  
truck-patch in the evening.  
After we quit work, we sang  
until bed time.

June, WEDNESDAY 12, 1861

Finished hoeing the potatoes  
in the truck-patch, and com-  
menced working the corn the  
second time in David's lower  
field. Martha & Cassidy, Cassidy  
Loy, Rob. Cooper and our young  
folks went to David's and  
spent the evening in singing  
and chatting.

THURSDAY 13

Finished working corn in  
the lower field at suppertime  
and then commenced the  
second time with to Mr  
Steen's. Saw C. E. Lathers for the  
first time since I came home.  
Read the news and the Reso-  
lutions passed at the Cross-  
Creek primary election. Reasonable.

FRIDAY 14

Went to see the sick folks  
at Mr. Steen's in the morning,  
found them very poorly.  
Worked over in the pepper  
field, father plowed and  
his boys did the hoeing.  
J. T. Cole came over in the  
evening and got the  
Despatch, when Mollie came  
from town.

June, SATURDAY 15, 1861

Finished working the corn over the second time; got through at dinner time. Went to Eldersville to hear what the rebels of Highcreek had to say. Dave Patterson's speech was full of secessionist arguments. No other speaker present. Company did not come to parade.

SUNDAY 16

Wrote a letter to Gen. Elliott and one to A. M. Wick. Went to Eldersville and heard Mr. Robinson preach a sermon about Sabbath school. He preached at three o'clock. Heard Mr. Albertson preach at five. Pretty good congregations. Very cool cloudy day.

MONDAY 17

Worked David's corn through with the corn-harrow and the boys hewed it. Plowed the potatoes with the single shovel and hewed them. Went to Mrs. Pogue's after the wagon for David to go to Steubenville. Put his mare in the high side. Worked very well.

June, TUESDAY 18, 1861

Went to David's in the morning and carried over some marketing for them to take to town. Came home and mowed Aunt Sally's yard and our kitchen yard. Spent my sloe. Built fence in the afternoon around the horse pasture. Mary and father went to Steubenville in the buggy. Mary went to Freeman's with Phil MCK.

WEDNESDAY 19

We finished building the fence in the forenoon and hauled a load of wood. Aunt Sally and Aunt Ann. Worked corn at David's in the afternoon. Margaret Moore and the two little girls came down in the morning and went back in the evening. Dispatches did not come.

THURSDAY 20

Finished working David's corn in the forenoon; came home after dinner and took the shovel plow to town and got it sharpened. Received a letter from C. G. Pattison and one from Lindley. Attended the Eldersville exhibition at night. Pretty good.

June, FRIDAY 21, 1861

Plowed corn all day in the field next to Mr Steens. Rained some in the evening not enough to do much good. Uncle MCK and Mary came back after supper.

SATURDAY 22

Went to David's in the morning for the bridle. Worked corn until noon. Found Mrs Adams, Charlie, and Mr Cady at the house when we came to dinner. Went to town with Willie and got his tooth pulled. Worked corn a while. Went to the run and washed, commenced a letter to Lindley.

SUNDAY 23

Went to Mr Steens in the morning to see how they were. Attended church at Old Bethel sacrament. Went to New Bethel in the evening and heard Robinson preach about Sabbath School. Came to Cassidy's and took supper. Talked a while with James and Moria.

June, MONDAY 24, 1861

Finished working corn in the field next to Mr Steens at noon. Finished a letter to Lindley. Commenced going over the level field the third time. Went to town in the evening. Came back and found the girls with the Cassidy girls at the top of the hill.

TUESDAY 25

Finished working the corn the third time. Got through about three o'clock. Finished, or nearly finished the bridge at the barn doors. Mrs Adams and Charles went from here to the Hill. <sup>at</sup> Pretty warm day. Aunt Betsey at Aunt Abbs.

WEDNESDAY 26

Finished working corn in the lower field about 3 o'clock. On the bridge and then went to the Hill in the wagon to the concert in the evening. After the concert went to Uncle Tomm's and spent the remainder of the night. Concert very good. Got a good seat in front.

June, THURSDAY 27 1861

Attended the examination at Pleasant Hill, saw some of the Buffalo folks. Attended the exhibition at night and got the same seat had the previous evening. Took a wagon load of ladies to town after the performance. Julius got the buggy broken by running against a locust tree in front of seminary.

FRIDAY 28

Rigged up the horses in the morning and came from town to the Hill. Brought Mrs. Adams and Charley home with us.

Julius came with me out to the Hill after the buggy. Came home through Eldersville. Went to Eldersville after supper for the Dispatch, and then to Mr. Steer's with J. M. Boles.

SATURDAY 29,

Hitched up the wagon for father to go to Steubenville with Mrs. Adams. Satted the sheep at David's. Attended the meeting at the Fork (which Dave, Patterson, Jackson), was to address but he did not come. Willeburg and Steubenville companies there. Willeburg took Dave Meredy's revolver from him. Very spirited union meeting, good attendance.

June, SUNDAY 30, 1861

Brought in the horses in the morning and hitched them to the wagon, and in a. m. went to church at Eldersville and heard Mr. Albertson. John, Lydia, Willie and myself went to the Grove in the afternoon and heard Mr. Flemming preach from the words "Time is short."

July, MONDAY 1

Did some chores in the morning and started John to mill. Worked the potatoes, and then went to Middletown after a suit of uniform for the fourth. Rode Bern, got back by the way. Got the suit, cut it up after night. Heard that Julius is to be married soon.

TUESDAY 2

Came home in the morning with my military suit. Got home about 9 o'clock. Had corn until supper time, and then plowed, visited of father the rest of the evening. Went to see Steer's folks, found Reynolds something better but Mrs. Steer getting very weak.



July, WEDNESDAY 3, 1861

Finished hoeing corn a little after dinner, got ready and went to Middletown in company with Willie. Got the horses shod, and paraded with the company in preparation for the fourth. Got along pretty well.

THURSDAY 4

Arose at half past three o'clock. Went in company with James McClure in wagon. Got Charlie in. Got to Hickory at half past eight. Spent the point in military parade there. Splendid dinner. 16 companies in parade. Got back to Middletown at dark. Layed at Uncle Tbos over night. Pretty tired.

FRIDAY 5

Left Middletown at 6 P.M. came home and found father & John cutting pygmy trees of our haines. Cut some wheat. Ground scythe at David's. Killed a real six weeks old. Went to the top of the hill with the girls and Geo. Boyd came along and stopped, had great fun with him. Said he was for secession.

July, SATURDAY 6, 1861

Did not work very much at anything. Went to town in the evening after writing a letter to O. W. Bruce and one to G. S. Todd. Heard (at a distance) McGee, and Patterson speak. Saw the Rebel march. Were not very well drilled. Were nearly all said to be drunk before they left. Rained in evening.

SUNDAY 7

Heard Mr Robinson preach at town in morning, and went and heard him at Bethel in the evening. We stopped at Mr Cassidys and got a drink. A very fine day.

MONDAY 8

Went to David's in the morning and put in two teeth in his rake and brought it over. Cut wheat on the hill in forenoon. Drowed too much water and got sick. Got better again. Rained in afternoon. Wrote a letter to C. H. Patterson. Put up 51 dozen of wheat on the hill.

July,

TUESDAY 9, 1861

Worked at cutting wheat on the hill; We put up 85 bushels. Rained some at noon. Wm. Craig came to see some sheep but did not purchase. Heard that ex-governor Wise was killed at the head of his command. Steen's folks no better.

