

*The Diaries of  
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NOVEMBER, 1862.

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 6d. 8h. 5m. M.  
 Last Quarter, 14d. 1h. 26m. A.  
 New Moon, 21d. 1h. 30m. A.  
 First Quarter, 28d. 5h. 18m. M.

D of M	D of W	Sun R & S h m	Moon rises h m	High Water h m
1	Sa	6 33R	1 32	7 9
2	Su	4 52S	2 38	8 3
3	Mo	6 36R	3 43	8 54
4	Tu	4 50S	4 46	9 41
5	We	6 38R	5 47	10 26
6	Th	4 48S	rises	11 8
7	Fr	6 41R	5 19	11 48
8	Sa	4 45S	6 4	0 8
9	Su	6 43R	6 54	0 50
10	Mo	4 43S	7 48	1 32
11	Tu	6 46R	8 46	2 15
12	We	4 41S	9 46	2 59
13	Th	6 48R	10 47	3 43
14	Fr	4 39S	11 49	4 29
15	Sa	6 51R	morn	5 21
16	Su	4 37S	0 53	6 15
17	Mo	6 53R	2 0	7 10
18	Tu	4 36S	3 9	8 8
19	We	6 56R	4 20	9 4
20	Th	4 34S	5 34	9 59
21	Fr	6 58R	6 49	10 56
22	Sa	4 33S	sets	11 49
23	Su	7 1R	6 34	0 15
24	Mo	4 32S	7 48	1 10
25	Tu	7 3R	9 2	2 5
26	We	4 31S	10 12	2 58
27	Th	7 5R	11 24	3 49
28	Fr	4 30S	morn	4 42
29	Sa	7 7R	0 31	5 37
30	Su	4 29S	1 36	6 32
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DECEMBER, 1862.

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 6d. 2h. 53m. M.  
 Last Quarter, 14d. 5h. 49m. M.  
 New Moon, 21d. 0h. 20m. M.  
 First Quarter, 27d. 7h. 0m. A.

D of M	D of W	Sun R & S h m	Moon rises h m	High Water h m
1	Mo	7 9R	2 39	7 27
2	Tu	4 28S	3 41	8 20
3	We	7 11R	4 42	9 10
4	Th	4 28S	5 41	9 58
5	Fr	7 14R	6 38	10 44
6	Sa	4 28S	rises	11 27
7	Su	7 16R	5 43	.....
8	Mo	4 28S	6 39	0 27
9	Tu	7 17R	7 39	1 9
10	We	4 28S	8 39	1 50
11	Th	7 19R	9 39	2 30
12	Fr	4 28S	10 41	3 10
13	Sa	7 21R	11 44	3 53
14	Su	4 28S	morn	4 40
15	Mo	7 22R	0 48	5 32
16	Tu	4 29S	1 56	6 30
17	We	7 24R	3 8	7 31
18	Th	4 29S	4 21	8 34
19	Fr	7 25R	5 34	9 39
20	Sa	4 30S	6 43	10 39
21	Su	7 26R	sets	11 37
22	Mo	4 31S	6 38	0 4
23	Tu	7 27R	7 53	0 57
24	We	4 32S	9 6	1 47
25	Th	7 28R	10 17	2 35
26	Fr	4 34S	11 25	3 21
27	Sa	7 29R	morn	4 8
28	Su	4 35S	0 30	4 59
29	Mo	7 29R	1 33	5 54
30	Tu	4 36S	2 35	6 50
31	We	7 30R	3 35	7 45

WEDNESDAY, JAN'Y 1, 1862.

Was in Rollin, Mich. at watch meeting when the new year was ushered in. Heard a sermon preached, and there was a prayer and converse meeting held. Was indeed a very pleasant and profitable time. Formed a solemn vow on looking over the privileges of the past year that I would live more to the honor and glory of God. Visited Miss Ellen Rice, who was just at the point of death. She was perfectly resigned, and said she was going home. Took dinner at Mr. Purchase's and took tea and spent the evening very pleasantly at the residence of Deacon Childs. Quite a number of young folks there.

THURSDAY, JAN'Y 2, 1862.

Intended to have left Hudson to go to  
Adrian in the morning, but was  
persuaded to remain and attend the  
funeral of Miss Ellen Rice. Made  
a short call at Mr. Purchase's in  
the forenoon; helped C. H. Pattison  
to make a stable door. Attended to  
some ~~books~~ which Mr. Pattison  
was rendering in the afternoon.  
Felt rather badly on account of  
loss of sleep. Mr. Purchase was  
at Mr. Pattison's in the evening  
and I went home with him  
and stayed over night. Retired  
about half past nine o'clock.

Felt pretty well, spiritually, during  
the day.

FRIDAY, JAN'Y 3, 1862.

Attended the funeral of Miss  
Ellen Rice. Heard Bro. Harlbert  
preach her funeral sermon from  
first Corinthians XV 26.<sup>th</sup> Was  
peculiarly struck with the thought  
that the first sermon which I  
heard during the year was on a  
funeral occasion, and the inquiry  
arose, "Will mine be preached before  
the year shall close?" The scene was  
an affecting one. Her schoolmates  
were there as mourners. C. C. Potter  
Teacher. Visited with G. W. Bruce  
at Mr. White's, after the funeral,  
and spent the evening there.  
Fine friendly folks, but some-  
what peculiar. Stormy day.

SATURDAY, JAN'Y 4, 1862.

Left Mr. Patterson's at half past eight o'clock, and rode in a wagon to Adrian. Arrived about half past twelve. Took dinner with Prof. McKeever and family. Arranged my room some and cut some wood. Received a letter from home, containing the news of Will. Steen's and R. P. Cooper's conversion. Also received a letter from John Elliott.

Wrote a letter in the evening to Annie, and wrote in my diary, and after shaving, retired for the first time in the house of Prof. McKeever, about half past ten o'clock. Very cold day.

SUNDAY, JAN'Y 5, 1862.

After family worship in the morning, I went from Prof. McKeever's over to the room of Ex-Church C. H. Patterson and got my shirt. Attended church in the Chapel in the forenoon, and heard Prof. McEldowney preach from Luke XIII 6 & 9<sup>th</sup> inclusive. Very interesting class meeting. Sabbath School at two o'clock. President preached in the evening from Genesis IV & V. Preached a very good, but somewhat lengthy discourse. Felt pretty well during the day. Day very cold.

MONDAY, JAN'Y 6, 1862.

Arose at half past five  
and kindled the fire  
in the two stoves.

Swept the snow away from  
the doors, and made some  
paths.

Registered my name  
in the college books, and  
entered my classes.

Did not recite in Greek  
on account of Prof's absence.

Term commenced very  
fairly. Quite a number  
of new students.

Nothing of especial im-  
portance occurred in re-  
ligious affairs.

TUESDAY, JAN'Y 7, 1862.

Arose at the ringing of  
the five O'clock bell as  
usual, and built the  
fires. Studied some before  
breakfast. Recited in  
all my studies. Had very  
good recitations. Visited  
the college buildings in  
the evening. Studied  
until half past nine  
O'clock. Attended family  
worship for Prof. McKeever.  
She talked very strongly  
of going home. Was very  
much impressed with  
the thought that I should  
not some religious improvements  
each day.

WEDNESDAY, JAN'Y 8, 1862.

Arose at the usual time, after dreaming of passing through deep waters. Built the fires as usual, and studied some before the rest of the folks arose. Recited in Latin and Algebra as usual. Read a apostrophe to the Sun in rhetorical exercises. Attended the election of officers of the Star Society and was chosen Corresponding secretary. Had an opportunity to reprove a furniture man for swearing, but did not do it. Felt somewhat guilty.

THURSDAY, JAN'Y 9, 1862.

Over-slep myself in the morning and did not arise until almost seven O'clock, consequently I did not have my lessons well prepared. Went to town in the evening. Attended the prayer meeting and had a very interesting time. Not very many of the new students took part. Was quite refreshing to hear christians talk of their resolutions and determinations which they had formed for the present year. Felt pretty well spiritually. Very fine day.

FRIDAY, JAN'Y 10, 1862.

Did not have my lessons very well prepared, especially Latin and Greek. Went to town in the afternoon and got some meat for <sup>Pa</sup> Prof. McKeever. Attended society in the evening. Quite a variety of performances. Several selections, and some songs sung. Miss Green sang a song about the old cab and her kittens. Wilcox read a critical essay on Gulliver's travels. Two ladies and two gentlemen spoke different pieces at the same time.

SATURDAY, JAN'Y 11, 1862.

Arose in the morning at five o'clock, and after kindling the fires, studied some on a piece for rhetorical exercise. Cut wood after breakfast, and put it in the woodshed. Got Billy Harris to cut my hair after dinner. Met some of the brethren in the chapel at three o'clock for a quarterly conference, but there not being a sufficient number present to do business, we adjourned. Meeting in the evening. Heard P. W. McKeever preach from Mat. III ch & last clause of 3rd verse.

SUNDAY, JAN'Y, 12. 1862.

Attended lovefeast at the chapel at nine o'clock. Had quite an interesting time. Not a very large attendance. Heard Prof. McEldowney preach from St John II 4th.

Quarterly conference after preaching. Raised money to purchase a melodion.

Attended Sabbath School and elected Francisco Superintendent. Heard President's preach in the evening from Rev. II 3 & first clause of 5th verse. Cold day.

MONDAY, JAN'Y 13, 1862.

Arose at 20 minutes past ~~one~~ in the morning, and built the fire as usual. Recited as usual during the day except that my Algebra lesson was rather illly prepared. Latin and Greek pretty well. Studied some in the afternoon, and cut some wood.

Went to town after tea. Took my boots to get them mended. Purchased some zephyrs for Miss Vincent. Received a letter from John Elliott. Very cold day.



TUESDAY, JAN'Y 14, 1862.

Arose ten minutes past five. Kindled the fires and performed my accustomed morning work. Recited as usual during the day.

Mended my over coat in the afternoon.

Cut wood in the evening.

Studied my Caesar lesson in company with Mr. Francisco in his room.

Heard some bad reports about Mr. Blackburn, such as breaking into rooms, stealing Gold pens &c.

Very cold day.

WEDNESDAY, JAN'Y 15, 1862.

Arose ten minutes past five and kindled the fires, snow having fallen during the night, I made some paths around the house. Recited Latin in the morning as usual. A change having been made in the time and Teacher of our Algebra class, we did not recite. Carried Miss Vincent's trunk from the college to Prof. McReever's. Spoke a piece in rhetorical exercise, "The Stream of Life". Not very well prepared. Did not attend social.

THURSDAY, JAN'Y 16, 1862.

Arose about five o'clock, and passed through the usual routine of morning duties. Recited in Latin as usual. Had pretty good recitation. Owing to the conduct of some of the boys who were brought before the Faculty for playing cards, we did not recite in Greek or Algebra. Prayer meeting in the evening was very interesting. Not very many of the ladies took part. Francisca took the lead of the meeting. Cold snowy day.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 1862.

Arose at seven. Went through with my usual morning work, and at chapel exercise, some of the young men connected with the institution were rebuked for playing cards. Short recitation in Latin. Was not altogether prepared in Greek. Recited for the first time to Prof. McKeever in Algebra. Brought my stove from the City to Prof. McKeevers in a hand sled. Attended society, and was much pleased with the performance. Acted a Chaplain.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 1862.

Cut wood enough to last over Sunday in the morning, then went at studying out something to say upon the subject of fashionable parties, or a minister's opinion of them, to speak before the society. Arranged my room some in the afternoon and went to town & got a pane of glass. Went to Francisco's room and got out my Caesar lesson for Monday. Prepared part of my Algebra lesson also. Prof. McKeever went to Cambridge to quarterly meeting.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 1862.

Attended church in the college chapel. Heard Pres. preach from II Peter III 9. Attended Sabbath School at two o'clock. Mr. Francisco acted as superintendant for the first time in Adrian. Had a very interesting time. Attended church in the chapel in the evening and heard the President's preach from Prov. VIII & latter clause of 36th verse. Not a very large attendance in the evening. Very foggy day with crust on the snow.

MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 1862.

Went through with  
the usual routine of  
duties in the forenoon.  
Recitations as usual.

Only some snow  
in the evening.

Went down to  
Prof McKeever's sisters  
and brought out  
part of the pump.

Studied my  
Caesar lesson in  
Mr. Francisco's room.

Very fine winter  
day and good  
sleighting.

TUESDAY, JAN'Y 21, 1862.

Did not arise until  
seven in the morning  
having sat up late  
studying the night  
before. Recited as usual  
Had tolerably good reci-  
tations. Mr. Backus  
brought a large black  
dog for Prof McKeever.  
Called him Prince, but  
in the night, he  
departed. Read my  
Latin lesson in Fran-  
cisco's room as usual.  
Very fine winter  
weather, and very good  
sleighting.

WEDNESDAY, JAN'Y 22, 1862.

Recited apparatus in Latin in the morning and read a piece, entitled "Political Morality" in rhetorical exercise in the afternoon. Put a pane of glass in my window. Went to town in the evening and purchased an axe and saw for Prof. McKeever. Spent the night with C. H. Pattison and let another man sleep on my bed.

THURSDAY, JAN'Y 23, 1862.

Arose at half past five. Attended my classes as usual. Had an extremely good recitation in Latin. Greek not so good. Failed in Algebra, and owing to the pressure of my studies was excused from the class. Visited Mrs. Pattison & Mr. Craft, at our old room No. 8. Attended prayer-meeting in the evening and did not take any part in the exercises. Prof. McDouney suggested that each one come prepared to say something.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1862.

Recited in Latin as usual in the morning. Had pretty good lesson. Received seven chapters of Caesar's Commentaries.

Had my Greek lesson pretty well prepared.

Preached my first sermon in Society in the evening. Subject, A Minister's Opinion of a Fashionable Party. Succeeded pretty well.

A variety of opinions was expressed. Nearly all classes of individuals represented.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 1862.

Went to Mr. Bruce's in the morning and got McKee's saw set. Cut wood enough in the forenoon to last over Sunday. Going to town in the afternoon I met with Bro. Shorbard concluded I would attend meeting at Little Hope.

Accordingly I prepared myself and went with him. Took tea at Bro. Knight's. Heard H. W. Wright preach from 11 Cor. V. 20. Two persons forward for prayer spent the night at the house of Wm. Alder Jr. Had a good time.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 1862.

Attended church at Little Hope and heard Pres. Mahan preach from Mat. VII 24-29 inclusive. Small house very full. Took dinner with Geo. Todd. Attended church again in the evening at the same place and heard the Pres. preach from Eclesiastes VIII 11. House just as full as could be. Preached against Universalism both times. Came to the college after church with Pres. McKeever & Wright in Prof. McEldowney's cutter.

MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 1862.

Recited as usual in Latin at 9 o'clock. Had pretty good recitation. Cut some wood at noon. Did not have very good recitation in Greek. Cut wood again in the afternoon. Attended a prayer-meeting in C. H. Pattison's room in the evening. Had a glorious time! Mr. Sealy spoke for the first time. Studied my Caesar lesson with Francisco in his room. Felt very happy all day. Thanks be to God.

TUESDAY, JAN'Y 28, 1862.

Recited as usual, in Latin at 9 o'clock.

Did not have my lesson very well prepared.

Recited in Greek at a quarter past one. Lesson as well prepared as usual.

Employed the afternoon in preparing a declamation, "Blennerhassett's Temptation" for rhetorical exercise. Cut some wood. Attended prayer meeting in Robinson's room; not so lively as last night, but very good meeting. Sealy prayed. Rained all day.

Stayed over night with C. H. Patton.

WEDNESDAY, JAN'Y 29, 1862.

Recited as usual in Latin in the morning at nine o'clock.

Had a very hard lesson.

Prepared part of my Greek lesson, but chanced to think that rhetorical exercise came in the afternoon, and turned my attention to preparing a declamation.

Spoke "Blennerhassett's Temptation"

Went to town in the afternoon and purchased a peck of apples for my own use.

Washed and shaved myself before going to bed. Was in a very comfortable state of mind.



THURSDAY, JAN'Y 30, 1862.

Kindled the fires in the morning as usual. Broke through the ice as I came from recitation. Had a very well prepared Greek lesson. Cut some wood in the afternoon. Quite a number of the students busied themselves with skating (Gentlemen and ladies together) outside of study hours. Attended prayer-meeting in the evening. Quite a spirited meeting.

Mr. & Mrs. Rice spent the evening at Prof. McKeevers. My spiritual enjoyment good.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1862.

Had a very hard lesson in Caesar and consequently did not recite very well. Was pretty well prepared in Greek as far as I went, but did not have quite all the lesson prepared. Wrote a letter (the first) to Miss Fernelia Purcell, in the afternoon. Wrote a letter to Father & Mother in the afternoon and evening. Attended Society. Read a selection, "Prayer for the Union" from the Wesleyan to supply a vacancy, also spoke the Parody by Young America.

SATURDAY, FEB'Y 1, 1862.

Cut some wood in the morning before breakfast. Cut wood a greater portion of the forenoon. Studied Latin some, and studied some on an essay for Society. Went to town with C. H. Patterson in the afternoon. Went to Mr. Bruce's in the evening and ate pot pie made of Quails. Had a good time generally. Stayed over night. Did not retire until twelve o'clock. Felt pretty well.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1862.

Arose at 20 minutes past 7 o'clock at Mr. Bruce's and came up to Prof. McKee's for breakfast. Attended church in the chapel and heard Prof. McEldowney preach from the ~~XXII~~ <sup>XXIII</sup> Psalm 25th v. Heb 25. Sacrament administered according to monthly arrangements. Sabbath School as usual but more interesting. Heard the Pres. preach in the evening from Gal. VII 7:8. Very peculiar sermon. Almost all incidents. Attentive congregation.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1862.

President called the roll in our division in chapel exercise, for the first time and he made quite an out of us. Made us all laugh. Recited as usual. Had my lessons pretty well prepared. Made a sawbuck in the afternoon. Went over with Miss Buckus in the evening and helped to carry her melodeon up stairs. Went to town and bought a file. Studied out part of my Caesar lesson in Mr. Francisco's room. He was not able to study.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1862.

Role was not called at chapel exercise. Had an extremely hard lesson in Latin. I'd not have it all prepared. I did not recite in Greek in account of Professor's absence. Visited Mr. Francisco who was very sick. Cut wood from four to five o'clock with the axe only. Attended prayer meeting in Cummy's room from six to seven. Only three of us there, beside Cummy & his roommate. Had a pleasant and profitable interview.

WEDNESDAY, FEB'Y 5, 1862.

Visited Mr Francisco who was sick, in the morning, before chapel exercise.

Recited as usual in Latin. Attended reports at a quarter past one, and read "Paul Revered's Ride" in rhetorical exercise. Cut wood in the evening as usual.

Attend the social in the evening, and enjoyed it very much, in company with Miss Sewell, Miss Spencer and others. Had an introduction to some of the ladies with whom I was not acquainted.

THURSDAY, FEB'Y 6, 1862.

Recited as usual in Latin at nine, visited Mr. Francisco immediately after, and found him some better. Recited in Greek at a quarter past one. Cut wood after four o'clock. Went to the city after tea, and got a letter for Sue McKeever and one for Prof. Bought me a pair of drawers. Attended one of the best prayer meetings we had had during the former part of the term. Not a very large attendance but deep interest manifested.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1862.

Recited in Latin as usual in the morning and visited Mr. Francisco immediately after. Recited in Greek as usual. Had good lesson. Prepared an essay for Society in the afternoon. Did not cut any wood.

Attended Society in the evening and read an essay. Had some refreshments such as apples, popcorn & candy. Had a good time although the members were not all present. Received a letter from Syd. and Mollie stating that some money had been sent to me. Have not read it.

SATURDAY, FEB'Y 8, 1862.

Commenced cutting wood in the morning before breakfast. Helped Prof. Cheever to make an ash-house in the forenoon. Finished the ash house in the afternoon & split and carried in the wood, and went to town with C. H. Patterson in the afternoon. Bought a pen fountain and a watch guard. Prof. had an oyster supper in the evening. Dick Watts and Mary Backus were the only folks present beside ourselves. Felt pretty well during the day, but somewhat disappointed on account of the money.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1862.

Kindled the fires in the morning as usual. Attended church in the chapel and heard the president's preach from 1<sup>st</sup> Peter II & 7. Preached a very interesting discourse. Attended Sabbath School at the usual hour and had a very interesting time. Miss Pomeroy told one or two stories. Attend church at Little Hope in the evening and heard Prof. McDowd's preach from Mat. VIII 47-50 inclusive. Returned with him to the college after sermon.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1862.

