

What follows is a transcription of an 1871 pocket diary belonging to Vernon Marion Babbitt who lived in Ward, NY and attended Alfred University. He first attended in 1858 but left to participate in the Civil War as a member of the 19th Regiment of the 1st N.Y. Dragoons, Co. H. After the war, he returned to the University in 1868 and finished in 1871 with an advanced degree in the scientific course. He was a member of the Alleghanian Lyceum and in love with Sabra Rogers (which is extremely evident throughout the diary). After graduation he married Sabra and left the Western New York area to eventually become a merchant in Nebraska. Vernon died at the age of sixty-four but was 28 or 29 years old during the writing of this diary.

The end of the diary contains handwritten records of earnings and expenses, as well as few other notes. That information is found after the text of the diary, which is transcribed just as he wrote it (mis-spellings and all).

Keep in mind the time period of little technology, no electricity or cars, and restrictions at the University on interactions between men and women, especially in their own rooms. We hope you enjoy it!

Sunday, Jan. 1, 1871

I do not get up this morning till 8 1/2 o'clock it is not very cold to day and nice sleighing at noon go over to Mr. R. stay till after dinner come home Merrick [Vernon's brother] carries me down on the creek then I foot it over to the centre am some tired it is a most beautiful evening but I feel some sad to night it is the first day of a new year I hope I may spend it better than the last year and put more trust in God for strength to help me to over come temptation Sabra did not come over to night I called at Jones room a little while Mr. was there and I left him came back to my room read little and feel some lonesome go to bed at 10 o'clock tired and sleepy

Monday, Jan. 2, 1871

I get up this morning at 5 1/2 o'clock study my Zoology till breakfast time go to chapel and to my classes as usual having lessons very well at 11 o'clock Merrick comes and he brings Sabra over it will not be as lonely now in the evening Sabra and I go up to the Oros. Jubilee get back at 10 o'clock stop and stay a few minutes with her come over to the store chum is not here go down to the tavern find him there we come up to our rooms go to bed at 1/4 to 12 just got to bed when Silas Burdick comes and calls me up to know which way I came home from the other night.

Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1871

I get up at 6 o'clock this morning study Zoology till breakfast time get breakfast go to classes as usual to day have my lessons very well We discuss the womans right question in our Law class in the evening call at Uri room and then call at Sabras room and stay till 9 o'clock come back to my room study till 10 o'clock then go to bed. We had two speeches [sic] in chapel this morning from Col. Nash and Col. Flint they were very good ones.

Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1871

I get up this morning at 6 o'clock study as usual it is a sharp cold day but quite pleasant the sun shines bright Cotterell goes home to day and I am alone I go to all my classes as usual have my

lessons very well in the evening go over to Sabras room Uri comes down there barefooted stay till 10 1/2 oclock then come to my room and go to studying. I have the blues little to night at 12 oclock get ready and go to bed some sleepy and Lazy

Thursday, Jan.5, 1871

Get up this morning at 5 oclock study till breakfast time then eat breakfast go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well it is a pleasant day and it thaws some but it grows colder at night Just before night Jane and Sabra call at my room a few minutes then after dark I go over to their room. stay till ten oclock come back study till 11. then go to bed Uri call a short time in the evening

Friday, Jan.6, 1871

I do not get up till six oclock so cannot study much this morning Go to chapel and to classes do not have any class in international Law to day. Proff. Allen goes to Hornellsville Cotterell come back to day at night I study till 7 oclock Uri calls there at 9 does not stay long come over to my room get ready for bed at 10 1/2 then after me go to bed Cotterell and I have a talk about two hours long on the sabbath question so I am some sleepy by that time

Saturday, Jan.7, 1871

It is seven oclock when I get up this morning get breakfast before I go to chapel we do not have any classes to day and I am glad of it for I feel like resting I study some and write a peice [sic] for the Lyceum in the fore noon I call at Sabras room in the after noon stay 2 1/2 hours come back to my room get supper go to Lyceum have a very good session do not get through till after 10 come to my room get ready for bed at 11 oclock some sleepy

Sunday, Jan.8, 1871

It is pleasant in the morning snows some at noon I get up at 7 oclock get breakfast go to chapel come back to my room go to Church Proff. Allen preaches his subject is to have something to live for me organize a bible class then I go home with Sabra stay still most three oclock Sabra and Jane come home with me stay a little while I call at night for Sabra to go to prayer meeting with me she does not go I go then come back to her room and stay till after 11 oclock I do feel some sad to night and my head aches but I do not know as it will help it any to have the blues go to my room go to be at 11 1/2 oclock.

Monday, Jan.9, 1871

It clears off this morning and is quite pleasant but cold I get up little past six study and get breakfast till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well at night I write a letter to Sabra and carry it over to her stay most an hour then come back to my room and study till 9 1/2 oclock it is a beautiful evening clear and cold with a bright moon light I would like to take a sleighride if I had good company I go to bed at 1/4 to 10 oclock.

Tuesday, Jan.10, 1871

It is clear and frosty this morning but clouds up toward noon and snows some so it is not very pleasant I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study as common before breakfast go to chapel and classes as usual in the evening I call at Uri room a short time then after ward call at Sabra's room stay till

most 9 oclock then come back to my room I feel some homesick or something else. I go to bed 10 oclock I feel as if a good cry would help me to feel better it is foolish to feel so and I must learn to throw it off

Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1871

It is warm this morning and thaws some and rains all day so the snow is quite wet I got up at 5 oclock this morning study till breakfast time go to chapel and to classes in the fore noon we have composition in the after noon and no classes I speak a piece in evening I go to prayer meeting Sabra goes with me not many out very good meeting I come down and study the evening at Sabras room till 9 1/2 oclock come over to my room go to bed at 10 1/4 oclock It rains some to night and our sleighing is most gone as I think of the past how I wish I was a better boy if it were only for my influence over all that I love I know I am to blame is she has grown cold and how could she do otherways under my influence O if I could only make it right by any sacrifice how gladly I would do it but I don't know as it can be done.

Thursday, Jan. 12, 1871

It is still warm and quite pleasant it seems like spring it thaws seems like sugar weather get up this mor- at 5 1/2 study till breakfast go to chapel and clases [sic] as usual to day I feel rather lazy in the evening go over to Sabras room Miss Ayers Alice Burdick are there they stay till 8 1/2 when they go home I stay till 9 1/2 go over to my room study till 10 1/2 then get ready for bed I feel some tired and sleepy Jane went home on foot to day

Friday, Jan. 13, 1871

It is a beautiful day over head and the air feels soft and balmy like spring it is some muddy [sic] under foot I get up at 6 oclock get my lessons as usual go to all my classes to day at 4 1/2 oclock start for home on foot it is hard walking get home at 7 oclock very tired find mother sick a bed she has the inflammatory rheumaties and cannot move herself it makes me feel sad to see her suffer so when I cannot help her Merrick and Lib come home at 10 oclock and me are very glad to see them for their help is badly needed I set up till one oclock then go to bed

Saturday, Jan. 14, 1871

It is still warm and pleasant over head but looks like a storm I get up at 7 oclock after breakfast I go over to Mr Rogers see Phe's baby come back help take care of mother till 3 oclock then go back to the Centre get there at 5 1/2 oclock call at Sabras room go to Lyceum then come back and go over to Sabras room stay till 10 1/2 oclock Miss Ayers Alice B. and Albert Place call there I have a good visit I wish I could hear how mother is to night I hope she will soon be better

Sunday, Jan. 15, 1871

It is still warm to day but begins to rain at 9 oclock and rains most all day quite hard I get up at 7 oclock get breakfast and shave me before going to chapel go to church at 10 1/2 oclock stay and take charge of the bible class come back to my room get dinner write a letter to Aunt Louisa then go over to Sabras room stay till most 5 oclock come back get supper at 7 oclock go up to prayer meeting Sabra goes with me we have a good meeting Sabra does not take any part when we come back I go up to her room and have quite a talk with her perhaps I am all the one that is to blame I wish I were better than my influence might help others It rains in the evening come to my room

go to bed at 12 oclock

Monday, January 16, 1871

It is some colder to day and grows cold all day so the mud is froze up I get up at 5 oclock and study as usual Proff. W. is sick today so he is not to geometry class Proff. Allen goes to Hornellsville so we do not have any law class Mr. Rogers comes over to day Mother is no better she must suffer terrably [sic]. In the evening Sabra Miss Ayers and I go up and see Alice Burdick stay till 9 oclock come down stop to Sabras room till 10 oclock then come over and go to bed some tired and sleepy

Tuesday, January 17, 1871

It is quite pleasant to day, not very cold the sun shines bright and it thaws some. I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study zoology till breakfast go to chapel and classes as usual Proff. W. is sick yet and not to geometry in the law class Haight gives a lecture against womens rights so we occupy the hour Sabra and Jane call on me a few moments tonight in the evening I go over to their room stay till 9 oclock came back and study till 10 then get ready for bed my head aches some tonight

Wednesday, January 18, 1871

It is quite cold this morning and trys to snow a little but does not amount to much I get up at 5 oclock study Zoology till breakfast time go to chapel and classes as usual Proff Allen lectures in the chapel in the morning L. Canfield is over to day hear from home he said mother was no better I have a mind to go home but would do no good if went I go to prayer meeting in the evening call for Sabra she does not go I come back and call there a little while I guess I feel homesick or else I have got the blues my head aches and I feel discouraged it would do me good to have a good cry what is the use of living or to live when you do more hurt in the world than good if I try to be good I fail and what is the use of making resolutions only to be broken to accomplish anything we must resolve and then carry it out then we may expect to see good result from it go to bed at 10 1/2 oclock

Thursday, January 19, 1871

It is rather cold tody but clears off at noon and the sun shines bright I get up at 5 1/2 oclock this morning study as usual till chapel time go to chapel do not have any lecture this morning go to classes as usual have my lessons very well at night I call at Sabras room Uri is there I stay until ten oclock then come to my room Sabra said tonight she went to do what she felt was her duty and I hope and will pray that she may and will also try myself and see if I cannot do better I fear that is one thing that keeps her back is my wrong actions O If I were only good! but wishing will not make me good I have work to do to make myself good and I pray that God may help me to do every duty as it is made known to me

Friday, January 20, 1871

It is pleasant today and not very cold get up at 5 1/2 oclock study till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual except the Law class get excused from that and go home ride over on to the creek with Jo. B. then foot it home Sabra goes home she foots it most of the way when she might have rode with me we get home at 7 oclock I guess Sabra is tired out. Mother is about the same but dreadful sick L. Canfield and wife stay all night I go to bed at 10 oclock some tired and sleepy

Saturday, January 21, 1871

It snows some this morning and is quite cold but grows warmer so it thaws I take care of Mother today call at Mr. Rogers a little while in the afternoon Sabra comes home with me Catherine Hall calls today I carry her home it snows quite fast at night Sabra comes over and we sit up with Mother it is pleasant to have good company when you sit up I feel some tired tonight but am willing to do what I can when it is my own mother that needs help in the evening the wind blows quite hard and it grows colder.

Sunday, January 22, 1871

It is a sharp cold this morning but does not snow any the wind blows rather hard. I am some sleepy and tired Mother is not much better after breakfast I carry Sabra home lay down on the lounge and take a short nap several folks call to day at night I call at Mr. Rogers stay till 9 oclock then go home George Hayse and wife sit up to night I got to bed at 9 1/2 oclock guess I shant need any rocking to go to sleep tonight very cold 12 degrees below 0.

Monday, January 23, 1871

It is a sharp cold morning. the coldest of the winter I get up at 7 oclock mother is about the same after breakfast I go over to the Centre ride over with R. Rogers it is a cold ride came near freezing my fingers get there at 11 oclock I go to my classes in the afternoon I get a letter to day from Aunt Louisa at night Sabra and Jane call a few minutes in the evening I call at Sabras room stay till 9 1/2 oclock find Jane's diary and plague her some make her think she has lost it come to my room and study till 10 1/2 oclock then get ready for bed

Tuesday, January 24, 1871

It is not quite so cold to day but still it is frosty and trys to snow some I get up at 5 1/2 oclock and study till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual write a letter to Aunt Louisa to day at night Uri calls at my room we go over to Sabras room stay till 10 oclock come back chum throws the key out of the window to me and me loose [sic] it hunt for it quite a long spell and have to give it up for lost I had better stayed in my room and not went out get ready for bed at 11 oclock but have the blues a little

Wednesday, January 25, 1871

It is quite cold yet to day and snows some in the fore noon. Cotterell and I find the key this morning after hunting a short time I go to my classes in the fore noon start for home at 1/4 to 11 on foot it is quite hard walking get home at 1 oclock find mother about the same I help take care of her in after noon Lewis Canfield and wife sit up at night Mr. and Mrs. Rogers call a few minutes in the evening I go to bed at 9 1/2 oclock some tired and sleepy but I think of one that I left at the Centre and wonder if they think of me any to night.

Thursday, January 26, 1871

It snows quite fast this morning and the wind blows hard mother feels a little better today at 9 oclock start for the Centre ride over as far as [as] Mr. Bales with Geo. Canfield then foot it to the top of fenner hill and ride from there to the centre go to my classes in the afternoon it stops storming at night and is warmer in the evening I go up to Proff. Allens to a sociable Sabra and

Miss Bozard go with me we have a very good time come back at 10 oclock I call at Sabras room a little while then go over to my room get ready for bed am some tired and sleepy go to bed at 11 1/2 oclock

Friday, January 27, 1871

It is quite pleasant to day but rather cold I get up at 5 oclock and study till chapel time on my Zoology lesson go to chapel and my classes in the forenoon go to German class in the afternoon get excused from the rest and go home ride over with L. Canfield get home at 5 oclock find mother about the same as when I left I set up with her tonight E. Hurd stays with me I wish I had the one to set up with me that did last Saturday night I should enjoy it better and it would not be so lonely [sic] I wonder what she is doing and if she is any lonesome to night I feel some tired

Saturday, January 28, 1871

It is rather pleasant to day and not very cold I do the chores this morning after breakfast I go to bed sleep some 3 hours then get up help take care of mother and do chores till night at night Mrs. Rogers calls a few minutes George Canfield and wife came over and sit up tonight I go to bed at 9 1/2 oclock some tired and sleepy I wonder how Sabra feels tonight if she is home sick any I would like to see her a little while mother is about the same to day

Sunday, January 29, 1871

It is quite pleasant the wind blows some I got up at midnight to help mother up and again at 4 1/2 oclock and do not go back to bed again so I am some sleepy and my head aches some I help take care of mother all day Rubin and Hannah Eastman call today stay a little while Mr. and Mrs. and Wally Benjamin call in the morning W. stays all night to help Lib wash tomorrow and Merrick gets home at 8 oclock and I am glad to see him so I can go back to the centre I sit up tonight with mother Frank Brodie sits up with me. I am tired and homesick and I feel lonely tonight I would like to know what Sabra is doing and if she would like to see me as well as I would her or is she having a good time and enjoying herself it is now 10 oclock I wonder if she is abed dreaming some pleasant dreams I would like to take a short nap

Monday, January 30, 1871

It is not very cold this morning we have breakfast at 7 oclock Merrick carries me over on the creek then I get a chance to ride over to the centre with Mrs. M get there at 11 oclock go to classes in the afternoon do not have much lessons and do not feel like study my head ackes [sic] and I am some sleepy I go over to Sabra room in the evening Mr. C calls Jane and him have a loud time about a diary and picture I stay till 9 1/2 oclock then come to my room get ready for bed I feel like crying to night but guess it wont pay I feel some down hearted guess it must be because I sit up last night

Tuesday, January 31, 1871

It is not very cold to day and thaws all day so the sleighing is most all gone it rains some to day I get up at 5 1/2 oclock and study till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual but do not have my lessons very well at night I call at Uris room a little while Flora Cottrell calls to night In the evening go over to Sabras room stay till 9 oclock it rains quite hard me back to my room and get ready for bed at 10 1/2 oclock Sabra told me to night that she had thought that I thought she did

not think much of me perhaps I have given her occasion to think so but life would seem a blank to me if I did think so it is the one thing that makes life pleasant to have some one to love you and some one to love and I hope and trust that some one does love me and will be true to me and true to themselves it is because I act so that makes her think as she does I know that I am not worthy of her love and that if any thing would make me think she did not love me

Wednesday, February 1, 1871

Some colder today. The ground is froze again. I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study till chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well Frank Brodie comes over to day so I hear from my mother she is no better I wish I could be at home In the evening call at Sabras room for her to go to prayer meeting with me she would not go so I did not go but stayed there all evening till 10 oclock Uri and Kitty O'Donol call while I am there come away and Uri there go to my room get ready for bed at 11 1/2 oclock O dear I am home sick or heart sick to day it seems is if I could fly or else have a good crying spell and make a fool of myself why was not I killed when in the army and some better man saved who was of some use to the world. Sabra is displeased with what I said the other night and I guess she thinks I don't care any thing for her perhaps she has good reason to think so but that don't make it so I shall have to be more careful what I say I no need to have said so but I felt like it then and said it without thinking how it would sound but enought of this I will go to bed and see if I can sleep any