WEDNESDAY 10

Finished cutting wheat on the hill before dinner, and a thunder shower came up, in which David's cows were both killed by lightning. Skinned them in the evening. David made a coffin for Mrs. Freshwaters, and took it away without knowing of the accident until he came back. Went to town for the news.

THURSDAY 11

Helped Mr. Hall to bore his cow's horns, ground a scythe, cut wheat at David's until supper time, and then went to Wm. Cassidy's put up 26 bushels. Went with Syd to Mr. Cassidy's and spent the evening very pleasantly. Bro. Murchland offered to lend David a cow. Numerous showers.

July,

FRIDAY 12, 1861

Finished cutting wheat at home at supper time, made a nose basket to put on for plowing corn, went to town in the evening, and did not hear much news, only Mr. Murchland. He would not speak. Dr. Cook and his wife at David's.

SATURDAY 13,

Fixed things up in the morning and went to David's and worked on the road from the gate half way up the hill. Came home to supper and found Aunt Nancy and Louis at home. Went to Eldersville in the evening to the meeting to make arrangements for a military parade. Had fire in the store.

SUNDAY 14

Went to town in the morning to Sunday School with Willie and Sammie the first time they were there. Went to McEwin's for dinner. Heard Robinson at 1/2 past 3 and Albertson on compromise at five, large attendance. Day very pleasant. Aunt Nancy and Louis went home.

July, MONDAY 15, 1861

plowed corn down in the lower bottom, furnished the price. Ellen McEwin came down and went with Mollie to Mr Steen's. S. M. Steen came to John's and got his hair cut. Very cool day for the time of year. The widow McReady's horse was killed yesterday by jumping over the partridge.

TUESDAY 16

Furnished cutting ahead, got through at 1 o'clock. Came home and found Elizabeth Casady who had just returned from Mr Steen's. Sick folks no better. Girls and I took the usual walk to the top of the hill. Rained a small shower.

WEDNESDAY 17

Scared up the horses and went to working on David's hill, but hearing of Mrs. Stain's death, I went to Louis Carters after some English lumber to make the coffin. Helped to dig the grave, and took the path over. Went to Mr Steen's and stayed all night.

July, THURSDAY 18 1861

Came home from Mr Steen's at four o'clock and went to bed. Slept until eight o'clock and went to the funeral which was a large one. Fired the grain-cage for hauling wheat, cleaned out the barn and went to David's to work some more on the road, made about three rods of it. Fine warm day.

FRIDAY 19

We hauled the eye and two loads of wheat, but finding too damp we went to work and finished the road up David's hill. Broke the flour-point just as we were finishing. John and Will mowed some but quit on account of the weather. Rained a little at supper time. I went to town for the Dispatches, did not hear any strange news.

SATURDAY 20

Mowed one swath in the morning then went to David's and ground my scythe. Mowed until noon. Went round to see what folks would do for the military parade on the 17th of August. Had not a very favorable report. Went to town in the evening. Little boys mustered. Fine day.

July, SUNDAY 21, 1861

Went to Mr Steen's in the morning to see Reynolds, no better. Went from there to Eldersville to Sabbath School. Stayed for prayer meeting. Went back to hear Mr. Bolt in the evening, came home, and found father sick. Beautiful day.

MONDAY 22

Got up at fifteen minutes to five o'clock and kindled the fire, just then Mr. Steen came to get help to put his wheels in; after eating a check of wheat, and helped them all day. Got his wheat all in and received \$1.00. Wm D. Gillespie mowed for us with the machine. Cloudy day.

TUESDAY 23

Hauled wheat in the forenoon, and then put up hay until supper time. Rained, after supper and I went to town for the Dispatch. Terrible battle at Bull's Run. Michigan 12th and 4th regiments in it.

July, WEDNESDAY 24, 1861

Mowed a few swaths in the morning while the dew was on and then scattered out some hay until dinner time. After dinner, raked up hay with the horse-rake in the meadow around the old house; after supper, hauled in hay from the meadow back of the barn. Very fine hay day.

THURSDAY 25

Raked hay all day, put up two stacks in the upper meadow, put three sled loads and one wagon load into the snow. Frank Scott and Liz Cassidy came up in the evening to hear the war news but the Dispatch did not come. Very fine day.

FRIDAY 26

We hauled two wagon-loads of hay in the forenoon, and put them in the snow. Mr. & Will. mowed some after dinner and I raked the bottoms of windows which we had hauled from. Rain came up in the evening and we had quite a frolic putting up David's hay. Got done before it rained much.

July,

SATURDAY 27,

1861

The morning being very dark and cloudy we did not go to harvesting any and I half-soled my shoes. After dinner we went to mowing and mowed until supper time. I went to Mr. Thales & Santhorse's on committee for military parade. Went to town to committee meeting.

SUNDAY 28

Went past Mr. Steen's to Sunday School; they thought Reynolds' lighter, they had been. After S. S. heard one Albertson preach, and after that heard that Reynolds was dead. Came home & went up there after dinner. Mary, Mrs. and Susan stayed over night. Cloudy each day.

MONDAY 29

Mended some scythes in the morning, and shaped the lid of the vault. Went to Reynolds' Steen's funeral, very large one, 60 couples. came home and put up some hay. Went to town in the evening, Committee met, and Democrats came in to raise a mob it was thought.

July,

TUESDAY 30,

1861

Ground our scythes in the morning, and in putting mine on, bursted the heeling, had no other and went to town and got it mended, put up hay after dinner, mowed in the afternoon from about 3 o'clock; Wm Scott came for the Dispatch. Told us some news that we had not heard.

WEDNESDAY 31

Mowed all forenoon bare-footed; After dinner we put up a stack of hay in the old orchard. A cloud coming up put us to raking up hay, got through just as the rain came on. Ground our scythes after supper.

August, THURSDAY 1

Mowed in the forenoon, scattered out hay until two o'clock, and then finished mowing. Put up 58 cocks of hay after supper; Father, Mother & Susan went to Stebensville, and brought the Dispatches. cloudy forenoon, and very sultry day.

August, FRIDAY 2, 1861

Cub some oats in the morning while the dew was on, and then commenced stacking hay. Put up one stack in the forenoon and one in the afternoon. Raked up half of the afternoon stack. About the warmest day & night we have had.

SATURDAY 3

Raked my first stack of hay in the forenoon. Went to David's after dinner for a rake. Father and I tied 31 dozens of oats before supper, appearance of rain stopped us. Went to town at 4 pm. Charlie shot. Heard that Mc Gregor had <sup>man</sup> turned in favor of the govern<sup>ment</sup>.

SUNDAY 4

Went to Middletown in company with David and Ann to a sacramental meeting. Rode David's mare and left Ann ride Charlie. Did not come home until late in the evening. Attended Sabbath School and taught Ann & Mary's class.

August, MONDAY 5, 1861

Ground our scythes in the morning and John and I cub oats nearly all day but a shower in the evening stopped us for a short time. Went to town and heard the report of the Committee for the Union meeting. Report pretty good.

TUESDAY 6

Cub oats in the forenoon in the field below the stable, and in the afternoon Father John and I tied 106 dozens and Willie shocked them. Willie and Sid went to Mr. Toole's mill wishing to see about a school did not succeed.

WEDNESDAY 7

Commenced cutting oats in the morning and broke the top finger from David's cradle, took up home, reaped some, tied a few dozens before dinner. Took home poems from a sheep head, and chadled oats after noon. Worked until dark.