Had an extremely hard lesson in Latin. None of the class fully prepared. Recited in Greek at the usual hour. This lesson was also somewhat deficient. Had become weary of waiting for the professor and started to our room when he came and brought us back again. Cut wood three times during the day. Attended a prayer-meeting in Cummins' room in the evening. Very feet in. Found Latin lesson too hard for me in the evening and could not get about.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise as usual. Lesson in Caesar was exceedingly hard. Two sentences in it which I could not read and they both came to me. Recited pretty well in Greek. Cut wood in the afternoon. Took my clothes to Mr. Bruce in the evening to get them washed and took a coat to get mended. Reviewed Caesar very hard in the evening. Lesson X's Chapter in the first book.

WEDNESDAY, FEB'Y 12, 1862.

Arose at six, kindled the fires &c. Attended chapel exercise as usual. Recited better in Latin than I had done for three days previous. Wrote an essay in the forenoon on the subject, "Is there more of good than evil in the human heart." Had not time to eat dinner. Attended reports. Read the above essay in rhetorical exercise. Cut some wood in the afternoon. Visited C. H. Pattison and heard him read a letter from Miss Permelia Russell. Attended prayer meeting in Wilcox's room. Very few in. Did not have a very lively time.

THURSDAY, FEB'Y 13, 1862.

Arose at six. Attended chapel exercise as usual. Had our Caesar lesson much better prepared than usual. Lesson #123 chapter of first book.

Miss Newel and I were the only members in the Greek class. Had a very good lesson. Read my Caesar lesson over in the afternoon, cut some wood and went to Mr. Bruce's where I received a letter from Miss J. Swill. Attended the prayer meeting in the evening and had quite an interesting time. Quite a number absent on account of sickness.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise as usual. Mr. Bruce and Mr. Chase were there. Did not have our Latin grammar lesson prepared and had to take it over again.

Recited in Greek as usual. After Greek class in the afternoon, I wrote a letter to Maria Cassidy. Shaved myself and put on a clean shirt. Went to town and did some shopping. Attended Society, but we did not have a performance on account of absences. Rec'd a letter from Mary. Went to Mr. Bruce's and staid over night. Took the saw to get it sharpened.



SATURDAY, FEB'Y 15, 1862.

Left Mr Bruce's about 9 o'clock and went to Prof. McKeever's. Stayed wood the remainder of the forenoon.

Received a very nice and very expensive valentine. Went to town in the afternoon, and found \$30 in the express office beside a long letter from Mary. Paid off some of my debts, and bought me a pair of rubbers. Took dinner at the bakery. Wrote a letter to Father and Mother in the evening. Wrote of my "Minister's Opinion of a Fashionable Party to send with it. Did not come much speed studying Cicero afterward.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1862.

Attended church in the chapel in the forenoon, and heard Prof. McKeever preach from Mark II 35<sup>th</sup>. Attended Sabbath School in the afternoon and acted as superintendent, seeing that our superintendants had letters on account of sickness.

Went to Bro. Bruce's after Sabbath school and had a good time singing. Attended the Methodist church in the evening. Heard Baughman preach from St. John XII 24<sup>th</sup>. Coming home, were passed by a runaway horse, started in search of the driver but could not find him. Found parts of the sleigh.

MONDAY, FEB'Y 17, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise as usual. Had rather poor recitation in Latin. Very good in Greek.

C. H. Pattison came back from Hudson. Heard of the capture of Fort Donalson by the Union men. Great excitement and rejoicing in the city. Bells rang, and cannons fired.

W. Woodford was firing a small one, which exploded and killed him almost instantly.

Attended a Jubilee meeting in the evening. Heard quite a number of speakers, the last of whom was C. D. Roy.

Rained in the night.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1862.

Spent about the same as other days. Attended chapel exercises in the morning. Latin class at nine o'clock. Lesson not very well prepared. Greek lesson very well prepared. Both two of us in the class. Miss Newell gone home on account of sickness. Cut wood in the afternoon, and studied my Caesar lesson. Received a note from Horace Palmer. Paid him the dollar which I owed him. Studied until eleven o'clock. Day quite pleasant for the time of year. Felt quite merry most of the day.

WEDNESDAY, FEB'Y 19, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise and recitation in Latin as usual. Had pretty good lesson. Attended reports at a quarter past one o'clock, and rhetorical exercise immediately after. Read a piece from "The Wesleyan, entitled 'Abraham and Sarah'". Attended the social in the evening and received a note from which I learned that some one had forged a note, signed my name to it, inviting Miss Sewell to meet me in the reception room. Learned from whom my Philomena came.

THURSDAY, FEB'Y 20, 1862.

Recited as usual. Had our lesson in Latin pretty well prepared. Went to Greek class and found quite a number of folks from Rollin there. They visited McKever's Analysis class while we recited. Visited with them at Mr. Bruce's in the evening. Went to the city and had quite a good time. Eleven of us rode back on a small two horse sleigh. Spent the remainder of the evening in social converse, and had quite a prayer meeting before the folks left at eleven o'clock. Spent the remainder of the night with C. H. Pattison.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1862.

Attended chapel exercises in the morning. Did not recite in Latin Prof. being necessarily absent. Did not recite in Greek on account of a meeting to expose the bad deeds of some of the boys. Attended the lecture on Gymnastics at three o'clock. Saw a man 52 1/2 years old stand on one foot and take his hat from the floor with his steth. Public meeting of the Star Society in the evening, very well attended and all passed off pleasantly. Wrote a letter to Francisco in the evening.

SATURDAY, FEBY 22, 1862.

Wrote three letters in the forenoon, cut wood the greater portion of the afternoon, and went to town, bought a crow and a pair of buck skin gloves. Came back past Mr. Bruce and paid Mrs. Bruce for washing. Bought a paper containing an account of the public meeting of the Star Society. Studied some on my Caesar lesson. Did not receive any letters from home or anywhere else. Very warm day.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1862.

Attended church in the chapel and heard Bro. McEldowney preach from the First Epistle general of John II & 7. Had a very good class meeting in which the President remained. Sabbath school at the usual hour elected A. M. Wright Superintendent. President preached in the chapel in the evening from Phillipians II 12-13. Quite a large congregation out in the evening but no unusual manifestation of interest. Enjoyed myself well during the day.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1862.

Commenced the labors of another week in the usual way. Had quite a good recitation in Latin at the usual hour. Recited alone in Greek. A. S. McEldowney being absent. Spent more time than common during the day for reading exercise. Read some in the Wesleyan, and some in the National Fifth Reader. Studied some on an essay but did not make out much. Did not have that deep feeling upon the subjects of religion that should characterize a follower of Christ.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1862.

Arose fifteen minutes past five and built the fire as usual. No change in my recitations. After Greek class, I harnessed Mr. Rice's horse to his cutter and took Sue McKeever to Mr. Prior's, from thence to Dr. Watts's and I went to town for the mail. Did not get any news. Cut some wood when I came back. Studied my Caesar lesson in the evening. Did not have any very peculiar emotions during the day, nor very warm zeal in the cause of Christ.

WEDNESDAY, FEB'Y 26, 1862.

Forenoon exercises were conducted as common. Had our Latin lesson pretty well prepared. Some of the class felt rather funny from the way they acted. Report at a quarter past one. Read an essay in rhetorical exercise, subject, "The close of the old year, and the beginning of the new." Heard the president describe St. Paul's cathedral after Rhetorical. Cut some wood in the afternoon. Studied my Caesar lesson in the evening. Did not feel very well either bodily or spiritually. Warm day, snow melting.

THURSDAY, FEB'Y 27, 1862.

Most of the class being ill prepared on the Latin Grammar lesson we were required to take it over again. Recited in Greek alone. Studied Latin in the afternoon, and read considerable in the National Fifth reader. Did not cut any wood. Visited C. H. Garrison before prayer-meeting. Did not feel very lively emotions on prayer-meeting but some seemed to enjoy it much. Mr. Bruce lead. Felt the need of engaging more in secret prayer.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1862.

Recited as usual in Latin.  
Recited alone in Greek.  
Cut quite a large pile of wood in the afternoon. Shaved myself and prepared to go to Society. Learned that Society intended to adjourn to attend Mr. Coker's lecture in the city.  
Went to the city and engaged the omnibus to take Luc McKee to the depot on her way home. Rode home with Prof. McEl-downey in his buggy.  
Received a letter from Thamer, measles raging in Iowa as well as here.

SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 1862.

Arose 15 minutes before 2 o'clock and kindled the fire to get Sue's breakfast. She started to the depot in company with Dick Watts on her way home. Went to bed and slept until seven. Went to Mr. Bruce's and got an axe to split wood with. cut wood in the forenoon. Wrote a letter to Willie and one to Martha & Melvin in the afternoon. Went to town and bought a pair of fine boots for 4.25. Wrote a letter to Aunt Thamer in the evening. Did not get it finished until almost ten o'clock. Did not study my lessons for Monday knowing that Prof. would be away.

SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 1862.

Kindled the fire as usual in the morning, and then washed and prepared myself for church, after which I studied the Sabbath School lesson. Heard Prof. McKeever preach from Isaiah IV & 125.

Attended Sabbath School and then went to Mr. Bruce's and spent two or three hours.

Read the juvenile Instructor through. Attended church in the chapel in the evening and heard Bro. Rice preach quite a fine sermon from Mat. VII & 11th. Pretty good congregation out. Very cold day.



MONDAY, MARCH 3, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise as usual, but Prof. Geo. McEldowny being absent we did not recite in Latin. Wrote an invitation to Rev. Mr. Powell to address the Society at the close of the term. Did not recite in Greek. Studied some on a piece to speak in rhetorical exercise. Went to town in the afternoon and did some shopping. Bought some apples. Paid for my boots in part. Rode up with the baker. Broke my lamp in the evening while making my bed. Commenced reviewing the first book of Caesar. Very cold day.

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1862.

Attended chappel exercise as usual. Recited in Latin at the usual hour. Studied my Greek lesson after recitation in Latin. Did not recite in Greek on account of the absence of the Prof. Tasted some scraps in my scrap book and then cut some wood. Went to town in the evening to get a bottom put on my lamp, but finding I could not get it done there, took it to Mr. Bruce's and got a wooden bottom. Got a half gallon of oil. Very cold day for the time of year. Sleights running some.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 1862.

Recited as usual in Latin at nine o'clock. After recitation made a selection of a piece to read in rhetorical exercise. Blacked my boots before dinner. Helped Prof. McKeever to move two bear cases. Attended reports at one o'clock. Read a selection "A vision of the year nineteen hundred", in rhetorical exercise. Cut wood in the afternoon and went to town. Recd a reply from Mr. Powell, stating that he would address the society. Put a wooden bottom on my lamp using plaster paris for cement. Very cold day and snow still on the ground.

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1862.

Recited as usual in Latin at 9. Cleaned up my room afterward and prepared my Greek lesson. Studied some on a declamation. Studied my Latin lesson over in the afternoon. Gave way to temptation more than common, and feeling the necessity of a closer walk with God, I laid aside my books and had a profitable season of communion with him. Went to town in the afternoon with C. H. Pattison. Considerable of cloudy testimony given in the prayer meeting in the evening. But one sister, Miss Mills, took part in the exercises.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 1862.

The recitations of the day were performed in regular order. After I got through reciting, I cut some wood, shaved myself, put on a clean shirt, and went to town. P. W. Bruce brought me a letter from John stating that Alingham had been defeated in getting license. Visited C. H. Pattison in the evening and took him to society. Acted as chairman during the discussion of the resolution, and read a reply from Mr. Powell to an invitation to address the society at the close of the term. Answered John's letter.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 1862.

Kindled the fires in the morning. Wrote a letter to Geo. Rosley after breakfast. Brought the milk from Prof McEldowney's as usual. Cut wood for Sabbath. Mended my gloves. Went to town. Weighed myself, weighed 174 1/4 lbs. Got a root of a tooth extracted. Bought some paper and envelopes. Went to Mr. Bruce and whet my knife. Studied some Latin in the evening but was not able to prepare my lesson for Monday. Washed my feet, mended my pants and retired to rest.

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 1862.

Attended church in the college chapel and heard the Rev. Dr. ~~Koz~~ Koz preach from II Tim. II ch. and latter clause of the 10th v. Attended Sabbath School at the usual hour; raised a collection of 25 cts for the juvenile. Heard the Dr.

preach again in the evening from Romans II & 16th.

Liked the sermon in the evening best. Mr. Rogers, the agent for the college was also present and exhorted. Sacramental occasion in the forenoon.

Rained some during the day and evening.

MONDAY, MARCH 10, 1862.

Arose 15 minutes before 5 o'clock and kindled the fires as usual. Very wet morning. Attended chapel exercises and learned that my slates for the day were both exercised on account of some visitors. Selected some pieces, among which was Ellsworth's last letter, for my scrap-book.

Attended the singing class at four o'clock. Read a letter from Ann. Visited C. H. Patterson and J. W. Wilcox in the evening.

Heard Rev. Mr. Rogers preach in the evening from II Chron. XXIX latter clause 5th verse. Mr. R. is agent for the college. Very fine evening and a good congregation out.

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise  
and a lecture by Dr. Koch.  
Mr. Rogers, the college life made  
some very fine remarks after.  
Had no recitations on account  
of those visitors. Labored hard  
in writing an essay on  
"Freighting the vessel," did  
not get it complete. Attended  
the singing in the afternoon.  
Rec'd a letter from S. J. Fran-  
cisco. Studied Latin in  
the evening and answered  
said letter. Did not feel  
very well either bodily or  
spiritually. Very fine Spring  
day. Roads somewhat muddy.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12 1862.

Recited in Latin as usual,  
and finished, and transcribed  
an essay "Freighting the Mind"  
for rhetorical exercise. Reported  
present in report. Read my essay  
and Prof. did not take it to  
correct it seeing it was so near  
the close of the term. Wrote two  
essays in my Essay book. Cut  
some wood. Visited the boys  
at the hall after tea and  
had quite a lively time.  
Some of the boys were practicing  
gymnastics. Read my Caesar  
lesson over in the evening  
before bed time. Felt in  
a pretty good humor during  
the day,

THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 1862.

Recited as usual during the day. Attended the singing class in the afternoon practising for the public meeting at the close of the term.

Read my Latin lesson over in the afternoon and cut some wood. Attended a lecture in the city given by Mrs. Polts. subject, Physiology. Very interesting. Badwell's hall was full of people. Mrs. P. pretty good speaker. Very pleasant day. Snow nearly all gone and roads quite muddy.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 1862.

Recited as usual during the day. After I got through reciting, commenced a letter to David and Ann. Went to Mr. Bruce's before going to Society. Had a good time in Society. No failures. No discussion. Miss Green sang the song, "We all wear cloaks" Very interesting. Springsteen read his first critique. good. Very wet day. Stream between McKee's and the College so high that I had to go round in the road. Prof. McEldowney & his wife visiting at McK's.

SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 1862.

Very wet morning. Cut wood in the wood shed.

Went to town in the afternoon, bought an umbrella and had some teeth filled.

After supper, C. C. Potter came along and spent the evening with me until about eight o'clock, when we went to Mr. Bruce's and spent the night.

He brought me a very nice present, of a cake of maple sugar, with a candy heart in it bearing the motto, "I go for Union," sent by Miss J. Russell.

SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 1862.

Took breakfast at Mr. Bruce's with C. C. Potter.

Attended church in the chapel, and heard Rev. Mr. Waterman speak of the Cleveland school for poor children. Very interesting discourse.

Raised sixty-nine cents in the Sabbath School for the paper. Spent part of the afternoon in Mr. Wilcox's room.

Heard Fred's preach in the evening from John III 7th. Prof. McEldowney read 2 articles from the Wesleyan, and Mr. Tomeroy made some remarks before he should leave as he intended to in the morning.

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 1862.

Kindled the fires as usual.  
Attended Chapel exercises.  
Did not have my lesson well  
in Latin. Did not feel very  
well during the day. Did not  
have quite all my Greek lesson.  
Mended some of my clothes in  
the afternoon, cut some wood  
and attended singing class.

Went to town in the evening  
with C. H. Patterson & E. C. Potter.

Attended a prayer meeting in  
the chapel in the evening,  
very interesting. Wrote a note  
in the evening for Miss J. Purcell in  
reply for her presents of the 15<sup>th</sup> ult.

Fine day, with about 4 inches of  
snow on the ground.

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 1862.

Arose 15 minutes past five.

Kindled the fires as usual and  
then studied my Caesar lesson.  
Recited pretty well. Visited C.  
C. Potter and C. H. Patterson after  
class. Gave Patterson his presents  
from Milly. Recited in Greek  
as usual. Cut wood in the  
afternoon and attended singing  
class. Went to Mr. Harris in  
the evening and had my  
hair trimmed. Run after  
some calves trying to push  
them out of the lot but failed.  
Studied some Latin until  
about 10 o'clock. Fine day. Did  
not thaw much.



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 1862.

Passed through the usual exercise in the forenoon. Had pretty good lesson in Caesar. Attended reports at one o'clock, and our rhetorical class was excused. Went to town in company with W. W. Bruce. Had a piece of rubber put between end of my teeth preparatory to filling. Rec'd a letter from Geo. Bosley. Social from three until five o'clock. Did not attend. Studied my Caesar lesson in the evening. Sleep falling at nine o'clock very rapidly.

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 1862.

S. B. Hathaway visited our Latin class in the morning, and Prof. McDowney reproved Miss Berry for writing in class. Went to town just after dinner, and carried a letter down for Prof. McKeever. Visited Mr. Milne in the evening and secured his attendance at the prayer meeting. Last prayer meeting of the winter term. Had a good time. Time well improved. Wilcox said he had one friend, Jesus; and one enemy, Satan, and if he had the power to change his name, he would call him Self. Thought that selfishness was the predominant sin. Snowed considerably during the day.

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 1862.

Recited in Latin for the last time until examination during the winter term. Recited in Greek also at the usual hour. Went to town in the afternoon and had a rubber put between two of my teeth. Bought a pack of cards for fifteen cents. Wrote them before society. Rec'd three letters from home. Had a good time in society. Misses Atwood and Barst read the paper. My name in it three times. In a piece termed "Adjectives" Manly, Morse, Mischievous Melvin. In the view of the Society 20 years hence, I was exhibiting the battles of 1862 with a magic lantern. Spent the night with C. H. Pattison.

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 1862.

Took breakfast with C. H. Pattison. Went to town in the forenoon and had two teeth filled. Returned and wrote a letter to Father and Mother in the afternoon. Cut wood from half past four until six o'clock. Went to the College and had a pleasant half hour visit. Shaved after dark, and read some in Caesar. Received some mottoes from some of the ladies. Took a good bath before going to bed and felt considerably refreshed. Felt pretty well spiritually, although somewhat troubled about my future occupation in life. Want to be in position where I can glorify God most. Snow three or four inches.

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 1862.

Attended church in the chapel  
in the forenoon and heard Prof.  
McEldowney preach from the  
LXXVII Psalm first clause 28th v.  
Rec'd thirty volumes of small books  
from him for the Sabbath school.  
Took them to Mr. Bruce's and  
numbered them. Sabbath school  
at the usual hour. Read some  
in the Bible, in Personal Effort, and  
in the Wesleyan. Attended church  
in the chapel in the evening and  
heard Presd's Mahan preach from  
Luke IV & 4th. Preached well.  
Felt pretty well during the day.  
Had a good degree of the spirit of  
prayer. Still snow on the ground.

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 1862.

Examination of classes commenced.  
Attended chapel exercise in the  
morning as usual, and then spent  
the forenoon in reviewing Caesar.  
Read Latin a short time in the  
afternoon and listened a short time  
to the Analysis class. Went to town,  
and returned at four O'clock to the  
singing class. Cut some wood after  
tea, and then read Caesar until  
nine O'clock. Had pretty good  
luck, some difficulty with some  
parts of it. Felt tolerably well  
during the day. Snow still on  
the ground. Roads very muddy.  
Folks making sugar in the country.

TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 1862.

Attended chapel exercises in the morning as usual. Heard a class in Algebra and the Virgil class examined. Finished reviewing Caesar as far as we will be examined. Visited E. H. Patton after dinner and went with him and David Milne to the depot.

Attended the Junior Exhibition in the evening and had a good time. Sang in the choir.

After the exhibition I copied Jeff. Schoonover's Oration "A Provision for Every Want". Did not get through until 12 o'clock. Very fine day. Good audience at the exhibition.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 1862.