Thursday, February 2, 1871

It is pleasant this morning and clear it is a beautiful morning I get up at 5 1/4 oclock study till chapel time go to classes as usual to day and have my lessons very well. At 4 oclock it snows and blows very hard to day is like many things in life they are fair to start with but there is some terable [sic] storms in them It clears off pleasant in the evening and the moon shines bright I call over to Sabras room she has gone home so I do not see her I feel some disapointed [sic] stay of few minutes come back and read some in the newspaper get ready for bed at 10 oclock I wonder if Sabra thinks of me any now she has got home where she can see her mother perhaps she has forgot one she has left and who ever loves her [In pencil and different handwriting, possibly Sabras] No never she always thinks of you

Friday, February 3, 1871

It is pleasant over head today but the wind blows very hard and it is quite cold I get up 5 oclock study till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual get excused at night and go home a foot start 1/4 past 4 get home a little past 7 stop to G. Canfield and take supper George goes over with me find mother about the same or little better Sabra come over and stays a few minutes I go home with her stay till 9 oclock then come back and get ready for bed at 9 1/2 and I am some tired and sleepy

Saturday, February 4, 1871

It is still cold today but the wind does not blow quite as hard I get up at little past 8 this morning take care of mother till day light Merrick does the chores then go to mill and leaves me to do them for night I call at Mr. Rogers a little while in the afternoon Sabra was gone up to Marys I set up with mother to night Sabra comes over and sits up with me it is pleasant to have such company as you want when you have to sit up Mother is quite restless tonight and father is taken

sick so that part of the time I have I do not sleep any

Sunday, February 5, 1871

It is very cold this morning some 11 deg below 0 but it is clear and frosty I am tired and sleepy this morning Sabra goes home before breakfast at 10 oclock Henry Clark comes along going to the centre I ride over with him get there at 11 1/2 oclock and pretty cold stops at Sabras room and warm me go over to my room eat some dinner get to bed little before 2 lay till 4 then get up and shave myself In the evening go over to Sabras room for her to go to prayer meeting with me she did not want to go so I would not go stay there till after 8 then come to my room and get ready for bed at 8 1/2 oclock I would like to hear from home to night to know how they were O dear I feel rather sad tonight for some cause perhaps it is all for the best

Monday, February 6, 1871

Get up this morning at 6 oclock it is a clear and cold morning I study till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual to day do not have my lessons very well study german in the fore part of evening Uri calls at my room a little while I call at his room for a book go over to Sabras room at 8 oclock stay till after 9 Uri is there come back to my room chum is out some where to night to prayer meeting get ready for bed at 10 1/2 oclock my head aches some and I feel dull O how I would like to hear from home to night and know how they are getting along I hope they are better

Tuesday, February 7, 1871

It is a beautiful morning the sun shines bright and it is cold and frosty I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study till chapel time I feel wretched and sad this morning Cotterell told me this morning what a good time they had at prayer meeting last night most all the boys at the Gothic spoke and said they were tired of sin and want to be christians and some of the girls from the brick while others are seeking christ where am I going slowly backward Life is what we make of it I have made the life of another a blank by my conduct and I am rapidly making my own so There is a load pressing me heavier than I can bare. Is it any use to try the way looks dark do I feel any interest in there meeting or is it all an effort of will is it not better to give up than to drag oneself along at this poor rate I know it is my fault religion is good if I only lived it O for something to inspire me to action Go to my classes as usual our folks send for be by Ekron Hurd so I go home at night get home at 7 oclock Geo. Canfield sets up to night I feel some lonely to night I wonder what some is doing at this time

Wednesday, February 8, 1871

I get up at 6 oclock this morning and take care of father and mother all day and it keeps me busy I hardly have time to sit down do not study much to day The Dr. comes at noon stays about 2 hours It is quite a pleasant day thaws little if I had time I should be lonely and as it is I long to see someone it seems as if it would rest me I am so tired and weary George Hayes and wife sit up to night I do not go to bed till 11 oclock our folks are very restless to night I wonder if they have a prayer meeting to the Centre to night and what (?) ones start to love their savior I wished that I loved him better

Thursday, February 9, 1871

I got up at 2 oclock and fix some things for Father go to bed again at 3 and get up at 6 1/2 It is

not very cold in the morning but grows cold toward night I take care of our folks all day Father is some better but mother is not quite so well I get some tired at night and would like to rest Merrick sits up the fore part of the night I would like to see Sabra to night I wonder if she misses me any and longs for me to come back I know I long to see her perhaps it is wrong for me to long her so much and I may meet with a terrible disappointment and it seems as if it would nearly kill me if I should but I will hope for the best

Friday, February 10, 1871

I got up at 1 o'clock this morning and sit up the rest of the night it is rather lonely how I wish Sabra was here with me I suppose she is sleeping now at 4 o'clock and I hope she will dream about me It is dull being alone rather cold this morning Mother is discouraged to day and I feel sad all day and most home sick or something else I go over to Mr. R at night and Mrs. Rogers comes over and sits up I go to bed at 9 1/2 o'clock some sleepy and tired but do not forget to ask God to watch over and protect one that I love I wonder what she is doing to night

Saturday, February 11, 1871

I get up this morning little before 5 o'clock Mrs. Rogers goes home I take care of our folks all day Father and Mother are both better to day and I hope they may soon get well it is quite pleasant to day not very cold Merrick saws wood I am tired some to night and would like very much to see someone I wonder what she is doing now at 10 o'clock I would like to take a peep into her room and steel a kifs [kiss] Frank Brodie sits up to night I get ready for bed at 10 1/2 o'clock

Sunday, February 12, 1871

I get up this morning at 5 o'clock and Frank goes to bed it is some snowy my head aches some this morning I would like a good long sleep take care of our folks most of the day It snows hard most all day go to meeting at 2 o'clock Elder Hull preaches in the evening I go up to Mr. Rogers a little while it has been a long and lonesome day to me I could almost cry I would give most any thing to see Sabra and know what she is doing to night and if she looks for me back to the centre Lewis Canfield and wife sit up to night I go to bed 9 o'clock feeling lonely

Monday, February 13, 1871

It is not very cold this morning I go over to the Centre after breakfast with Rubin Rogers we get there at 11 1/2 o'clock little after noon I call at Sabras room and am glad to see he and think she is to see me I go to classes in the after noon do not have any lessons except in german in the evening I go to prayer meeting Sabra and Jane goes with me Sabra takes a part in the meeting and I am so glad and hope she may live a true christian life and I hope her influence will make me better for I feel that I need some loveing hand to keep me in the way that I should go I feel most sick to day and have no ambition for anything but hope I shall get over it by tomorrow go to Sabras room after meeting stay till 11 o'clock then come to my room and go to bed would like to hear from home to night

Tuesday, February 14, 1871

It is snowing some this morning and is quite cold but clears off so the sun shines in the afternoon I get up little past 5 study till chapel time go to chapel and classes to day and have most of my lessons me do not have any law class Sabra and Jane call at my room a few minutes to night I call

at Sabras room she goes to prayer meeing with me Jane does not go we have a very good meeting I go home with Sabra stay till 10 1/2 then come to my room and get ready for bed I am most sick to night my lungs pain me hard I hope they will be well by morning I wish I was better than I am but I know wishing will do no good without I try and work for it so may God help me to be a better christian and have more of his love in my heart and that my influence may help others to be good

Wednesday, February 15, 1871

It is a beautiful morning all nature seems glad the sun shines very pleasant and it would be a nice day for a sleigh ride I get up at 6 oclock study till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well Cotterell goes to H. [Hornellsville] to night to hear Beacher lecture takes Miss Darrow I call for Uri to go to meeting to night he does not go I go to meeting come home with Sabra and stay till 1/4 to 11 come to my room and go to bed my head aches hard to night and I do not feel very well but hope it wont last long another day gone and am I any better than yesterday I am afraid not but it is my fault I must watch and pray more I would like to know how our folks are at home

Thursday, February 16, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and soon it snows some but is not very cold the wind blows quite hard I get up at 6 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual have my lesson very well call at Uri room also call at Sabras room she does not go to meeting with me to night so I go alone we have a very good meeting I feel sad to night for some cause it must be it is because I am so bad O cant I never be good and help to make others better my head aches some to night but not so much as last night I would like to hear from home tonight

Friday, February 17, 1871

It is a beautiful morning the sun shines and it is not so very cold but it clouds up toward night and the wind blows hard I go to chapel and classes as usual except to Law class I get excused from that and go home with Mr. Rogers he comes after Sabra the wind blows so the roads are drifted some I get home at 6 oclock find our folks some better they do not have watchers now I study little in the evening and get ready for bed at 10 oclock

Saturday, February 18, 1871

The wind has blowed hard all night and it blows this morning and it rains some of the time quite hard I help chore around this morning some study little at noon go over to Mr. Rogers for Sabra she come over home with me we cut out a fur cape for Lib and she sews it to gether then goes home I go over in the evening and stay till 12 oclock have a good visit she tells me something about Rubin to day but I hope I shall never do like that and will pray that one I love better than myself may be kept in the path of virtue

Sunday, February 19, 1871

Do not get up till most 8 oclock to day and feel rather dull after breakfast I get ready and Merrick carries me back to the Centre Sabra and Mary Clark goes with us it snows some and is rather cold we get to the Centre at 1 1/2 oclock I stop at Sabras room and warm me then go over to my room in the evening call at Sabras room for her to go to prayer meeting she has the sick head

ache and don't go I stay with her till after 8 o'clock then go to my room and go to bed my head aches some today O I wish I was as good as I might be then perhaps my influence might help others instead of pulling them back

Monday, February 20, 1871

It is a pleasant morning the sun shines quite warm and looks some like spring I get up at 5 1/2 o'clock and study zoology till breakfast time go to chapel and classes as usual call at Sabra's room at noon for the picture she gave me took it down to Marks to have it framed at night call to go to meeting she does not go so I don't but stay with her till 9 o'clock then go to my room study some and get ready for bed at 10 1/2 o'clock my head aches a little to night I guess it is because I am so ugly O can I never be better I am bound with a chain that it seems impossible to break is it any use to try it would be better for some if I were dead and then I should not hinder them from being good.

Tuesday, February 21, 1871

It is pleasant today the sun shines most all day but there is a cold wind I get up at 5 1/2 o'clock study till breakfast go to chapel and to classes as usual have my lessons good for me at night Sabra Jane Agnes CG her sister call at my room a few minutes I go to prayer meeting Sabra and Jane goes we have a very good meeting Jane raises up for prayer O how I wish she might be a good christian after meeting I call at Sabra's room a short time how I wish my influence over her was better if it were she would not feel so discouraged about trying to be a christian but I will try with God's help to live better in the future come to my room go to bed 10 1/2 o'clock

Wednesday, February 22, 1871

It is beautiful morning but exceedingly cold the sun shines and all nature seems bright I get up at 5 1/2 o'clock study as usual till chapel time go to chapel and to class in the fore noon in the afternoon go to rhetorical exercises there is not many pleasant go to prayer meeting at 3 1/2 o'clock at the chapel come down get my picture at Marks carry it up to Sabra's room leave it, after supper call at Uri's room and then call for Sabra and go to prayer meeting with her she speaks in meeting to night and I am glad to see her active in the christian work for it is labor that keeps us in the way and makes us grow I have a talk with Uri after meeting He said he had no feeling on the subject but had gone back from his love by neglect of duty till he did not care O may God give me strength to do every known duty that I may not be cast away stay at Sabra's room till after 11 then come over and go to bed

Thursday, February 23, 1871

It is beautiful day the sun shines bright and it thaws some it begins to look like spring. I get up at 6 o'clock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual except Law class we do not have any class in law today it is Regents examination but I don't have to be in that at night call at Sabra's room she goes to meeting with me Uri and Jane goes I go home with her and stay till 10 1/2 o'clock then go over to my room she acts as if she did not like something I said and I guess she would thank me to mind my own business and I think my self it is the best plan

Friday, February 24, 1871

It is not cold this morning and quite pleasant it thaws and looks like spring I get up at 5 1/2

oclock study some go to chapel and classes as usual to day finishes up regents examination in arithmetic I hope Sabra has passes as she has in grammer Sabra and Jane call and I work out the problems In the evening Sabra Jane, Mary, Agnes and Sister call a few minutes Sabra Jane and I go to meeting after meeting I go over to Ss room Naly comes in with doe face on and wraped in a sheet she looks rather funny I stay with Sabra till 11 1/2 oclock then come to my room and go to bed

Saturday, February 25, 1871

It is a beautiful morning clear and the sun shines bright the wind blows some but it is not very cold I get up at 6 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel come back and study till after noon then go over to Sabras room stay till after 4 oclock come to my room wash and shave me and study little do not go to prayer meeting to night call at Sabras room in the evening stay till 9 oclock come to my room and go to bed I would like to hear from home to night

Sunday, February 26, 1871

The air feels balmy and spring like this morning but it is cloudy and looks some like rain I do not get up till 7 1/2 oclock and do not have breakfast untill I come back from chapel go to meeting at 10 1/2 oclock Proff. Allen preaches a very good sermon we have a bible class after sermon then I come to my room take dinner go over to Sabras room she is sick so she did not go to chapel or church I stay till 5 oclock then come back get supper take a walk around town and call at Sabras room again she is not well enough to go to meeting so I stay with her till 8 1/2 oclock then come back to my room I have a good visit with her and think she loves me better than anyone else and I pray that I may be better than I am now and be worthy of her love it rains to night quite hard

Monday, February 27, 1871

It is colder this morning and trys to snow some the wind blows part of the time get up at 6 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual to day have my lessons very well Cotterell goes over to the five corners to preach to night Whitcomb goes with him I study german till 5 oclock go over call in Agnes room a little while Kitty is there gives me a lock of her hair I go into Sabras room and stay till most 11 oclock before I come back to my room I cut Janes hair to day To night Sabra owned what I had suspected that she did not love me as well as I did her I know she has good reasons not to love me and I am sure that I love her more than I should perhaps while I love her more her love for me grows less and soon she will only care for me as a friend and perhaps will not care to see me at all it is what I deserve why should I complain but I will try and govern my feeling some in the future and see if one cannot controll his love as well as other things at least the world shall never know if I have loved in vain

Tuesday, February 28, 1871

It is a beautiful day the sun shines it is not very warm nor very cold with a mild wind I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well I have felt blue or downhearted all day and perhaps I deserve to be but it will never do to give up like this, to live requires bold action and to make the best of what is presented and not give up to feelings I go over and cut Marys hair to night Sabra gives me one of her pictures Uri calls up to my room to night. I go to meeting then go home with Sabra stay till after 10 come to my room prepare for bed It is the last day of the month there has another month gone and am I any better I

fear not but I will strive on life is made up of failure with a few successes O that I may do better in the future

Wednesday, March 1, 1871

It is another beautiful day the sun shines and it is quite warm thaws so it is quite muddy I get up at 6 o'clock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well do not have any meeting here to night Cotterell goes over to the five corners to meeting I study some in the evening call over to Sabra's room at 8 o'clock stay till most 11 she walks out with me a short distance in the evening she reads my diary and sees what I wrote the other day and I guess she thinks that I believe she doesn't love me but I hope she does I should be most wretched if I thought so I know that some time I act as if I were crazy and I don't know as she would be to blame if she did not love me and I some time wonder that she can see any thing in me to love I wish I were better and more worthy of her and of myself O can I never be good

Thursday, March 2, 1871

Cold some this morning but it soon clears off and is a warm day get up 5 o'clock write off a lecture on International Law study some before chapel go to chapel and to class in the fore noon me do not have any school in the after noon Proff Allen hauls me over the coals this morning for going to see a certain young lady I told him I had been I don't know what he will do about it and would not care so much on my own part if they would let her alone. I have some pictures taken at noon show them to Sabra she takes two of them and Jane takes one in the afternoon go to the funeral of Mrs. Hull Proff Allen preaches the sermon. I have one of my teeth filled to day at night call at Sabra's room for her to go to prayer meeting she would not go I went to meeting then after meeting call at her room a short time come to my room go to bed at 10 1/2 o'clock

Friday, March 3, 1871

It is rainy this morning and rains most all day some of the time hard get up at 6 o'clock go to chapel and classes as usual Cotterell goes over to the five corners to meeting I call at Sabra's room for her to go to meeting with me she would not go for some cause I do not know what the reason is she would not do as much as that to please me I would do much more than that to please her. I go to meeting come back to her room stay till ten o'clock read her diary she said she thought I was mad because she would not go with me and she wished she was at home and guessed she would go west perhaps she doesn't love me and wants to get away where I won't see her but I don't hardly believe it even if she would not go with me to night

Saturday, March 4, 1871

It is colder this morning and the mud is frozen up I get up at 6 1/2 o'clock get breakfast then go over to Sabra's room to see if she wants to send home She gets ready and goes home her self. We start about 9 1/2 o'clock it is good walking We get home at noon do not find mother very well toward night I go down to Dan Halls come back home find Sabra here she stays till 8 o'clock I go home with her and stay till after 1 then come home and go to bed I have a very good visit with her and I think she loves me better than any one else