August, THURSDAY 8 1861

Tried one dozen of Cats before breakfast. Tried until half past three, when a rain shower stopped us. Went to town after supper, and heard that the Middletown cavalry had divided and did not all go to camp. False report circulated among them caused some disturbance.

FRIDAY 9

Started out in the morning to collect some morrey pork, beef for the parade on the 18th. raised \$2,00. Hauled wheat after dinner, and Cats after supper. Brought in 36 dozen. Tried a few dozen before the rain came on. Cloudy day but very warm.

SATURDAY 10,

Rode round through Virginia after money to buy beef and cheese for the public dinner. Went to Middletown in the evening after the rain. Teachers Institute in town. Was not there.

August, SUNDAY 11, 1861

Attended Church in Middletown, in the forenoon and came to Eldersville with Mr Albertson in the afternoon. Stopped in Tom Pattersons stable during a shower. Drove to Eldersville in pretty good time. Warm day.

MONDAY 12

Went to David's in the morning and stacked the wheat there before dinner. Hauled oats from dinner until supper time with four horses and wagon. Helped David stack his oats after supper. Father went to mill. Received a letter from B. W. Krae.

TUESDAY 13

Mended harness pretty near all day. David made a coffin for one of Mr. Traim's children. Went with Mary to Mr. Cassidy's in the evening. Had a pleasant visit. Very wet day and cool. Lydia's jaw aching very badly.

August, WEDNESDAY 14, 1861

Fenced hay stacks in the forenoon, and cut docks and grubbed bushes in the oats stubbles after dinner.

Went to town to the meeting to make arrangements for the Union meeting. Uncle Mathey and Aunt Jane were at home when we came. Very cool day.

THURSDAY 15

Finished harvesting at suppertime, and then returned the sheep to the oats stubbles.

Dug out one ground hog and killed it; dug for another but gave for another it up before we came to it. Father brought some beef for the Union dinner.

FRIDAY 16,

Went to David's in the morning and got the saw. Went to town to help put up the table for the dinner. Came home for dinner. Middletown company came in and the Democrats (Paris, Eldersville, and Mt. Cego) companies stopped mustering. Middletown Co. camped on the ground

August, SATURDAY 17, 1861

Got ready early in the morning and went to town to the Union meeting. Took Mary and Mary E. McKeever up in the buggy. Drove Sal in the buggy between town & the table-forenoon. 6 companies paraded Wellsburg and Clay Hill companies not present. Boyd, Heagy, and Hopkins spoke. Everything passed off pleasantly and had plenty to eat. Fine day.

SUNDAY 18,

Took Mrs. Prepe Lindsey in the buggy to church in the forenoon. Heard Mr. Robinson preach. Did not go to church in the afternoon. Mr. James Patterson was buried, none of us at the funeral. Father and Mother at Middletown. Very fine day.

MONDAY 19

Hauled straw down on the old road below the barn with oxen in the forenoon. After dinner separated the ewes and lambs and marked the ewes. Father went to town for the news and brought me a letter from C. Potter. No news of importance. Very fine day.



August, TUESDAY 20, 1861

Hauled manure in the forenoon with the open and cart. Went to Buffalo in the afternoon. Stopped in Middletown as I went, and also at McConahy's. Spent the evening and night at Mr. Work's. Had a very pleasant time.

WEDNESDAY 21

Visited the school taught by Miss Nancy Work, in the forenoon and was much gratified to meet some of my old scholars. Took dinner at Mr. McKee's, came back to Work's, from thence to Middletown, and then home found Mr. Keever and Mr. Row here. Father and Mother away. Very fine day.

THURSDAY 22

Got ready in the morning and went to Wellburg through the rain. Heard of Gen. Sanders being taken prisoner with all his arms sufficiently to shoot 40 times without loading. Took dinner at Uncle Henry's. Was there when Wm. H. got home from war. Folks all very glad to see him.

August, FRIDAY 23, 1861

Went to Wheeling from Wellburg on the boat Gas. Means. Trip down and back cost 20 cts. Visited Camp Carlile. Took dinner with Alf. Kirk. Crossed the river twice on the Suspension bridge. Got home about 9 o'clock at night. Fine day.

SATURDAY 24

Brought the cows in the morning, and commenced mending the buggy harness. Caught a buck which I took was getting from father. Mr. Craig bought 18 sheep from father for \$35 and I helped him drive all his lot to Bethel. Finished mending the harness in the afternoon. Fine day.

SUNDAY 25

Attended Church at Sugar Grove, Bush meeting. Lydia and Parents at the buggy. Got a very large crowd in attendance. Bush meeting at the Logpile. Went to David's in the evening. James McCune was shot by Saml. Smith but not mortally wounded. Smith taken to Washington. Was roughly used in Middletown.

August, MONDAY 26, 1861

Worked all day at the coal-road making a fill in the hollow so as to put the scaffold in front of the coal-bank. John went to town in the evening for the news. Lgd got a letter from Mrs. Elliott all well. Father gone to court. Wrote back about McClure being shot. Very fine day.

TUESDAY 27

Dug and shoveled dirt on the bridge across the hollow at the coal-bank until noon; hauled logs for the scaffold until supper time, and then plowed in Will's place while he went to town to get a pocket watch on the plow-point. Talked a short time with Mr. Steen. Very fine day.

WEDNESDAY 28

Plowed in the forenoon, helped John to put in a post for the coal scaffold, after dinner; plowed again until supper time. Helped Will Steen to kill a groundhog and an opossum. Mary went to town for the news, and a blow-horn. Over her dis-

August, THURSDAY 29 1861

Plowed in the forenoon, went down to the coal-road to see how the boys were getting along. Came back and found father home from Washington. Plowed all evening. Very fine day. All well.

FRIDAY 30

Plowed in the forenoon and when I came to dinner Luther McKeever had come from Freeman's in the buggy. Went to work at the coal-bank after dinner. Rained a shower. Plowed after supper and went coon hunting at night and caught nothing.

SATURDAY 31,

Plowed until half past two o'clock and then got ready and went to Middleton in the buggy. Took Mary as far as Bethel to the ringing. Stayed over night at Uncle Tommy's. Aunt Tommy and Mary at Philadelphia to get Uncle's

September, SUNDAY 1, 1861

Attended church in Wb. Middletown. heard Mr Albertson preach. Came with him to Eldersville in the buggy and heard him preach again. Was a very large congregation out. Came home and found Broe Ervin & family at John's. Fine day but very warm and dry.

MONDAY 2

Went out to Bethel in the forenoon and helped to clean out the grave-yard and after we got through had a meeting to make arrangements for a fence, raised \$55.50. Plowed in the afternoon. John Mc Keever and Aunt Rebecca Barrett were here when I came home. <sup>point.</sup> Back a

TUESDAY 3

Plowed in the forenoon. after father had brought a new plow-point from town. Rained in the evening and hindered me some. Father went to Pleasant Hill to see about some seed which got home at dark. Heard that Jeff Davis was dead.

Sept. WEDNESDAY 4, 1861

Furnished plowing the field next to McConnel's in the morning and then marked it out in sowing lands. Plowed below the stable in the afternoon. Father took the harrow with to town to get them sharp. Caught 3 doz. chickens to take to town. Very fine day.

THURSDAY 5

Went to Steubenville in Co. with Father, Mother & Susan, Had Jim & Charlie in the wagon. Brought out the Daily news. Took the news to town. Saw Wrights threshing at Thos Gallospie's. Will thresh our next week. Very warm day.