Was examined in Caesar in the morning first thing after chapel exercise. Listened to the examination of several other classes. Copied the programme of the Junior exhibition. Attended the examination in the afternoon, and when it closed I went to town. Did not receive any news. Cut wood in the evening and went to Mr. Bruce's. Sang until a late hour and spent the night there. Very very fine day. Was splendid sugar weather. Winter term closed.

THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 1862.

Took breakfast at Mr Bruce's and went to McKee's found them in bed. Kindled the fires, went to Mr. Hooper's for straps to fill my bed. Did not purchase from him but from Mr. Wellman. Moved my things from Prof. McKee's and fixed up in No. 8 again. Went to town with H. W. Wright in the afternoon. Cut wood for McK, in the evening wrote his name in, an numbered 126 volumes of his library. Left his house half past 9 o'clock and went to No. 8 to spend the night in the College. Very fine day.

FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 1862.

Shaved myself in the morning & put on my Sunday fixings. Took breakfast at Prof. McKee's. Borrowed Prof. Sachel. Informed V. W. Bruce that I was then about to start to Little Hope. Wrote a letter to Will. Thorley. After a hard tramp through the mud, took dinner at Mr. Beers. Spent a short time at Mr. Olden's and ate some sugar at Thomas Olden's. Took tea at Mr. Knight's and attended a prayer meeting in the school-house called Little Hope. Spent the night at Mr. Knight's with H. W. Wright.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 1862.

Took Breakfast at Mr. Knights. Ate some Maple sugar while they were "sugaring off". Took a walk out through the sugar camp in the rain.

The meeting appointed for organizing a church at Little Hope being postponed. A. W. Wright and I went to Wolf-creek and spent the afternoon at Mr. Smiths where we met Bro. Curtis.

Attended meeting at the church in the evening and heard Bro Curtis preach from the ~~XXXII~~ psalm 24th verse. Not very large congregation. Spent night at Mr. Smiths.

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 1862.

Attended church at Wolf Creek  
Heard Bro. Curtis The Evangelist,  
preach from I Cor. III & 11th.

Partook of the sacrament. Took dinner at Mr. David Smiths.

Attended church in the same place in the evening and heard A. W. Wright preach from II<sup>nd</sup> Thess. V & 19<sup>th</sup> "Quench not the Spirit." Very good sermon abounding in anecdotes. Lovefeast in the morning was pretty good. Fresh time over I partook of the bread and water. Roads very muddy and folks could not turn out very well. Spent night at Bro. Smiths.

MONDAY, MARCH 31, 1862.

Took breakfast at Bro. David Smith's on Wolf creek. Ate some maple sugar and then started for Adrian with H. W. Wright and Warren Bruce. Stopped at Mr. Briggs & Mr. Knight's. Took dinner at Mr. Alder's, and ate some apples at Mr. Beer's.

Went to Adrian about 4 o'clock. Went to town with Holiday.

Cut wood for McKeeur. Received a letter from John Elliott containing an account of the battle at Pea Ridge Ark.

Escorted Mrs. McElowney home from Prof. McKeeur's.

Very muddy.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 1862.

Cut some wood before breakfast for Prof. McKeeur. Took breakfast with him and then cut some more wood. Spring term commenced. Attended chapel exercise at the usual hour. Registered my name. Went to town with H. W. Wright.

Bought a Greek Grammar. Went to town again in the afternoon and bought a Greek lexicon for which I agreed to pay \$5.00. Cut wood for my room in the evening and wrote a letter to father & mother.

Studied Algebra until nine o'clock and then mended my black pants.

Very fine day.

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Cut wood for McKeeur. Received a letter from John Elliott containing an account of the battle at Pea Ridge Ark.

Escorted Mrs. McElowney home from Prof. McKeeur's.

Very muddy.

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Studied Algebra until nine o'clock and then mended my black pants.

Very fine day.



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise at the usual hour. Went in Latin and Algebra classes but did not recite.

Studied principally on my Algebra in the afternoon.

Attended the election of officers of the Star Society at four o'clock.

Cut some wood for Prof McKeever after supper.

Studied Algebra and Cicero's first oration in the evening. Very windy day. Knew down four of the College Chimneys. Could not keep good fire in the stoves. Ice so hard fire went up.

THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 1862.

Arose at 15 minutes past five.

Cut some wood after breakfast.

Found my lessons rather difficult.

Prepared a lesson for the advanced class in Algebra, but did not recite it. Had Latin lesson pretty well prepared, teach not so well. Studied until five P.M. Went to town with J. J. Robinson. Saw N. W. Wilcox's new Business Directory. Saw a span of horses run away with a carriage and smash it all to pieces. Hurt the driver considerably. Prayer meeting very interesting but very few out. Very fine day throughout.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise as usual. Did not have my Greek lesson prepared and almost concluded to drop the study and take the scientific course.

Got along pretty well in Latin. A class was formed in gymnastics in the afternoon and Prof. Hutchins gave a wonderful exhibition of his mathematical powers.

Went to the city in the afternoon and received a letter from Mollie & Syd and also one from Rebecca Melvin. Society in the evening.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 1862.

Cut wood in the morning, put down some carpets, prepared some apple sauce, studied my lessons but could not come much speed getting them. Wrote a letter to Rebecca Melvin. Went to the city in the afternoon with A. M. Wright.

Attended church in the chapel in the evening and heard Rev. Mr. Curtis preach from Eph. II & 13th. not very large congregation only.

Heated some water and took a good bath before retiring. Very fine day throughout.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 1862.

Attended church in the chapel in the forenoon & heard Rev. Mr. Curtis preach from the ~~XXXVI~~ Psalm 2nd v. Sabbath School at the usual hour. Love feast and sacrament at three o'clock. Took a walk out with my dog on the railroad.

Met Palmer when we came back. He took supper with us.

Attended church in the chapel again in the evening and heard President's preach from the IV chapter of John 35-6-7th verses. Good sermon and good attentive audience. Fine day throughout.

MONDAY, APRIL 7, 1862.

Recited in Greek at 15 minutes before ten o'clock. Lesson not well prepared. In Latin 1/2 past ten. Better than in Greek. Algebra 1/4 past eleven very well recited. Went to town and procured some provisions for dinner.

Studied in the afternoon and cut some wood.

Looked over all my lessons but did not get them all well prepared. Snowed some during the day. Night cold and snowy.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1862.

Recited as the usual hours. Did not have either my Greek or Latin lesson very well prepared, but could compare favorably with other members of the class. Cooked some rice in the afternoon. Studied Greek and cut wood. Snow on the ground. Chum received a letter from H. Studied hard in the evening and was not able to prepare my lessons.

Not enough time devoted to the interests of the soul,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1862.

Recited as usual only had my lessons somewhat better prepared than usual.

Studied hard in the afternoon on my Greek lesson.

Went to town in the evening with C. H. Patterson. Bought a dozen of eggs and took them to Mr. King's. Received a letter from P. Purcell. Did not read in rhetorical exercises. Reported present at reports in the afternoon.

Studied hard until eleven o'clock P. M. My mind very much taken up with my studies.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1862.

Arose at half past five, kindled the fire and walked down to the Union school building for exercise.

Recited as usual. Lessons well prepared. Read Wendell Phillips' speech after dinner. Studied until five P.M. Went to town with C. H. Pattison.

Attended the prayer meeting in the evening. Had a very interesting and profitable time of waiting on the Lord.

Studied until ten o'clock and then retired for the night.

Day very fine

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 1862.

Arose at half past five and kindled the fire, washed some potatoes. Recited as usual in the forenoon. Failed on my Greek reading lesson, and did not succeed very well in my algebra class. Recited Latin very well. Wrote a letter to Syd. & Mollie which took me 21 minutes to read over. Went to town in the afternoon with C. H. Pattison. Returned at eight o'clock & attended the society. Heard R. A. Watts read his first Critique. Miss Baker read an essay. Was placed on for discussion next evening.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 1862.

Spent the principal part of the day, from nine A.M. until five P.M. studying my Greek lesson. Got it pretty well prepared.

Went to Prof. McKeever's in the evening and got my pitcher. Baker did not come to the College and I was obliged to go to town for bread. Studied Latin until nine o'clock. Jos. J. Robinson brought in some broiled eggs and we ate them.

Retired about eleven o'clock. Very fine day.

SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 1862.

Took a good wash in the morning and prepared for church. Attended church in the chapel and heard the Pres. preach from Prov. XIV & 34<sup>th</sup>. Sermon concerning our present affairs. Sabbath School at the usual hour. Wrote a letter from J. Purcell. Went to the city with C. H. Patterson and deposited the letter.

Went to Mr. Bence's and staid about half an hour. Attended church again in the chapel & heard Pres. preach from Isaiah XLIV & 20<sup>th</sup>. Rained in the afternoon & evening.

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 1862.

Recited as usual in the forenoon. Had Greek lesson much better prepared than common. Took my coach to Mr. Bruce in the morning to get it mended.

Studied until five P.M. Went to town with C. H. Pattison. Mr. Bruce and Ervin visited us a short time in the evening. Very fine spring day. Did not retire until eleven and a quarter P.M. on account of my lessons.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 1862.

Spent about half an hour out in the open air in the morning studying my Greek Grammar lesson. Recited as usual. Failed on an example in Algebra.

Copied an essay in the afternoon and studied some of my Greek. Went to town with C. H. in the afternoon and bought some letter paper & some apples.

Studied until nine o'clock but feeling rather badly. Very fine day, and very much like spring.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1862.

Spent half an hour walking in the morning and studying my Greek Grammar lesson.

Recited at the usual hours. Succeeded pretty well.

Attended reports at one P.M. Read an essay, "The Rainbow" in rhetorical exercise.

Went to town. Studied Greek until dark. Went to Mr Bruce's for some butter, and learned that Prof. McKeever was the father of two daughters. Studied until nine o'clock. Did not get out my lessons to satisfaction.

Thunder-storm in the evening.

Very warm all day.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 1862.

At chapel exercise in the morning, L. O. Edard and Perry Richardson were publicly expelled for playing cards. Recited as usual. Had my lessons pretty well prepared. Studied in the afternoon on my Greek lesson.

Attended prayer meeting in the evening. Pretty good turnout. Prob very lively time.

Visited one or two of the rooms occupied by some of the Pennsylvanians, and found them non-professors. Did not go to town in the afternoon on account of the rain. Wet day throughout.



FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise  
as usual and attended my  
recitations also, but did not  
have my lessons well prepared.  
Spent much of the afternoon  
in preparing for discussion  
in the Society in the evening.

Went to town after supper.  
Attended Society in the  
evening and took part in  
the discussion of the  
resolution. Was decided  
in our favor.

Put down one dollar on  
a subscription for the  
carpeting of the Society  
room. Went forenoon, but  
fine afternoon.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 1862.

Arose at the usual time  
and after going through my  
usual routine of morning duties  
studied Greek until noon.

Studied my Algebra lesson  
some in the afternoon.

Got in some wood, shaved  
myself and went to town  
in company with C. H. Patterson.  
Rec'd a letter from Geo. Bosley.

Spent the evening in my  
room studying my Latin  
lesson for Monday.

Very fine day. I felt some-  
what oppressed with my  
studies and consequently  
depressed in spirits.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 1862.

Arose at seven o'clock and twenty minutes. Attended church in the chapel and heard the president's preach from first Kings XVIII 30-31-32.

Sabbath school at the usual hour more interesting than common. Wrote a letter to Father and Mother.

Visited at Mr. Bruce's in the afternoon and sang some with some colored brethren.

Attended church again in the evening and heard President's preach from Roman X and 4th. "For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone that believeth."

MONDAY, APRIL 21, 1862.

Arose at the usual time. Kindled the fire and fired my mind on my Greek lesson.

Attended chapel exercise as usual. Succeeded reasonably well in reciting my Grammar lessons, and Algebra. Did not get through with our Greek lesson before the bell rang.

Went in some wood in the afternoon. Studied my Greek and Algebra lessons over.

Went to town. Rec'd a letter from Mattie Melvin.

Very wet day. J. C. Thomas called in our room in the evening.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 1862.

Wrote at the usual time  $5\frac{1}{4}$ .  
Recited as usual during the  
day. Lessons all went off pretty  
well. Studied Greek all  
afternoon until five o'clock.  
Went to town with C. H. Pattison.  
No war news or any letter  
from home. Spent the evening  
studying Latin. Got my  
lesson in that pretty well  
prepared. Was very  
much surprised in the  
morning to find that the  
ground was white with  
snow and more falling was  
near two inches deep before  
noon but all gone at night.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 1862.

On rising in the morning found  
the ground frozen hard. Attended  
chapel exercise and recitations as  
usual. Had very good success in  
all my recitations. Got prepared  
from reports to prepare for  
rhetorical exercise. Read a  
piece from the National Fifth  
Reader intitled Liberty, written  
by Orville Dewey. Exercise  
passed off quite pleasantly, only  
Prof. reproved Miss Mahan  
very severely. Went to town in  
the afternoon with my chum  
C. H. Pattison. Studied Latin  
in the evening but could not  
succeed in getting out my lesson.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise and recitations as usual. Did not have my Greek lesson on account of rhetorical exercise on Wednesday.

Other recitations went off pretty well. Studied some in the afternoon. Went to town about half past three o'clock.

Attended prayer meeting in the evening. Not very many out. Concert in town took quite a number away. Meeting very interesting.

Fine day throughout.

FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 1862.

Recited as usual. Lessons pretty well prepared. Wrote three letters in the afternoon, one to Francisco one to Will Thorley and one to Robt and Thamer. Went to town at half past three and received a letter from father and Mary. Attended Society in the evening. J. Schronover read an essay criticizing Mahan's Mental Philosophy. Good! Discussion rather one sided. J. J. Robinson took one side alone against Smith and Watts. Very fine day.

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 1862.

After breakfast went to Mr. Bruce and made a frame to put my book on while studying Latin and Greek. Returned about eleven o'clock. Cut some wood in the afternoon. Studied hard until five and could not succeed in getting my lessons. Went and helped Mr. Bruce to plant some apple trees. Took supper there. Returned at eight o'clock and studied until near eleven. Shaved and went to bed. Very fine day.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 1862.

Attended church in the chapel in the morning and heard Prof. Geo. Mc Eldowney preach from The general Epistle of James IV and first clause of 8th v. "Submit yourselves therefore to God!" A pretty good clap meeting more remained than common. Visited Oak Wood Cemetery in the evening in company with C. H. Patton. Attended church in the city in the evening and heard Elder Baughman preach from Gal. VI & 14th. Very good sermon. Boys argued some at the <sup>college</sup> door after church on slavery. Thomas & Watts principals.

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 1862.

Chapel exercise and recitations in their regular order. Lessons not very well prepared but did not fail entirely in anything.

Spent the afternoon on my Greek lesson. Had the pleasure of seeing N. H. Claflin who was wounded in the battle of Pittsburg Landing. Looked somewhat bleached.

Went to the city with C. H. Pattison in the evening. Studied Latin until 10 P. M. Springsteen gave me some assistance.

Very fine day, but cool.

TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 1862.

Took a walk on the plank road before breakfast and studied my Greek Grammar lesson.

Chapel exercise as usual. Recitations went off tolerably well. Did not have anything to do in the Algebra class. Others took up the time. Spent the afternoon studying Greek.

Went to town with C. H. Pattison as usual. Bought a bottle of cough syrup from Dr. Watts. Spent the evening studying in Latin. Did not get my lessons out very satisfactorily.

Very fine day, but cool.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 1862.

Recited at the usual hours. Lessons prepared about as usual. Spent an hour after dinner preparing for rhetorical exercises.

Read a piece entitled "The Pennsylvania" written by Thomas Buchanan Read. Went to town at half past three with H. W. Wright.

No special war news, and no letters from home. Studied until half past ten o'clock. Very hard Latin lesson, last in Cicero's first oration. Fine day.

Felt pretty well.

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 1862.

Greek lesson almost minus so far as the history part was concerned. Latin pretty good, Algebra minus on account of rhetorical exercise yesterday. Wrote out some Latin, <sup>translation</sup> to read tomorrow in class. Studied Greek some and went to town with C. H. Patterson after supper. Attend prayer meeting in the evening and took the lead of the exercises. Good turn out. C. B. Setonover made some big mistakes in speaking. Enjoyed the meeting well. Fine forenoon but not afternoon. Rec'd a letter from P. J. Sweet.

FRIDAY, MAY 2, 1862.

Recitations went off pretty well. Was not called on in Algebra at all. Spent a greater portion of the afternoon in preparing a declamation for Wednesday next for rhetorical exercise. Wrote a letter to aunt Sallie and Aunt Ann. Went to town in the evening and to Mr. Bruce's.

Attended Society and was very much interested in the discussion.

Wrote a number took part.

Practiced on my declamation some until eleven

P.M. Showery day.

SATURDAY, MAY 3, 1862.

Arose about the usual time, got breakfast over when it was announced to us that the fence in front of the college was about to be moved and the students were expected to do the main part of the work consequently we pitched and worked until six o'clock P.M. when we finished it. Went to town and then to Mr. Bruce's Spent the evening there in company with C.H. Patterson. Miss Mary Jones at work there.

One year ago, lacking one day we planted the maple trees in front of the college.

Fine day.



SUNDAY, MAY 4, 1862.

Attended Church in the Chapel in the morning & heard President Mahan preach from John XVIII first clause 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sabbath School as usual. Heard President's preach at 3 P.M. from John XIII 24-25. Visited Prof. McKevers and saw little Ada Jane for the first time. Had a pleasant time. Prayer meeting in the evening very interesting. Prof. McEldowney read an account of a sailor's death very affecting. None of the sisters took any part but the widow Crampton. Wrote a letter to Mattie Melvin.

MONDAY, MAY 5, 1862.

Arose at the usual time, kindled a fire and studied Algebra most of the time until my recitations came off. did not have my recitations very well after building fence on Saturday. Did not feel much like studying in the afternoon. Went to town about half past three o'clock. Studied until nine in the evening. Some of the boys came in and hindered me some. Did not get out my lessons satisfactorily. Very fine day.

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 1862.

Arose at the usual time.  
Attended chapel exercise as usual, A foreigner was there who delivered the privilege of lecturing before the students. Lessons went off about as usual.  
Spent most of the afternoon in preparing a declamation for rhetorical exercise. Spent two hours in the woods. Went to town in the afternoon and visited Nixon's planing mill.  
Was a May party in the South Hall but I did not attend. Spent the evening studying Latin. Very fine day.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 1862.

Arose at 5 o'clock. Studied Algebra most of the forenoon. Did not recite in Greek because our time was taken up in preparing for rhetorical exercises. Spoke "The Progress of Freedom" before the whole school in the chapel. Whole afternoon from 4<sup>th</sup> until 4 o'clock was taken up with rhetorical exercise. Miss Berry read quite an interesting essay in the shape of a letter. Went to town. No news from home.  
Spent the evening studying Latin. Very fine day.  
Felt pretty well.

SATURDAY, MAY 10, 1862.

Studied hard on my Greek lesson on the forenoon and got it out. Shaved myself before dinner. Went to town after dinner and deposited a letter for Lydia. Bought some lining for my coat and took it to Mrs. Bruce to have it put in. Studied Algebra until nine o'clock, then went to Mr. Bruce's for my coat and to help Chum carry up some provisions which we had down there. Blacked my boots about eleven o'clock and then retired. Very warm.

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 1862.

Was started in the morning by H. W. Wright at our window asking me to go with him to his appointment. Hurried round and got ready, went to Mr. Beard for breakfast, then to Mr. Briggs. He carried us three miles in his little wagon. Heard Wright preach at Cambridge from Luke XV 11<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> verses inclusive. Led the class after service. First efforts. Took dinner at Bro. Reed's. Rode in his carriage in company with his daughter part way back. Attended prayer meeting in the chapel and had a very good time. Had an introduction to Bro. Jones of N.Y. Enjoyed myself well. Walked 17 miles.

MONDAY, MAY 12, 1862.

Morning exercises as usual.  
President conducted chapel exercises.  
Recitations went off pretty well,  
and I felt pretty well all  
forenoon. Felt unwell in the  
afternoon and did not study  
much. Went to town at half  
past three o'clock received a  
letter from Syd. and Mollie  
which took me fiftyone minutes  
to read. Studied Latin  
in the evening. Lessons not  
near prepared at bedtime.  
Did not feel well. Rec'd  
ten dollars in the letter from  
home. Moved the walk in  
front of the College at noon.

TUESDAY, MAY 13, 1862.