Sunday, March 5, 1871

It is cold this morning but pleasant and thaws in the after noon so it is muddy I get up and do the

chores this morning then wash and shave me after noon I go over to Mr. Rogers Sabra is out in the woods making sugar I stay till till they come back then go home stay till after four then start for the centre it is hard walking I get there at little past 7 do not go to meeting called at Janes room a few minutes came back go to bed at 8 1/2 oclock some tired and sleepy I wonder what Sabra is doing to night and if she feels as lonely as I do I wish she were here

Monday, March 6, 1871

It snows a damp heavy snow almost like rain and it is very muddy I get up at 6 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual have part of my lessons Mifs [Miss] Setchell gives us a lecture on woman right in the law class It grows colder at night and freezes some Coterell goes over to the five corners and preaches to night it is dreadful lonely I go over to Janes room in the evening Sabra has not come back I guess she is going to do as she said in her diary stay at home the rest of the term perhaps it is the best way I dont believe she misses me as I do her I wonder what she is doing to night and if she thinks of the one that loves her I do not feel like studying any to night go to bed at 1/4 to ten

Tuesday, March 7, 1871

It is clear and cold this morning the mud is frooze up a beautiful day over head thaws some in the afternoon I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study some before chapel go to class as usual today have my lessons very well Merrick comes back to day and calls but I do not go home Sabra comes over and I am so glad it does not seem half as lonely if I only know she is here I call at her room twice to night stay the last time till 10 1/2 oclock Uri is there and stays too Sabra gives me some maple molasses when I come away and it is real good it is the first new molasses I have had this year I hope I may always be worthy of her love

Wednesday, March 8, 1871

It is a beautiful morning the sun shines bright the air is soft and balmy and it seems like spring the blue birds sing cheerfully and all nature seems glad I get up at 6 oclock study some as usual go to class in the forenoon have rhetorical exercises in the after noon in the evening call at Sabras room she goes to meeting with me Uri and Jane goes I come back home with her and stay till 12 oclock then come to my room Coterell has gone to Hornellsville to night to a lecture

Thursday, March 9, 1871

It is still warm and pleasant looks like summer the snow is most all gone I get up at 6 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well Sabra and Jane call at my room at noon I go home with them Merrick is over here to day to a law suit in the evening Sabra, Jane, Mary, Agnes, Kitty, and Miss Stillman call at my room I go over to Sabras room at 8 oclock have some oysters to eat come back to my room start to go down town meet the girls and walk around the square with them go up to their room stay till 1 oclock they are going home to night I do not like the have them go

Friday, March 10, 1871

It is pleasant again this morning the sun shines bright I get up at 6 oclock study some go to chapel when I come back see Sabra I suposed she had gone home was glad to see her come to her room after Zoology class and stayed till noon go to german class then come back and go a peace

with her she goes home then I go to law class after that it is lonely so I go up to Mr Places get there at sundown Albert is not at home Ellen and Amy are there have a very good visit I am some sleepy in the evening go to bed at 10 oclock I would like to know if Sabra was tired out when she got home

Saturday, March 11, 1871

It is pleasant this morning only the wind blows quite hard I get up at 8 oclock come down to meeting with Mr Places people have a very good meeting come to my room get dinner Jack Margeson comes over after Uri Albert is worse so I ride home with them Mrs Rogers calls at our house in the evening I go back with her see Sabra stay till most 12 oclock have a good visit it pays me for coming home mother is some better but not so as to be around

Sunday, March 12, 1871

I get up this morning at 8 oclock and it is raining I intended to go up to Mr Merriams to day but it storms to hard at noon it turns to snow and storms all the afternoon most Sabra calls at noon and I go home with her stay till four oclock take dinner there then come home to the centre on foot get here at 7 oclock go to meeting come to my room and get ready for bed at 10 oclock some tired I presume Sabra is in dream land before this time

Monday, March 13, 1871

It is pleasant this morning and looks as if it might be warm but it snows some in the after noon I get up at 6 oclock but do not study much I have an examination in zoology in the fore noon it is not very hard in the after noon have an examination in Tell [part of his German class] it is long and some hard there is a musical examination to night but I dont go stay in my room all the evening it is real lonely I wish I was where some one else is to night it would be more pleasant to me at least I wonder if they dont think of me some

Tuesday, March 14, 1871

It is pleasant this morning the sun shines bright do not get up till most 7 oclock do not study much do not have any examination in the fore noon but am examined in anyatical [analytical] Geometry in the after noon it is rather hard get through at 4 oclock it clouds up and snows a wet snow like rain joint session of the lyceum to night Sabra came over at 6 oclock I was most afraid she would not come We go to session it rains some when the session is out we get ready and go home it rains part of the way we get some wet Albert Merriam is dead we arrive home so as to go to the funeral get home at 2 oclock it is hard going but I have pleasant company

Wednesday, March 15, 1871

It rains this morning quite hard and keeps it up all day I get up at 7 oclock at 10 oclock we go to the funeral Merrick Lib and I go stop and Sabra goes with us I am one of the barrers the sermon is preached at scio Wilkenson preaches we come back over oak hill the roads are very muddy and it is a hard day to be out we get home at 5 oclock some wet and tired I go to bed 8 oclock some sleepy

Thursday, March 16, 1871

It does not rain this morning but is cloudy we gather some sap and I help boil all day it is rather

hard to go to work it is very wet and muddy here in the woods Merrick gathers it and then he taps a few more trees I boil till 8 o'clock to night I wanted to go up to see Sabra to night but it is to late I wonder if she looks for me any and wants to see me as much as I do her I go to bed at 9 o'clock some tired

Friday, March 17, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and rains some by spells Merrick gathers some more sap to day I surrip down over two pails full so we will have some sugar some time it rains quite hard in the after noon it is some colder at night and is going to freeze some in the evening I go over to Mrs Rogers Sabra is ironing I stay till 7 o'clock I think she loves me but I get so I dont see how she can I wish I were better than I am so I could be worthy of her love

Saturday, March 18, 1871

I get up at 6 1/2 o'clock this morning it is some colder the ground is frozen some go down and surrip off then we sugar off some 90 pounds I told Sabra to come and get some warm sugar but she dont come she calls at 2 o'clock and get the flatirons I help to do the chores at night Merrick gathers some sap I do not go any where to night but stay at home for once it is quite pleasant with a cold wind go to bed at 8 1/2 o'clock

Sunday, March 19, 1871

It is a beautiful day the sun shines bright and it is not very cold I get up at 7 o'clock after breakfast I shave me change my close at noon Sabra comes over with Rubins horses for the buggy to go to scio to carry her mother down I go with her we have a very pleasant ride we stop to J. Rogers a few moments come up over oak hill stop and pick a few winter green berries get home at 5 o'clock I fetch the buggy home then take the team back and stay the evening till 12 o'clock the wind is in the north to day

Monday, March 20, 1871

It is cloudy to day with a strong south wind but not very cold I boil sap to day all day am some tired at night I guess it dont agree with me to work I look for Sabra over today but she dont come I would go over there if they would not think I had better stay all the time but never mind may be some time I can keep her with me the most of the time I will hope for the best

Tuesday, March 21, 1871

It is colder this morning and snows some I go to boiling sap to day Merrick gathers what there is and then he and father go to Belmont it grows cold all day I get all the sap boiled in and surrip it down to day so as to sugar it off tomorrow. Sabra comes over about 2 o'clock and stays till in the evening and then I go home with her and stay till 12 o'clock have a very good visit as I most always do when with her

Wednesday, March 22, 1871

It is pleasant again today and grows warmer so the sap runs some but not very fast Merrick and I sugar off today 100 lbs of sugar William comes over to our house to day at three o'clock I start and go to Scio come back to Mr. Benjamins at 7 and stay get my supper stay till after nine then come home and go to bed some tired it is some muddy walking I get a letter for Sabra but she has

gone to bed when I come along

Thursday, March 23, 1871

It is some cloudy and looks like rain I get up at seven oclock after breakfast I go over and carry Sabras letter over to her stay till 10 oclock then come back and go over a cross the woods I call at Eck. Blacks and to Wm Babbitts and get back home at 2 oclock it grows quite cold so it freezes I stay at home to night Mr Rogers comes over and stays the evening to our house I go to bed at 9 oclock

Friday, March 24, 1871

It is quite cold today and the wind is in the north west I go over to Mr Rogers in the morning and get a chain help Merrick skid logs for wood in the fore noon in the after noon we fix the arch some and boil sap it is so cold the sap does not run in the evening I go over to see Sabra Mrs Rogers has got home I stay till 11 oclock and have a good visit as usual then go home

Saturday, March 25, 1871

It is clear this morning but a cold North West wind finish boiling in the sap to day and in the afternoon we sugar off 45 lbs and it is nice looking sugar Sabra and The come down when it is done and stay till we take the sugar off they come up to the house with us stay a few minutes then go home in the evening I go over to Geo. Canfields and stay till 11 oclock then come home it is a clear beautiful night

Sunday, March 26, 1871

It is some cloudy to day with a cold wind from the South I get up at 7 oclock call at Mr. Rogers at 1 oclock Sabra and Mrs. R go down to prayer meeting we have a very good one I come back call again then go home to supper it begins to snow about 4 oclock and snows quite fast I go over to Mr. R. in the evening and stay till after 12 have a very good visit I am glad I have some one to love and that they love me

(In back of Diary-

Home. Sunday eve 1871, March 26

Vernon remember there is one friend who loves you well and again I ask you to remember me. Sabra

I always remember you. Vernon)

Monday, March 27, 1871

It is snowing this morning and storms most all day I do not do much to day but stay in the house and read some in the afternoon I go over to Mr Rs for some flour Sabra comes home with me and does some sewing on the machine but does not stay to supper help do the chores at night write a letter for Lib to send for her flowers go to bed at 9 oclock

Tuesday, March 28, 1871

It is more pleasant to day but snows some by spells and thaws some Merrick goes to mill to day I ride up to Mr. Margesans stay a little while go over to Harmen Eastmans then come back home eat dinner and go over across the wood stop to Henrys then go to Eck Blacks then stop to Joes

and take supper then come home do not get home till after 7 oclock go to bed at 9 oclock wonder what Sabra is doing

Wednesday, March 29, 1871

It is pleasant to day the sun shines quite bright we go down and saw wood in the fore noon at noon I carry mother over to Mr. Rogers to make a visit it is the first time she has been out in most all winter in the afternoon we saw wood again and clean the snow out of the buckets the the sap runs very well at night, I go over to Mr. Rogers and stay till 12 oclock have a good visit as usual

Thursday, March 30, 1871

I get up at 7 oclock this morning it is quite pleasant to day we boil sap today we gather over six barrels and it runs very well to day am some tired at night do not go over to Mr. Rogers to night but stay at home perhaps some time I can have her with me and then it will be pleasant to have some one to be with you whom you love and who loves you

Friday, March 31, 1871

It is clear and bright this morning but soon clouds up and is not so warm I go down in the sugar bush this morning after breakfast go over to Frank Brodies go to the centre with him fetch home Sabra picture with me we get home at 2 oclock I boil sap til night then go over and carry Sabras picture over to her Verenus is at home I stay till 11 oclock then come home and go to bed my head aches some

Saturday, April 1, 1871

I get up at 5 1/2 oclock this morning go down and boil sap sirup it off at 11 oclock the wind blows hard from the south and it snows most of the time we sugar off after noon get done at 4 oclock Sabra ask me to come over and eat sugar with her to day and then went off I guess she was afraid I would come so she thought she would be away I stay at home in the evening read some and go to bed at 8 1/2 oclock have had the head ache most all day

Sunday, April 2, 1871

It is pleasant to day and quite warm so it thaws so that it is quite muddy I go to meeting at 2 1/2 oclock we have a very good meeting come back home get supper in the evening go over to Mr. Rogers Sabra is not very well I ask her what the matter is but for some cause she would not tell me I had hoped she loved me enough to have confidence in me to be free with me but may be I am asking to much of her I sit up till 2 oclock then go to bed and stay all night

Monday, April 3, 1871

It is cloudy this morning with a heavy wind from the south I get up at 7 oclock and go to boiling sap we gather most 8 barrels I work in the sugar bush all day in the afternoon it rains some but not very hard go to the house at 7 oclock I look for Sabra some tonight I should think she might come and see me once in awhile as well as for me to go all the time go to bed at 9 oclock some sleepy

Tuesday, April 4, 1871

I get up at 6 oclock and go down and boil sap till breakfast time it has cleared off and is pleasant

the wind blows some after breakfast I go over to Mr Rogers a little while come back get ready and Sabra and I go a visiting to Davis's he rides down to scio we get there at 1 1/2 oclock have a very good visit start for home at 6 1/2 oclock do not get home till after 10 but have a pleasant ride

Wednesday, April 5, 1871

It is still pleasant to day looks like spring Sabra comes over this morning for some milk I help Merrick saw wood today go over to Mr. R at noon stay till 1 1/2 oclock go back home saw wood till night I look for Sabra some to come over and stay all night but she don't come I go over there at 7 1/2 oclock and stay till most 2 oclock it is the last night perhaps for more than a week that I can see her I shall be some lonely next week

Thursday, April 6, 1871

It is pleasant this morning and quite warm the sun shines bright I get ready at 8 oclock and start for the Centre Merrick carries me over Aaron goes over with us we get there at noon and I fix up in the after noon to go to house keeping I do not join school today it is lonely here tonight I wish Sabra were here so I could call on her it would not be so lonely then I wonder where she is tonight

Friday, April 7, 1871

It is an other beautiful day and seems as warm as summer instead of being the month of Apr. I get up at 6 oclock this morning go to chapel and then join school I go to one class to day that is botany I have not got any other classes yet I do not feel a bit like studying to day and do not study much go down and play a game of croquet in the evening write some letters go to bed at 9 1/2 oclock I wonder if some one thinks of me to night

Saturday, April 8, 1871

It is still warm to day and pleasant seems as warm as summer do not get up till 7 oclock go to chapel then come back and read and study some it is lonely I do not go to meeting Albert goes home and leaves me here alone I wish Sabra was here so I could call on her a short time I wonder is she has gone down on the river and I wonder if she misses me any In the evening I go to Lyceum we have a very good session do not get back till 11 oclock

Sunday, April 9, 1871

It is still warm and pleasant and a lonely spring day I go to chapel then get ready to go to church at 10 1/2 oclock stay to bible class then come to my room read some and feel dull generally walk out a little while it makes me feel lonesome to see the boys and girls walking out together I wish my girl was here to go walking with me I wonder where she is to day and what she is doing I hope she does not feel as lonely as I do I wish i was at home or some where else. I go to prayer meeting in the evening we had a very good meeting I wish Sabra was here to go to meeting with me

Monday, April 10, 1871

It is still quite warm but looks more like rain to day I get up at 6 oclock go to chapel and to rhetoric class and Botany to day that is all the classes I have as yet I study some to day but do not

feel much like it I see Mr. Rogers and Rubin over here to day I wish Sabra had been with them in the evening I write a letter to Sabra and study little my head aches some go to bed at 9 1/2 feeling some dull

Tuesday, April 11, 1871

I get up this morning at 6 oclock it is some cloudy and sprinkles rain but clears off and is pleasant the wind blows quite hard I go to chapel and classes as usual to day and join the elocution class so if I get an other study I shall have four as usual I go out walking a short time after supper call at Heights room a little while come back to my room study my rhetoric and botany to night get ready for bed at 9 1/2 oclock I wonder if some one thinks of me to night

Wednesday, April 12, 1871

It is colder this morning and snows some but clears off before night I get up at 5 1/2 oclock we have breakfast at 7 go to elocution at 7 1/2 then after chapel go to Rhetoric and Botany we begin to anylize a flower to day do not have any classes in the afternoon and I feel rather dull go down after super and play a game of croquet with Albert come back try to study some in the evening but do not make out much only two more days and then I can go home I wonder if Sabra will want to see me as much as I do her, I wonder what she is doing now at 9 1/2 oclock

Thursday, April 13, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and is some rainy we have a snow storm at noon it snows very fast but soon thaws off and the sun shines again. I get up before 6 oclock this morning and study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual and go to an other class to day so I have got 3 classes besides elocution so if I take an other I shall have enough my head aches some to night study some in the evening tomorrow night I hope to be home I wonder if Sabra will come home tomorrow or not till Saturday does she think of me to night

Friday, April 14, 1871

It is cloudy some and a cold wind I get up before 6 oclock study some go to chapel and classes as usual at 4 1/2 oclock I start for home foot it all the way get home before 7 oclock some tired after supper Sabra comes over an stays about 1 hour and then I go home with her I did not much expect to see her to night but was glad of the opertunity I stay till most 2 oclock before I go home and I enjoy it ever so much it is much more pleasant than being over to the centre with out her

Saturday, April 15, 1871

It is quite cold this morning and a cold wind all day I get up at 7 oclock this morning after breakfast I fix some of the flower beds for Lib I make a bed in the garden set out some onions in the after noon call at Mr. Rogers Sabra is gone up to Marys I do down to D. Hall then up on the hill call at Mr. B come home at 6 oclock help do the chores go up to Mr. R in the evening stay till after 12 oclock then go home