FRIDAY 6

Harrowed with Jim in the lead (his first attempt) until dinner time. Went to One Steen's after Timothy seed. Finished harrowing in the afternoon. Iug for a ground-hog but did not get it. Shannon, Aetles and F. Mc Roles were here. Rained a fine shower in

Sept. SATURDAY 7, 1861

Finished plowing about two o'clock and then went to the Democrat meeting in Eldersville. Glen, Hopkins, & Donahoe spoke. Did not get there in time to hear much of the speaking. Uncle Matthew & Jerome Plummer were here for dinner. Very fine day.

SUNDAY 8

Ed. & I went over to David's in the morning to see Alma who was sick. Did not go to church in forenoon. Went to the Grove in the evening and heard Mr. Flemming preach. David, Anie & Alma came over in the evening. Alma better. Very fine day.

MONDAY 9

Was engaged in various things. Set stakes to mark out by for sowing wheat. Helped father hitch up the team to go for seed wheat. Dug around stump. Sowed some wheat. Harrowed some, and after all, went to the coal bank and worked some on the new road. Cassidy's girl & Kibb Scott spent the evening here.

Sept. TUESDAY 10, 1861

Finished seeding. John and Father sowed the timothy seed and I harrowed until dark. Coble came and bid 32 cents for our wool, did not sell to him. Alma Thorley very poorly with dietary. Very warm day.

WEDNESDAY 11

Worked at the coal road in the forenoon, and father mended a shoe for mother. Rained in the afternoon and I went to town and got Charlie's rod. Committee met to receive bills for the building of the grave yard fence, met at our house.

THURSDAY 12

After studying the matter over some, came to the conclusion it was not going to rain. Mary and I started with Charlie in the buggy and went to Mr. Anderson's near West Liberty, Va. Spent the evening very pleasantly. Very friendly folks. Roads slippery. Did not rain.

Sept.

FRIDAY 13,

1861

Spent the day very pleasantly at Mr. Anderson's until half past two o'clock when we started home Mary having the sick headache. Came through Welleburg, and heard that Wood, and Addy were here. Came home & found that they had gone to Newtown. Very fine day.

SATURDAY 14,

Worked on the Coal-road until supper-time, and then went to the singing at the school house. After singing went for the Doctor for Alma but could not find him. Got home about 10 o'clock. Rained in the evening.

SUNDAY 15,

Started to go to Burgetts town in the morning and met a man who told me that Aunt was dead. Came home & told the rest. Will went to Middletown to tell father. Six of us at the funeral. Alma says letter when we left. Cloudy day & rained

Sept.

MONDAY 16,

1861

Finished working on the coal-road. Mother & Will came from Middletown at noon. Uncle M. K. and Aunt Jane came down to go with father & Mother to Ohio. Mother got a letter from Sue McKeever. 125 students at Adrian College. Dry day.

TUESDAY 17

Miss Smith commenced school in our district. Made a yockey stick and took it to town to get it ironed. Went to see Dr. Steen about selling his wool. Mrs. S. & L. M. Steen ate supper here after working on the roads. After the moon arose at night, 20 minutes past 7 o'clock, a rainbow appeared while it was raining, as bright as from the sun.

WEDNESDAY 18

Went to Welleburg with John for a load of boards for the Graveyard fence. Hauled a thousand feet. James T. Boles and Reuben Philips were at John's with their fiddles in the evening & played several pieces, James T. on the lap fiddle. Very fine day.

Sept. THURSDAY 19 1861

Went to Welleburg with John after boards for the graveyard. Scott, Cassidy & F. Cunningham on the same business. Loped two shoes off David's mare & got two new ones on. Both very lame. Went to David's after he came back. Alma still poorly. Very fine day but very warm.

FRIDAY 20

David's horse better of his lameness, took a shoe off him. Commenced cutting off corn and Willie cut his leg. John & I carried him down. Went to James Cassidy on a surprise party and sung a psalm. Saw Prof. Smith, the School Miss, for the first time. J. T. Boles had the lap fiddle. Fine day.

SATURDAY 21

Leaned oak the spring in the morning and gathered some elder berries. Went to the river after Albertson's family and did not get home till after dark. Father & Mother came from Ohio. Very cool afternoon.

Sept. SUNDAY 22, 1861

Attended church in Eldersville in the forenoon and heard Rev. Albertson preach. Went to the Grove in the evening and heard Rev. Flemming, was a little too late for all the sermon. Saw Frank. Flemming for the first since he came from war.

MONDAY 23

Cut off corn in the field next Mr. Stein's. David helped us to get help to make shingles. Willie went to town for the news & stayed so long that parents after him. J. T. Miller was at our house over night going to the Landing for Phoebe.

TUESDAY 24

Finished cutting corn on our place and commenced on David's. Nothing very important transpired during the day. Mary & Willie went to Burgettstown for the wool and did not return till after night. Did not get David's wool.

Sept. WEDNESDAY 25, 1861

Hauled a load of pumpkins in the morning with the oxen and then went to David's to saw shingle stuff. Saved eight throughs.

Father took Peter, Albertson & family home in the wagon. Amy Smith came to see father. I went to Mr. Cassidy's house of Aunt Anna did not know where she was.

THURSDAY 26

Fast-day. Went to David's in the morning to see if his head was better. Spent part of the day in reading. Some of our folks at Middletown at church & some at Eldersville. I went to the Grove in the evening and heard Mr. Fleming preach. Very afternoon.

FRIDAY 27,

After bringing the cows & feeding the hogs, went to Mr. Cassidy's and stayed for dinner, went to the old man's and stayed about two hours & came home; did not do much but feed the stalk and read some latin as it was an extremely busy day.

Sept. SATURDAY 28, 1861

Cut corn until supper time and then went to town to be assessed, but as Mr. Johnston had not received his commission I was obliged to go to Mr. Boles. Did not return until bed time. P. Love, J. T. Boles, & R. Philips played violins. Fine day.

SUNDAY 29

Attended church at Eldersville in the forenoon and heard the Rev. Mr. Rine preach & then went to hear him at Bethel in the evening. Was not very much taken with his preaching. Good congregations. Very fine day.

MONDAY 30

Finished cutting off corn at David's while he turned a set of nuts for a cane mill for Thayer Gill copy. Went to Mr. Cassidy's in the evening & came home with the girls at bed time. Had quite a pleasant visit. Very fine day.

October, TUESDAY 1, 1861

Sawed shingle stuff for David until half past three O'clock and then took the wagon to the run & washed it to go to the fair at Burgettstown. Aunt Ann was taken suddenly ill with a pain in her stomach. Fine day.

WEDNESDAY 2

Went to the fair at Burgettstown and had quite a nice time. Took Kate <sup>Cassidy</sup> with us in the wagon but she came home with steps and we brought Rebecca, Martha Ellen, & Harriet Melvin home with us. Day cloudy in the morning but no rain. Fair very good.

THURSDAY 3

John & I sawed shingle stuff for David while father & David shaved shingles. Spent the evening very pleasantly with the Melvin girls from Burgettstown down at John's and broke his rocking chair in the meantime. Very fine day.

October, FRIDAY 4, 1861

Sawed shingle stuff until about one O'clock and then came home and fixed up and went to Mr. Sawther's and took tea with my lady cousins. Came home and had quite a singing at John's. P. Louisa & Bole had their fiddles. Took Nikes Smith and Cassidy some afterward. Fine day.

SATURDAY 5

Went to Steubenville in the morning and got a coat vest & hats for which we paid eleven dollars. Got my likeness taken. Went to David's in the evening and came home with my cousins. Had quite a nice time. Will took the girls over in the Ox cart. Rained very hard during the day.