Attended recitations as  
usual and succeeded pretty  
well. Reports in Algebra<sup>23</sup>  
for the past week. Studied  
Latin until 3½ P.M. and  
then went with Chum  
to town, bought a pound  
of butter and paid Dr  
Leary three dollars and  
a half for filling my  
teeth. Studied Greek in  
the evening. Commenced  
to review. Got quite wet  
coming from town.  
Rained quite hard nearly  
all afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 1862.

Attended Chapel exercise as usual. Studied Algebra some in the morning. N.H. Claplin, a wounded soldier visited us and I did not go to Greek class. He went with me to Latin class as he was an old classmate. Very hard lesson in Algebra. Read Scipio's address to his soldiers, in rhetorical exercise. Studied Latin in the afternoon. Election of officers in the Star Society at half past six. Studied my Greek lesson in the evening. Very fine day. Felt pretty well. Put Claplin's name in his watch.

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 1862.

Recitations went off pretty well during the day especially Algebra. Took a long walk with Chunn went out the plank to the gate, and thence across the fields into the woods. Went to town after supper and bought a lined coat for 1.75. Attended prayer-meeting in the evening. Had a very precious season. "Best we have had this term". Time all filled up, sometimes two commencing to speak at once. Truly it was good to be there. Very fine day.

FRIDAY, MAY 16, 1862.

Recitations passed off as usual. Chum packed up his things in the morning and started home while I was at class. Visited McKee's folks at noon to see about boarding with them. Concluded to board with Mrs. Mickle. Wrote a letter to Father and Mother in the afternoon. Went out where Prof. McEldowney was plowing his lot, the two boys driving and the old man holding the plow. Went to town with Milne. Attended Society in the evening. Had an interesting time. Fine day.

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1862.

Spent the principal part of the forenoon after washing some dishes in writing an essay on "Truth." Helped Prof. McKee to move his stores after dinner and got out my Greek lesson for Monday. Went to town with Springsteen and bought me a chip hat. Studied Latin in the evening and did not get out my lesson satisfactorily. After studying until a reasonably late hour I took a good wash and retired for the night. Felt pretty well during the day although it was very warm.

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 1862.

After dressing myself for church A. S. Springsteen and I took a walk in the grove where we read some in our Bibles. Attend church in the chapel. Heard President's preach twice. Preached first from Mark XVI 15&16 verses, and in the afternoon from Job. XXIII 21&23. Good sermons. Class meeting and Sabbath-School as usual. Visited Mr. Bruce's before S. S. Took a walk in the evening and attended prayer-meeting in the lecture room, not very large congregation but good exercises. Cold afternoon.

MONDAY, MAY 19, 1862.

Arose 15 minutes before five. Studied my Latin and Greek grammar lessons before breakfast. Took breakfast for the first time at Mrs. Mickle's. Recitations all went off well but Latin. Went to makeover after dinner. Studied Greek until four o'clock. Went to town with Mr. Holiday. Received a letter from Geo. Elliott. Finished writing my essay on Truth when it came back. Studied Latin until 10 P.M. Had some fun reading and telling jokes with J. J. Robinson and S. Milne.

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 1862.

Taped through the usual routine of morning duties and recited as usual.

When I returned from class found that chum had returned from home.

Studied Greek in the afternoon. Went to town with chum after supper.

Star Society met to make some arrangements about music for the public meeting. Some discord, some in favor of one thing and some another, Appointed a committee to procure the string band.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1862.

Greek lesson pretty well recited. Latin not so well and failed entirely in Algebra. Got out my Greek lesson in the afternoon and went to town. Found some of the boys at the front door telling funny stories when we returned.

Read an essay on Truth in rhetorical exercise. Exercise of the afternoon was better than common.

Very stormy day. Rained considerably. Studied Latin lesson in the evening.



THURSDAY, MAY 22, 1862.

Very good recitation  
in Greek. Latin and  
Algebra rather inferior,  
or rather a failure. Studied  
Algebra the principal  
part of the afternoon.

Wrote a letter to Geo. Elliott  
Went to town with Chas.  
Attended a special meeting  
of society. Prayer meeting  
in the evening uncom-  
monly interesting. More  
than usual in attendance  
and the time all occupied.  
Truly it was good to be there.  
Ladies acted their parts  
pretty well.

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 1862.

Had very good success in  
reciting my Grammar &  
Algebra lessons but not  
in my Latin and Greek  
History lessons. Wrote four  
letters in the afternoon  
and took them to the Office.  
Learned that Wilcox had  
bought a lot from Prof.  
McEldowney. Paid \$8.00 for  
2½ acres. Attended Society  
in the evening done but  
some business transacted.  
Some of the boys came  
in our room and told  
stories till after eleven  
o'clock.

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 1862.

Spent the forenoon in getting out my Greek lesson for Monday. Went to the depot in the afternoon and saw some soldiers prisoners come in. Received a letter from Will Shortley and Ann. Helped Mr. Bruce to erect a cook-room to his house. Had a good time generally. Blacked Mary Jones' face. Got out my Latin lesson in the evening. Exceedingly fine day. Enjoyed myself well.

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 1862.

Walked out in the grove in the morning with C. H. Patton. Heard John McElDowney preach from the LXXII Psalm and 6th verse. Sabbath School as usual. Heard T. of John preach again from Job XIV & first clause of 14 verse. Took tea with Miss Palmer at Mrs. Mickle's. Attended prayer meeting in the evening. John McElDowney threw out some suggestions about singing such hymns as "Come Holy Spirit", after this hymn having been sung. Very fine day.

MONDAY, MAY 26, 1862.

Spent the forenoon in the usual way. Recitations went off about as usual.

Spent the principal part of the afternoon in getting out my ~~Greek~~ lesson.

Went to town in the afternoon with C. H. Pattison, and he received two letters.

News from the army rather unfavorable with regard to General Rankin's division retreating. Studied Latin until half past nine o'clock and then concluded that it was bed time.

Very fine day.

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 1862.

Nothing worthy of note transpired during the day more than the usual routine of business.

Succeeded very well in my Latin and Algebra lessons, but not quite so well in Greek.

Spent the principal part of the afternoon studying Greek. Went to town with Chum as usual. Rained while we were on the way.

Studied Latin during the evening. Did not feel very much like studying.

Reviewing for examination.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 1862.

Recited as usual in the forenoon. Rhetorical exercises in the chapel in the afternoon. Went to town with N. W. Wilcox.

Asked Miss Palmer for her company to the Public Meeting and she said her company was engaged.

Attended the Public Meeting in company with Miss Whedman. Meeting very good. Paid admittance fee. Bateman's poem on the Atlantic cable was very interesting and comic. Represented the fish as cutting it in two upon a sharp rock.

THURSDAY, MAY 29, 1862.

Recited as usual. Spent the afternoon on my Greek lesson until five o'clock.

Went to town. Weighed 172 lbs. Studied Latin some until church time. Tried to get the Pennsylvanians to go to prayer-meeting, but failed. Meeting pretty good.

Helped Mr. Harris to get out his Latin lesson to the neglect of my own.

Had a short and pleasant conversation with J. C. Pomeroy a prisoner from the armory of our students. Looks very well. Fine day.

FRIDAY, MAY 30, 1862.

Recited as usual in the forenoon. In the afternoon wrote a letter to John and one to Hattie Melvin. Went to town with David Milne, and bought the paper containing the account of the Public Meeting of the Star Society. Had quite a time scuffling with some of the boys in front of the college. Spent a short time at Mr. Bruce's with Bro. Hurlbert who visited us a short time in the afternoon. Society meeting quite interesting. Retired at twelve.

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 1862.

Got up at half past six and just got ready for breakfast as the bell rang. Studied Greek grammar in the forenoon. Went to town just after dinner with D. Milne. Studied Algebra nearly all afternoon and part of the evening. Read my Cicero lesson over in the evening. Feel rather unwell. Did not come much speed studying. Algebra lesson quite hard. One year ago to-day was on my way home from Adrian.

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 1862.

After preparing myself for church, I spent an hour or so in the room occupied by Johnson and Zeyler.

Attended church in the Chapel and heard the President's preach from John XVIII and latter part of first verse. "Having loved". Sacrament after sermon. Sabbath school as usual.

Pres. preached at three from Phillipians IV 11, 12, 13.

Read a letter in the Wesleyan from J. P. Miller. Very good.

Prayer meeting in the evening. Not very many but quite interesting. Fine day.

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 1862.

Recited as usual in the forenoon. Recitations passed off pleasantly. Studied Greek in the afternoon until four o'clock. Went to town, and walked part way back with Miss Tomeroy. Went through a military drill with J. Schoonover acting as captain. Gentlemen took some walks with some of the ladies. Studied Latin during the evening. Rained some in the forenoon but came off quite warm in the evening. Felt pretty well.

TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 1862.

Recited as usual and had good luck in all my recitations. Spent the principal part of the afternoon on my Greek lesson and found it very difficult. Went to town with Chas. Patton after tea. Came back past Mr. Rince's. Found Emma very sick. Dr. Watts there. Studied Latin in the evening. Took a general romp with some of the boys in our room. The monitor came in also. Very fine day for studying. Quite cool.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 1862.

Nothing out of the usual order occurred during the forenoon under my immediate notice. Read a soliloquy in rhetorical exercise in the afternoon. Went to town with John Gorton. Studied but very little in the afternoon. Went to town in the evening and heard Sergeant Edwards, one of the returned prisoners deliver an account of his capture and imprisonment. Was pretty well gotten up, and somewhat affecting. Found a black rail.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 1862.

Forenoon was spent in the usual manner. Very pleasant time in Algebra class. Worked on my Greek lesson all afternoon until tea time. Went to town. Returned and read my Latin lesson over. Attended prayer meeting. Quite a number out. Time not very well occupied. Misses Grace, Tomeroy and Baker took part. Spent nearly an hour talking on religious matters at the North Hall door after service. Had a good time.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 1862.

Recited as usual in the forenoon. Asked Prof. Mott downy to excuse me from Greek class but he refused. Studied some in the afternoon for the discussion of the resolution in Society. Went to town in the evening with David Milne. Prof. McKeever told me that he had received half of a fifty dollar bill, thirty five of which was for me. Society in the evening fizzled. No performance save business.



SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 1862.

Went to town in the forenoon with C. H. Pattison and we had our pictures taken for C. W. Bruce.

Studied Latin in the afternoon after going to the Post Office. Took a walk after tea with C. H. and Mr. Milner. Visited McKeevers folks.

Found eight dollars on the side-walk as I went to town at noon. Studied algebra in the evening. Very cool day for the time of year.

SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 1862.

Attended church in the chapel in the forenoon and heard President Mahan preach from Hebrews XI and last clause of 4th. Sabbath School as usual. Pres. preached in afternoon from Isaiah ~~XXIII~~, last clause of 1<sup>st</sup> verse.

Attended church at the Presbyterian church in the city heard Elder Duffield preach from Acts XXVII 14 & 15. Very good sermon but principally read. Very fine day. Enjoyed myself very well. Wrote a letter to Amr in the forenoon.

MONDAY, JUNE 9, 1862.

Recited as usual.  
Prof. McElDowney excused  
our Greek class for the  
remainder of the term.  
Went to town immediately  
after dinner and received  
a long letter from Lydia.  
Studied Algebra in  
the afternoon. Called on  
Prof. McKeever. Took a  
walk with Mr. Jones of W. G.  
Went to the city. Studied  
on cube roots in Algebra  
all evening and then  
did not have my lesson  
studied out. Very fine  
day and warm.

TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 1862.

Recited in Latin and  
Algebra in the morning  
at the usual hours.  
Went to town at noon and  
received a letter from C. C.  
Potter and also one from  
L. J. Francisco. Put a letter  
in the Office for Ann. Studied  
Algebra in the woods in the  
afternoon. Wrote a letter to  
C. C. Potter. Took a walk  
with Mr. Jones. Went  
with him to the P. O.  
Jumped some in the  
evening with some of  
the boys. Very fine warm  
day. Feel pretty well.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 1862.

Had good recitations  
in Latin and Algebra.

Went to town at noon.  
Spent the afternoon prin-  
cipally in talking and  
walking round.

Went with Wilcox to  
Mr. Bruce's, after tea.

Came back and went  
with C. H. Pattison to  
the city. Worked out  
some examples in Algebra  
after returning, prepar-  
ing for tomorrow's  
examination. Students  
generally enjoying themselves  
very well. Very warm day.

oldcoast, for which he poured blessings  
on my head.

Save a poor man's soul, and all the money that's in it.

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 1862.

Chapel exercise conducted  
in the morning by Rev. Geo.  
Daffield junior. Spent the  
forenoon studying Algebra  
preparing for examination.

Were examined at eleven  
o'clock. Came off unscathed.

Received a fifty dollar bill  
from G. Stewart. Visited  
McKee's folks in the after-  
noon. Answered G. Stewart's  
letter. Attended prayer  
meeting in the evening.  
But few out. Had a very  
pleasant time. Last  
prayer meeting of the term.  
Rained in the evening.

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1862.

Attended chapel exercises  
as usual. Went to Mr. Bruce's  
for my linen coat. Found  
Melissa with the measles.

Studied Latin in the  
forenoon. Attended an  
exhibition of the Union  
School in the afternoon.

Got a \$50 bill changed  
and paid some debts.  
Visited at McKeevers'.

Studied Latin in the  
evening. Received a  
letter from John, very  
much unexpected.

Very very warm day.

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 1862.

Studied Latin all forenoon  
preparing for examination.

After dinner Chas. (C.H. Patterson)  
and I went to Mr. Bruce's and  
paid our debts. Went out about  
three miles along the railroad  
hunting strawberries. Found  
some. Saw a boy eleven years  
old plowing corn. Went to town.

Paid Mr. Cogood 30¢. Returned  
the eight dollars which I found  
to Miss Chesley. Went with  
Amy Wright to Prof. McKeevers'.

Studied Latin in the evening.

Weather very changeable.  
Warm A.M. Cool P.M. Warm  
P.M. cool evening.

SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 1862.

Attended church in the chapel  
in the morning and heard Dr.  
Koch preach from Romans  
II<sup>d</sup> latter clause of 20<sup>th</sup> & first  
clause of 21<sup>st</sup> verse. Sabbath  
School at the usual hour.  
Heard <sup>Dr</sup> President's preach in  
the afternoon from II Kings  
II<sup>d</sup> last clause of 2<sup>nd</sup> "Show thyself  
a man". Attended church  
at the Congregational Church  
in the city in the evening  
and heard Rev. Powell preach  
from Mat. VII<sup>th</sup> last clause  
of 9<sup>th</sup> "Hallowed be thy name".  
Very good sermons all round.  
Enjoyed myself very well. Wrote  
a letter to Father & Mother.

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 1862.

Spent the morning and  
principal part of the forenoon  
in preparing for examination in  
Latin. Felt fearful, but when the  
time came was very calm. Succeeded  
very well. Went to town in  
the afternoon. Procured some  
tools and mended my trunk.  
Spent part of the afternoon  
with B. W. Bruce. Heard  
the Rev. Mr. Prindle address  
the Star Society. Lecture  
good, but not much applauded.  
Music by the Rice Family,  
very well executed. All  
passed off pleasantly. Very  
fine day. Enjoyed myself well.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 1862.

Attended chapel exercise in the morning and heard the Mental Philosophy class examined. Went to town with J. Milne. Got my Photograph taken. Went to town again with D. W. Bruce & procured his likeness. Walked over the city with Milne. Went to Mr. Bruce's with C. H. Patterson.

Had a good time. Attended the lecture by A. Sourie before the Alumni of the college. Very interesting.

Preferable to Rev. Prindle's. Star Spangled Banner sung at the close by the Rice Family. Highly Applauded especially by the President, who clapped his hands with all his might.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1862.

Took the car in the morning packed my trunk and prepared to leave Adrian.

Went to town and procured the likeness of Prof. Sourie and Pres. Waban. Bought a satchel.

Attended commencement exercise in the chapel. All packed off nicely. Went to town and got my

Photographs and distributed them among the students. Visited a short time at McKeever's. Ate late dinner at Mr. Bruce's. Moved

my things to South Hall and took my trunk to Mr. Bruce's. Left A. at 5-10 in a carriage with Chas, Chum

and Byron. Arrived at Mr. Patterson's about 9 P.M. Called at Mr. Purchase's

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1862.

Felt rather "hard up" in the morning with the cold. Plowed some with Mr. Pattison, and plowed potatoes a little while in the morning. Visited with Miss Fermania Purcell at Mr. Chase in the afternoon. Became acquainted with Miss Jane Chase. Dressed up in shawl, bonnet, apron and spectacles at Mr. Pattison's and took a walk with Purcell. Spent the evening very pleasantly. Mr. Pattison's with Misses A. Scamblin and J. Chase. Had some fun with Miss C's likeness which I had put in my pocket, and she made some rash promises to get to see it, not knowing it to be here. C. H. Went to Deacon Childs.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 1862.

Spent the forenoon at Mr. Pattison's in reading talking thinking coughing &c. About half past eleven O'clock C. H. & I started in the carriage & visited the school taught by Miss Em. Childs. Were well entertained. Intended to visit Miss Libbie Dunn's school, but it was dismissed sooner than common & we were too late. Returned and took Miss Mattie Childs with us to Mr. Earl's where we spent the evening very pleasantly.

Having a very bad cold, and being so hoarse that I could scarcely talk, I did not enjoy the visit so much as I might otherwise have done.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 1862.

Could not speak above a  
whisper when I arose. Read  
some in the newspapers in the  
forenoon. Took some vinegar  
steer. Went to the creek and  
caught three fish. Spent  
the afternoon at Mr. Purich's.  
Saw Miss Smith and had  
quite a pleasant visit with  
her and Miss Jennie Chase.  
Spent the evening at Mr.  
Pattison's. Was very hoarse  
all day. Took some pepper  
tea in evening before going to  
bed. Thanks to Mrs. P. for  
her kindness. Very fine day  
but quite cool. Enjoyed  
myself well considering my cold.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 1862.

Attended church in Hudson  
and heard Rev. Mr. Burnham  
preach from Mark XXIV<sup>23</sup>  
very short sermon. Attended  
bible class at four o'clock at  
the brick schoolhouse.  
Heard Rev. Doughty preach  
from John II<sup>29</sup>  
After preaching escorted Miss  
P. Purcell home. Intended to  
attend prayer meeting in the  
evening but was informed  
that there would not be any  
we did not go. Sister Ann's Lamb  
was on hunt of her and got the  
mitten at church. Spent the night  
at Mr. Purcell's, very pleasantly.



MONDAY, JUNE 23, 1862.

Rained hard until about ten o'clock and then I made a call at Mr Childs one at Elder Jones; and one at Mr Purchas on my way to Mr Pattison. Left Hudson at 2 o'clock & 27 minutes after having my picture taken for A. C. Potter Had Prof McKeever and J. H. Sees company on the cars to Adrian.

Had Mr & Mrs Brown's company to Cleveland. Spent the night at Mr Adams' after hunting for some time for the place. Mr & Mrs Adams at Pleasant Hill Seminary.

TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 1862.

Left Cleveland at 9-45 for Stubbenville. Arrived there at 4 P. M. Had a very pleasant trip on the cars. Rode out home with Mr Weaver in his wagon. Left my trunk at the foot of the hill and went after it with the oxcart. Quite a number of us went down Sarah Thomer <sup>melvin</sup> with the rest. Spent part of the evening at John's. Met Ann and the children as I came home. Felt somewhat hoarse. Took some things out of my trunk. Slept very soundly after going to bed. Fine day.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 1862.

Father, Mother & Willie  
went to Steubenville in the  
forenoon. Went to Davids  
in the morning and borrowed  
his horse to put to the  
wagon to go to Pleasant Hill  
Visited at Mr. Cassidy's  
in the forenoon. Visited  
Mary's school in Eldersville  
in the afternoon and when  
we came home we got ready  
and went to the concert <sup>at Pleasant Hill</sup>  
<sup>out Hill</sup> got there about nine o'clock  
House full. Spent the  
night at Hon. J. McKeever's  
Concert was quite good.  
Fine day.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1862.

Harnessed the team in the  
morning and took a wagon  
load of girls from Middletown  
to Pleasant Hill Examination  
very good. House well filled  
Took dinner <sup>at</sup> Mr. Lundeay's  
with Dr. Scott. Stayed for  
the night performance <sup>at Hill</sup>  
House as full as it could  
hold. Pretty good order. Best  
performance ever I attended  
there. Coming home after  
the performance found some  
folks in difficulty with  
their teams and helped  
them out. Got home at three  
o'clock in the morning.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 1862.