Sunday, April 16, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and quite a cold wind but clears off toward night and the air feel frosty I get up at 7 oclock after breakfast wash and shave me and get ready to go to the centre then wait for Mr. B's folks to come along they come at 2 oclock and I ride over with them get there at 4

oclock find Albert here after supper I lay down on the lounge till it is time to go to prayer meeting I wish Sabra was here with me to night I have felt homesick or lonesome all day and have wished part of the time that I could fly some where all alone by my self if there was not one that I loved better than my self I am afraid I should fly away or run away, or do something that I ought not to do I hope her love may keep me in the path of right I wish I was more worthy of her I am not deserving of her love and I wonder why she loves me O if I only could do better. I wonder where she is to night. I know she thinks of me and prays for me and if any one has need of prayers it is me

Monday, April 17, 1871

It is pleasant this morning but cold and frosty I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study my botany till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual I join the class in mechanical drawing to day and we have a resitatin in evidence so now I have four regular classes besides elocution and my peice to wright and that ought to keep me busy It has seemed lonely to day and I have thought of some one most all the time it is a good thing I have enough to do or I should fly study rhetorical in the evening go to bed at 10 oclock feeling dull

Tuesday, April 18, 1871

It is quite cool this morning but pleasant get up at 5 1/2 oclock study till breakfast time we have elocution before chapel then we have classes as usual I have my lessons very well We who are on for anniversary day met Proff Allen at one oclock we wanted to know our subjects he thought they were commonplace subjects and I guess he will think so by my oration I most wish I had not come to school this term but went to kansas or some where else I feel discouraged and lonesome I wish I could see Sabra a little while to night I would give most any thing I wonder where she is and what she is doing and if she thinks of me as much as I do of her We had a prayer meeting here at our room to night there were four girls here and five of us boys we had a very good meeting I wish my girl had been here to but it is bed time now 10 oclock so good night and may angels guard the one I love best

Wednesday, April 19, 1871

I get up at 5 1/2 oclock this morning study till chapel time it is a very pleasant morning but looks like rain go to my classes as usual have my lessons very well they have rhetorical exercises this after noon but I do not have to speak so get out of that It rains some at night and we have quite a thunder shower have not begun my peace yet keep dreading it I write a letter to Sabra to day how I wish I could just step in where she is and see what she is doing and whether she was thinking of me any I know she thinks of me more than I deserve to be thought of

Thursday, April 20, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning and rains some through the day but is quite warm I get up at little past five study till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual except the one in Kames Elements I thought did not meet to day It clears off at night quite pleasant in the evening I go to a prayer meeting down to Mrs. Burdicks we have a very good meeting Miss Ayers is there her school begins one week from Monday I study my Rhetoric some after meeting get ready for bed at 10 oclock I feel some tired does it all pay thus to study and work some get through the world easy without it but I will have the satisfaction of knowing what I know and I think there is

another one who will love me just as well when I get through school I wish I could have a kiss from her to night

Friday, April 21, 1871

It is pleasant this morning but clouds up and we have some showers through the day. I get up at 5 o'clock this morning study rhetorical and Botany before breakfast then go to elocution this morning I do not have any class in the afternoon to day is Friday and another week of school is gone I feel tired and weary I have read all the evening how I wish I was at home or where some one else is I wonder where Sabra is to night I have not had any letter her this week has she forgot to write to me or what is the matter I am here alone to night and it is lonely enough but I must go to bed for I feel sleepy

Saturday, April 22, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning and we have some rain during the day I get up at 6 o'clock study some read some go to chapel there is quite a number baptized here to day Alice Burdick is among them I go up and see them baptized go down at 2 o'clock for my mail do not get any letter and I feel real disapointed I looked for a letter from Sabra today I wonder why she dont write has she forgotten me? I would give something to know where she is to day and what she is doing I go at 3 1/2 o'clock to hear a sermon from Sojourner Truth who is an old negrow woman between 80 and 90 years old has no learning cannot read she gave us a good sermon her voice is strong and she talks well she is working for the good of her race wants them to have a tract of land and settle down and learn how to work after the sermon I call at Mrs. Burdicks with Alice and Miss Aeyers have a go visit then go down home with Miss Aeyers call a few moments it is some colder tonight.

Sunday, April 23, 1871

It is pleasant this morning but clouds up and we have some showers through the day. I get up at 5 o'clock this morning study rhetorical elocution and chapel we have an examination in Botany this morning I do not have any class in the afternoon to day is Friday and another week of school is gone I feel tired and weary I have read all the evening how I wish I was at home or where some one else is I wonder where Sabra is tonight I have not had any letter her this week has she forgot to me or what is the matter I am here alone to night and it is lonely enough but I must go to bed for I feel sleepy

Monday, April 24, 1871

It is cloudy some this morning and snows a little but clears off towards noon and is pleasant and warm I get up at 5 1/2 o'clock study till chapel and classes as usual at 4 o'clock Miss Simpson, and Whitney Mrs. Sherman and myself set out an elm tree on the institution grounds as a momento of the graduating class of 1871 we had a great ceremony in setting it out and named it Faith Mercy Honor and Equal rights it has names enough to kill it if nothing else does in the evening study rhetoric go to bed at 9 1/2 o'clock remembering one I love best of all

Tuesday, April 25, 1871

I get up at 5 1/2 oclock this morning and study till breakfast time after breakfast go to elocution and chapel and then to classes as usual it looks some like rain to night this morning Proff. Allen made a speach and asked us all boys and girls to help to fix up the park to come at 12 1/2 oclock and again at five armed with hoes spade shovels etc. they are going to fix it and sit it out with flowers we marked some at noon and some after supper but we played more than we worked I expect it will be grand when it is done I looked for a letter to day from Sabra I thought sure I should get one but none came and I felt real disapointed I should think she might write may be she did not get my letter or something I cannot imagine what can be the matter I don't believe she has forgotten me so soon but it seems lonely here when I dont hear from her

Wednesday, April 26, 1871

Another beautiful morning and not very cold I get up at 5 1/2 oclock and study as usual go to chapel and classes as common have my lessons very well I work a little while on the park tonight I get a letter from Sabra today and am glad to hear from her she says she is going to Pa to teach this summer it dont seem as if I could possable have the thoughts of her going away and especially of her going there but it may all be for the best I do not fear but she will love me but I cannot tell what may happen if she goes up there where I cannot see her I have felf homesick or something else ever since I got her letter but she likes it better there than here

Thursday April 27, 1871

It is raining this morning quite hard and is some colder get up little past five study till chapel time go to chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well it rains hard most all the forenoon but not quite so much in the afternoon Albert has gone home tonight and I am alone it has been a stormy dismal day and I have felt as dismal as it has looked I guess I have got the blues I have no life to do anything and dont care whether school keeps or not I have felt homesick or heart sick all day but hope to go home tomorrow but after I come back when will I see her again if she goes away to be gone all summer and what changes may take place in that length of time will she come back loving me as well as she does now I will hope so but who knows what influence may be thrown around her when there is an end to be accomplished but trouble will come fast enough without hurrying it I will pray God to keep her in the path of virtue and duty and shield her from harm and trust to his wisdom to guide her right

Friday, April 28, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning and rains part of the time we have April showers get up at 6 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual at 2 oclock Merrick and Ekron come over and bring me some wood I go home with them start at 4 oclock get home before 7 I find Sabra there and am glad to see her after supper I go over home with her and stay till after 1 oclock O what will I do when she gets gone to Pa I shall be so lonely

Saturday, April 29, 1871

It is still cloudy and some showry in the afternoon it rains most all the time I do not do any thing to day but go from one room to the other then down to the shop and back to the house I feel lonely and most homesick Mary Fernum dies to day they send up for Merrick and Father to help do the chores then go over to Mr. Rogers Sabra and I go down to Mr. F. a short time I come back stop with Sabra and stay till after 2 oclock I do wish she had got a school nearer home I do hate

to have her go to Pa for general reasons I suppose she would stay here if I said so but I see she has made up her mind she wants to go and I will not hinder for she would think that I could not trust to her own good sense and her love for me to guide her safely through and will ask God for his protecting care.

Sunday, April 30, 1871

It is most pleasant this morning but some cloudy with a cold wind I get up at seven oclock wash and shave me go over to Mr. R. at noon I cut Sabra and Veranus hair Sabra comes home with me and goes and takes me over to the centre we have a very pleasant ride she stays with me here about an hour then I go back with her up to the top of the hill then bid her good bye when shall I see her again It seems like an age to look forward to the time when school will be out I hope the time may come when she will be with me all the time and we will not need to be separated I hope she may have a good time and enjoy her self this summer I know she will not feel as lonely as I shall but I will try and make the best of it in the evening I go to prayer meeting

Monday, May 1, 1871

It is pleasant this morning but quite cold I get up at 5 oclock some sleepy and feeling as if I had been poorly stayed with study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual and have my lessons very well go out and play a game of croquet after supper. Study my rhetoric in the evening I feel rather lonely but if I am lonely now what will I do before the summer is ended. I wonder if Sabra has got packed up to night and if she would like to see me I would like to step in and help her pack her things but cannot and must go to bed it is most 8 1/2 oclock

Tuesday, May 2, 1871

It is clear and pleasant to day the sun shines bright and it looks more like summer I get up at 6 oclock study some study till chapel time go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well at night I work a little while on the park in the evening Ellen Place is to our room she does not go home till after 8 oclock I study rhetoric some in the evening and I begin a letter to Sabra how I would like to know where she is to night if she has gone to Pa and if she thinks of me any I think of her most of the time and pray that God may guide and protect her that she may be true to him and true to herself

Wednesday, May 3, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and looks like rain I get up at 5 oclock study my botany till it is chapel time go to chapel some one built a blockade across the bridge last night and Proff Allen offers to pay them for their time if they will only come to him I send a letter to Sabra to day I wish I could get one from her and know where she is at night it rains some and is some muddy I write a composition for rhetoric class tonight go to bed about 10 oclock

Thursday, May 4, 1871

It is rainy this morning and rains most of the time to day so it is quite mudy I get up at 6 oclock this morning and study some get my breakfast go to chapel and classes as usual Proff. Allen offers \$10 to anyone who will prove to him the person who put the barricade across the bridge I guess he is afraid he wont find out who done it I feel some sad and lonely to night I wish I could fly for a little time to where one is who loves me and who I think would be glad to see me and I

know I should be glad to see her I wonder if she has gone to Pa yet go to bed at 10 oclock

Friday, May 5, 1871

To day is rain and sunshine like the journey of life it grows some colder at night get up at 5 1/2 oclock study as usual go to chapel and all my classes we have an examination in Botany to day at night I go up home with Albert we go a foot I am some tired when I get there Ellen has got an organ there and she talks of buying it or some other one I most wish Sabra had taken music lessons last term I hope she may be able to do so some time I think it would make a home more pleasant and I hope I might some time be able to buy one

Saturday, May 6, 1871

It is misty and rainy this morning so they do not go to church after noon Albert Ellen and I call at Mr. Beber a short time at 5 oclock I come back to the centre it rains part of the way and I get some wet in the evening I go to lyceum we do not get through till 11 oclock I wonder if Sabra got my letter to night and if she was glad to hear from me how I wish I could get a letter from her and know how she is getting along and whether she misses me any or not

Sunday, May 7, 1871

It is pleasant this morning the sunshines and seems warmer but clouds up and towards night it grows cold rains and snows and so it is in life what seems pleasant to start with often turns out to be disagreeable I go to chapel and to church I am here alone and it seems so lonely O if I only had wings to fly how soon would I be somewhere else I presume Sabra does not miss me near as much as I do here she is there surrounded by friends and by those who will try to please her and I pass the whole long day here alone how I would like to step in tonight and see what she is doing but I must not think about it I will overcome my feelings and be strange if she only enjoys herself it is enough it is no consequence what became of me what is life at most only a few years of trouble and dissapointments a struggle against sin and then we find ourselves over come by it I most wish I had never been born but that is foolish I must be more strong I go to prayer meeting in the evening O I wish Sabra was here to go with me I feel lonely and guess I have got the blues to night may angels guard one I love

Monday, May 8, 1871

It is clear this morning but quite cold the ground is froaze some I get up a little past five study till chapel time go to chapel and classe as usual have my lesson very well it is quite cold all day I try to make out a beginning on my peice to day but am tired and most discouraged I cannot start it to suit me does it pay to toil thus for this short life but I would willingly toil if it would make the one I love feel proud of me and glad of my love I wonder if she is in dream land now at 10 oclock I hope she will dream of me I expect to get a letter from her tomorrow but may be disapointed there is many a slip between the up and life but good night dearest friend I must go to bed

Tuesday, May 9, 1871

It is clear and pleasant this morning but clouds up before night and is quite cold I get at 5 1/2 oclock study as usual go to elocution this morning and to other classes as usual we ask proff. Miller to let us go out Botanizing to night and he says we can we start about 6 oclock go up on

pine hill Most over to the railroad do not get many flowers we do not get back till most 8 oclock Miss Nelson gives me a lecture on the Sabbath question to night and some tracts to read she seems to be in earnest and almost thinks we are sining against light it may be so but I cannot see it in that light I get a letter to day from Sabra and am real glad to hear that she is well and having a good time I hope she will enjoy herself and be useful seting a good example before those with whom she associates

Wednesday, May 10, 1871

It is clear to day with a cold wind I have a headache to day but it is some better to night I go to classes as usual have my lessons very well after school I play croquet a little while. I write a letter to Sabra to day how I wish I could see her instead of writing in the evening I study rhetoric and write a composition for the class I feel tired tonight get ready for bed at 10 oclock

Thursday, May 11, 1871

It is pleasant today and some warmer I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study some as usual go to classes in the forenoon in the afternoon I write some on my peice in the evening I go to Proff. Allens lecture we have a very good one I wish Sabra had been here to go with me how I would like to step in where she is to night and see what she is doing get through the lecture at 10 oclock come to my room and go to bed

Friday, May 12, 1871

I get up this morning at little past 3 oclock go up to the observatory and Davis and I take a look at Saturn and the moon it is afine clear morning and the birds sing sweetly I come back to my room at 5 oclock study some go to chapel and to classes as usual have my lessons very well I play croquet a little while to night in the evening I study rhetoric I feel some tired and sleepy to night and some lonely what is the use of trying to be anyone I wish I could see Sabra to night it seems like a long time since I have seen her I wonder if she thinks of me to night and if she has written me a letter but I must go to bed so good night to my own love

Saturday, May 13, 1871

It is pleasant this morning but quite a cold wind from the north do not get up till most 7 oclock study some go to chapel then some back and go to writing on my peice then Waitz comes and stays till meeting time then after meeting is begun Ellen comes and stays with me till meeting is out she was late to meeting so would not go in then Mrs. P. Albert and Waitz come back after meeting and stay a spell so I do not do much writing on my peice I go up to the drawing room toward night work on my peice a little while in the evening I go to lyceum do not feel very well only stay till 9 1/2 then come down get ready for bed how I wish I was where Sabra is tonight

Sunday, May 14, 1871

I get up before 5 oclock this morning and start for home. It is clear and cold quite a frost on the ground I get home a 7 oclock eat breakfast change my clothes go over to Mr. Rogers a little while come back home lay down and take a nap then go to meeting have a very good sermon the preachers girls come up to our house to stay all night I stay till after supper then start back for the centre our folks carry me down on the creek and I foot it the rest of the way it is 8 1/2 oclock when I get over there and I am tired O how I wish I could see Sabra to night it would rest me I

wonder what she is doing may be she has got a beau if she has and I were there I would jerk him out of his boots but I don't believe she has one

Monday, May 15, 1871

It is pleasant this morning but clouds up and is cloudy most all day I get up at 5 o'clock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual at night I go out and play a game of croquet I feel most sick to day my head feels dizzy and I do not feel like studying have not written any on my piece to day I don't know as it will ever get done I wish I was in Penn. to night where Sabra is and I would not try to study go to bed at 9 1/2

Tuesday, May 16, 1871

It is clear this morning but clouds up at noon and is some rainy in the afternoon at night it rains quite hard I get up at 5 o'clock and study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual get a letter from Sabra to day and am glad to hear from her I would like to see her very much I do not feel very well to day my head aches some and I feel tired after supper I work on the park some in the evening I study rhetoric and begin a letter to Sabra go to bed at 10 o'clock tired

Wednesday, May 17, 1871

I get up little past 5 this morning and study as usual it is quite a cold wind to day but does not storm any go to classes as usual to day and have my lesson very well I send a letter to Sabra how I wish I could go myself I am tired and most discouraged after school I walk down to the Bridge and back in the evening I go up to Proff. Allens to a sociable stay a little while it is rather dull if some one was only here to go with me it would not seem so lonely come back go to bed little past 11 o'clock