SUNDAY 6

Did not go to church in the forenoon, but took dinner with Aunt Sally and Anne. Harriet & I took a desert in at John's. Cleared off the table and helped Susan to dry the dishes. Heard Mr. Kine preach in the evening and also Mr. Albertson. Web afternoon.



October, MONDAY 7, 1861

Went with mother to West  
Middletown in the morning  
got me a pair of half soles.  
Came on to ram and we  
came as far as the Hill  
& I went back and  
stayed over night at  
uncle Tommys with  
Rebecca and the girls.

TUESDAY 8

Came from Middletown  
in the morning and  
went to the election & voted  
for the first time, came  
home & took dinner with the  
girls at Johns. Went a grape  
hunting in the evening, & went  
to Jas Cassidy's to a singing  
at night. Fine day.

WEDNESDAY 9

Went to David's in the  
morning and got his bug-  
ey and took Rebecca,  
Harriet, & Martha J. Pelvin  
to Russellstown. Came  
home and mended my  
shoes. Went home with the  
Cassidy girls and caught W. Scott  
singing with Miss Smith. Packed  
my trunk to go to Adrian.

October, THURSDAY 10, 1861

Went to David's in the morning  
and bid them good bye, went to  
Stevensville to get Mary, Lydia's  
& Aunt Sallie's likenesses. Got on  
board the cars at twelve  
O'clock. Ran to Cleveland  
and stayed over night at  
Mr Adams's. Had a pleasant  
time. Fine day throughout.

FRIDAY 11

Left Cleveland at five O'clock  
for Adrian. Lost 27 cents in  
buying a newspaper from a  
dishonest boy. Was swindled out  
of two dollars at Adrian by a rascal  
who tried to borrow the money offering  
his watch as security, but took both  
of them. Got to Adrian at mid day  
& found all things pleasant. Took  
dinner at the hall and then at Mrs.

SATURDAY 12

Furnished room No. eight  
and got it ready for living in.  
Went to town twice & bought  
some things to put in my  
room. Visited McKeever's room  
two or three times. Unpacked  
my trunk & found things all  
right. Got 1/2 gallon of oil  
& lit my lamp in the evening &  
wrote a letter to Father & Mother.

October, SUNDAY 13 1861

Heard president Mahan preach in the morning from three verses commencing, "Are not 3 sparrows sold for a farthing?" Attended Sabbath School at two o'clock. Wrote a letter to Martha & Melvin, and attended church again at night and heard the President again.

MONDAY 14

Attended my classes at the times appointed but did not recite. Went to town twice during the course of the day. Got my pen pointed and the above is a specimen of its writing. Company dined in the evening but I did not go in with them.

Very fine day all through

TUESDAY 15

Got up at the ringing of the bell and kindled a fire. Cut some wood. Heard C. H. Pattison speak in the hall & gave him a letter which I had written to him. Went to town in the afternoon and spent it with the Pattisons. Came up with them in their carriage. Very fine day.

October, WEDNESDAY 16, 1861

Took a short walk in the morning for my health. Recited Algebra at eleven. Did not recite Latin or Greek. Mr. Keener and the McEldowners went to conference. Went to town in the evening & bought some apples. Put two letters in the Post Office.

THURSDAY 17

Took a walk up North in the morning. Recited Algebra at eleven o'clock. Went to town in the afternoon with Spragden and we rented a box in the P.O. Attended the prayer meeting in the evening and had a good time. Several made a start for the Kingdom of Heaven. Fine day.

FRIDAY 18

Instead of taking my accustomed walk in the morning, I cut some wood and then went to studying. Recited Algebra at eleven o'clock. Wrote a letter in the afternoon and took it to town. Attended Society in the evening. Devotion "Little Jacky Hammer". Quite amusing. Spent the night at Mr. Bruce's. Had a good time. Very wet day.

October, SATURDAY 19, 1861

Took breakfast at Mr Bruce's and then came to my room & swept it out. Went to Dr. Bailey's with Mr. Springstein and picked up apples in the afternoon.

A number of the students went to Mr Price's on a visit. I had no invitation. Saw Bailey's folks making molasses. Fine day.

SUNDAY 20

After preparing myself for church, went up to Mr. Wright's room and found them at worship. Attended church in the chapel and heard Freed's Graham preach. Took a walk with Hoffman and Wilcox out to the cemetery. Attended church again in the chapel in the evening. Got a very large congregation out. Pres. preached.

MONDAY 21

Recited in Algebra at eleven o'clock, ate my dinner and then went to the P.O. Did not get any news. Went to town again in the evening and got cases for Mary's and Lydia's pictures. Went to Mr Keen's room after 9 came back. O. W. Bruce stayed over night with me and we read until eleven o'clock.

October, TUESDAY 22, 1861

Read the book entitled the Octagon through in the morning and forenoon was much interested in it. Recited in Algebra at eleven as usual. Recited Latin at one. Went to town after four. Came back at five, ate my supper and took Bruce's book home. Not feeling very well did not study much at night. A cold on my hand.

WEDNESDAY 23

Got some mood in the morning. Went to Jennfield's room and got a drink of cider. Recited Algebra at eleven as usual. Latin & Greek at 4 p.m. Went to town at noon. A letter. Went again in the evening and received one from C. W. Patterson. Did not study much in the evening on account of the cold on my hand. Social in the evening. Cold day with some sleet.

THURSDAY 24

Got some mood in the morning. Recited in Algebra as usual. Reports past one. Attended the examination of teachers in the afternoon. Went to town in the evening but did not get any news. Very interesting prayer meeting in the evening. Quite a number made a start for the Kingdom.

October, FRIDAY 25, 1861

Cut some wood in the morning. Recited in Algebra as usual, wrote two letters in the afternoon and took them to town. Examination of the Teachers class concluded. Attended society in the evening and went home with Bailey afterward. Fine day all through.

SATURDAY 26,

Picked apples at Mr. Bailey's all day. Came to the college with Lorenzo in the buggy in the evening, brought some eggs home with me. Mr. Springsteen went home with him. Got a letter from C. H. Pattison inquiring about rooming with me the rest of the term if he should come. Fine day.

SUNDAY 27

After doing up my accustomed work in my room I dressed myself for church - went up to Mr. Wright's room and read in a book entitled "Life of Christ". Heard Preedy preach in chapel forenoon & evening, quite a minute arose for prayer among whom was P. Dowling. Went to Pierce's in the afternoon from Sabbath School. Fine day.

October, MONDAY 28, 1861

Recited in Algebra at the usual hour. Wrote a letter to C. H. Pattison in the morning and took it to the Office at noon. Did not recite Latin. Commenced reading Caesar. Went to the P. O. in the evening but got no letter. Very interesting & useful prayer meeting in the evening. John Carter with others departed for the

TUESDAY 29

Cut some wood in the morning and studied hard in the forenoon. Recited in Algebra as usual. Received a scholarship from C. M. Cogood. Recited our first lesson in Caesar at 4 past one. Went to town in the evening and got some mineral water & gun powder. Studied hard in the evening. Rained some during the day and evening.

WEDNESDAY 30

Recited as usual in Algebra at eleven an in Latin 4 past one. Had to shave of my whiskers which were three weeks old, an account of a boil on each side of my face. Went to town in the evening but did not get any letter. Studied until ten o'clock. Wet day.