Arose at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  Commenced  
working corn the first work  
I did in vacation. Felt  
quite sleepy but managed  
to keep awake. Read an  
account in the Reporter &  
Tribune of the Pine Grove  
Flag affair.

Union men hid the stars and stripes over  
church door to test loyalty of  
some of the congregation  
Wrote a letter in the evening  
ing to C. H. Patterson

Day was exceedingly warm  
Thought some about my  
diary, what would occur  
worthy of note in the  
Jennie Lawther very sick  
and not expected to live

SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 1862.

Hoed corn all forenoon;  
which was rather monotonous  
business and did not furnish  
much for my diary. Plowed  
corn until supper time.

Took a wash in the run.  
Intended to call on Mr &  
Mrs Magee, Mel Kitchin  
Liz Cassidy and Kate Magee  
at the coal bank on their  
way home. Went home with  
Liz & Kate after eating some  
supper at Johns. Eliza  
Pogue reported to be very unwell.  
Mollie & Lyd called there.  
Extremely warm day, could  
scarcely endure the heat.

SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 1862.

Heard in the morning  
that Eliza Pogue was dead  
very unexpected. Got ready  
as quickly as possible and  
went over there. Found  
quite a number of folks  
there. Went to town and  
heard Mr. Albertson  
preach from the second epistle  
of John 8th verse. Went to  
Lebensville and got a  
set of handles for Eliza's  
coffin. Helped David Thorley  
carry it up about 1/2 past  
eleven o'clock. Stayed at  
the work. Quite a number  
there.

MONDAY, JUNE 30, 1862.

Took breakfast at Mr  
Pogues and helped Cooper  
to fix seats for those who  
might attend the funeral.  
Visited Jennie Sawther &  
found her very low.  
Attended Eliza Pogues funeral  
at 48 couples. Rode with R  
P. Cooper. Wrote two letters  
in the afternoon and went  
to town after sleeping  
about two hours.  
Geo. Bosley came with  
Mollie from David's and  
went back with Aunt Sallie  
on her way to Sawther's!  
Very warm day.

TUESDAY, JULY 1, 1862.

Hoed potatoes in the  
three cornered field in  
the forenoon. ~~Thought~~  
some of buying the right  
of Lenawee Co. Michigan  
in which to sell the right  
to use Ralston's sheep rack.

Went to Davids in  
the afternoon and  
commenced going over  
the corn there the last  
time. Geo Bosley came  
home with us from  
Steens in the evening.  
He looked very natural.

Spent the night with me

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2, 1862.

Went to Davids in the  
morning with Geo Bosley.  
Plowed corn as fast as  
I could all forenoon.  
Finished that field at  
noon. Came home at  
noon. Father sold the wool  
for .50 pr lb. and 40  
sheep at \$2.50 to Ebon  
McElroy. Dressed up the  
roughum in the  
afternoon and hoed  
some in the garden.  
Talked some with  
Melbie only about  
last winters performances.  
Day rather cloudy.

THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1862.

Went to Davids in the morning and ground our scythes. Mowed clover the rest of the day for David. Received two notes from J W McKeever wishing me to meet him at the river on yesterday evening. Visited Abner Larother in the evening. Found her very low, not expected to live over night. Came home past Davids. Father thought I had better go to the river any how for parmes. Should wait and accordingly I brought the horses in.

FRIDAY, JULY 4, 1862.

Started to the river at 2 1/4 AM with the wagon for J W McKeever but did not find him. Inquired at three hotels. Came home and went to West Middletown to a Friends of July meeting and dinner. Got there just after dinner. Heard Sam Jaggert read the Declaration of Independence. Were five preachers there. Rufus Keeling, Jaggert, Eagleson, J W McKeever, J C McKeever of Alburtown. Keeling conservative and the others did not agree <sup>with</sup> him. Took tea at Uncle Shos. R J McKeever came home with us. Had good time very warm.

SATURDAY, JULY 5, 1862.

Helped John to grind his  
new cradling scythe and  
put some teeth in the grain  
rakes in the forenoon.  
Took dinner at Davids.  
Bound a few dozens of wheat  
at home, then went and  
helped David to put up  
his hay. Went to see  
Jennie Larother in the  
evening and found her  
very low. Met Geo Pogue  
at Davids as I came home.  
Also Syd. Rebecca J. McHaver.  
Came home with the girls.  
Mary stayed with Jennie.  
Very warm day.

SUNDAY, JULY 6, 1862.

Attended church at Old  
Bethel and heard Rev. Geo.  
Hudson preach from II Kings  
V & 12th. Was very sleepy during  
sermon. After dinner Syd.  
Will. Becky Jane McHaver &  
I went to the cherry & Mulberry  
trees. Hunted four leaf clover  
&c. Wrote a letter to L. J. Francis  
and wrote David Milner.  
Spent the day very pleasantly  
until evening when Rebecca  
Jane refused to eat supper.  
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~~Very warm day.~~  
Exceedingly warm  
day and evening.

MONDAY, JULY 7, 1862.

Early horse work in the morning before breakfast. Continued as is nearly all day. Had some fun at noon. Parted Lyd. & Genereine McKim in the party. Went to David after supper and salted the sheep. Received a letter from Liza. Put a tooth in a rake. Sat on the steps in the evening and talked until almost bedtime. J. M. Boles ~~came for the car and back~~ ~~from the car~~ ~~from him~~ after I returned from Adams. Very warm day with appearance of rain.

TUESDAY, JULY 8, 1862.

Helped John and Will to get ready to go to Steubenville in the morning for a mowing machine. Father and I put up 23 dozen of wheat. Father cradled and I bound. Edou. McElroy and Smith came along just before dinner. R. W. McKeever and Mrs. Freeman took dinner here. Expected McElroy to be here at night with their sheep but they did not come. Uncle James and Aunt Ann came from Centon just before it commenced to rain. John & Will got very wet.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 1862.

Just after breakfast, Eben  
L. Smith & Elroy came along  
with their sheep and stopped  
for breakfast. Prepared our  
wagons and packed our  
wool in them. Helped  
to drive the sheep as far  
as Bethel. We sold 40 for  
\$2.50 per head. Uncle  
James started for home.

Took the mow to David's  
and unloaded it. David  
took his rake teeth to the  
shop to cut the threads on  
them. Went with Mary  
to Luther's in the evening,  
and left her there.

THURSDAY, JULY 10, 1862.

Moved the machine at the barn in  
the morning, and went to David's  
and helped him bend a set of  
rake teeth. Came home and  
concluded to take the wool to  
Willeburg. Got David's horses and  
took the two wagons. Bank  
closed before we got it unloaded  
and consequently I stayed  
over night to get the money.

Had quite a time with  
Miss Taylor. Spent the  
evening and night very  
pleasantly with Ada and  
her husband. Was favorably  
impressed with Mr Taylor's  
appearance and actions.

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FRIDAY, JULY 11, 1862.

Helped Cousin Taylor  
to pick some cherries in the  
morning in Welleburg, and  
then went to Uncle Henry's  
and spent an hour or so  
before the bank was open for  
me to get the wool money.  
Rode Uncle's mare home to  
put her in pasture. Came  
home by Goodwill school home.  
Kept up to the cradle in  
the afternoon, binding. Took  
supper under an apple tree on  
the far side of the farm.  
Received a letter from C. R.  
Miller. Very fine day.  
Wool money \$645.50

SATURDAY, JULY 12, 1862.

Went to David's in the morning  
and ground a scythe.  
Cut wheat near the house  
until about half past one  
when we finished cutting  
mediteranean wheat and I  
concluded to go to Burgettstown  
Gathered a bucket of cherries  
and took with me. Father  
mother & John went to Middle  
town. Had a very pleasant  
visit to B. and brought  
Margaret Jane home  
~~behind~~ behind me. Found them  
all in bed. Routed  
them up and got some  
supper. Very fine day.

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 1862.

Went to school at about 10 o'clock  
in the morning and gave a  
speech on the subject of the  
better class of people.  
Went to school at 10 o'clock  
and preached from Romans  
11:17-24. I then delivered  
a discourse on the subject of  
the better class of people,  
which was heard on the  
subject of the better class of  
people from the text  
Romans 11:17-24. I then  
delivered a discourse on the  
subject of the better class of  
people. He was very  
earnest. I spoke of myself.

MONDAY, JULY 14, 1862.

Went to Robert McReady's  
in the morning and got my  
boots. Came home and fixed  
the ladder up to the cherry  
trees. Finished cutting  
wheat in the back field next  
Stetins. Kept up after the  
shade. Went to Mr. Steeds  
when we got through and  
spent the evening there.  
Climbed up into the big  
hard cherry tree after dark  
and broke off some twigs  
for the girls. Miss Barber  
working there. Saw Mr.  
John Luther. Very fine  
day. Rained a small shower  
in the evening. Finished the

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TUESDAY, JULY 15, 1862.

Went to the mill in the  
morning and helped him  
to load a set of rake teeth.  
Brought my scythe home  
and helped to mow around  
the cherry trees. Thinned  
out the broom corn.

Tied up the grape wine  
and cleaned up the barn.  
Did not feel able to work  
after dinner, and conse-  
quently layed down.

Wrote a letter to E. R.  
Miller and one to W. W.  
Bruce. Spent the evening  
at Mr. Steens with the  
girls. Had a pleasant time.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 1862.

Hauled in two sled loads of  
wheat in the morning and  
a rain shower came up.

Studied up a verse or two  
for Crissie Lutherland's  
album. Mr. Melvin  
and Lizzie from Ber-  
gettstown came after the  
rain. Picked cherries  
the greater part of the  
afternoon. Will and  
Margaret Jane went  
home and left Lizzie.

Plowed corn after they  
left. Took tea at Aunt  
Sallie's. Afternoon very  
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THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1862.

Threshed corn in the forenoon in the "Three cornered field". Went to David's after dinner to trim fence corners after the new mowing machine.

Dave. Stevenson helped to start it. Came home and went back again with the girls to spend the evening. Had a very pleasant time.

David brought a letter from town for me from C. H. Pattison.

Day was favorable for haying.

FRIDAY, JULY 18, 1862.

Cut grass at David's in the forenoon. Drove some for the first with the Fisher mowing machine.

Trimmed fence corners part of the time. Put some hay in the barn. Raked after supper with Charlie above the house. Worked very nicely. Hay not very heavy on the ground.

Robert Boyd bought a rake. Mary went to see Mrs. Murchland who was very low, not expected to live over night. John Murely spoke to her <sup>(Mary)</sup> and looked soon.

SATURDAY, JULY 19, 1862.

John David's buggy and  
went to Middletown for Prof.  
McKeever and lady. Borrowed  
a saddle from Alex Cunningham  
and went to O  
Kaleton's and secured a  
commission to sell the right  
to use his father's sheep rack  
in Senavoc County Michigan.  
Got back to M. after  
three o'clock. Came  
home and took the  
buggy home. Prof. McK.  
thought that the roads  
were washed through this  
country - here rough. Had  
a good time. Fine day but  
very warm.

SUNDAY, JULY 20, 1862.

While at breakfast the bees  
swarmed and while putting  
them in the box, father got  
stung on the nose, and I got  
stung in five or six places  
about my head. Swelled up  
so that I could not go to church.

Prof. McKeever preached  
for the Protestants in Elders-  
ville in the forenoon, and  
in the Wesleyan church in  
the evening. Kept house  
with Lizzie Melvin & Em-  
McKeever. Wrote in Crissie  
Sutherland's album and  
wrote a letter to G. H.  
Pattison. Day very warm.

MONDAY, JULY 21, 1862.

Mounted up some rails  
in the morning and with  
father's assistance put  
frames to the grain carriage  
to boom with. Went with  
Ebenezer McCloy to Elders-  
ville. Rode Jimmie.  
Coby very playful. Every  
thing dull in town.

Dispatches did not come.

Rained part of the  
day and my harvesting  
almost out of our heads,  
but John mowed some  
at David's with the  
machine.

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 1862.

Was roused out of bed in  
the morning by Johnathan  
Wright who came to take  
his sheep away from Eben.  
McCloy showed bought  
them. He was in a terrible  
rage and drove the sheep  
from the field after using  
obscene language freely.

Trimmed fence corners at  
David's, ground my scythe,  
mowed some at home, hauled  
in some wheat, put up some  
hay at David's, then came  
home and ate a good mess  
of cherries. Very fine day.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 1862.

Commenced Thursday by taking Mary to her school in Eldersville. Cut out in David's lower field, but the rain stopped us in the forenoon. Worked on it then from dinner until supper time and then turned some hay which had got wet, back of the barn.

The Misses Irene Rutledge and Mary E. Cosgrove came in the evening. Spent the evening very pleasantly.

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 1862.

Watered the horses and fixed the ladder up to the cherry tree in the morning before breakfast. Cut the remaining oats in David's lower field. Turned over the hay back of our barn. Went and helped David to haul in some of his hay. Expected a number of letters but was sadly disappointed when no one came to hand. Mr. Cook got his rake. Day fine until evening, when it rained some.



FRIDAY, JULY 25, 1862.

Brought the cows in  
the morning and ate some  
cherries. Harnessed the  
horses and hauled in  
hay from the meadow  
back of the barn. Mr. Kalston  
came for a rake and got the  
one which O. Jones and Johnathan  
Wright had bespoke by their  
consent. Eben, McElroy  
and John Haynes came  
to buy one of our cows.

Bound oats in David's  
lower field after supper,  
and went up to the  
house after we quit.

SATURDAY, JULY 26, 1862.

Went to David's in the  
morning and chatted  
two rounds of oats and  
learned that David  
wanted me to take Mr.  
Kalston's rake to him,  
which I did. Drove his  
team. Put the rake  
together and raked  
some; spent a good  
part of the afternoon  
there. Mary took a  
very bad spell of the  
fluency while I was  
gone. Thought she could  
not live long if she  
did not soon get relief.  
Day very fine & warm.

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 1862.

Attended church in the Wesleyan church in Eldersville and heard J. W. McKeever preach from Phillippians 1<sup>st</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Took Prof. McKeever and lady, and R. J. McKeever to Middletown in David's buggy. Went through Eldersville. Heard Mr. Albertson preach from Second Timothy III 16<sup>th</sup>. Spent the night Hon. Thos McKeever's. Day was very fine and warm. J. W. - preached for the Protestants in Eldersville.

MONDAY, JULY 28, 1862.

Left Middletown about five o'clock and fifteen minutes in company with Mary O. McKeever. Got two hours later. Ate a piece and went to town to teach school for Mary who was not able to go. Got along quite well. Not very many in attendance in the forenoon, some more afternoon. Waited a short time for the news but came home without them and Maria Cassidy brought me three letters. Milly, Milne and Francisco.

TUESDAY, JULY 29, 1862.

Helped father to move  
the cows and lambs from  
the field next to the barn,  
up to the top of the hill.  
Brought the cows down,  
Then ate my breakfast  
and cut some wood.

Changed my clothes and  
soon found myself in  
the Eldersville Schoolroom  
among a set of noisy  
children, endeavoring to keep  
them quiet, Mary being  
unable to perform the  
duties of Teacher. Had  
considerable of trouble and  
noise. Went to Davids in  
the evening.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 1862.

Cut some wood in the  
morning before going  
to school, and ate some  
Black heart cherries.

Taught school in Eldersville  
for Mary, she not being  
able. School rather better  
than the day before. One  
young lady who had been  
troublesome was absent.

Got along very well  
without her. Went to the  
Cats-field when I went  
home, and tied Cats until  
night. Went home with  
Morris Cassidy who came  
to see Mary.

THURSDAY, JULY 31, 1862.

Cut some wood in  
the morning before  
breakfast, and got ready  
to go to Eldersville to school;  
Found Mr. Sewary taking  
in wool. Taught school  
for Mary, she being sick.  
Had a pretty good school  
notwithstanding the scobars  
were somewhat noisy.

Large girls did not seem  
inclined to study much,  
and did not have their  
spelling lesson. Shocked  
Oats after I came home.  
Wrote a letter to P. J.  
Pursel. Fine day.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 1862.

Commenced reaping some  
oats in the morning, and  
then Will, and I went to  
David's and tied forty dozens  
and stacked them.

We put up two stacks of  
hay in the evening.

John was mowing with  
the machine and bent one  
of the spindles and had  
to take it to town.

Mary taught school again  
after an absence of four  
days. L. M. Steen came  
in the evening to get John  
to mow some for them  
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 1862.

John was mowing with the machine in the morning and was thrown from the seat and his foot caught between the Driver wheel and the frame in front. Could never have extricated himself. He being crippled, I mowed until dinner time and with David's assistance, we put up about 125 cocks of hay before supper. Father took a load of the folks to Middletown to church, and David and I finished tying lists and ground the knives of the mowing machine.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 1862.

Brought the horses down in the morning and rode Dolly to Middletown.

Heard S. W. McKeever preach from Mark II 8 24th. Sacrament after service. Took dinner at Mr. Lindsey's. A bear in the lane kicked and broke my strap but did not hurt my leg. Left M. about six o'clock. Mary & McKeever came home with the folks in the afternoon.

MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 1862.

Mowed some in the morning and then Syd and I went to Mrs. Murchland's funeral. Quite a large funeral. Put up hay until supper time. Got stung with an humble bee. Mowed after supper and cut one of my fingers on a knip of the machine while sin chocking it, and then I quit for the day. Finger bled freely. No one went to town for the news. All busy. Mary did not come home from school.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1862.

Commenced mowing in the morning and when I had gone one round the rain stopped me. Cleaned up the barn and carried some oats to the stable. Stacked hay after dinner, and hauled some sails for Stack bottom. Mowed after supper in the Meadow next Doc. Connel's. Went to see when James Cassidy wanted his mowing done. Rec'd a letter from V. W. Bruce. Wrote this with my finger tied up.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1862.

Brought the horses in  
in the morning and  
finished moving at  
home. Mowed the meadow  
west to McConnel's  
the side of the hollow  
west to home. Went to  
Mr. Cassidy's after  
supper at home  
and mowed some there.  
Broke the knife-rod  
such as I was about  
to quit. Jas Cassidy,  
and Wm Scott helped  
to put up our hay  
after supper. Day very  
fine. Finished cutting  
our harvest.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 1862.

Went to David's before  
breakfast and ground a  
set of knives for the  
mowing machine.

Mowed in the forenoon  
at Mr. Cassidy's.  
Finished there just at  
dinnertime. Mowed  
David's upper bottom  
meadow in the afternoon.

Got home just at  
dark and found the  
men still out after  
hay. Load slid off the  
sled. Left it on the  
sled over night.  
Very hot afternoon.



FRIDAY, AUGUST 8, 1862.

Hauled hay from the meadow by the old house to the stable in the forenoon and hauled one load after dinner. Helped David to stack his hay in the afternoon. Hauled on two sleds with one team.

Dave, Haul helped also. Felt considerably like giving out at supper time. Raked the meadow all over after we brought the last load to the stack.

Afternoon very warm.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 1862.

Went to James and Wm. Leassidy's before they were out of bed, to get them to help us to haul oats and wheat. Got through harvesting all but hauling 64 dozens of wheat. Broke James' wagon tongue.

Big rain and wind storm after supper. Went to town for Mary and brought her home behind me on Charlie. Found her at Mrs. Patterson's. Very few folks in town. Some tops blew off of our stacks.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 1862.

Brought in the horse in the morning for father to go to Middletown. Took the cows to pasture and ate some cherries, about the last of the blackberries. Went to the Grove at three o'clock and Mr. Fleming preached from first John III & 10th. Not very large congregation with John Murchland would not speak to me. Ate some blackberries and cherries on the widow Cunningham's place as we came home, and a muskmelon at home. Fine day.

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 1862.

Brought in the horse in the morning and helped to put the mowing machine in the wagon for John to take it to Mr. Boies. Borrowed David's buggy and father mother and I went to Stevensville. Gave the impression of my mouth for a set of teeth and got a suit of clothes which cost fifteen dollars, and also a pair of shoes. Got home late in the evening and went to town for the new. Recd a letter from C. H. Patterson.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 1862.

Brought in the  
horses in the morning  
and finished harvesting  
by hauling three loads  
of wheat from the  
field next to Conrads.

Went to Mr. Bol's  
after dinner and  
mowed with the  
machine. Helped  
them to put up hay  
after supper.

Brought the machine  
home with me.

Rather an ugly thing  
to move.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 1862.

Brought in in the  
morning and Mollie  
and I went to Steubenville  
to get our teeth fixed.  
Met with quite a number  
whom I knew. Visited  
at Mr. Conrads.