Thursday, May 18, 1871

It is pleasant this morning but quite cold for the time of year I do not get up till most 6 o'clock study some before chapel go to chapel and to classes as usual to day did not have my lessons any thing extra go out and work on the park a little while to night I saw Miss Ayers she came up to bring Proff Allen her piece for Anniversary how I wish mine was done I am most discouraged to night Pheby Saunders and Mary Compton call at our room a short time in the evening study rhetoric some and get ready for bed little before 10 how I wish I could stop in and see what Sabra is doing to night and kiss her good night before going to bed

Friday, May 19, 1871

I do not get up till most 6 o'clock this morning study some go to elocution before chapel have a session of the Lyceum after chapel and note not to have J. Ward Hull lecture the coming Anniversary it does not suit Proff. Allen very well but I don't know what he will do about it we have a right to say who we want we have our examination in Botany to day and I did not do very well do not study much in the afternoon go out after supper and play croquet till most dark then study Botany little in the evening it has been a lovely day and some warmer things begin to grow fast I wonder if Sabra thinks of me to night and would like to see me as well as I would her

Saturday, May 20, 1871

It is clear this morning and very warm the sun shines hot I get up before 7 o'clock get breakfast

go to chapel and try to study little was going to write some on my peice but have company most all the time and do not write any till after noon then write little go out and play croquet after supper in the evening go to Lyseum do not get back till 11 1/2 then go to bed some tired and sleepy I wonder if Sabra got a letter from me to night and if she was glad to get one as I am I wish I could see her

Sunday, May 21, 1871

It is a clear warm morning there is not much air stiring I do not get up till most 7 oclock get breakfast and go to chapel then got ready to go to meeting Elder Swiney preaches we have a very good serman I have charge of Proff. Alores Bible class today in the after noon I go up to the reading room a while after supper Alvin and I take a walk we go down the road a little while then come back to the centre I had much rather see Sabra how I wish I was up there tonight I wonder if she has got a beau to night I think she would have if she was at home and I knew I go to bed at 9 1/2 oclock

Monday, May 22, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning and does not seem so hot it rains a little fore noon I get up at 5 1/2 oclock go to chapel at 8 Proff. Allen gives a most sacastic lecture on womans rights it was a disgrace to himself and an insult to us we got Proff. W to make a reply which was splendid and it cut them close we have a joint session of societies at noon and apoint a committee to procure a lecturer for aniversary at night we have a show in the chapel with microscope and magic lantern it was good we saw some very fine picture I wish Sabra had been here to go with me I know she would have enjoyed ever so much and it would have been more pleasant to me got ready for bed at 10 1/2

Tuesday, May 23, 1871

It is clear to day but quite a cold wind I get up at 6 oclock go to chapel as usual we have annother speach from Proff. Allen this morning and a reply from Proff. Whitford then another by Proff Allen and on on the part of the students by W.D. Williams excitement runs high all day I hope it will go down I get a letter to day from Sabra and am glad as ever to hear from her I am sorry she has not got mine I write part of one to her to night I am some tired go to bed at 10 1/2 oclock

Wednesday, May 24, 1871

It is pleasant this morning rather a cool wind I get up 5 1/2 oclock study some before chapel go to class as usual we do not have any speach in chapel this morning the subject is dropped I think but there is a bitter feeling between Proff. Allen and some of the students we have a committee to night to see about getting a lecturer and all the girls withdwaw which leaves it in a bad shape we have some talk and adjourn till tomorrow night I wish the excitment was done with I am all unstrung I have got the sick head ache cannot study any go to bed at 9 oclock I send a letter to Sabra to day and get one from Verenus (?) O dear I am sick and tired I wish I were some where else this evening it would be more pleasant

Thursday, May 25, 1871

It is pleasant this morning and quite warm I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual things are little more quiet to day but there is bitterness at the bottom

we have a committee meeting to night some of the ladies withdraw others stay and help we decide to write for a lecturer. We have a thunder shower to night it does not rain long I study rhetoric in the evening do not feel well to night do not go to bed till 10 oclock I wonder if Sabra is in bed and if she dreams of me

Friday, May 26, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and we have had quite a rain through the night and it is some misty this morning I get up at 5 1/2 study some go to elocution before chapel then to my other classes as usual I feel rather dull to day Albert goes home to night and Alvin has gone home for good I am here all alone and it is lonely I wish I could see Sabra to night I would give quite a little to see her I wonder if she ever sees the lonely hours I do but I must learn to bare against them what would I do if she should send me adrift perhaps I might smother my feelings but it seems to me there would be an aching pain but I do not fear to trust her love for me only such thought will sometimes creep in I wonder if she ever thinks so of me

Saturday, May 27, 1871

I do not get up this morning till 7 oclock get breakfast go to chapel it is pleasant and warm Ambrose calls at 9 oclock and I go home with him we get there a little before noon I call and see his baby it looks about as all babies do Hel. Blinen is married to day at 2 oclock I come by there about 1 1/2 oclock got a look at her through the window she was dressed in blue I suppose she is happy now she ought to be at least let every one get married that can if they want to every dog has his day so mine will come I expect how I wish I could see Sabra to night then I would not care for there wedding I call at Mr. Rogers a little while to night but do not stay as long as I would if some one else was at home but I hope I may see her before long

Sunday, May 28, 1871

I get up at 6 oclock this morning after breakfast wash and shave me at 1 oclock call at Mr. Rogers a little while go to Sunday school at 2 Phe and Mrs. R. goes to Sunday school I carry down the baby for Phe she said she wanted to break me in for I would have to come to it Anson Benjamin comes along and I ride over to the centre with him it is very warm though there is something of a breeze how I wish I was up in Penn. to night it is lonely here I don't believe she misses me as much as I do her but school will soon be out then I hope to see her

Monday, May 29, 1871

It is pleasant this morning I get up before 5 oclock and study some before breakfast go to chapel and classes as usual it is very warm today the thermatre is up to 98 and I feel rather dull wrote some on my piece to day I have got through it and I wish it was finished in the evening I study rhetoric some I hope I shall get a letter from Sabra to morrow how I would like to visit with her to night I will ask God to watch over her to night and guide her in the path of right

Tuesday, May 30, 1871

It is pleasant this morning and very warm It seems to hot to do anything I get up at 5 oclock study some go to classes as usual have my lessons very well I get a letter to day from Sabra with one in it from Amelia she talks of comming home in two weeks I would like to see her much in the evening I study rhetoric and begin a letter to Sabra feel some tired go to bed little past 10 oclock

we all went down to the burrying ground to night to decorate the soldier graves with flowers we had a very good time O.L. Sherman made quite a speach I said a few words then we had some music which was good It bring up some sad remembrance to visit the graves of those who have shared so many dangers with me

Wednesday, May 31, 1871

It is still as hot as ever to day we had little rain but it does not amount to much the wind gets in the north so it is not so hot I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study some go to classes as usual I send a letter to Sabra to day and write some on my peice how I wish it was done it begins to make me nervous in the evening Anna Pheby Saunders Frank Hall and Aden B come to our room to night do not go away till after 10 oclock so do not go to bed very early

Thursday, June 1, 1871

To day begins another month and it is the first day of summer how the time flys school will soon be out it is quite warm to day I get up little past 5 go to classes as usual Proff. Allen he excuses me from his class the rest of the term so I can write on my peice I wish it was done I want to finish it this week so as to hand it in and it makes me tremble to think of it but the sooner it is done the better I play a few games of croquet to night write a composition in the evening It is a lonely evening I wonder what Sabra is doing to night and if she thinks of the one that loves her but I must go to bed it is 10 oclock

Friday, June 2, 1871

Warm and pleasant to day I wish we might have some rain to cool off the air I get up little past 5 this morning study some go to elocution before chapel then to classes as usual have my lesson very well we have an examination in Botany this morning in the after noon I write some on my peice then play croquet a little while and write some in the evening I heard to night that I had been engaged to be married and the day set but for a certain reason it had been broken up so I came nearer getting married than I supposed but may be I may get married yet and to someone that I love I wish I could see someone to night

Saturday, June 3, 1871

It is very warm this morning I get up before 6 after chapel I go to work at my peice and write till after noon and am some tired I take a walk Miss Ayers is at Mr. Shephards and comes out and takes a walk with me I come back to my room and finish writing my peice and in the evening I carry it up to Proff. Allen O how I wish it was completed for the last time I go to Lyceum in the evening and get elected president so I come aniversiary day for president it has rained some this afternoon but not very hard I am tired and lonely to night Albert has gone home how I wish I was where Sabra is a little while go to bed 10 1/2 oclock

Sunday, June 4, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning but the air feels sultry and hot I do not get up till most 7 oclock get breakfast go to meeting stay to bible class come to my room get dinner then lay down and go to sleep it is very warm I go up to the reading room it is real lonely Albert is gone home it almost seem as if Sabra would be over here to day but she has not come how I wish she would have come then it would not be so dull here I shall go home next week I guess and hope she will come

home to so I can see her I don't believe she cares so much to see me as I do her

Monday, June 5, 1871

It is very pleasant to day and still quite warm I get up little past 5 study till chapel then go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well in the afternoon I write a letter to Kansas after supper I go out and play croquet in the evening I study rhetoric and write a verse of poetry for the class I hope I shall get a letter from Sabra to morrow there is a fuss on the road may be the mails will not run I would rather see her than get a letter go to bed at 10 oclock

Tuesday, June 6, 1871

Still very warm and and pleasant I get up at 5 1/2 study some go to classes as usual I get a letter from Sabra to day she talks of coming home and I must go home to see her next Saturday I get my oration back from Proff. Allen and it does not suit him the style it is written he says there is no inspiration in it and I guess it is so but I can't write any thing and there is no use in my trying I wish I was in Kansas to night settled down on a farm with some one that I love with me school might go and all the things with it but I suppose I am now in for it and will have to do the best I can

Wednesday, June 7, 1871

I get up this morning before 5 and go to work at my peice some go to classes as usual then in the afternoon write some on my peice at night I am tired my side pains me quite hard my head aches and if I was at home I should think I was sick I send a letter to Sabra to day I do not go to bed to night till 10 1/2 oclock O I wish I could fly for a little while I am discouraged and most sick if I could only see Sabra to night I should feel better

Thursday, June 8, 1871

I get up this morning little past 5 and write some on my oration go to chapel and to Botany class and then write and think most of the rest of the day I get most discouraged I go down and take supper with Shaw and wife have a very pleasant time play a game of croquet then go to writing in the evening work till 10 1/2 oclock then get ready for bed I feel some better today my side does not pain me so hard but my head aches and I have not got much inspiration it requires work to do any thing if I had only stayed out of school I would have got rid of this

Friday, June 9, 1871

It is pleasant to day and quite warm I feel rather dull got up little past 5 oclock go to Botany class and then write some on my oration but do not make out much I go home at 4 oclock Albert goes home we stop to Mr. Caufield and take supper then go home and go down to Mr. Halls we meet Sabra and I am glad to see her I did not expect to see her to night we come back home at 9 1/2 go to bed some tired

Saturday, June 10, 1871

Still pleasant and some warmer to day the wind blows some after breakfast I go a peice with Albert then come back home at 9 oclock go over to Mr. R. they all go to Wellsville but Sabra I stay with her till afternoon then she comes home with me stays 3 oclock then I go back home with her and have a good visit It is much pleasanter when she is here than not to see her at night

we have quite a shower of rain thunder and lighten quite a considerable I stay with Sabra till most 2 oclock

Sunday, June 11, 1871

It has cleared off this morning and is pleasant again do not get up till 6 1/2 oclock after breakfast change my clothes and then go over to Mr. R. at 11 oclock go to meeting at 3 come back take supper with Sabra then she goes a peice with me over beyond S. Caufields then I go on over to the centre get there at 9 oclock and am tired and sleepy it seems lonely to have Sabra go back to Penn. but her school will soon be out then she can be at home

Monday, June 12, 1871

It is some cloudy to day and a cold wind I get up this morning at 4 1/2 oclock and go to studying but my head aches and I have got a head cold I only go to the Botany class to day in the after noon Gusta Drek comes up to my room and stays about an hour and a half then I write some on my peice go to joint session of the lyceums come back and study some and write some I would like to know if Sabra has got back to Penn. and if she thinks of me any

Tuesday, June 13, 1871

There is a cold wind this morning and it is some cloudy I get up little past 5 and study some go to classes today write off part of my peice and hand it to Proff. Allen I expect he will say it wants 10 hours a day on it for a week and every thing else my head aches hard to night I hope it will be better by tomorrow I begin a letter to night to Sabra I would rather see her it is cold and I guess it will freeze some I get ready for bed at 10 oclock

Wednesday, June 14, 1871

It is cold this morning and is cloudy we have some rain and it hails some I do not get up this morning till after 6 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes do not get back my oration to day I wish I had it to know what I had got to do I send a letter to Sabra today in the afternoon go to Dr. Hearthorn funeral after supper I play croquet with Miss Famphire in the evening study rhetoric write some factry

Thursday, June 15, 1871

It is clear and pleasant this morning but quite cold I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well I ring the bell for Davis today at night I go to meeting and after meeting I go and get my oration of Proff. Allen it is not marked so bad as I expected it would be I think I can finish it in two days I get a letter to day from Mass and a picture of cousin Idella

Friday, June 16, 1871

It is clear and cold this morning I get up at 4 1/2 oclock chum is sick this morning so I do not sleep any and so get an early start I study some before chapel go to classes as usual we have an examination in Botany to day in the afternoon I write some on my peice begin to copy it over chum goes home to night and I am here alone it is rather lonely I wonder if Sabra thinks of me to night I would like to step in and see what she is doing I see Em Bozard tonight gave her Sabras Po address am some sleepy to night go to bed at 10 oclock

Saturday, June 17, 1871

It is quite a cold wind to day but grows warmer toward night and looks like rain I get up at 7 oclock get breakfast go to chapel then come back and write on my peice Anna and Frank Hall call a little while Mr. Plaus folks take dinner with us we do not have any Lyceum to night so I go to meeting go to bed about 10 oclock I feel some tired and lonely have got the blues a little while I wonder if she got my letter and if she was glad to hear from me

Sunday, June 18, 1871

It has rained quite a shower during the night so it feels refreshing I do not get up till 7 oclock after breakfast I go to chapel then go to meeting they ordain a new preacher Albert goes home it trys to rain a little but dont make out much in the evening I go to prayer meeting how I wish I knew what Sabra was doing and where she was if she thinks of me any and if she thinks where she was one week ago to night I hope she will be here at breaking up of school go to bed at 8 1/2 oclock

Monday, June 19, 1871

It is some cloudy to day but quite warm I get up at 5 1/2 oclock study till chapel time then go to chapel and classes as usual have my lessons very well I go to drawing class to day I want to draw another picture I study some on my rhetoric in the afternoon I have not got my oration back yet from Proff. Allen I wish I had it learned it will soon be time to speak it I begin to dred it some though I should not I hope I will get a letter tomorrow from Sabra

Tuesday, June 20, 1871

It is quite warm this morning and seems like summer again I get up little past 5 oclock go to chapel and classes as usual today and have my lessons very well I get back my oration to day and will not have to hand it in again now I have got to learn it I wish it was done with I get a short letter from Sabra to day and begin one to her I study some on my peice in the afternoon it rains little at night

Wednesday, June 21, 1871

It is pleasant again this morning but quite cool I get up little past 5 study some before chapel go to chapel and classes as usual I learn my peice today and begin to practice on it to night do not make out very well they say a pour beginning makes a good ending I hope I shall speak it well the last day I play croquet a little while in the evening I study rhetoric I send a letter to Sabra to day I hope she will get it this week I would like to see her tonight

Thursday, June 22, 1871

It is still pleasant but not very warm I get up before 6 oclock to go to chapel and class as usual at night I rehearse my peice as usual I wish I had is so it was good I play croquet a little while take a walk down the road come back study rhetoric in the evening I wish I was up to Penn. to night I would try and enjoy myself for a little while I wonder if she thinks of me to night

Friday, June 23, 1871

I get up little past 5 this morning go to to studying go to elocution before chapel and then to

classes as usual I rehearse my peice at 2 oclock then go home go on foot all the way am some tired when I get home it look like rain to night I wish Sabra was at home as she was two weeks ago but school will soon be out then I shall be free again

Saturday, June 24, 1871

It is raining splendid this morning I do not get up till most 7 oclock after breakfast I go over a cross the woods and get some money that is owing to me it rains most of the fore noon I come back home call at Mr. Rogers a little while then go over to the centre all the way on foot am some tired when I get there I go to lyceum in the evening we have a session untill 10 1/2 oclock then come to my room and go to bed

Sunday, June 25, 1871

I get up little before 6 this morning it is cloudy but soon clears off and is quite warm I go up home with Albert and we go over to camp meeting with his folks there is a large crowd of people there an I see quite a number I have not seen in some time Agnes Von Stillman and others are there I go down and take a lunch with Prof. Lewis then stay to the meeting in the afternoon then come up to Mr. Places and get supper in the evening Albert Ellen and I go back to camp meeting with Mr. Youngs folks have a good meeting and a nice drive home it is a beautiful moon light night how I wish Sabra was here to go with me I guess she thinks of me some I know I do of her