October, THURSDAY 31, 1861

Recited as usual. Had a pretty good lesson in Latin. Studied until four o'clock and then went to town with Springsteen. Went to McKee's room when I came back and from thence to Miss Bailey's room & got a jug of molasses. Prayer meeting in the evening not so very interesting as some previous ones.

November, FRIDAY 1

Recited as usual, Lesson in Caesar being very hard did not have it well prepared. Went to town in the evening got no letter. Attended public meeting of Star Society in the evening. Pretty good meeting. President lectured. Plenty of music. Fine day.

SATURDAY 2

Cut some wood in the morning and wrote part of an essay in the forenoon. Studied my Latin lesson in the afternoon but did not get it prepared. Helped to carry the piano from the chapel. Went to town in the evening with Springsteen and got a letter from home, first this term.

November, SUNDAY 3, 1861

Went with H. W. Wright & his appointment. Heard him preach in the forenoon, took dinner at Mr. Reed's, heard Mr. Blanchard preach an Antislavery sermon at two o'clock, took the two Misses Reed in the buggy. Attended prayer meeting in the evening and had quite an interesting meeting, but few out. Rather stormy day and evening.

MONDAY 4

Left Mr. Reed's at half past six in company with Mr. Wright for the College. Caught up with Charlie Patterson and his father on their way to the college. Helped to fix up the rooms in the forenoon and did not have my Latin lesson. Recited in Algebra, but Miss Pomeroy could not speak above her breath. Went to town with Charlie in the evening and got a letter from Geo. Holley.

TUESDAY 5

Cut some wood in the morning, and studied a while when Mr. Patterson came along with a sack of apples for us. Recited in Algebra as usual. Did not recite in Latin. Prof. was not at his post and we did not wait. Went to town in the evening but did not get a letter. Price and I mixed up a dose of molasses butter and sugar for Springsteen.

Nov. WEDNESDAY 6, 1861

Bus wood - or rather carried it  
in in the morning. Recited in  
Algebra as usual. Had a good rec-  
itation in Caesar. Went to town  
in the evening with Chum. Attended  
a prayer meeting in Willcox's room  
at 7 1/2 past six. Did not attend  
the social in the evening.  
Fine day all through.

THURSDAY 7

Recited in Algebra as usual.  
Reports at one o'clock. Very poor  
lesson in Caesar. Studied  
until four o'clock. Went to town  
with Chum. Attended a prayer  
meeting in Willcox's room before the  
public meeting. Very interesting  
public meeting. 3 ladies arose for  
prayer. Mr Dowling made a short prayer.  
Prayed with Mr. Palmer in Springstead's room  
after meeting.

FRIDAY 8

Recited as usual & had my  
lessons pretty well prepared.  
Did not have my Latin Grammar  
lesson. Wrote my essay for Society  
in the afternoon. Went to town in  
the evening. Attended Society &  
read the essay "Love". Good Society.  
Number of boys came in our room  
afterward. Raily took his things away  
and Springstead's price fixed the room.

Nov. SATURDAY 9, 1861

After studying some in the  
morning Chum and I went to town  
and I got my hair cut. Went to Kuci's  
in the afternoon and helped them  
to bath their horse. Went to town  
again in the evening for some  
bread, the baker failing to come  
up. Studied until half past  
ten. Fine day all through.  
Palmer came back for the first of the  
town

SUNDAY 10

Went to the M. C. Church in town in  
the forenoon & heard Rev. Baughman  
preach a good sermon. Attended Sabbath  
School in the afternoon. President  
preached in room No. 1 of the Chapel from  
Luk 19th ch 14th & 22nd verses. Solemn  
occasion but still some refused to  
have the man Christ Jesus to reign  
over them. All who were willing to have  
Christ reign over them, arose during singing

MONDAY 11

Studied pretty hard in the forenoon  
and had pretty good recitations  
considering. Went to town with Chum  
in the evening and got a chimney for  
Mr. Page. Attended a prayer meet-  
ing in Room No. 2 of the Chapel in the  
evening. Not very many out but nearly  
all spoke. Very interesting meeting.  
Very fine day all through. Did not  
go to bed until ten o'clock.

Cut some wood in the morning.  
Recited as usual during the day.  
Lessons pretty well prepared. Read  
out my Latin lesson in the afternoon.  
Went to town as usual and received  
a letter from Lizzie. Attended prayer  
meeting in Wright's room at six. Penfield  
asked to be remembered in prayer. Prayer &  
converse meeting in m. Pray interesting. Spoke to  
Page on the subject of becoming a Christian.

WEDNESDAY 13

Cut wood in the morning as usual.  
Recited as usual. Pretty good lesson.  
Did not recite in Latin Grammar.  
Went to town in the evening with Cham.  
Attended a prayer meeting in Wright's  
room & had quite an interesting  
time. Page asked for our prayers.  
Studied in home and a quarter  
could not do an example in my  
next Algebra lesson.

THURSDAY 14

Recited in Algebra as usual only I  
did not have my lesson well prepared.  
Recited in Latin as the usual hour.  
Went to town after four o'clock with  
Cham. Did not attend the special  
prayer meeting. Prayer meeting in Chapel very  
interesting. There among whom was Page, arose  
for prayer. Page's prayer in our room after was  
"O God take me as I am" appears to be very  
sincere. A. M. Wright, and Springsteen & D. Hoffman

remembered to pray for him

Recited as usual recitation in Algebra  
tolerably good. Caesar not very good.  
Cut some wood in the afternoon and went  
to town. Attended prayer meeting in  
Milroy's room before society. Went to  
Society with Cham. Discussion Res.  
that the course of the Administration  
toward Gen. Fremont was unjust.  
Interesting discussion. Have to take part  
in next debate. Recd. letter from J. Elliott.

SATURDAY 16,

Read out my Caesar lesson in the  
forenoon, after dinner we picked over  
apples over and put the better ones on  
top for pressing use. Went to town &  
got a letter from Geo. Elliott. Also one  
from Mary which was written on the  
third of Jan. Went down to see Cow-  
keepers folks in the evening. Page came  
into our room at time for prayers &  
prayed with us. fine day.

SUNDAY 17

Attended church in the chapel  
in the forenoon and heard the  
Breed's preach. Large chaf. Sabbath  
School at two. Was again chosen  
secretary. Wrote a letter to Willie  
Mary and Lydia. Attended church in  
the chapel in the evening Breed's preached  
again. Six among whom was Billy  
Gorris arose for prayers. Very fine  
day all through.

Nov. MONDAY 18, 1861

Had good recitations and felt pretty well during the day. Did not study much during the afternoon. Went to town as usual. Attended the prayer meeting in the chapel, quite a large number were for prayers. Had a conversation with S. W. McKee & J. Watts after it was over.

TUESDAY 19

Had a good recitation in Algebra. Did not recite in Latin Miss Perry Miss Spencer excused and I read over part of the lesson with Prof's assistance. Went to town after four o'clock and got my boots. No letter from home. Attended prayer meeting in Wright's room, no man in. Sung Ode on the morning at prayers. Cold day.

WEDNESDAY 20

Recited as usual. Had a very good lesson in Algebra but not so good in Latin. Went to town in the evening as usual. No letter for me. Social in the evening but I did not attend. Wrote home for the discussion of Friday night, retired at eleven o'clock.

Nov. THURSDAY 21, 1861

Recited in Algebra in the forenoon as usual, but had not prepared so long a lesson as some other members of the class. Latin very hard. Jim Craft brought some things to Charlie from home. Went to town with Wright. Presb. preached to the students in the evening. Text Acts 16: 27, 30 & 31 vs. 24. Sent forward for prayers. Fine day.