Robt. Van Orde and  
could not go on the  
cars on account of  
a military arrangement.  
Did not get home til  
after dark. Bought  
a pair of pants.

Day was quite pleasant,  
but did not enjoy it very  
much.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 1862.

Went to David's in the morning before breakfast and found David taking a top box from the bees. Made a pipe and smoked them. Helped the Boles boys to finish harvest. Took up two stacks of hay. Ate dinner & supper with John Lesby and his wife. Came home about dark and found a wagon load of young folks from Eldersville. Spent the evening very pleasantly. Recd a letter from C. C. Potter containing his profile.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 1862.

Did not do very much during the day. Mended my boots in the morning, and wrote three letters, one to C. C. Potter, to Miffy, and to Charlie.

Father and Mother came from Middletown. Uncle Mack, and Aunt Jane came along in the afternoon.

Went to town in the evening and sold a quarter of wool to Hugh Patterson, and could not sell any more.

Day very fine & cool.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 1862.

Killed a calf in the morning and separated ewe and lambs.

Marked the ewe and took one ewe and two lambs to Laredo.

Prof. McKeever came along on his way to Adrian via of Freeport.

Was on my way out after supper and went to Middletown. Learned on the way that Thos McKeever was among the missing from the sinking of the steamer West Point. Took care of Luther during the night. He had the dropsy.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 1862.

Attended Sabbath school in Middletown and acted as teacher for L. Scott's class. Heard Mr. Albertson

preach from Hebrews X & 35<sup>th</sup>. Took dinner at

Rebecca McKeever's. Visited the graveyard. Attended

church again in the evening and heard Mr. A. preach

from II Corinthians VII & latter clause of 2<sup>nd</sup> verse.

Watched Luther again

during the night. Mother went home with Wm.

McKeever as a comforter in his trouble about Thomas

lost at sea.

MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 1862.

Found that Louis Bushfield intended to bring another horse in the buggy and I went from Middletown to Mr. Hunter's. Talked there a short time and went to Mr. McConahey's where I took dinner. Came back to Middletown in the evening. Called at R. McKenna and took supper at S. Polaris. Ann talked some of going with me to Adrian. Got home about nine o'clock. Had a very fine day all through.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 1862.

Spent the principal part of the day chopping up a large tree-top in the oats field next Mr. Steen's. Killed Weetzel at noon and skinned it. After supper Will and I hauled a load of wood for Ann's Lally, and a load of stove wood. Polly and I went to David's in the evening. They had been taking some honey. Very nice indeed. Louis Bushfield went home after supper. Took with him two buckets of cherries. Very warm day.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1862.

Rolled some logs together for the purpose of burning, and hauled two loads of stonewood from the far side of the place. Went to Eldersville in the afternoon to a war meeting. Meeting was addressed by Rev. Mr. Keeling, Messrs Fowelson, Doreson, Stockton and Rev. Kine.

Stockton recruiting for his company. Dad may get any men from Jefferson Township. Was out all night when we got home. Uncle Nick and Aunt Jane spent the night with us.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 1862.

Uncle Nick & Aunt Jane left in the morning and Lydia and I went to Burgettstown.

Drove Charlie in the buggy. Martha Ellen and I went only to Mrs. Magers to see cousin Mary. Found her health improving. Heard a lady play the fife, & one play the drum.

Had a very pleasant visit. Left B- after sundown and came home quite late.

Heard that efforts were being made to raise a company of soldiers in Eldersville. Weighed 149 pounds.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22, 1862.

Cut some wood in the morning, changed my clothes and visited a short time at Old Wm Steens, then went to John Steens and took dinner. Went from there to town, and loafed about during the afternoon.

Came home and got supper and a horse and went back to the war meeting which was addressed by Messrs Kidd, Campbell, and Patterson. Also Mr. Lee, Patterson, although recruiting officer, offered sentiments, which, had the proper officer been present, might have caused him to be arrested.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 1862.

Carried away the straw in the cow-yard, took off the grain carriage and put the manure board on the wagon, put the mowing machine in the barn and wrote in my diary before dinner. Went in company with Mary to Croft Creek Village to a war meeting and heard Mr. L. M. Gibson deliver quite an able and eloquent address. I voted most conclusively that this is not an "abolition war" as some would contend.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 1862.

Brought in the horses -  
attended church in  
Eldersville and heard  
Rev. Alberton preach  
from John XIII 35th & 36th.  
No class meeting after  
preaching. Attended  
service at the Grove  
in the evening and  
heard Mr. Fleming preach  
from Ephesians VI and  
first clause of 18th verse.  
Very large congregation  
out to hear him.

Some of the boys  
put their names down  
as volunteers while there.  
David Jones among them.

MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 1862.

Brought in and harnessed  
the horses and hauled  
manure all day. John  
went at the request of  
S. Gardner to collect bounty  
money for the soldiers.

I then signed David  
Martin's release. I  
Thorley brought the body  
of Jas. Gillespie (soldier)  
from Steubenville.

T. M. Boles enlisted and  
left home to go to war  
in Geo. Works Cavalry  
Company. Folks took it  
quite hard. Day very  
warm.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1862.

Did not go out in the forenoon as I had made calculations to attend Jas. Gillespie's funeral.

Went to the funeral and carried the corpse in Co. with Marshall Wright, Wm. South and C. Metcalf.

Quite a large funeral. Flag was spread over the hearse, and over the coffin in the church. James Mc. Cune and Callen came home with us and took dinner.

Went to town to learn how many were going to war.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1862.

Wanted some measure in the forenoon, and James Martin senior, came to my father to write a letter to Hon. G. V. Lawrence concerning a reprieve of David Martin.

Composed a letter for him. Went to David's in the evening and took supper; when we came home, Miss Alfrey from Pleasant Hill, was here. Read in the "Liberator" a report that Gen. Pope's papers had been captured by the enemy. Father and mother went to town. Rained some in the evening.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 1862.

Went to town in the morning and borrowed John Cosgrove's harness knife, came home and ground it.

Went to work and cut up a side of harness and commenced making and mending gears.

Father went to town and got a ring made for me. Nathaniel Gillespie came near having a fight concerning Dave.

Patterson's loyalty, J. Gardner, G. Gardner, W. Wheeler, H. Scott and W. M. Metcalf started to war, or were women.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29, 1862.

Woke up, and mended harness nearly all day.

John and father greased the whole job just before supper. Tramped off some wheat in the afternoon.

Went to town in the evening and took some chains to the shop to get them mended. Could not get it done. David and Ann took supper with us. Rode David's horses to town, Mollie and I. Day fine and cool.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 1862.

Harnessed the horses in the morning and intended to mend the buggy harness, but when John did not go to Steubenville with the wagon, I went. Sold ten bushels of wheat at 85 cts.

Bought a plow for \$8.50. I got a harness for \$2.00. Got a side saddle, bridle and buggy whip for \$18.00. Put the saddle on the horse coming home.

Day fine and had no bad luck.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 1862.

Went to the fair and a lot of people got crop m't'g.

Went to David's and found them almost ready. Our load consisted of David, Anna and Willie. Maria Cassidy, Mary, Lydia, Willie and myself. Drove Charlie & David's Dol. Heard Elder Dempster preach a very fine discourse from Gal. II and latter clause of 20 verse. Great crowd in attendance but very few tents. Day very favorable.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1862.

Morning being cloudy, we  
sat fire to a logheap, broke  
down some brown corn and  
a very heavy rain came on.

I went to town for some  
chains which we had  
at the smith shop.

Mended Aunt Sallie's  
and Lydia's shoes in  
the afternoon and went  
to town again in the  
evening for the news.

Read of Captain  
Templeton's death. Killed  
at Bull's Run in the  
second battle there.  
Very wet day.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1862.

Mended a collar in the  
morning and prepared  
for plowing. John plowed  
in the forenoon, and in  
the afternoon we ran two  
teams and finished  
the lot beyond the spring.

No special news from  
the seat of war.

Martha E. Cassidy  
came up in the evening  
and my sisters and I  
went with her to the  
top of the hill on her  
return home.

Day very fine & cool.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT'R 3, 1862.

Worked on the road, were warned to work on the run road, but worked all day on Sutherland's hill. Had great sport with S. Haws, who was made to believe, by some of the men, that he would run for supervisor next year. Ate some cherries in the evening. Very late for cherries. Uncle Henry came in the evening.

Visited at Aunt Lillie's in the evening.

THURSDAY, SEPT'R 4, 1862.

Plowed in David's lower field with Sal and David's Polly until we finished there and then commenced next to Abby Suther's after supper. Spent the night at David's. Killed a very large black snake as I went the last round.

Read quite a large portion of the Wesleyan after I quit work and a letter from George Elliott which I read by moonlight.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1862.

Showed my David's  
mutilated certificate,  
when we got through  
there and came home.  
Left David making  
a coffin for Tom  
Sutherland's little boy.

Signed an instrument  
requesting that Robt.  
Osborn might have the  
school in our district  
this winter.

Will. Steen carried  
the paper round to  
prevent W. W. Knight  
from getting the school.  
Went to the top of the hill  
with Maria Cassidy.

SATURDAY, SEPT'R 6, 1862.

Went to Mrs. McReady's  
in the morning and  
spent the day there helping  
to thresh. Stacked  
straw out door. Went  
to Robt. McReady's in  
the evening and got  
my boots, which were  
there being mended.

Blackened my boot  
and had my hair  
cut after I came  
home. Made a call  
at Mrs. Pogue's as I  
went away.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1862.

Shaved myself in the morning, saddled my horse, got ready and went to Middletown. Heard Mr. Albertson preach from Judges VI & 3<sup>rd</sup>. Took dinner at Stewart's. Allison's house took fire; helped to extinguish it. Made two or three calls and heard T. C. McKeever preach. Also McKeever's funeral sermon in the evening in the Episcopal Church from Ecclesiastes ~~the~~ from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>. Came home at eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1862.

Brought the horses down and harnessed them, went to David's for the harrow. Harrowed until supper time in the lot by the spring. Dug some around the stumps. Brought the cows. Rec'd a letter from P. Purcell. Heard the news that the rebels had taken possession of Hagerstown Maryland. Rather handy to home for comfort. Day rather fine. Shower in the afternoon.



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1862.

Brought in and washed  
the horses in the morning,  
brought down some apples,  
Willie borrowed David's  
horse and we plowed  
in the field next to  
Mr. Steen's with two  
teams. I plowed with  
Lal and David. Sol.  
Coker with Charles  
and Sol. Ground  
rather dry and hard.

Father dug out some  
stumps until evening  
and then went to town  
for the Dispatches.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT'R 10, 1862.

Father went to Middleton  
for seed wheat and John  
and I plowed with two  
teams. I finished the  
field next to Mr. Steen's  
and went to David's and  
plowed part of his lot above  
the barn. At supper  
time the measure of old  
Mr. Liven's coffin came  
and I helped David to  
make a vault. Got through  
about nine o'clock and  
went to town to the water  
set up all night. No  
company folks there but  
Ellen Coker and myself.

THURSDAY, SEPT' 11, 1862.

Came home from  
pinning covers make  
about five o'clock and  
went to bed and slept  
until eight then got  
ready and went to the  
funeral. Not very many  
there. Helped to fill up  
the grave. Borrowed  
a harrow from Mr  
Steen, and we ran  
two harrows in the  
evening. Went to town  
on Will Rushfield's little  
mare for the news. Got  
a letter from C. H. Pattison  
stating who had gone to war  
from the college.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1862.

Finished harrowing  
the hill field at dinner  
time, went to Mrs. Logans  
and got some seed wheat,  
and put some of it through  
the wind mill. Sowed five  
bushels and harrowed it  
once over and quit.

Went to Mrs. McCune's  
and spent the evening with  
quite a large company  
of young folks. Did not expect  
anybody there but my sisters  
and five or six young folks  
from town, but there were  
quite a number came in.  
Spent the evening pleasantly.

SATURDAY, SEPT'R 13, 1862.

Harrowed all day. Finished  
reeding, all but sowing  
David's little piece. Took  
Mr. Steen's harrow home.

John went to Washington  
to get exempt from the  
draft but was disappointed.

A panic took place  
in the morning which  
was laughable. Reports  
came in that the rebels  
were within ten miles  
of Harrisburg, and the two  
companies of Washington being  
gathered up it was reported that  
men were being pressed into the  
service and many fled, I was  
Benjamin and the Crispensons,  
thereby.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1862.

Wrote in my diary in the  
morning. Ate some cherries  
off of our trees. Got ready  
and went to town via  
of Mr Steen's pear trees.

Heard Mr. Brinley preach  
from Luke XVIII & 29th.

Took dinner at Mrs.

McQueen's and came back  
to town and heard Rev.  
Mr. Albertson preach  
from 1st Peter V & 6th.

Rode home with G. J.  
Boles one of their  
horses. He had been to  
Wheeling to see Francis  
More.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1862.

Watered Mr. Albertson's horse in the morning before breakfast.

Cut off corn in the forenoon. Cut & tied a few shocks after dinner and then went to town to a meeting to organize the militia. Meeting proved a fizzle.

Got up a paper and got four or five names to it raising a company for state service. I signed it. Esq. Scott was very anxious that I should teach the school in his district.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1862.

Spent the morning intending to get Charlie's school. Mr. Crook came and we had a talk about the school. I got up my work for a letter to Esq. Scott to tell him I would take the school. I stopped in town and applied to Mr. Patterson for a name whose work I might need. He gave me the name of James H. Hager. I got the horse and got the news of the victory of our army. Hager came home and wrote a letter to C. H. Patterson, stating arithmetic preparation for examination on the 24th.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT'R 17, 1862.

Cut off corn in the forenoon and took down the hoppers for the women Studied in the afternoon preparing for examination before A. J. Buffington Shaved and blacked my shoes in the evening

Lyd and I went to Danks and ate a mess of peaches Found L. M. Sten at our house when we came home Received cheering news from the army at Harpers Ferry.

Day very warm and had appearance of rain

THURSDAY, SEPT'R 18, 1862.

Got ready in the morning and started with father on horse back to Esq. Scotts Commenced teaching school at Lee School House Only one scholar present the first day on account of short warning. Recited one lesson and let her go home. Studied until two o'clock and then went to Esq. Scotts and fixed a lock for a desk spent the evening and night there. Read some and talked some but did not study any for examination

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1862.

Put a lock on the desk  
in the morning and swept  
the school house. Opened  
school with reading and  
prayer. Only five scholars  
present. Had rather a  
pleasant time during  
the day. Closed school  
about half past three  
and wrote in my diary.  
Went to Esq. Scolls and  
took supper. Clark and  
I went to Mrs. Lee's to see  
if I could secure boarding.  
Was disappointed.  
Spent the night at Esq.  
Scolls.

SATURDAY, SEPT'R 20, 1862.

Took breakfast at  
Esq. Scolls and sowed  
some turnip seed & I went  
on my way to school. Fixed  
a lock on the desk. Had  
the same scholars as the day  
previous and the same ones.  
I dismissed school at  
three and studied some.  
Met the board of directors  
at Mr. Pattersons and  
got a recommendation  
to Mr. Buffington.  
Got home near dark.  
Found the folks all  
well. No special news.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1862.

Ate some peaches in  
the morning and brought  
the horses down. Got ready  
and went to Elderville  
and heard Mr. Albertson  
preach from Timothy  
1 & 6th. Ate dinner  
at home and went with  
Rev. Albertson to  
West Middletown where  
I heard him preach  
from Romans XI & X  
12th. Got home about  
ten o'clock and retired  
for the night.  
Very fine day but  
very dry.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1862.

Left home about seven o'clock  
and arrived at the schoolhouse  
about <sup>20</sup> minutes before nine.  
Found about twenty scholars  
ranging from six to fourteen  
years of age. Took the names  
and opened school with  
reading and prayer. Had  
but little difficulty during  
the day. Took supper at  
Scotts and Clark and I went  
to D. S. Walker's and L. Wilson's  
to see if I could procure  
boarding, but I was dis-  
appointed at both places.  
Spent the night at Scotts.  
Very pleasant time.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1862.

Left my boarding house about seven o'clock, swept the schoolhouse and studied nearly two hours. Scholars gathered early not one too late. Had 26 scholars during the day, one absent on account of sickness. Studied Geography at noon preparing for examination. Took supper at J. N. Sotts with the Coon men who were helping to cut off corn. Had great fun with "Old Tommy" who worked all day with sleeves rolled up and said "Born Cankura Coonhide".

WEDNESDAY, SEPT'R 24, 1862.

Studied Geography an hour and a half before school time and then commenced school with reading and prayer as usual. The usual number 27 scholars present. Forenoon passed very pleasantly. Some boys quarrelled some at noon and Robt Watt left without my knowledge. Scholars rather lazy in the afternoon. Went with S. C. Scott to Oldenville in the evening expecting to hear R. J. Gibson speak but was disappointed. Heard J. M. Patterson and Thos M. Lohm



THURSDAY, SEPT'R 25, 1862.

Took up the line of  
march at the usual hour  
for the school house, swept  
it out out and kindled  
a fire the ground being  
white with frost.

Had no trouble  
during the day. Went  
to Eldersville in the  
evening to the election of  
officers of the militia  
company. Dr. Rea was  
elected Captain. L. M.  
Steen first Lieutenant  
and James Martin junior  
second. Rode home on  
Eg. Scott's wagon in the  
evening.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1862.

Opened school at the usual  
hour and with the usual  
exercises, reading & prayer.  
Had but little trouble  
during the day. Was under  
the painful necessity of  
whipping a little girl  
for stubbornness in the  
evening. Took supper with  
Mr & Mrs Marquis at  
Eg. Scott's in the evening  
and had a good time.  
Got home about dark  
shaved and blacked my  
boots, making ready to  
go to Hickory to be exam-  
ined. Had Mr. McQueen  
with us over night.

SATURDAY, SEPT'R 27, 1862.

Arose at three o'clock  
Took breakfast and I  
started to Hickory to be  
examined by the Co Super  
intendent John, Susan  
Mary and Willie started,  
to see the camp at Wheeling  
I was disappointed at  
Hickory for the Superint  
did not come. Stayed  
for the Institute and  
then went to Burgetts  
town and spent the  
night. Will and his  
mother both sick.  
Had a good time  
over the trip.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1862.

Took breakfast at cousin  
John Melvins in Burgetts town  
— and started for home  
where I arrived about ten  
o'clock. Found that Susan  
had been sick and did  
not get to Wheeling. Ed. &  
Melvin came home with  
them. I did not attend church  
any where during the day  
Ate a meal of peaches gathered  
some ground corn and went  
to Davids in the evening  
where I took supper.  
Got home about bed-  
time. Did not seem very  
much like Sunday.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1862.

Willie took me on Charlie about half way between Eldersville and the school house and I walked the rest of the way lost my Mental Arithmetic and found it at noon

Commenced putting a lock on the school house door but did not finish it for want of the necessary tools

School passed off pleasantly and satisfactorily. Esg. Scott killed a small beef in the evening and I helped him some.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1862.

Commenced school at the usual hour and in the usual way after finishing putting the lock on the school house

School about as full as common 25 scholars in attendance

Noticed a disposition on the part of some to be disorderly. Found it would be necessary to draw the reins a little tighter

Felt very weary and restless in the afternoon

Concluded to have school the first day of the fair at Burgettstown and attend it the second day.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1862.

Being the first day of the  
Burgessdown fair, my school  
only numbered ten scholars.  
Put in the day until three  
o'clock and then I went home  
where I found Mollie Waddle  
waiting for a chance to go to  
the fair. Went to the  
peach orchard in the evening  
after unloading some  
potatoes in the barn as we  
wanted the wagon next  
morning to go to the fair in  
very dry weather, but  
some appearance of  
rain in the evening.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1862.

Arose at four o'clock and  
harnessed and fed the team.  
Got ready and went  
to the fair at Burgessdown.  
Learned that Geo. Wells had  
been shot and killed the  
evening before by a negro  
named Wheeler. Wheeler's  
house was burned after  
the affair by some of  
the Stuebenville boys for  
revenge. Fair rather poor.  
Got quite wet on our  
way home. Ran our horses  
down to keep folks from taking  
coming home. Some young  
men spent the evening at our  
house. Alex Oliver spent the night  
here.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1862.

Opened school in the usual manner except that I was a little more strict. Whipped Jas Stewart in the morning for disobedience. Started for home as soon as school was out. Went home. Did up the evening work got ready & went up to Mc Connells where we spent the evening very pleasantly. Cooper & I went home with Miss C. M. Smith and S. Lawther. Was in the small hours of the night when I got to bed. Ladies were escorted home from the party.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1862.