Monday, June 26, 1871

I get up this morning about 6 oclock stay to Mr. Places till after breakfast then Albert and I go down to the centre on foot do not get there till after chapel time go to botany class have my lesson very well go to drawing class at night I rehearse my peice before Proff. Allen at night in the evening I study rhetoric I feel some sleepy go to bed at 10 oclock

Tuesday, June 27, 1871

It is quite pleasant this morning I get up at 5 1/2 study some go to classes as usual it is the last day we have resitations for the term so I shall soon be through this terms work and then will I ever go to school anymore who can tell what the furure may bring forth I get a letter from Sabra I study rhetoric some in the evening Ellen P. calls at our room do not go to bed till most 11 oclock

Wednesday, June 28, 1871

I get up this morning at 4 1/2 oclock and go to studying on my rhetoric write my composition and get ready for examination after chapel go to examination come out very well in the afternoon I write some letters for the Ladies Festival I send a letter to Sabra to day in the evening I study Botany some go to bed at 10 oclock feeling rather dull I wish I could see Sabra to night I wonder if she wants to see me but I can only wish

Thursday, June 29, 1871

It is rather pleasant some cloudy and some cooler get up at 6 oclock study some for noon, have an examination in Botany in the after noon and that finishes up my examination They still keep a stew about the graduating class pretty soon I will let them go and they may do as they are of mind to I am not obliged to graduate here I play croquet some to night my head aches and I have got the blues some I don't care whether school keeps or not the ladies have a festival to night but I do

not go

Friday, June 30, 1871

It is pleasant this morning and quite warm get up at 6 oclock go to chapel do not have any resitations We practice on our peices in the fore noon and in the afternoon we begin to trim the chapel but there is so few of us that we do not get much done I run around in the evening some Frank Place calls on me I go down to Gardners and see T.W. Saunders have a pleasant visit

Saturday, July 1, 1871

I get up at 6 oclock this morning get breakfast go to chapel I rehearse my oration in the fore noon before rhetoric after dinner Haight and I go down to the bridge take the cars and got to Hornellsville we call on Mrs. Julia Ward Howe have a very pleasant talk with her go to her lecture in the evening then come up on the 11 oclock train it is a beautiful evening bright moon light with fleecy clouds how I wish Sabra was here to enjoy it with me I get home at 12 oclock go to bed some tired

Sunday, July 2, 1871

It is pleasant and quite warm to day I do not get up till 7 oclock go to chapel then get ready and go to meting D.K. Davis preaches and we do not have any thing extra for a sermon after sermon I call at Hunters room then come down get dinner call at Height room go up and let Mrs. Julia Ward Howe have the keys to visit our lyceum toward night call up to Mr. Champlains see Anna in the evening call at WJ Williams it rained little tonight I would like to know if Sabra came home today

Monday, July 3, 1871

It is pleasant this morning and very warm go to chapel and then go up and rehearse my oration in the forenoon in the afternon I go to the Athenaen session have a very good one in the evening I go to the session of the Oraes. it is first rate I am afraid it is better than ours will be I feel some lonely tonight I wish Sabra was here to go with me I wonder if she came home

Tuesday, July 4, 1871

It is warm this morning do not get up very early there is some wind this morning I go to the Alfredian Session in the fore noon have a very good one Merrick and Lib come over and bring Sabra and Amelia Tubbs in the after it rains hard when we have our session so we do not have very many out I am president of our session in the evening I go to hear a lecture from Mr.Wm A Bartlett it is a very good time Frank Place stays with me to night

Wednesday, July 5, 1871

I get up this morning before 5 oclock and am very busy getting ready take a walk down to the burrying ground this morning after breakfast go up and reherse my peice then the girls and I go up to Proff. Allens and come back to my room find Father and Mother there we go to the chapel then there is a large number out to day I speak my peice about noon soon after they confer the degrees I have the degree of A.B. and I think I have earned it I wonder if anyone feels more proud of me for graduating than they would if I had not went to school but went to work to lay up money I am better satisfied with my self for going to school I go home at night go over to Mr.

Rogers in the evening have a good visit with Sabra

Thursday, July 6, 1871

It is quite pleasant today but looks some like rain I call at Mr. Rogers in the morning go over a cross the woods in the after noon and down on the creek then back home over take Sabra going home from Mr. Deeks a good visit come home go to bed some tired and sleepy

Friday, July 7, 1871

It is not so warm to day I go over to the centre and get my things it is a job to pack up we get home at 5 oclock Sabra comes over and I go home with her Verenus does not get the team to go with us so I am payed out on going to Pa. in that way I shall have to try some other way I stay till most midnight again then go home have a very good visit I do not like to have her go back to Pa.

Saturday, July 8, 1871

It is warm and it is quite pleasant to day I go down and try to get a buggy of Allen B. to go with this morning do not get it then try to get another horse as I cannot get that I give up going to day go up to Mr. R. Amelia wants to go so I take our team and we start about noon I had rather wait till tomorrow then I might have stayed a few days but may be it is just as well we get up there at 9 oclock Niles H. go up with us from the corners and stays all night I do not go to bed till after midnight I am some sleepy

Sunday, July 9, 1871

It is very warm this morning I do not get up till 7 1/2 oclock stay here till noon then start for home Sabra goes down with me and part way up the big hill I wish she had come all the way with me when I get over to Bolivar it rains quite hard I stay there some two hours then I go on home get home between 10 and 11 oclock some tired and sleepy I presume someone else is in dream land before me this I wonder if they ever dream of me

Monday, July 10, 1871

It is pleasant this morning the rain has lain the dust I feel some tired and sleepy all day do not do anything but chores all day the school ma'am come up to our house and stays all night I guess she must come to see me I go down and pick some cherries after supper go to bed early to night for I do not feel much like sitting up long I am to lazy

Tuesday, July 11, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and rains a little by spells but not any hard after Merrick comes back from the factory we go to Scio after some lumber we go a fishing catch some 25 little ones get home at 6 oclock I feel to lazy to do any work I wonder why I was not born rich and lucky but next week I must go to work some where it will never do.

Wednesday, July 12, 1871

It is clear and warm again this morning I mow some here in the door yard this morning but it is hard work I get stung on the corner of my eye and it begins to swell some I put some mud on it and doctor it all the after noon I am afraid that it will look so that I cannot go to the assosiation to morrow and that would be bad just like the rest of my luck

Thursday, July 13, 1871

I get up at 6 o'clock my eye is swelled some but guess I will go to the association get ready to go to Scio on foot take the cans for Andover get there at 1 o'clock the association begins at 2 1/2 o'clock there is quite a number there we have a very good time we hold the evening session in the M.E. church and the church is full I stay at the hotel I wish Sabra was here to attend the association with me

Friday, July 14, 1871

I get up about 6 1/2 o'clock this morning after breakfast walk out to go to the association at 9 o'clock has a session both in the forenoon and in the afternoon break up at 4 1/2 o'clock take the cars and come to Scio I get a letter from Kansas ride up with Ferris do not leave Scio till after 9 and do not get home till 11 o'clock go to bed some tired and sleepy I wonder if Sabra is a bed and dreaming of me

Saturday, July 15, 1871

It is quite pleasant and warm to day after breakfast I go over across the woods stay till most noon then come home do not do any thing at night I go down to Squintville get home at 8 1/2 o'clock it is rather lonely to lay around doing nothing I wish Sabra was at home but by the time she comes may be I shall be away to work some where I wonder if she wants to see me any

Sunday, July 16, 1871

It is quite warm to day and looks some like rain toward night I go to Sunday School and prayer meeting to day is the first time I have been to Sunday School this summer Agusta Deck stops here to supper she is over a foot and a lone I go home with her then come back at 9 o'clock I wish I could go and see Sabra to night I wonder if she has gone to bed yet or has she got a beau to night I guess she thinks of me sometimes

Monday, July 17, 1871

It is quite cold this morning and some cloudy Merrick begins haying to day and mows most all day I go over across the woods and get some leather to tap my boots come back and tap them in the afternoon and write a letter to Sabra to night after supper I go out and work a short time in the hayfield come near blistering my hand I am some tired at night I do not feel very well

Tuesday, July 18, 1871

It is pleasant this morning and warmer after breakfast I go down to Scio I get a letter from Sabra and I send one to her I take the cans go to Wellsville then go up the river in the afternoon go up to where Beach lines stay there all night it is quite warm it is a new country here to me and does not look much better than it does at home maybe it is because I am used to it there

Wednesday, July 19, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning and looks like rain I stay to Mr. Beaches till after breakfast then he goes to Wellsville I ride down with him and take the cars and come to Scio it rains when I get there so I stay till 4 o'clock and then ride up with Geo. Hayse in the rain then stay with him all night it rains quite hard till late at night and it quite cold

Thursday, July 20, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and not very warm after breakfast I go home our folks do not hay it to day Mother and Lib go over to Mr. Decks I work some on my tool chest to day it is not a hay day I feel tired or lazy to day I do not know what ails me I feel most sick or else I am to lazy to breathe I should like to see Sabra a little while to night it would rest me

Friday, July 21, 1871

It is rainy to day and some showery so we cannot do any haying I do not do anything fore noon in the afternoon I go down to S. Thomas and I work on his barn all the afternoon at night I come back home call at D. Halls a little while Anna is at home It rains while I am coming home I wonder if Sabra has written me a letter to day she will soon be at home then I can see her

Saturday, July 22, 1871

It is cloudy and some rainy to day I feel most sick I work some on my tool chest in the after noon I go and pick some berries Mirriah Margeson is at our house to day on a visit and Ferris comes down to supper after supper I call at Mr. Rogers I wish Sabra was at home they said they were going in three weeks and that will not be long I come home and go to bed at 9 oclock tired and lazy

Sunday, July 23, 1871

I feel rather lazy to day they do not have any meeting or Sunday School to day but have quarterly meeting to Squintville our folks go down but I stay at home lay down and take a short nap then write a letter to Sabra how I wish I could see her to day I wish I knew what she was doing and if she thinks of me I am lonesome to night

Monday, July 24, 1871

It is warm and pleasant this morning after breakfast I go down on the creek to work for S. Thomas in the fore noon we fix up a track for horse fork to draw hay into the barn in the afternoon I board up some and make and hang some stable doors I am some tired at night I do not feel much like work

Tuesday, July 25, 1871

It is pleasant and warm again to day after breakfast I fix up some racks in the barn then I make some doors for the Gable end of the barn and hang them I send a letter to Sabra to day by Geo. Caufield and he gets one at the office for me from her how I wish I could see her at night I go down to Maybees to meeting Elder Clark preaches have a very good meeting.

Wednesday, July 26, 1871

It is pleasant this morning but we have a shower of rain in the after noon it does not rain very hard I dress out some stuff to hang some doors on before noon and in the after noon make out large door for the front end where they draw in hay I am some tired at night how I wish I could be in Penn. a little while to night

Thursday, July 27, 1871

It is lowery this morning and looks like rain but does not rain any I fix up a scaffold and put on the track to hang the door it is up near 30 ft. from the ground I do not like to work so high on a single plank we hang the door and in the after noon I make an other door for the lower part it is not very warm to night

Friday, July 28, 1871

It is more pleasant this morning looks some like a hay day again in the fore noon I hang annother door and make another in the after noon and hang that so I get all the door hung to day and settle up go home at night it is pleasant but I am some tired to work all day then foot it home I wish I could see Sabra to night

Saturday, July 29, 1871

It is warm and pleasant to day it is a good hay day I help Merrick in haying today pitch some hay and take some I am awful tired to night I am not used to this kind of work we get all drawed in he has got cut he will soon be through haying annother week is gone In two weeks I expect Sabra will be at home

Sunday, July 30, 1871

It is still warm and pleasant I get ready and go to Sunday School and meeting Elder Hull preaches we have a very good sermon I come home take supper it is dreadful lonesome I wish Sabra was here so I could see her I go done on the creek to prayer meeting we have a very good I go a foot am some tired when I get home

Monday, July 31, 1871

It is still warm and dry I do not do any thing to day except to do chores and I paint my tool chest I carry our folks over to Cartine Bentlys at noon and go after them at night Merrick works for Ekran to day the last day of an other month is come time is flying soon the year will be at an end

Tuesday, August 1, 1871

Still hot and dry I write a letter to day to Sabra and go down to Scio where I get one from her. I hope to see her I go up and take dinner with Sarah Way I come home at night it is lazy work this laying I shall have to do some thing but I don't feel like work one bit

Wednesday, August 2, 1871

It is still hot and very dry we need rain very bad I mow some with the machine for Merrick this fore noon and in the afternoon I help rake it up and put it in bunches I do not work hard enough to hurt me

Thursday, August 3, 1871

It is hot as ever to day I go down to the cheese factory this morning with the milk after I come back I help Merrick draw hay and rake some at noon we go over and help the boys burn their follar it makes a hot fire and they get a good burn we come back and finish Merricks haying to day so that job is done

Friday, August 4, 1871

It is some cloudy and looks like rain but the air is very warm I just do chores to day and read some in the afternoon I go pick some black berries so we can have some for supper at night we have a thunder shower but it does not rain very hard

Saturday, August 5, 1871

This is the last day of another week and still warm I do not do much to day go down to the school house in the after noon hear them practice on their peices for the picnic at night we go to Scio and go swiming in the river in one week I hope Sabra will be at home I should like to see her very much I wonder if she thinks of me to night

Sunday, August 6, 1871

It is warm again to day I get ready and go to Sunday School and meeting Elder Wilkinson preaches it is his last sermon for the year in this place we make arangements for the picnic which comes on Wednesday I am appointed one of the committee with Augusta Deck I wish Sabra had been here to be on the committee with me I should like it much better at night call at Mr. Rogers stay about an hour I think I should have stayed longer if Sabra had been at home I wish I could see her to night and see if she has got a beau

Monday, August 7, 1871

It is still hot as ever I do not do anything to day except chores in the afternoon I go a berrying down in Honais lot get about 3 quarts we have a little shower of rain about 4 oclock but it does not last long everything is drying up we shall all dry up if we don't have rain before long

Tuesday, August 8, 1871

It is cloudy this fore noon. I do not do any thing have the teeth ache a little in the after noon I go over and help fix up a little table and stand and some seats and put up one swing come home at 5 oclock Agusty Deck stays at our house to supper to night tomorrow is the picnic I wish Sabra was here to go but there is no use of wishing

Wednesday, August 9, 1871

It is pleasant today and not so very warm I get ready for the picnic at 10 oclock ride over with Frank Brodie there is quite a number there the children speak peices and we have a very good time Elder Hull speaks a short time and a man named Adams then we have dinner after dinner most of them take a swim I take a short one with Augusta then go home and go to Scio with Anson Benjamin come back there and take supper then come home I get a letter from Sabra to day how I wish she had been here to day I should have enjoyed it much better I have had the teeth ache part of the time to day

Thursday, August 10, 1871

It is pleasant to day and some warmer than yesterday I help Merrick cut a peice of oats in the fore noon I go up to Mr. Margisans at noon. I have the teeth ache all the after noon so I am most crazy I wish several of them were pulled out Mr. R. goes to Pa. to day I wish I was up there to night for my teeth ache so I do not think I shall sleep much I wonder if Sabra thinks of me any to day

Friday, August 11, 1871

It is very warm to day. I have the teeth ache all night most and do not sleep much of any my face is swelled up this morning and does not feel very good I have the tooth ache most all day my head aches and I am most sick I wish I was where I could have some of my teeth pulled out to day is the last day of Sabras school I expect I wish I were there may be I should get a ticket it looks like rain to night

Saturday, August 12, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and misty but I guess we will not get any rain I go to Belmont to day with Merrick and I have two teeth pulled and they hurt very much my face is swelled very bad boath teeth were ulcerated and very sore we have to stay till after 6 before we get our grist then come home for I would like to see her but maybe she dont care much to see me

Sunday, August 13, 1871

It is clear and warm to day I wash and shave me then I go over to Mr. Rogers they have not got home yet so I do not see Sabra come back home get ready to go to Sunday when I get along by Mr. R. I see they have got home I stop and see Sabra a few minutes and then go to Sunday School come back and stop to Mr. R. Sabra goes home with me we go up to Geo. C. and have a Swing I go home with Sabra and stay till after mid night have a good visit with her

Monday, August 14, 1871

It is very warm to day I help Merrick cradle oats to day it is hard work for me and makes my side lame I am most bushed when we get the peice down I go down to Uncle Merrick after our folks when I come back Sabra comes home with us and I go back home with her and stay a little while then go home and go to bed tired and sleepy

Tuesday, August 15, 1871

It is still very hot I help to cradl this fore noon and in the afternoon I rake oats till supper time we have a shower of rain after supper but it does not last long in the evening I go up to Mr. R. and stay till 10 oclock my side is quite lame I guess I shall not work much tomorrow

Wednesday, August 16, 1871

It is clear again and not quite so warm as it was yesterday I do not do much to day do not feel like work in the after noon I go and pick some black berries for supper stay at home to night and go to bed my head aches and my side is lame

Thursday, August 17, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning do not do anything in the fore noon In the after noon I help Merrick dig out and stone up a spring so as to fix in a wattering trouth for the cattle at night I call at Mr R and see Sabra a little while it is more pleasant than when she was away