FRIDAY 22,

Had a good review lesson in Algebra and not a very good lesson in Caesar. Jim Craft came to our room shortly after we were through recitation. Also Dr. Watts. Wrote some for discussion. Went to town & got two letters for McKee & for home for myself. Attended society & took part on the aff. of its resolution, that men are governed more by circumstances than by will. Fair day.

SATURDAY 23

Cut wood in the morning. Read my Caesar lesson over. Transcribed the names of the Sabbath School scholars. Went to Bruce in the afternoon. Went to town to see about my teeth got them cleaned some. Wrote a letter to David & Ann in the evening. Went to Page's room to work Algebra. Very cold snowy day.



Nov. SUNDAY 24, 1861

After preparing for church wrote part of a letter to David and Ann. Heard Preedy's preach in the chapel. Attended Sabbath school. Finished the letter walked down town put it in the office. Heard Preedy preach in the evening. Six forward for prayers. Very snowy day.

MONDAY 25

Recited in Algebra as usual. Did not recite in Latin because Prof. was not there. Went to town in the evening and received a letter from Mollie & Syd. Gave around hunting a school teacher offering \$9 per day. Church meeting in the evening. Elected John McClellan pastor. Snowy day.

TUESDAY 26

Recited as usual. Had a pretty good recitation in Algebra & very good in Latin. Went to town in the evening and bought a basin to bake meat in. Attended prayer meeting in Wright's room, and meeting in the Chapel. Preedy preached and had a speaking meeting after, quite a number spoke but not all. rather a fine day but roads muddy.

Nov. WEDNESDAY 27, 1861

Recited as usual. Report at 1/4 past one. Read the news of the success of the great fleet in South Carolina. Went to town and got a letter from Mattie & Malin. Attended prayer meeting in Wright's room. Holliday was present and spoke. Wrote part of a letter in answer to Mattie's. Very cold evening.

THURSDAY 28

Thanksgiving. Heard elder Baupman preach a Thanksgiving sermon in the Methodist church of Adrian, in the forenoon, attended dinner in the bakery, and attended the Union prayer meeting in the afternoon. Attended a prayer meeting in Wright's room where an appointment was made for a similar meeting in the same room, 1863, one year hence, at which those being present should relate their progress through the year or, if absent, send it by letter to some one present.

FRIDAY 29

Cut some wood in the afternoon. Had our stove flacked in the morning. After dinner a number of the students went and helped Preedy & Malin to dig his potatoes from under the snow. Attended Literary Society in town and had a good time. Discussion with regard to the division of the church into sects. House crowded. Received a letter from John & Mary. Folks generally well.

Nov. SATURDAY 30 1861

Went down to Mr. Hewens room after doing up the morning work and had quite a pleasant time with Prof. Whisler. Studied some in the afternoon. Got in to show me some in Algebra. Did not go to town. Blacked my boots just before bed time, and took a general wash. Snowed some in the evening but not very cold.

December, SUNDAY 1.

Arose this morning about seven O'clock, found it snowing quite briskly. Continued nearly all the forenoon. Listened to a couple of very plain and practical as well as interesting sermons by the President, from Matt 9<sup>th</sup> Chap 1<sup>st</sup> verse. Staid for class and Quarterly conference. Attended Sabbath School. Came so near freezing my toes at Church this evening as to destroy all feathering.

MONDAY 2

Stumbled out of bed this morning at the ringing of the bell. "I fear around Lake's parched feet is a bit skilful to keep from freezing," Went to the City this evening. Saw a number of sleighs and cutlers. Rem. much. Got Mr. Bruce also. There was a "called" person there direct from Mobile, in the delight of his land of "Lips" (So he told us). Traveled pretty nearly "used up". Said he'd walk 15 miles to day; Did not recite any to day.

Dec. TUESDAY 3, 1861

Got in some wood in the morning after breakfast, did not recite in Algebra on account of Miss Somers's (Teacher's) absence. Recited in Latin as usual. Attended prayer meeting in Wright's room, and also in the Chapel, five arose for prayer. Did not go to town in the evening but went to Mr. Bruce's after our paper, which we were getting up; fine day but cold.

WEDNESDAY 4

Got in some wood in the morning as usual. Had good recitation's all around. Finished up in Algebra to equations containing two unknown quantities and turned back to review. Went to town in the evening with G. H. Patten (Class) Social in the evening, but did not attend it. Took a general wash before going to bed. Fine day.

THURSDAY 5

Had good recitations in all but Latin Grammar. Report at the usual hour. Went to town in the evening and did not get any news. Attended a prayer meeting in Wright's room before the public meeting only three there. In public meeting, president, preached a short discourse from Luke 13:24. Three ladies came forward, who had been forward before, very few in attendance.

Dec.

FRIDAY 6,

1861

Mended the window-blinds in the morning instead of cutting wood. Algebra lesson well recited, Latin not so. Went to town in the evening and got a letter from home one from Maria Casidy. Attended society and acted as chairman. Put down my name with 25 for a present for the President. C. B. Scousser presented the society with a basket of apples.

SATURDAY 7

After getting wood in the morning I mended my pants, went down to McKee's room and talked over the matter of boarding with him next term. Went over to his house to see it. Did not make any definite arrangements. Room rather scarce. Went to town to see if I could get to sew harness in vacation, no go. Got a letter from Harry. Very wet day all through.

SUNDAY 8

Attended church in the chapel in the forenoon and heard the President preach from Jeremiah 29th & 13th. Enjoyed clapping very much. Wrote a letter to Father and Mother and took it to the Office before church in the evening. Heard Presd's preach in the evening from Jer. 23rd. Latter clause of 20 verse. "In the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly." Powerful sermon. A number arose for prayers. Very fine day, Sabbath School at 2.

Dec.

MONDAY 9,

1861

Recited as usual. Failed in Algebra. Had a good recitation in Latin. Read out my Caesar lesson in the afternoon. Went to town after supper. Got three letters for McKeevers. Attended prayer-meeting in the chapel, and had a very interesting time. Five or six arose for prayers, and one of their number, a lady spoke.

TUESDAY 10

Recited as usual. Had pretty good lessons. Students met in the evening to make some arrangements about getting a present for the President. Went to town about five o'clock and stayed until I heard the Great John B. Gough lecture on temperance. Was somewhat disappointed. Was not so eloquent as I expected. Spoke two hours and five minutes. Wet day.

WEDNESDAY 11

Very good recitation in Algebra. Prof. McClellany was not present to hear the class and we did not recite in Caesar. Went to town in the evening with Chas. C. H. Patterson. Went to McKeevers room and did not find anybody at home. Studied until half past eight o'clock. Very fine day but the air was somewhat cold.

Dec

THURSDAY 12, 1861

Had pretty good recitation in Algebra. Repose as usual. Latin lesson pretty well recited. Went to town after supper. Attended meeting in the chapel. Pres. preached from "Prov. 23. 26." "Don give me thine heart". Short sermon. But few non-professors. Some arose who had no voice for prayers before. Holiday spoke. Cold day.

FRIDAY 13

Recitations of to-day were pretty good. Wrote a letter to John Elliotts after I got through reciting. Took it to town and forgot to put it in the Post Office until I was almost half way back to the College. Forgot to get letter also, so I went back. Received a letter from David and Ann. Attended Society in the evening all very good but the discussion. Gips Price in the chair.