Went after unloading a load of boards, to Mrs. Piques to see if Katy Lawther would go with us to Middletown. Came home, got ready & and started in the wagon. Rain came on just after we started. Heard Mr. Graham preach in the afternoon from Romans 11 & 22. Went out to see Joshua Hunter in the afternoon. Heard Mr. Graham preach again in the evening from Numbers 14 & 29. Talked some with M. G. & R. J. McKeever on the subject of religion but saw no signs of repentance.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1862.

Attended Sabbath School  
in Middletown and led the  
singing. Heard Rev. Graham  
preach from Rev. XIV 17  
20th inclusive, Sacramental  
occasion. Took dinner at  
Nolan's and sang some in the  
afternoon Church in the  
evening. Heard Graham  
preach from Luke X 20.  
Rather a queer Scotchman.  
Willie and I came home  
in the buggy after church  
Got home about eleven  
O'clock. Drove Jimmie in  
the buggy. Left the  
rest of the folks in town.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1862.

Willie brought me to the school  
house on horseback and looked  
about him some and went  
back home. Opened school as  
usual with about 23 scholars  
three of whom were new ones.  
Got along very well during  
the day. Spent the evening  
and night at Esq. Scott's.  
Had an introduction  
to a Miss Lee. Did not  
become much acquainted  
with her. Read some news  
when the Esq. came from  
town. Sutured elocution  
some during the evening  
very fine day.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1862.

Swept the schoolhouse  
and commenced school at  
the usual hour and in the  
usual way. Things passed off  
pretty well during the day.  
Did not have to whip any  
one. Felt rather poorly  
during the afternoon. Had  
the headache and was  
aching all over. Did not  
feel well during the evening  
and kept close quarters  
at my boarding house. I did  
not feel able to study much  
consequently I spent the  
time in listening to songs  
sung by some of the girls.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1862.

Commenced school as usual  
after sweeping the school room.  
Felt pretty well during the  
day. Gave two little boys  
a switching to make them  
study. One new scholar came  
in. Saw the man who  
commenced digging Org  
Scotts well hold a peach  
tree switch over it until  
it turned down. Read  
some in the evening in a  
book entitled "Hot Corn" or  
"Life scenes in New York".  
None I suppose. Quite  
interesting if true.  
Very warm day throughout.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1862.

Commenced school as usual  
with reading and prayer.  
Got along pretty well during  
the forenoon. Claps  
paped off pretty well and  
lessons were pretty well studied.  
Had to whip one of the  
boys in the evening for  
disobedience. One little  
girl got her spelling lesson  
over '83' times. Dook supper  
at Scotts and started  
home. Received two  
letters. Shaved myself  
and escorted K. H. Stein  
home. Ate some grapes  
and peaches on the way  
home.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1862.

Arose at half past  
three O'clock - got ready  
and started at half past  
four to Washington.  
Arrived there at half  
past eight and was  
examined in the union  
school building and recd  
a good certificate.  
Got back as far as  
Mr Works where I spent  
the evening very pleasantly  
with the family and  
the night also with  
Miss Isabel. Afternoon  
very wet and the night  
very dark.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1862.

Cook breakfast at Mr  
Yorks and helped an  
old peddler hitch up  
his old horse. Started home  
at half past nine, got  
home at dinner time.

Grav. Taylor and his wife  
at our house. Went to  
town in the evening to

get Sal. shod. Drove  
her in the buggy.

Grav and I rode round  
some. Took supper  
with Aunt Ann &  
Aunt Sally. Had  
good time.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1862.

Went to Davids in  
the morning instead of  
going to church.

Attended church at  
Eldersville in the after  
noon and heard Mr  
Albertson preach from  
St John 11 14-18 inclusive.

Sam & I went out to  
Old Bethel at night and  
heard Rev McClure  
preach from Romans  
V 1 & 21. Quite a large

congregation out to  
hear him. Night quite  
dark. Grafton and  
Cadda went home in  
the afternoon.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1862.

Morning wet. Willie  
took me on a horse to  
the school house.  
Opened school as usual  
after sweeping. Three new  
scholars making 34 on  
the roll. Wrote a letter  
to C. H. Patterson at noon.  
Had occasion to whip  
Hugh Lee in the afternoon  
for calling one of the boys  
a confounded fool.  
Kept a little girl as a  
recept to get her lesson.  
Gave some of the boys  
a few strokes with the  
switch for the purpose of  
making them study.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1862.

School passed off about as  
usual. Three new female  
scholars, large ones.<sup>37</sup> Had some  
difficulty during the day  
to keep order. Had to whip  
John C. Grovines in the  
evening before he would  
obey me and go to recitation in  
a smaller class. Did not  
get through with the recitations  
during the day.  
Went to Eldersville in  
the evening to the election.  
Voted without any diffi-  
culty although I expected  
some because I was not  
assisted. Dave McCuen  
& A. Walker had some difficulty.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1862.

School commenced as usual  
pretty full. Had  
reasonably good order in  
the forenoon. Had my  
patience pretty well tried  
with some of the boys in  
the afternoon. Had to whip  
Elliott Stewart twice and  
two other boys once apiece.  
Day was quite cold and  
we had to have fire.  
Two young ladies in  
attendance. Not very ready  
scholars and very modest.  
Some of them at least.  
Studied Mental Arithmetic  
at Esq. Scotts in the  
evening.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1862.

Swept the school house and  
kindled a fire. Went to  
Mr. Jno Cassidays to get him  
to make a coal box.

School went off very well  
in the forenoon. Scholars  
rather careless in the evening.

Whipped Samuel Lee just  
before school closed.

Wrote a letter to O. C.  
Pater at noon. The day  
was Esq. Scott got his well  
finished, and the hands  
left. Spent the night  
at Scotts. Had the sore  
throat, but did not think  
it would amount to much.  
Was D. G. P.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1862.

Went to school as usual at  
the usual hour and swept  
the schoolhouse. Had the  
sore throat. Had not much  
trouble during the day.  
Worked on mitts about  
half past one o'clock  
then spelled the  
rest of the day until  
three o'clock. Went to  
Scotts and took supper.  
Had to carve a barbecued  
chicken. Got along  
pretty well. Got the news  
in town and came home  
and doctored my throat.  
Tune day.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1862.

My throat was very sore  
through the day. Went to the  
schoolhouse in the morning  
when Messrs Osborne and  
Harris went to hold an  
institute, but no one else  
came and we adjourned.  
Came home intending  
to go to town. Heard about  
noon that I was drafted.  
Took no offense at it, whatever  
but concluded to go  
cheerfully trusting in God.  
Went to town in the evening.  
Drafted men taking it hard.  
Some wanting substitutes.  
Very fine day. Geo. Sharp & Frank  
Morr at our house over night.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1862.

Went to school in the morning  
and read the 13th chapter and eleventh  
period of St. Mark's gospel.  
The people were very much  
interested in the subject  
and the evening was fair.  
I was well satisfied with  
the result of the day.  
I had a very good  
time at school.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1862.

Went to C. W. Pogue and  
D. Gardner in the morning  
to see if I could draw my  
money for teaching 21 days.  
Stopped at Uncle George  
Crisp's. Went to school and  
pub in the day. Came home  
and found Nancy Crisp  
and L. J. Stanbury here.  
Talked some of going to  
the 100th Pa Regt as a volun-  
teer. Came to the conclusion  
to go. Spent part of the  
evening with the ladies at  
Aunt Sallie's. Day passed  
off pleasantly. Bids my  
scholars farewell.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1862.

Went to town to see Jas  
Martin in the morning, and  
went from thence to West-  
Middletown where I was  
sworn into the volunteer  
service. Spent the evening  
at Uncle Tho's McKee's.  
Had the headache very  
bad during the afternoon.  
R. P. Cooper & J. T. Roles  
spent the evening with  
us around our own fire-side.  
Spent part of the evening  
singing. Finished out  
my report of the month  
ending Oct 20th, and  
wrote in my diary.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1862.

Went to David's in the  
morning, and from thence  
to Esq. Smith's Cider mill,  
and to Eldersville. Delivered  
up the account of my  
school and father & I went  
to Washington. Was there  
sworn into Co. A, Round  
Head Regiment. Took dinner  
at the Mansion House.  
Took supper with Mrs  
Linsley at Middletown.  
Gave my measure  
for a pair of boots  
for the army. Got home  
late and found Wood &  
Will Shelvin here.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1862.

Spent the forenoon in company with Wm. Melvin from Burgettstown. Wrote the names in the premium for my scholars in the spelling clafes. Went to town in the afternoon and took the premium to Eq. Scott's and got home about dark. Spent the evening at Mr. Cassidy's. Did not enjoy the visit very much. Got home about half past nine and went to bed.

Day was fine but cool.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1862.

Went to Steubenville in the forenoon and saw the drafted men from Wash- ington county going to Pittsburg to camp. Got my teeth fixed and our filled. Got four pictures taken, and bought a good pair of buckskin gloves for two dollars.

Went to a party at David's when I came home.

Quite a number there and we spent the evening pleasantly. Saw Ellen & Mary J. Sawthers home & then found my way back to room.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1862.

Received your letter in the  
forenoon and Mr. Pence  
and C. H. Patterson went  
with Hamilton and on to  
Geo. Royley. Started with  
half past one o'clock  
and went with Mary in  
the buggy to Kurgeltown.

Had a good time generally.  
Left home after dark.

Found pretty hard driving,  
although the heavy "Sally"  
followed the road well.

Spent the evening in  
reading and talking.

Read some on the Malay  
Puzoi in my shirt and  
went to bed.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1862.

Spent most of the forenoon  
when I was in the morning  
and about till passing  
West of Middletown, and  
found that Mr. Albertson  
found a few in parish #4 IV  
4th 5th & 6th. Church took

into consideration the  
prop. of stopping church  
indicates. Had a piece

of a book from New Windsor  
the first of folks in  
Middletown and was home  
about dark. I had the paper

very anxious to know whether  
I should have on Tuesday which

was decided to be. always



MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1862.

Turned the ground white  
with snow in the morning and  
the Colaba trees broke down.  
Wrote out a letter to the Board  
of school directors in the morning.  
Took dinner with Uncle Sally  
and Amy. Made my carpet  
sick. Took supper at home  
with the Davids' folks Mrs. Boley,  
John & Susan Quin, Sally &  
Amy and Martha & Cassidy.  
Bade David's folks good  
and went to Mr. Cassidy's  
and bade them farewell.  
Came home and saw my  
satchel packed attended to  
family worship and wrote in  
my diary.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1862.

Father read the LXXXIV  
Psalm at family worship  
and I room bade farewell  
with those remaining at  
home and went with father  
Mary & Syd. to Steubenville  
on my way to war. Got to  
Pittsburg about four o'clock.  
Went to the Provost Marshal  
and was sent to the Neworth  
House and spent the night  
very comfortably on U. S.  
fair. The bar had bottles  
on the shelf and men came  
in and drank when they felt  
like it. Two old men went  
to Theatre. Felt rather peculiar.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1862.

Took breakfast at the Meiroth Hotel in Pittsburg and read the morning news. Spent the forenoon in the Provost Marshal's office. At 8-20 P.M. we started for Harrisburgh. Accidents happened. Locomotive ran off the track and was ruined. No one hurt.

Company in cars swearing and drunken. Saw an affecting scene of a drunken Irishman parting with his wife and children. He had been in the guardhouse all day.

Thought seriously of my future destiny.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1862.

### Camp Curtin.

After riding all night in the cars arrived in Harrisburgh about nine o'clock and did not have any breakfast. Took a soldier's dinner in Camp Curtin. Was rather hard to take. Crackers, Beef & soup. Wrote a letter to Father and Mother in the afternoon.

Looked about over camp some, and wrote a letter for Mr. Burk in the evening. Slept in camp for the first time. Slept comfortably with U. Fress and Wm. Burk. Awful oaths sworn in our barracks.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1862.

Camp Curtin

Washed myself at the  
hydrant in the morning  
attended at roll call, ate  
breakfast, which tasted good  
although different from what  
I was used to. Read some  
during the day and evening.  
Visited the city in the  
afternoon. Went up into  
the dome of the Capitol.  
Harrisburg is a fine place.  
Bought a pair of boots  
for six dollars. Slept  
very comfortably on a  
hard bunk in barracks B.  
O. that the men would cease  
to take the name of the Lord  
in vain. Wrote a letter for Forest

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1862.

Camp Curtin.

Attended roll-call in the  
morning and was called on guard  
by the sergeant, and the  
Capt. ordered me out until  
I should receive uniform.  
Was not able to procure  
uniform during the day.  
Saw a man play the fife  
and his two boys, one five  
and the other eight years  
old play the drums. A  
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1862.

Camp Curtin.

Wasa ~~at~~ inspection in the morning. Washed my handkerchief, borrowed a soldiers suit, and acted corporal and conducted a parade of men to the M. E. Church where we heard a sermon from Paul to Titus III second clause of 16th verse. Went out on dress parade in the evening. Wrote a letter to Capt. Pentecost, and one for the Wesleyan. Had not much of the appearance of Sunday in camp. Read some in the evening.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1862.

Camp Curtin, After a good night's rest, arose and washed myself. Wind blew roughly. A number of men left camp in the morning to go to their regiments. Made an effort to get my papers but failed. Carried some water.

Had a good dinner. A dress parade in the afternoon. Camp Simmons turned out nicely. Our adjutant was in a bad humor and swore terribly. Read some in Parson Brownlow's life. Slept with Sergeants Moore very comfortably.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1862.

Camp Curtin.

After breakfast and roll call in the morning, I was sent to be sent, with a squad to town for my papers but was entirely neglected. Taped the time away until after noon and spent an hour or so at head quarters. Found my papers, drew my clothing and went out on dress parade. Strict orders issued by the adjutant. Very necessary. Discovered lice in the barracks. Took a walk around camp in the evening and saw a large number of militia come in. Fine day.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1862.

Camp Curtin

Awoke about half past five. Went out on dress parade, and was called out to receive bounty. Was marched down town for that purpose and was disappointed. Carried water in the afternoon. On dress parade in the evening. Walked around camp in the evening and found some men singing good old Methodist hymns. Sounded nice. Found five professors of religion in camp. Slept with sergeants Moor. Day was warm. Washed my handkerchief and towel. Read in my bible.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1862.

Camp Curtin.

Went for rations in the morning. Chosen corporal by sergeants Rose. Carried his morning report to headquarters. Went to town and received \$25 bounty. Having sold my boots I bought a pair for seven dollars. Rode out with Mr. John in a carriage. He paid the pair. Went out on deep parade in the evening.

Read some in my bible, and walked around camp some. Slept very comfortably with sergeants Humel. Very cool day.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1862.

Camp Curtin.

Arose at the usual hour and as sergeants Humel started taking my blanket I recaptured it. Was appointed Assistant sergeant of barracks B. In the evening a number of men came in and in fixing up their banks caused a muss. Two cooks got drunk and we had a big time putting them to bed & keep them out of the Guard house. Snow fell all day and was about two or three inches deep at night. Commenced to write a letter to the Star Society. Felt comfortable in my bunk at night.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1862.

Camp Curtin.

At roll call in the morning I was put on corporal of the guard. Acted in this capacity all day. Very bad underfoot on account of the melting snow. Had no trouble acting corporal; only two men could not be found, who were on guard.

At night I spent part of the time with the officer of the day and was very favorably impressed with his conduct. Were on guard eight hours out of 24. Sergeants Humel brought in a goose at night. Day rather unfavorable & the night very cold.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1862.

Camp Curtin

Laid in bed from six o'clock until near eight and then took breakfast. Dried my socks some and rubbed some grease on my boots. Washed myself and wrote some to the Star Society, a letter to E. S. Todd, and one to Mollie. Day did not seem much like Sunday.

I did not read any until evening and then read some in the bible.

Heard some singing barracks C. and went in. Sang some in our own barracks. Slept very comfortably during the night. Not so much swearing as common. Some of the boys were very drunk.



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1862.

Camp Curtin.

Arose at half past six, and packed my knapsack expecting to go on to my regiment, but was disappointed. Carried rations, got a pass and went to Harrisburg, got my likeness taken and put it with \$15.00 into the express office to go home. Wrote a letter to Fernelia Purcell in the afternoon, and put it in the Post Office. Wrote off the song "The Avengers" for one of our companies. Listened to a spirited discussion in our barracks with regard to the war. Scripture quoted freely. Sang some. Read some in my bible on going to bed.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1862.

Baltimore

At dress parade in the morning my name among others was called, and we were soon before headquarters receiving our rations to start to our regiment. Had a long wait at the depot. Started at half past one. Soldiers all in head car. Little better crowd than came from Pittsburg to Harrisburg.

Got to Baltimore about seven o'clock. Saw where Will Scott was encamped, and the way and sent word to him that I had passed. Had a good supper at the Union Relief Association. Slept comfortably in the third story of a large building. Day fine.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1862.

Washington D.C.

Left Baltimore about ten o'clock after taking a very good substantiated breakfast at the Union Relief Association. Breakfast of beef, bread, cabbage and coffee. The trip to Washington was very tedious, we being on a freight train. Had a comfortable place, however.

Good supper at the Soldiers Retreat. Spread down my blankets with David Hayes of the 100th regiment, and after reading some in my bible & talking a short time with a man from the 8th Mich. slept comfortably.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1862.

Camp Keeruis, Alexandria

Here drawn up in line in front of our quarters at Washington D.C. in the morning, and about ten o'clock we were marched to the wharf and put on board a steamer. Marched through Alexandria and saw where Ellsworth died. Found no wood in camp. Had to gather brush for bed and wood. Got up a good supper after so long a time.

Read in my bible, spread down our blankets in our tents and Mr. Hayes and I slept comfortably together. Some of the boys complained of the hard knotty bed chords, and wondered if they would break before morning.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1862.

Camp Recruit, Alexandria.

After breakfast, a number of our squad went up on the hill side and carried some bricks to make a fireplace to cook on. Had a jolly time. Were drilled some for guard. I stood guard eight hours during the day and night. In the evening we heard some very fine music from a brass band a short distance off.

Time did not seem long while we were on guard. Read in my bible in the morning, about the son of the widow of Nain. Reflected during the day on the subject of Faith. Weather very pleasant.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1862.

Camp Recruit, Alexandria

Went on guard at 12 O'clock and came off at two. Slept until five and then took breakfast and went on guard at six and came off at eight. Carried some bricks for our fire place. Wrote in my diary. Blacked my boots. Took a good wash. Bought a box of blacking. Sent for a dollars worth of Postage stamps. Wrote a letter to David & Ann and one to Capt. Penticost. Our company in tent listened to the reading of two or three chapters in the bible, read by David Hayes. Some encouraging remarks made by some of the boys. Very fine day. Man stabbed at night and killed.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1862.

Camp Recruit.

Arose early and got breakfast over and our tents in order after which we took our bibles in the form of a bible class and made remarks. felt much encouraged and favorably impressed with our squad. Knapsack inspection in the forenoon.

Saw the man who committed murder, lead out of camp to be tried. Chopped a little wood in the evening, for morning fire. Wrote a letter to Rev. J. S. Albertson and put it in the post office. Spent the evening in our tents talking and singing. Some of the boys had the mumps.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1862.

Camp Recruit.

Arose in the morning and shook our blankets. Was detailed in the morning to carry water. Marked my shirts and drawers with yarn and the darning needle. Had a very good dinner of bean soup. Nothing very interesting occurred in the afternoon, but about bedtime Montgomery missed his pocket book. Search was immediately instituted and Keefer suspected.

After we were all examined, we took him to the **Cub** tent where endeavored to bring me into the scrape, but failed. He went and brought the money was ironed and put in the guard house, and we went to bed.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1862.

Camp Recruit.

Arose in the morning and took a good wash. Went out into the commons and got some wood. Took the thief Keeper's breakfast to him, and talked some with him. Told that I was obeying the command of God. Made some pen stalks of red cedar.

Drilled some in the afternoon. Cut out a laurel cross ring. Took Keeper's supper ~~to him~~ and talked some to him. He appeared sorry for his conduct and went out. Suttler charged ten cents for a candle and 20¢ per lb. for sugar. Rained in evening.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1862.

Camp Recruit.

Arose about half past four o'clock, and found myself all right. After breakfast went out for wood and got a laurel cross and worked the most part of the day cutting out finger rings. Wanted some to send home. Got one nice one. Told as though I might spend my time better. Read a chapter in the bible before going to bed. Some of the boys told some rough stories. Sang some songs after we had gone to bed. I saw the Old house at home. Heard a number of guns fired after we went to bed.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1862.