Friday, August 18, 1871

It is pleasant to day but not so very warm we fix the wattering trouth this fore noon in the after noon I help Merrick thrash peas we get them done before night Anna Hall her mother and Aunt Yurinday make a visit at our house this after noon I am some tired at night

Saturday, August 19, 1871

It is clear and warm to day in the fore noon I help Merrick draw in oats and in afternoon we go a berrying down on the creek and up back of Hamiltons fields Sabra goes with us we get quite a nice lot we get home at dark I do not go over to Mr. R. tonight

Sunday, August 20, 1871

It is still hot and dry I get ready to go to D Eastens funeral Sabra goes with us he hung himself last Friday Colman preaches the sermon there is a large crowd out come home and go to Sunday school then go to Belmont after the Dr. for Lib. Sabra goes with it rains a little we get back at 8 oclock I go over to Mr R. and stay till 1 oclock

Monday, August 21, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning but does not look much like rain I help to draw in a load of oats fore noon in the after noon I go down to Scio and carry down some apples and get some things I get back home at dark and go to bed some sleepy

Tuesday, August 22, 1871

It is clear and warm again to day and as dry as ever no signs of rain I go down where the colts are in the fore noon in the afternoon I help Okran draw some oats at night I go over to Mr. R. and stay till most 11 oclock I always make a long visit when Sabra is home

Wednesday, August 23, 1871

It is still clear and hot I plow a little this forenoon do not do much of anything in the afternoon only read some Sara calls a little while this after noon does not stay long I do not go over there to night but get ready for bed early

Thursday, August 24, 1871

It is still very warm I do not do much to day only make a whifle tree and in the afternon I file a saw it clouds up and sprinkles rain but does not make out much at night I call at Mr. Rogers and stay till 11 oclock

Friday, August 25, 1871

It rains quite hard this morning and I am glad to see it rain Henry is over for me to work for him to day but it rains and I don't go in the afternoon I go down on the river fishing with Verenus Rubin and Aaron we get quite a number get back at dark I stop to Mr. R. get supper stay till after 10 oclock then go home and go to bed

Saturday, August 26, 1871

It is still rainy this morning but not very hard after breakfast Merrick and I got over to Mr. R. Merrick and Aaron settle up I come home at 11 oclock any go over across the woods we have some heavy thunder showers in the after noon I come home to supper Mr. Dick folks are at our house I go down and get my colt home to night

Sunday, August 27, 1871

It is rainy this morning and rains steady most all day I am glad to see it rain it has been so dry at noon I go over to Mr. Rogers and stay all the after noon and evening Sabra and I take a walk just at night I wonder that she loves me any I act so and I should not blame her if she did not I wish I had some of my life to live over again I would not do as I have done and if she does not do right I shall be to blame but I will try and do different in future if she will forgive the past

Monday, August 28, 1871

It is some cloudy to day but does not rain much I go over a cross the woods to work to day I work in the shop down to Joes I get out cornice for the School house I am some tired at night after supper I go home and go to bed early for I am sleepy and tired I wonder if Sabra is at home tonight

Tuesday, August 29, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and some rainy I get out cornice all the fore noon then go down on the creek but it rains so we cannot do anything so we come back to Joes and I file my saw and then come home I go over to Mr. R's in the evening Sabra is not at home I stay till 9 oclock then come home go to bed

Wednesday, August 30, 1871

I get up before 6 oclock any go over to work we go down and work on the school house to day It is cloudy and rains some we put the cornice on the two sides of the school house to day come up and stay to Henrys all night I am some tired

Thursday, August 31, 1871

I get up at 6 oclock after breakfast I go down to work on the school house It is quite pleasant to day we put the cornice on the front end of the house in the after noon I side up some on the front end and one side come up to Henrys get supper then come home go over to Mr. Rs. Sabra has not got back yet I stay till 10 oclock go home go to bed

Friday, September 1, 1871

It is quite pleasant to day and the sun shines quite warm after breakfast we go down to work on the school house I side up all day to day we get two sides done and the front end at night I come home and stay to Henrys all night

Saturday, September 2, 1871

It is still quite pleasant get up at 6 oclock and go down to work on the school house again I side up some fore noon and fix a bench then in the afternoon I dress some flooring at night I come home after supper get home 8 1/2 oclock go to bed early tired and sleepy

Sunday, September 3, 1871

It is pleasant today and quite warm I wash and shave me after breakfast at noon I go over to Mr. Rogers Sabra acts as if she was mad or else sick I do not know which but she says there is nothing the matter we go to Sunday School I come back and stop get supper and stay the evening to day is my birth day how time flies and do I go any better sometimes I think that I grow worse but from to day I will try and see if the next year cannot be better than the last

Monday, September 4, 1871

It is still warm and pleasant I get up at 6 oclock and go over across the woods to work on the school house we lay part of the floor to day and begin to ceil it up I come up to Henrys and stay all night I am some tired and sleepy go to bed early

Tuesday, September 5, 1871

It is still warm and pleasant go down to work again on the school house we finish laying the floor to day case the door and ceil up around the house at night come up to Henry after supper I come home and stay all night do not go over to see Sabra to night

Wednesday, September 6, 1871

I get up this morning and go back to work on the creek it is quite warm we case the windows to day and put caps on the ceiling at night I come home again I look for Sabra but she is not there so I go over and see her stay till 12 oclock it rains some to night but not very hard

Thursday, September 7, 1871

It is clear again this morning but cold I go down to work again we put the cornice on the back end of the house today and in the afternoon I finish siding it up go up to Henry's and stay to night it is real cold feels like a freeze

Friday, September 8, 1871

There is quite a frost this morning so the ground is white in some places go down to work again this morning I make some door frames in the fore noon and Lath some in the after noon go to Henrys at night call down to Joes in the evening it is quite cool

Saturday, September 9, 1871

It is some cold but no frost this morning I go back to work I help lath in the fore noon in the after noon fix up the entry to the house at night I go home I feel some tired and go to bed little past 9 oclock

Sunday, September 10, 1871

It is cloudy today and rather cold it rains some in the afternoon at noon I go over to Mr. Rogers at 2 oclock we go down to Sunday school I come home Sabra comes with me after supper I go home with her and stay till midnight then come home and go to bed

Monday, September 11, 1871

It is clear again this morning but rather cold I go down to work again at the school house in the forenoon fix some door frame Henry goes to the Centre today at night we work on the school house till 2 o'clock then lay down and go to sleep I am some sleepy

Tuesday, September 12, 1871

I get up and go to work again this morning I fix up a box to put the chimney on in the forenoon and in the afternoon I point the back end of the house go up to supper then come down and paint on the insid of the schoolhouse till one oclock then lay down and take a short sleep

Wednesday, September 13, 1871

It is warm and pleasant again this morning I go to work again finish painting the house on the inside forenoon and in the afternoon I paint the front end of the house at night I go up to Henrys get supper then go home Waity is there I go and see Sabra stay till 11 o'clock come home and go to bed

Thursday, September 14, 1871

I get up this morning and go back to work I mix mortar some in the forenoon and paint some hang some blinds on the windows in the afternoon it looks like rain to night in the evening we putty in some glass till 12 o'clock then lay down and go to sleep some tired and sleepy

Friday, September 15, 1871

It is rainy this morning and cold so it makes me shiver I putty glass all the forenoon and in the afternoon fix to make the seats then I fix and hand the front door we get a stand and put up in the house and make seats till midnight then go to bed

Saturday, September 16, 1871

It is some cloudy but it does not rain much I help to make seats all the forenoon in the afternoon I paint one side of the house at night come up to Henrys get supper then come home some tired and sleepy I look for Sabra some but she was not there I guess she dont care to come when I am at home go to bed at 9 o'clock

Sunday, September 17, 1871

It is pleasant today I get up and get ready for meeting go over to Mr. Rogers Sabra goes to the meeting with me we have a class meeting Sabra does not stay in I know where the fault is it is because I have acted so she has no confidence in me or herself there is no use in my trying if I have drawn one away from her love and it seems as if I dont care to try if Sabra will not go with me but I have no one to blame for it but my self and must suffer the consequences

Monday, September 18, 1871

It is clear and pleasant today I get up this morning and go back on the creek to work at 11 o'clock go to scio take the cars to Belmont then come back to scio and then home I get ready to go to Portage go over to Williams get a horse and get ready to start at 11 1/2 o'clock for the Bridge it is quite a cold night Sabra goes with me

Tuesday, September 19, 1871

We get to the Bridge at 2 o'clock it is quite dark put out the horse take the cars at 3 go to Hornellsville at 4 o'clock start for Portage where we got before 6 some tired and sleepy we go down in the village on foot come back up and climb the bridge before breakfast get something at 8 it rains some forenoon we have a speech from Scott after noon then go down to middle falls come back start for home it is dark and I am very sleepy get home at 12 o'clock go to bed

Wednesday, September 20, 1871

I get up at 7 o'clock this morning some sleepy take the horse home then go down on the creek to

work on the school house I paint over on the outside come up to Henrys get supper then go over home and over to Mr. Rogers stay till 11 oclock come home go to bed some sleepy and tired it is quite pleasant today but cold.

Thursday, September 21, 1871

I go back to work today on the school house we finish up the house today I come home and go down to squintville to caucus get on as one of the delegates to go to convention it is a cold night get home little past 8 oclock read till 11 then go to bed it has been clear and cold today

Friday, September 22, 1871

It frooze quite hard last night but is clear today I go down to Uncle Merricks this mornng then get ready go to Angelica to convention get ready to come home at 4 1/2 oclock get home at 8 cold tired and sleepy and besides that I have the tooth ache hard so I cannot sleep much I wish some one was here to keep me company

Saturday, September 23, 1871

I do not sleep much last night get up at 7 oclock it is pleasant today and some warmer I go over across the woods take dinner to Jo B's come home go over and see Sabra a little while tonight my head aches and I feel most sick go to bed early

Sunday, September 24, 1871

I slept some last night but my face is swelled some yet it is pleasant today go to sunday school meeting Elder Hull preaches Sabra goes to meeting with me and come home with me stays till after supper then I go home with her and stay the evening I wish I could be better then she would love me more than she does much will be laid to my charge to answer for she loves me and my influence ought to lead her to a higher and a noble life and that is my prayer but I fail and I shall have it to answer for

Monday, September 25, 1871

It is some cold and rainy this morning I stay at home till afternoon go over across the woods come home and go over to Mr. Rogers in the evening and see Sabra stay till after 10 then come home go to bed some sleepy

Tuesday, September 26, 1871

It is some cold and rainy this morning I make a flower stand for Lib today and write some letters then go to Scio a foot get back after dark do not stop to see Sabra tonight guess she is down on the river

Wednesday, September 27, 1871

It is more pleasant to day but quite cold in the after noon it rains some I go to Scio then 4 mile up nights creek then back home stop to Mr. Rs a little while I am tired tonight

Thursday, September 28, 1871

It is rainy this morning and some cold I go over across the woods to day but do not get any money come back home Mr. Meargeson and wife are at our house I go over to Mr. Rogers in the

evening stay till 11 oclock then go home go to bed

Friday, September 29, 1871

It is cold this morning and snows little I go to Scio then to Wellsville see Armstrong but do not take the job of work come down to Scio ride up with F. Farnum get home at 8 oclock some tired and cold

Saturday, September 30, 1871

It is more pleasant to day and warmer I go down on the vandemark then to Scio and up to Wellsville do not see Armstrong come down with R. Rogers and ride home with him get home at 7 oclock am some tired to night go to bed at 9 oclock

Sunday, October 1, 1871

It is pleasant to day and quite warm I go over and call at Mr. Rogers before I go to Sunday School they have friends there from Ill. I go onto Meeting Sabra does not go come home after meeting get supper then go over to Mr. R. and stay the evening to day begins a new month will I live it any better than the last one I hope that I may

Monday, October 2, 1871

It is still pleasant to day and quite warm I go down and help Ekron draw some buck wheat fore noon our folks go to Squintsville I work in the shot some afternoon at night I go down to Uncle Merricks to get them to help thrash buck wheat come back Frank is at our house I feel some tired and go to bed early

Tuesday, October 3, 1871

It is rainy this morning but does not rain hard I grind some tools to day and get ready to go away to work in the afternoon I gather some apples we get 18 bushels on one tree at night I go over to Mr. Rogers stay till 8 oclock then go home go to bed it is colder to day

Wednesday, October 4, 1871

It is clear again this morning but some cold I gather a few apples this morning then start to go up knights creek to work get there at one oclock get dinner then begin to lay out some of the timber for the frame I lay out two sills am some tired to night go to bed at 8 oclock

Thursday, October 5, 1871

It is clear this morning and quite warm again I go to work at 7 oclock lay out the rest of the sills to day and frame some on them and get out some of the other timber I am tired at night I wonder if anyone thinks of me any

Friday, October 6, 1871

It is pleasant this morning but it grows quite cold before night and clouds up looks like a storm I frame some timber for the upper part of the house to day my head ache to night go to bed at 8 1/2 oclock

Saturday, October 7, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and quite cold but clears off at night I lay out and frame timber till 4 oclock then start for home go down on the creek ride to Scio then foot it home get home at 7 oclock tired enough I wonder if Sabra is at home

Sunday, October 8, 1871

It is quite pleasant to day and some warmer at noon I go over to Mr. Rogers Sabra goes down to Sunday School with me to day is our last Sunday School for this fall I come back home Sabra comes with me then I go back home with her get supper then stay the evening I wonder if she will allways love me as she says she does now I am not worthy that any one should love me

Monday, October 9, 1871

I get up this morning write two letters after breakfast I start back to work it is pleasant and quite warm I get up there at 11 oclock and frame some sticks in the afternoon I am tired at night and go to bed early

Tuesday, October 10, 1871

Pleasant out again this morning and quite warm I frame some rafters fore noon at noon Frank comes and in the after noon we frame on the sills I make some pins to pin it to gather get it most ready to raise to day I wish it was most done

Wednesday, October 11, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning and looks like a storm We put the sills together and raise the house this fore noon in the after noon we begin to board it up toward night it rains so we have to quit work there is no work we can do in the barn in the evening it snows quite hard

Thursday, October 12, 1871

Snow is about 2 inches deep this morning and it is misty it thaws fast and it is sloppy weather we board up some to day but it is slow work it clears off in the afternoon I go down to Belmont at night to go to the Institute go to a concert in the evening look for Sabra there but do not see her go to the Hotel and stay all night

Friday, October 13, 1871

It is cold and frosty this morning I go up to the court house stay till 9 oclock then go to the Institute and stay till it break up little past 12 then in the after noon go to the court house till 4 oclock take the cars for Scio then foot it up the creek to my work again I am tired to night

Saturday, October 14, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and looks like rain we put the rafter on the building and put on the roof board and shingle some at night Frank and I ride down to Scio then foot it home we get home little past 8 oclock I am tired to night I wonder if Sabra has come home yet

Sunday, October 15, 1871

The wind blows hard this morning and it looks some like a storm it does rain some fore noon but grows colder and clears off after noon I call at Mr. Rogers Sabra has not come home I go to meeting then come home get supper and go over to Mr. Rs again Mr. Rogers has got back but

Sabra does not come this is the first Sunday since she came home that I have not seen her

Monday, October 16, 1871

It is pleasant again this morning I start back to work at 8 1/2 o'clock Jo carries Frank and I to Scio then we foot it up to our work get up there at 11 o'clock make a bench for dinner in the afternoon we dress out the Carnish for the house and finish boarding up the gable ends I am some tired tonight

Tuesday, October 17, 1871

It is clear and quite warm to day for the time of year Frank and I put on the cornice to day we get it done at 3 o'clock then we shingle till night, It clouds up to night and rains a little but not enough to do any good go to bed early to night for I feel some tired

Wednesday, October 18, 1871

It is real cold this morning and spits snow once in a while the wind is in the north and it is cold we work in the barn all day make 3 door frames and get out the stuff for the window frames and put one of them to gather I am some tired to night to go to bed at 8 1/2 o'clock It clears off to night

Thursday, October 19, 1871

It is some cloudy this morning and the wind is in the south it blows very hard we work in the barn a short time then try to shingle but the wind blows so we cannot so we put in 6 window frames I side up one gable end and begin down to the bottom of the windows I am tired to night

Friday, October 20, 1871

It is colder this morning the wind is in the north it is cloudy in the fore noon but clears off at night Frank finishes shingling to day I side up in the fore noon in the afternoon I make two window frames and put them in put on the corner boards and side up little just at night I am tired tonight I wish I could see Sabra I wonder if she thinks of me

Saturday, October 21, 1871

It is clear and frosty this morning but warms up toward noon Frank and I side up to day we finish one end and one side we start for home at 5 o'clock come down to Scio wait till most 9 o'clock for the hogs to go home then we ride up on horse back get home at 10 o'clock some tired go to bed and go to sleep I would like to see Sabra

Sunday, October 22, 1871

It is pleasant to day and warm I go over to Mr. Rs before meeting Sabra is at home they have got a melodian there Sabra goes to meeting with me Elder Hull preaches I came back stop with Sabra get my supper and stay the evening they have company from West Almond