SATURDAY 14,

Rose a clean shirt after doing up the morning work. Went to Prof. McKee's room. Got out part of my Latin lesson in the forenoon. Got some wood for Prof. McKee in the afternoon. Went to town after some provisions. Attended a show of little pictures and Astronomical pictures. Admittance 10 cents. Was worth the money. Very fine day.

Dec.

SUNDAY 15, 1861

Arose at 1/2 O'clock. Attended church in the chapel. Heard president's preach from Lev. 19th 11th & 2nd. Attended Sabbath School at 9. Went to Mr. Bruce's in the afternoon. Heard the president's preach again in the evening from first epistle general of John 2nd ch. & latter clause of 1st v. 10. McDowney's two daughters came forward for prayers. Fine day and evening.

MONDAY 16

Recited as usual. Lessons pretty well prepared. Read part of my Caesar lesson over in the afternoon; had visitors and did not get to study as much as desired to. Did not go to town. Attended the social in the evening. Was the time appointed to present a gown a slipper to the President but he was absent. Did not enjoy myself at all. Very pleasant day. Beautiful moonlight evening.

TUESDAY 17

Recited as usual in Algebra, did not recite in Latin Grammar. Went to town in the afternoon with Springstead. Did not get a letter. Attended a prayer meeting in the chapel in the evening, very few out. Not so much interest manifested as on some former occasions.

Dec. WEDNESDAY 18, 1861

Cob in some wood in the morning. Recited as usual except Latin Grammar. Attended the presentation of the Wreath given by Miss Backus on behalf of the students to the president, at four o'clock. Went to town. Attended church in the evening & heard the president preach a discourse applicable to the close of the term. Room full. Very fine weather.

THURSDAY 19

Last day of the fall term of school. Recited part of the lesson in Algebra. Helped C.H. Patton to carry his trunk to the depot. In afternoon, got back in time to recite Latin but the class was excused. Helped Prof. McKee to put down his carpets in his new bought house. Wrote a letter to Harriet E. Melvin, and wrote of all the rules in Latin in the evening.

FRIDAY 20

Helped Prof. McKee to move. Had the old gray team to do the hauling. Billy helped part of the time. Took dinner and tea with Prof. McKee. Helped Prof. McKee, until bed time. Moved my carpets over into one of his rooms up stairs. Very cold day. Only four boys left in the building. Two of us expecting to leave soon.

Dec. SATURDAY 21, 1861

Spent myself in the morning, and sent some word for Professor McKee, and concluded that knowledge to have been borrowed a receipt from Prof. McKee. He told me where to find and Phillips liked. Already, moved my things over to McKee's, sent to town, buying suspenders, gloves and drawers; started at 10 o'clock and arrived at Mr. Phipps at 1 o'clock. Met with a very hearty reception. Was very tired. Cold day.

SUNDAY 22

Went from Mr. P's to church and heard Mr. Wendler preach from Isaiah 57: 1-2. Preached a pretty good sermon. Had heard that his father was stricken with a palsy. Did not attend church in the evening, my being very unwell. Had a very pleasant time. As usual, apples and small cake, and plenty of cider to drink. Talked some with Charlie on the subject of religion.

MONDAY 23

Started to school with Charlie Phipps at day light, through a deep snow, packed your mind upon a short time, was pretty tired. Spent the day in the school room. Promised for two spelling classes, and copied at the principal's dictation. Stayed over night with Charlie at the Phipps. He, I believe, plans to Charle in a cutter. Spent the day very pleasantly. Charlie will along pretty well for the first.

Dec. TUESDAY 24, 1861

Left Mr. Phillips early in the morning, drove one mile in a cutter, walked four miles to a school taught by Mr. Williams 27 miles east of Hudson. Teaching school. Stayed there until two o'clock. Got to Mr. H. on a sled. Saw my horse pull another the neck. Got to Mr. Pattersons about four o'clock. Attended C. C. Patters writing. Cop explained the principles of writing. Stayed over night with C. C. Patters.

WEDNESDAY 25

Spent most of the day at Mr. Pattersons in eating apples, drinking cider, eating chicken &c. Visited Mr. Purchases in the forenoon. Mr. Patterson brought my rifle home with him in the evening. Upon my hunting, but did not catch anything. Took a cracker on each of Mr. P's carriage whips in the evening. No great expectations about Christmas.

THURSDAY 26

Spent the forenoon at Mr. Pattersons. Curried the horses and helped to harness them. Split some wood, then got ready & went with Chum in the cutter to Mr. Childs. Took up our team there and visited a school taught by Mr. Mc Gloth. Very noisy. Took tea at Mr. C's and spent the evening there. Got back to Mr. P's about 12 o'clock. Very sudden change to cold weather from

Dec. FRIDAY 27, 1861

Woke up at 7 o'clock. Ate breakfast & curried the horses. Read some in the forenoon, went to Mr. Childs and took dinner. Visited a school taught by Mr. Prof. Gal well pleased. Made two short speeches to the scholars. Took tea at Lorenzos milk and spent the evening there. Spent the remainder of the night with C. H. Patterson. Got to bed about one o'clock.

SAURDAY 28

Woke up at 7 o'clock. Curried the horses. Wrote numerous mittens in the forenoon. Mended one of my gloves after dinner and took Grand ma. Tidewold (74 years old) to Kellin in the wagon. Spent the evening at Mr. Pattersons in reading, eating apples, shooting apple and see. C. H. went to visit his aunt & bears, do not know what time he returned. He retired a little after twelve.

SUNDAY 29

Rigged Mr. Pattersons horses in the morning and sent in the wagon to church to Hudson. Heard Mr. Burnine preach from Isaiah 40-8. good sermon. Stayed for a day and enjoyed it well. C. H. went to Kellin to church at two o'clock. Went back to H again in the evening and heard the same man preach about the Hardening of Pharaohs heart. Fine day but had some

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MONDAY 30,

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MEMORANDA.

Carried the boxes in the morning and finished mending my shoes. Rode Wagon over to the High School, to call on the change in the time of the letter, getting school. Praised the school taught by Miss Childs in the afternoon and was well pleased with it. Attended C. C. F. the morning school in the evening and pronounced again for him, his power might at the school. This day.

TUESDAY 31

Spent the forenoon at Mr. Tardant's in singing, reviewing my diary and accounting or reviewing the past. Visited the school taught by C. C. F. in the afternoon; first to school. Part of a number of visitors in. One to some new work at the close. Took tea at Mrs. Tardant's. Went to Hollis to watch meeting, and had a very interesting and profitable time. Mr. Hartley preached a very fine sermon from 1st Corinthian's 7th chapter and 5th clause of 29th verse. Some all improved. The case of Miss Ellen Rice who was just dying at the point of death, and being perfectly satisfied, appeared quite an interesting subject. Spent the night at Mr. Tardant's. G. B. Rice also. Retired at two o'clock.

## Of Stray Thoughts.

The Christian's heart, maybe compared to the lamp-chimney, which if kept free from smoke and dust, will permit the light to shine brilliantly, so with the Christian, who is to be the light of the world; if his heart is free from the smoke of sin, the light of the Gospel will shine forth in all its beauty.

Again; the Christian is the temple of the living God, and God cannot dwell in impurity, so we must keep ourselves pure and unspotted from the world if we would have Christ dwell in us.

Sinners know how Christians should live and are daily watching them, that they may find some fault, which they may use as an excuse for their own course of conduct.

Religion is something that will not keep if shut up in the dark, but it must always be exposed to the gaze of a gazing world.

Gold word says "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." We must then associate with sinners and talk with them on the subject; if we would bring them to Christ.