Camp Keonick

Arose about six o'clock and found the water falling fast. Rolled up our blankets, washed and took breakfast.

Cut out some rings and conceived the idea of sending a ring to each of my single sisters, and cut out another for that purpose. Very wet day all through. Our tent kept dry all evening. Sat around our fire and played passing the seasons, craps or uncraps, and loading the ship. Had considerable fun. Went to bed about half past eight, a severe coughing before going to sleep.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1862.

Camp Keonick

Arose about the usual hour and found it still raining. Helped to kindle the fire and helped to wash the dishes after breakfast. Straightened up our tent and in the afternoon I brought in a stump for wood, and wrote a letter to Lydia and put two laurel root rings in it for Mollie & Syd. Helped to draw water. Got a severe pain in my stomach after supper. Some of the boys in our tent brought in some cards and played until bed time, when one of them and I had a few words because he saw my knapsack in the dirt.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1862.

### Camp Recruit

Was unwell in the morning.  
Helped to fix up our tents  
some in the morning and  
went out on the hillside &  
gathered some fine cedar-  
brush for bedding. Washed  
two shirts, a pair of drawers  
a towel and a handkerchief.  
Fights in camp in the  
evening caused some excitement.  
Spent the evening in  
the tent reading and  
passing some with Mr.  
Corine of New York.  
Read a chapter in  
the bible and went to bed.  
Was unwell during the night.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1862.

### On board the "Hero"

While at breakfast in the  
morning, the orders came  
for those of us who belonged to  
the 100 to be ready to march.  
Marched to Alexandria & back.  
Drove 4 days rations. Met Dan  
Hoffman unexpectedly. Boys  
charged on a bucket of apples  
and captured some of them.  
Got on board the "Hero" at half  
past three o'clock. Ran down  
the Potomac a few miles  
and anchored for the night.  
Slept on our blankets with  
only a little room. Suffered  
some from the diarrhea.  
Read some in my bible.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1862.

On the "Haro" & "Star".  
Arose about half past  
five O'clock. Did not feel  
well. Ate crackers and  
cold pork for breakfast.  
Landed at Aquia Creek  
and after waiting about  
an hour, got on board the  
Star, which grounded a  
number of times with us.  
Landed after dark and were  
like a flock of sheep straying  
about. Made some coffee at  
a camp fire and took lodgings  
on a flat boat with the blue  
for a tent. Slept very comfort-  
ably, my side of David Hayes.  
Cold day.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1862.

Potomac Creek, Bell Plains.  
Wrote my name on my knapsack  
in the forenoon in the morning.  
Made some coffee at a camp fire  
and started toward Fredericks-  
burg at 10 o'clock. Marched  
with a goodly number and found the boys  
all right. Saw a great many  
horns on the way. Received  
four letters in the evening.  
One from India, stating that  
I was exempt from the  
draft on account of teaching  
books. This news came too late  
to avail anything. Slept in  
the tent with Barry, Tompkins  
and Mr. R. In the evening I  
answered to India's letter.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1862.

Camp near Frederickburg.  
Arose about half past 2 o'clock feeling pretty well.  
Carried some wood for a company fire. Sat around until bed time and then went to prayer. Chaplain prayed and exhorted on the subject of hope and then the Major led in prayer. Very acceptable exercise to me. Wrote three letters in the forenoon. During the night I became unwell, with diarrhea. Did not read and in my bible. Fell condemned about 4 o'clock. Night very cold.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1862.

Camp near Frederickburg.  
Arose at half past five o'clock feeling very unwell. Was not able to do much during the day. As soon as the order "Pack up" came before we got our dinner. Waited however until we ate and then marched a few rods and pitched a new camp in the pine forest. Boys had great fun catching rabbits. Was very unwell in the evening and went to bed instead of attending prayer. Read the Epistle of Paul to the Corinthians. Did not read very well during the night.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1862.

Camp near Fredericktown.  
Awoke about six o'clock and  
ate breakfast of crackers &  
coffee. Spent the forenoon  
looking about me. Was some  
better than the day before but  
still very unwell. Disease  
diagnosed. Wrote a letter to  
John Elmy in the afternoon  
and read a chapter or  
two in the bible. Disposed  
of my Government clothing  
to lighten my knapsack.  
Was too unwell to attend  
prayers in the evening.  
Retired early and slept  
pretty well during the  
night. Night pleasant.

Brotherly love & things  
to which I was hoping that no

sauage, mutton, beef steak &c.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1862.

Camp near Fredericktown  
Awoke about breakfast time.  
Breakfasted on crackers &  
coffee. J. J. Barr and I  
put up a seat in front  
of our fire for the accommo-  
dation of the naps. Trilled  
some in the manual of  
arms. Read some in my bible.  
Went with Jno. McKeever to the  
spring for drinking water.  
Hunted for cats, and found  
him in Co. D. Attended prayers  
in the evening. A Sicut. head  
in prayer. Feeling very unwell I  
mixed up a strong dose of Compo-  
sition and went to bed. Was  
then bed with Lewis and  
did not see with Duffin. Left  
coal and pretty.

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1862.

Camp near Fredericksburg Va.  
Arose at half past six feeling  
very unwell. Had cold and  
diarrhea. Washed and took a  
small breakfast. Boys complain-  
ed of scarcity. Went & brought  
water in canteens. Washed well  
and drank some blackberry  
tea. Attended thanksgiving  
exercise in the afternoon. Was  
not very much taken with the  
speakers address. Saw give a po-  
litical speech. Dressed  
in the evening. Chaplain  
being sick in the evening  
we did not have prayers.  
Took a good dose of con-  
position before going to  
bed. Weather fine.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1862.

Camp near Fredericksburg Va.  
After breakfast Bro McKee  
and I went to work to put  
up a tent. Cut down a pine  
tree and put six feet of the  
but of it for side logs to keep  
water out. Drilled some in  
the manual of arms. Procured  
my gun the one that Ben Stewart  
used to carry. Went out on  
regimental drill in the  
afternoon. Stood it very  
well. Finished our tent  
when we came in by putting  
pine twigs in for an end.  
Took a pill before going  
to bed. Slept tolerably well  
Night very cool and windy.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1862.

Camp opposite Fredericksburg, Va.  
Arose about seven o'clock feeling  
pretty well. Did not have any  
things very particular on  
hands during the day.

The boys received four months  
pay. Made them feel good.  
Had no drill. A number of  
the boys went to Stelmouth  
and bought eatables.

Great deal of tobacco  
bought. I made a cup  
of sarsaparilla tea. We had  
a good supper of beef steak  
fried, and soft bread,  
which Caldwell bought.

Attended prayers in the  
evening. Very fine day.  
Read of the crucifixion of Christ.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1862.

Camp opposite Fredericksburg.  
Arose about half past seven  
o'clock and after breakfast,  
Jno. McCallough and I drilled  
some in the manual of arms.

Commenced to rain before  
noon and stopped the drill.  
Received a long letter from Mary,  
Wife of S. Bosley's death.

Tipped our tents to turn rain.  
Went out after wood while  
it snowed hard. Built a large  
fire in front of our tents to  
dry them. Smoke very hard on  
the eyes. Did not attend prayers  
in the evening. We talked of  
our friends seeing us in camp  
such an evening. Slept very com-  
fortably.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1862.

Camp Near Fredericksburg.  
Arose about half past seven  
o'clock. Very cold morning.  
After breakfast a number of  
us went to the woods for wood.  
Bro. McKeevers shoes frozen so  
that he could not get them on.  
I held them to the fire until  
they thawed. Did not do much  
during the day except to sit  
by the fire. Filled the canteens  
with water. Read some in  
my bible. But little satis-  
faction in reading or any-  
thing else on account of the  
smoke of the campfires.  
Did not attend prayers in  
the evening on account of  
the cold.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.  
After breakfast in the morning  
a number of us went to the woods  
and cut some white oak poles for  
firewood. Weather very cold and  
we had to keep good fires. My  
felt, as though they were almost  
smoked out. Melted some snow  
and took a wash. Read Paul's  
letter to the Colossians, and  
should like to have read more  
but for the smoke. Sat an hour  
or so in the Captain's tent in  
the evening where I was comfortable.  
Taught Jim Murray (Colored)  
something about writing. Lent my  
boots and gloves to John Caldwell  
to wear on picket duty.  
Night very cold.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1862.

Camp opposite Fredericksburg.  
Arose about six o'clock and  
after breakfast John McKeever  
and I went to the woods  
and cut a load of wood for  
the fire, neither of us  
feeling very stout. Number  
of the boys out on pickets.

Filled the canteens with  
water. Carried wood in  
the afternoon. I instructed  
Jim Murray some in pen-  
manship. Had a good time  
with him. Learned facts.  
Did not attend prayers in  
the evening. Did not hear  
the drum beat. Read  
some in the bible.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.  
Arose about the time day  
was breaking and stirred up the  
fire in front of our tent. Laid  
down and slept until breakfast  
was ready. Had not much on  
hand during the forenoon and  
John McKeever and I were sent  
out to cut wood. Cut a good  
load but our team did not  
bring it to us. Inspection of  
guns and cartridge boxes in the  
afternoon. Did not have my  
gun well cleaned. Went to the  
chaplain's tent in the evening  
but there was no religious exer-  
cise. Recd a letter from Ann  
and Mary with coats, plasters  
and comb in it.



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.

Arise when breakfast was ready, went to the spring and filled the canteens while John Caldwell fried some mush.

Had a nice breakfast. Order came "Prepare for inspection at one o'clock" Cleaned my gun.

Attended a soldier's funeral, No mourners apparently. Very shallow grave. Washed myself and went out on inspection. Dinner of bean and potato soup, very palatable. Went out on our dress parade in the evening. John McKee and I took a dose of composition.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg

Were aroused at five o'clock and ordered to prepare to be in line of battle at eight. Bombardment of the city commenced at six and continued all day.

City was set on fire.

We stood on the parade ground until about sunrise and were then marched to the river intending to cross but the order was countermanded and we marched back to camp.

Stood the sound of artillery much better than I expected. Fell perfectly cool.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1862.

Fredericksburg.

Packed up and left camp about sunrise. Put the first load in my gun before we crossed the river. Crossed the Stanton bridge about ten o'clock without molestation. Spent the day on the bank of the river. Shells of the Rebs commenced bursting over us about three o'clock. One piece struck about four feet from me, I heard one come down awfully torn up with our shells. Went into camp in the city at night. Slept very little. Roasted meat on a stick by the fire about three o'clock. One man killed by the shells in the daytime of the Wood Wick.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1862.

Fredericksburg

Took arms about half past eight o'clock and marched about two miles. Here placed to support a battery. Laid on the bank the remainder of the day while the fight raged terrifically all around us. We did not fire a gun. Slept on our arms on the bank where we spent the day. Slept soundly beside the Capt. Heard no particulars of the fight, only the Rebs left flank was turned. Saw some prisoners taken across the bridge. Firing continued after dark. Musketry and artillery on the right. Pleasant day.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1862.

Jerh, Romans VIII 3103 & 39 inclusive.

Fredericksburg  
Marched from our position  
in the morning along the  
bank of the Rappahannock,  
and halted until near  
noon when we formed in  
line of battle at the bridge  
in front of town; here we  
spent the afternoon waiting  
for orders. Chaplain of our  
regiment held services in  
the afternoon. About sun  
set we were marched  
back near where we were  
in the morning and spent  
the night there. I felt ready  
to go into battle, but was glad  
we were not called on. No very  
heavy fighting during the day  
that we knew of.

Read some in my bible while waiting for a move.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1862.

Near Fredericksburg Va.

Received a letter from Aunt Helen and one from Mary

Arose about half past five &  
rolled up my blankets, drew rations  
and ate breakfast. Took a good  
wash, and wrote in my diary. While  
waiting for a move, I washed my  
feet, and read the XIII XVIII &  
XIV chapters of Romans. At three  
o'clock we were drawn up in line  
and marched up to support the pickets.  
Laid down under the hill until  
half past nine were called from  
our beds and put in line not knowing  
what for. At eleven we started  
across the river and took up  
our abode in our old camp.  
John McKeener Jno Caldwell  
and I put up our tents again  
and slept comfortably.  
While we were lying on the banks, stating

to see my boot-oles. Took the girls off my blankets and will.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.  
Arose about nine O'clock &  
took breakfast. Wrote a long  
letter to Willie and sent a clock  
hand and piece of poetry.  
Sewed up some little pokes  
to put sugar, salt, and  
coffee in. Heard of Luther  
McKeever's death. Went to  
the woods and got some  
wood and some poles to  
fix up our tents with.  
Drew the ball out of my gun  
and washed the barrel out.  
Some of the James Island  
prisoners came to us. One into  
our mess. Slept very com-  
fortably after attending prayers.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.  
Arose and took breakfast, washed  
myself and took a tramp over  
the country to the 17th Michigan,  
where I saw a number of my  
schoolmates, Watts, Bruce, Knight,  
Marshall & Breeling. Went  
with Marshall to the sutlers.  
Washed a towel and pair of  
socks. Went out on dress  
parade in the evening. Song  
string of orders read and  
entirely uninteresting. Very  
cold and wind blowing  
sharply. Did not attend  
prayer in the evening on  
account of the cold.  
Some more prisoners came  
to the company.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1862.

Camp Opposite <sup>burg</sup> Fredericks.  
Order came in the morning  
"General inspection." Guns  
were soon being cleaned and  
knapsacks packed. Two o'clock  
the hour. Lovenger and I  
went to the mill for meal &  
were disappointed. Were  
inspected without knapsacks.  
Went out for wood. Wrote in  
my diary. Went with John  
Caldwell to the railroad to  
get some butter and were dis-  
appointed. Bought six  
apples for twenty five cts.  
Joseph Muller told some  
hard tales about his working  
and hunting around our fire.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.  
After eating breakfast, we rolled  
up our blankets and prepared  
to go on picket. Were marched  
out and placed on a hill  
as reserves. Day passed off  
very pleasantly. Gathered  
some corn fodder and a bunch  
of straw to lie on. Night  
Expremed cold. Mr. McKeever  
and I lay down together but  
could not sleep for the cold.  
Got up by the fire and  
Capt. Pentecost and I sat  
there under my blankets and  
fed the fire on cornstubs  
until daylight. Came near  
freezing. Did not sleep any  
during the night.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1862.

Camp Opposite Frederickburg  
Were relieved off picket duty about  
one o'clock P.M. when we should  
have been relieved about seven  
A.M. The wind was piercing  
and want of sleep made us  
feel very badly. Came to camp  
and got a good dinner of bean  
soup. Built a chimney of  
logs to our tents and closed  
up the end, which made us  
very comfortable comparatively  
speaking. Filled the canteens  
with water. Spent the evening  
in the tents and went to bed  
early but felt the effects of  
the cold we experienced on  
picket, in my bones causing  
soreness and aching.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1862.

Camp Opposite Frederickburg.  
Took breakfast and read  
some in my bible. Wrote a  
letter to Syd. Inspection  
of arms at the Colock Red.  
a letter from C. H. Patterson.  
Went out for wood &  
carried in a white oak  
pole. Found Palo. Bruce  
in the tent when I came  
back. Read a letter  
which he had written  
home. Spent part of  
the evening in the Capt's  
tent. Learned that the  
140 Regt had come into  
our vicinity. Concluded  
to go and see my neighbor  
boys as soon as possible.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.  
After breakfast rolled up my  
blankets and packed my  
knapsack. Went on reserve  
picket duty at nine o'clock.

Had a comfortable place.  
Dry fire. Wrote a letter to  
C. H. Patterson and one for the  
Wesleyan. Gathered some  
grass and pine brush for  
a bed. Spread down my  
blankets with a C. C. piece.

Did not sleep much on  
account of pain in my  
back and bowels.

Night pleasant. Rained  
a few drops near daylight.  
Some doubts about what such  
strong picketing was for.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1862.

Camp Near Fredericksburg.  
Came in off of picket about  
about ten o'clock with orders  
to prepare for inspection  
at half past eleven.

Packed our knapsacks  
but the order was reversed  
and we went out without  
them. Inspection very tedious.  
Made some mush for  
supper. Attended prayer  
in the evening and  
the Chaplain distrib-  
uted some hymnbooks  
testaments and tracts.

Had a pleasant time.  
Weather favorable.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1862.

Camp Near Fredericksburg.  
Ate a very hearty breakfast. Mr. Caldwell visited the 140th Regt. Helped the Captain to carry some clothing from the quartermasters. Dressed a pair of shoes.  
We cut logs in the pine grove and carried to camp and built our tent, four logs high and danked two sides of it. Some of the boys were making preparations for Christmas by buying whiskey. I was very drunk. Attended prayers and read a tract.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.  
Was very unwell during the forenoon. Ate five scorch'd crackers and drank some coffee for breakfast. Spent most of the forenoon in the tent. Washed two shirts, two pair of drawers, pair of socks, towel and handkerchief. Did not eat any dinner. Took supper of fat pork, onions, crackers and coffee. Attended prayers in the evening, and the Chaplain made some very appropriate remarks in reference to the birth of Christ, and the manner in which Christmas is generally spent. Firing was heard on the opposite side of the river in the evening late which we did not understand.



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg  
Brushed my clothes in the  
morning, and got a pass  
signed by Capt. Pentecost,  
and Major Dawson, and  
Jno. McKeever and I visited  
the camp of the 140th Regt  
P. V. Saw Seth, Gardner, Mel-  
calf & Wheeler from my own  
neighborhood, and very un-  
expectedly met Jno. Robb  
and Jas. H. Melvin, with whom  
I took dinner. Wrote a letter  
to Harriet Melvin and also  
one to Martha Ellen.

I did not attend prayers in  
the evening. Felt rather un-  
well. Read some in a small  
book entitled "Come to Jesus".

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.  
Cleaned up my gun in the  
forenoon and got it in pretty  
good condition. Our men  
took down our old chimney  
rebuilt it. I helped them  
in the afternoon. Got up  
a very nice chimney. Did not  
eat any dinner. Was unwell  
nearly all day. Cut some wood  
for Sunday after dark and  
wrote in my diary. Read in  
the little book "Come to Jesus";  
and read a few chapters  
in the bible. Had the tent  
pretty much to myself, the  
other boys being out visiting.  
Day was fine and the  
night pleasant.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.  
Washed up after breakfast  
and packed my knapsack  
for inspection which came  
off at nine o'clock. Order  
was given for preaching at  
two. Spent considerable of  
the forenoon reading. At noon  
we were ordered to prepare for  
review at two o'clock. First  
order "Wear overcoats, carry  
knapsacks, haversacks and  
canteens". Second, "No over-  
coats, knapsacks or canteens."  
Review of division very nice.  
Heard our chaplain preach in  
the evening from the CXXIII  
Psalm 119th verse. Real Methodist  
sermon preached by a United  
Presbyterian.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg  
Filled the canteens with water  
immediately after breakfast.  
Sat down and wrote a letter  
to Wm. Mulvin. Visited Crawford  
and Hayes in the forenoon.  
Found Hayes writing a letter.  
Felt unwell in the afternoon  
and did not do much but  
carry in a pole, cut it up  
and chunk the back part  
of our tents. Did not attend  
prayer in the evening.  
Made and drank a  
half tinfal of composition  
very strong, covered up warm  
and slept very soundly  
until four o'clock. Day fine.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg  
Washed and took breakfast  
of fried mush &c. Received a  
letter from Rev. Albertson.

Bro. McKeever received a letter  
and Wesleyan from Rube. Read  
in the Wesleyan in the forenoon.

Went to the woods and brought  
in a good load of wood.

Spent most of the after-  
noon in the tent. Bought  
some soft bread. Read  
some in Military tactics  
in the evening and wrote  
a letter to father and  
mother in the evening.

Had a very troublesome  
cough which made me  
feel bad. Rained in the  
evening.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1862.

Camp Opposite Fredericksburg.

Felt rather unwell in the  
morning, but packed my  
blankets in a knapsack and  
went on picket with a number  
of the boys of Co. A. Had  
comfortable posts to keep watch  
on. Were relieved every two hours.

Rebs kept perfectly quiet.

Was on post with Sam. Thomp-  
son and A. C. McKeever.

My first time on post. Gathered  
some cedar brush to sleep on  
while relieved but did not  
sleep much. A. C. and I talked  
some of the pleasures of home.

This ends my experience in  
the year of Our Lord 1862.