Monday, October 23, 1871

I get up this morning at 5 1/2 o'clock start back to work at 6 1/2 ride down to Scio on horse back then foot it up the creek to my work we side up the west end of the house to day do not get it done till after dark go to the house get supper go to bed I am some sleepy and Frank is more so

Tuesday, October 24, 1871

It is cloudy some to day and looks like rain we work to day at most every thing we make stairs to the cellar and make a door so we use up the day I wish we had the rest of the stuff here it is a damage to me to have to wait

Wednesday, October 25, 1871

It is cloudy and looks like rain we work some to day case the windows down stairs get it done at 8 oclock then we go home go all the way on foot get home at 9 oclock some tired Frank stays all night with me

Thursday, October 26, 1871

It is not quite so cold today but it is cloudy I go over across the woods and work a little while for Jo on his house then come home help clean up some buckwheat in the evening go to prayer meeting Sabra goes with me but takes no part in the meeting the fault is with my actions she has no confidence in me or herself It rains when we come home from meeting I stop and stay a short time with Sabra

Friday, October 27, 1871

It does not rain any this mornng and is quite warm for the time of year I go over and work on Joes house we put on some of the cornish and side up some it is colder to night and looks some like a snowstorm I go home and stay I wish Sabra would come over and see me to night go to bed at 8 1/2 oclock

Saturday, October 28, 1871

It is real cold this morning and there is some flurries of snow the wind is in the north west and blows cold I go over across the woods to work again to day we put on some cornish and some siding and fix some of the floor at night I come home and go over and see Sabra stay till most 12 oclock Millie is sick some to night

Sunday, October 29, 1871

It is still quite cold but clears off to day and I guess it is going to be warmer I go over to Mr. R. before meeting stay a little while Sabra goes to meeting with me she comes into class meeting but will not take any part I cannot bare the thought that she should now go back and not try any longer to be a christian I know that it is my fault and I deserve the punishment but it seems as if it was heavier than I could bare I fear if she goes west that it will only be worse as she goes where there is no society that is good and no influence to draw her back to the love of the savior

Monday, October 30, 1871

It is cold this morning and a cold wind I get up and have breakfast before daylight get ready to go to work before 8 oclock Jo carries up down to Scio I pick out some trimmings for the doors then ride up with Coteler Holl side up some and lay the floor in the upright part I am some tired and sleepy I would give most any thing if I could only see Sabra to night I would have stoped this morning if I had thought she would have been up I hope she will not write an other letter telling them she is not coming I wish I had not given her what I wrote on that paper but it is to late now

Tuesday, October 31, 1871

It is much warmer this morning the wind is in the south and it is quite pleasant we put up some partitions below to day and build the stairs we get them down at night I am some tired to night I wonder what Sabra is doing to night and if she thinks of me

Wednesday, November 1, 1871

The wind blows quite hard this morning and it rains some we lay the chamber floor to day and the floor in the kitchen I put up some door frames to day we have got to work fast if we get done this week it is cloudy at night and looks like snow

Thursday, November 2, 1871

The wind blows cold this morning but it grows warmer toward noon I make some door frames to day and use the windows up stairs Frank lays some floor and puts the partitions upstairs I get all the door frames made to day I am tired at night I would like to see Sabra to night and know what she has decided about going west I wish I had not given her the paper I wrote she will think I can not trust her

Friday, November 3, 1871

The wind is rather cool to day but it is clear and quite pleasant I fit and hang doors to day all day and I am tired at night Armstrong comes down to day and makes us some extra work so we shall not get through tomorrow Frank puts down some of the map boards to day I wish I was at home or some where else I wonder if some one thinks of me to night

Saturday, November 4, 1871

It is quite pleasant to day but a cold east wind we hang the rest of the doors to day finish the butter put down all the map boards and put stop casings in the windows We start for home at 5 oclock get home at 8 some tired I get a letter that Sabra has left there for me she tells the reason she wants to go west perhaps it is best she should go

Sunday, November 5, 1871

It is cloudy and a cold wind and it freezes some I write a note to Sabra fore noon I will give up all my plans for teaching school and buy me a place or work at my trade it seems hard for one to give up their favorite plans for life but may be it will be better for me my education will do me no hurt if I farm it for a living if I had plenty of money if should not be so I will try and make the best of it I go to prayer meeting Sabra goes with me she takes a part in the meeting and I hope she may always live a true christian she goes home with me a short time in the evening

Monday, November 6, 1871

It clears off to day but it is a very cold wind It freezes all day I go over to the centre today on foot pay up some of me debts call at Proff Allens get my diploma call at Mr Hunters and Miss Ayars then go home and my feet are sore I wish I had been born rich or lucky go to bed early

Tuesday, November 7, 1871

It is clear again to day and not quite so cold I go over to Mr. Rogers a little while then come back and drive my colt to squintville with one of the horses go to Election get me a pair of boots get

home at 4 oclock after supper Sabra calls and I go home with her stay till past 11 oclock then go home and go to bed my head aches to night

Wednesday, November 8, 1871

It is cloudy this morning and snows some and it is quite cold I go back to work this morning go on foot get up there at 11 oclock tired do not do much before dinner case the stairs and make a trap door in the after noon it clears of at night I go to bed early for I am tired

Thursday, November 9, 1871

It is quite pleasant to day and not so cold the sunshines most all day I work little at the Stantials this morning then I make a cupboard for Mrs. Sprague get it done before night and work at the stantials a little while again I wish I could see Sabra to night I feel little lonesome up here

Friday, November 10, 1871

It rains some this morning and the wind blows quite hard it rains by spells all day but grows colder at night I work at the stantials to day all day and get them up down under the barn so I have not much more to do here I shall pack up my tools to morrow and start for home

Saturday, November 11, 1871

It does not rain this morning but is cold I ride down to Scio with Calvin Sprague then go home on foot in the after noon it is some warmer toward night after supper I go over to Mr. Rogers and stay the evening have a good visit with Sabra

Sunday, November 12, 1871

It is quite cold to day there is no meeting here on the hill to day Merrick and Lib go to Scio to meeting at noon I go over to Mr. Rogers and stay the after noon and Sabra come home with me a little while then I go back and stay the evening with her come home at midnight go to bed

Monday, November 13, 1871

It is very pleasant to day and some warmer I help Merrick dig out a spring and put a box in it in the afternoon I go a hunting a short time then after supper I go over to Mr Rs stay a little while the wind blows quite hard to night Waily stays at our house all night

Tuesday, November 14, 1871

It is some rainy this morning and in the after noon it rains quite hard we hitch up one of the colts and drive over to Brodies then Merrick helps Ekron kill hogs I do not do any thing to day only sit around the house I wish Sabra would come over to day Lib has gone over to her mothers

Wednesday, November 15, 1871

It is colder to day and it snows this morning and the wind blows quite hard Merrick and I go over to C. Blinens and make some cider to day it is cold come back at night I go up to Mr. Rs and stay till most 11 oclock then come home go to bed

Thursday, November 16, 1871

It is cold this morning and snows some I go to Scio to day on foot I settle with Armstrong to day

I ride back with Rubin Eastman take supper there then come down and stop to Prayer meeting with Sabra then I come home with her and stay till 10 oclock then go home Waity stays at our house to night

Friday, November 17, 1871

It is not quite so cold to day and it thaws some I go over to G. Canfields this morning come back and help to kill hogs then we hitch up the colts and drive them over to the Brodies boys and up to G. Canfields I look for Sabra to come over to day but she does not come I stay at home to night and go to bed early

Saturday, November 18, 1871

It is frosty this morning and a cold wind all day I stay at home to day and do not do anything I looked for Sabra to come over today but she does not come I guess she don't want to come if she did she might I go over there and stay the evening come home at 8 1/2 oclock go to bed

Sunday, November 19, 1871

It is some warmer today and thaws some so the roads are some muddy I call at Mr. Rogers before meeting Sabra goes to meeting with me and stays to supper then I go home with her and stay the evening have a good visit

Monday, November 20, 1871

It tries to rain some this morning but does not make out much I go down to Scio to day and go to work for S. Smith on his house we work some in the after noon frame some rafters and put them on the roof it is colder to night I go over town to night

Tuesday, November 21, 1871

It is quite cold to day we put up the rest of the rafters and put on some of the roof boards it is quite hard work and I am some tired I do not go over town to night I wonder if Sabra thinks of me any to night

Wednesday, November 22, 1871

It is some snowy and a cold wind we put on some more roof boards Henry and Smith go to Wellsville in the afternoon and I dress out some curved rafters go over town a little while to night come back and mend my gloves

Thursday, November 23, 1871

The wind blows and it is quite cold we frame the curved rafters and put them on to day I dress out some of the cornish and we put on some more roof boards It clears off at night I go over town again to night wish I could be some where else a little while

Friday, November 24, 1871

It snows hard this morning and the wind blows hard from the south so it is cold working. We board up some in the fore noon it grows warmer at noon and stops snowing in the after noon we build some stages to put on cornish at night I go over to town again as usual

Saturday, November 25, 1871

It is quite pleasant to day and not cold we put on some more of the cornish to day get it half on the upper part at night we go home I foot it all way am some tired when I get home I do not stop and see Sabra I wonder if she is at home to night and thinks of me

Sunday, November, 26, 1871

It is cloudy to day and foggy but thaws so it is quite mudy I go over to Mr. Rogers at noon Sabra goes to meeting with me after meeting I come home with her and stay the evening it is pleasant to have someone to love and to feel sure they love you

Monday, November 27, 1871

It is cold again this morning I get up early go back to Scio to work it snows some we do not do any thing till after dinner then go up in the woods and saw some stove wood work till night I am some tired and sleepy to night

Tuesday, November 28, 1871

It is clear and cold to day we work at putting the cornish on it is cold work we get it on the upper part to day finish about 4 oclock it is so cold we go to the house at night I go over to Mr. Stryhers and stay the evening then go back and go to bed

Wednesday, November 29, 1871

It is some snowy this morning and real cold we do not work any to day I go over town and go up to Wellsville on the mail and come back on the other one then foot it home Varenus come with me I stop at Mr. R's and take supper Sabra is not at home I wish I could see her

Thursday, November 30, 1871

It is real cold this morning and some snowy but dears off after noon Merrick and I and some others go a hunting to day I see a fox and shoot at it am some tired at night we have a chicken pie for supper in the evening I go down to the school house to prayer meeting I wish Sabra was here I wonder if she thinks of me to night

Friday, December 1, 1871

It is snowy to day and real cold I go up to Rubin Eastman's to day and take dinner call down to Peter Blacks then come home it is real lonesome here I wish Sabra was at home so I could have a place to go but it is better perhaps as it is

Saturday, December 2, 1871

It is not so cold to day and clears off in the after noon I go over a cross the woods to day and I help Henry kill hogs at night come home and go over to Mr. Rogers Sabra has not come home yet I stay till 8 oclock then go home I have the blues or something else to night and I would give a good dear to be able to remove it

Sunday, December 3, 1871

It is not very cold to day I get ready and go to prayer meeting at 2 oclock call at Mr. Rogers Sabra has not got home yet I meet her on the road to the school house I came home after meeting Sarah

Saunders is at our house after supper I go over to Mr R and stay till 1 oclock then come home and go to bed

Monday, December 4, 1871

It is some snowy to day and it grows cold quite fast I go to Scio in the after noon on foot and back again so I am some tired and do not go over to see Sabra I go to bed early to night

Tuesday, December 5, 1871

It is a sharp cold morning and the wind blows quite hard it is clear and frosty in the after noon I go over across the woods call at Williams and Joes come back home and go over to Mr. Rogers in the evening stay till 12 oclock have a very good visit (Caroline B. gives me some advice today whether good or bad I do not heed it)

Wednesday, December 6, 1871

It is still very cold I help do the chores in the morning at noon I go to Scio with Merrick to get a circle saw to saw some wood we come back and stop to Geo Hays and stay till 11 oclock and it snows hard and the wind blows but it is not quite so cold come home go to bed

Thursday, December 7, 1871

It is not quite so cold to day and thaws some at noon I go to Scio again to day with Ekron Hard we take dinner with Boorembark I get me tool chest to day get home at 5 oclock in the evening I go to prayer meeting Sabra goes with me we have a very good meeting I come back stop with Sabra a little while then go home and go to bed

Friday, December 8, 1871

It is a sharp cold again and the wind blows hard I go to Belmont to day with Geo Caufield get back home at 4 oclock Sabra is here she stays till after supper then we go down to Caroline Bently, stay till 10 oclock have a very good visit I come back stop with Sabra a little while then go home some sleepy

Saturday, December 9, 1871

It is still cold and we have some squalls of snow I help Merrick get the machine and go over to the boys and set it up and saw some wood to day at night I go over to Mr Rs and stay till 10 oclock Merrick and Lib goes down to Mr. Dicks to night I feel tired and sleepy

Sunday, December 10, 1871

The wind blows quite hard to day and is rather cold I go to meeting at 2 1/2 oclock I stop for Sabra she goes with me I come back there and take supper and stay the evening if I go away it will be lonely for me but I can stand it some way I guess I think it is for the best I will try and get a place of my own if I can

Monday, December 11, 1871

It is not so cold to day I go over and help Merrick saw wood all day it is some hard work and I am tired at night after supper I go over to Mr. Rs and stay the evening I am some sleepy come home at 9 oclock and go to bed

Tuesday, December 12, 1871

It is quite cold to day I go over to the boys and we go over to the centre I stay a short time we get back home at 1 oclock I help saw wood in the afternoon at night I jam my toes some I go over to Mr R in the evening Sabra is not very well I come home at 8 1/2 oclock and go to bed

Wednesday, December 13, 1871

It is some snowy this morning and quite cold I do not go over to help saw wood to day Sabra comes over to day and works at making my shirts I mend her shoes today I go home with her at 8 oclock stay till after supper then I go down to Ekrons to get his sleigh to go to Wellsville come home at 9 oclock and go to bed

Thursday, December 14, 1871

It is a cold wind to day and snows part of the time quite fast I start for Wellsville about 11 oclock go with the colts Sabra goes with me I get me some cloths and a trunk then we come home we get home at 7 1/2 oclock Waitz is at our house my head aches to night

Friday, December 15, 1871

The wind does not blow quite so hard to day and it is quite pleasant I mark some of my cloths at night I go up to Mr. R's Sabra and I go down to Dan Halls Stay till 10 oclock then come home I stop and stay a little while with Sabra in a short time I do not expect to see her very often

Saturday, December 16, 1871

It is a sharp cold this morning I go over to Mr. Rogers and carry Sabra her crochet hook come back and go to Scio with Frank and Jo I go over and take dinner with S. smith stay around till most night come home after supper go over to Mr. Rogers and stay till 10 1/2 oclock

Sunday, December 17, 1871

It is quite pleasant but cold the wind blows some after dinner I go over to Mr. Rogers Sabra goes down to meeting with me Elder Hull preaches we have a good sermon I go home with Sabra get supper then she goes home with me we go back and I stay with her till 1 oclock this is the last Sunday I expect to see her in some time I wish it was so she could go west with me

Monday, December 18, 1871

It is snowing quite fast this morning I do not do anything fore noon In the afternoon I go over across the woods call at Henrys Joes and Bills come home after supper I go up to Mr. R and stay till 9 oclock then go home and go to bed I am very sleepy to night

Tuesday, December 19, 1871

The wind blows quite hard to day and it snows most of the day Merrick and I go over to the centre with the colts get home at 5 oclock after supper I go over to Mr. Rogers stay till 11 oclock Sabra gives me a very nice scarf to night I was not expecting it I wish I had something to give her only one night more to stay here and then when will I see her again

Wednesday, December 20, 1871

It is very stormy and cold to day the wind blows hard and grows cold all day I pack up my trunk this forenoon go over across the woods after noon at night we have oysters for Supper Sabra is over and takes supper with us I go home with her and stay till most 12 then go home and go to bed this I expect is my last night at home for some time I feel lonely and home sick

Thursday, December 21, 1871

It is a very sharp cold morning from 20 to 30 below zero I get ready to start west leave home at 9 oclock for Wellsville Merrick carries me up Sabra goes with us get to W. at noon leave my trunk go back to Scio with them take supper with Sarah Way then get a ride to W. the train is late and I have to wait till 12 oclock before starting it is lonely waiting

Friday, December 22, 1871

We get Salamaca at 2 oclock to Meadville at day light It snows and is cold but grows warmer and rains some at night we get to Daton after dark and get to Cincinnati at 12 oclock it is some rainy I go over to the St. Louis Depot the train is gone so I go to the Hotel and go to bed I am tired and sleepy I wonder if Sabra has gone to the donation to night and if she thinks of me

Saturday, December 23, 1871

I get up at 7 oclock take breakfast and go over to the depot it is warm and cloudy and it begins raining at 6 oclock rains hard most of the fore noon but clears off and is quite warm We leave C at 8 oclock have a very pleasant ride up to Shoals but I begin to feel lonely get up to Sat. 9 1/2 oclock I would give anything if I could only see someone to night I most wish I had never come here but I am here now and must make the best of it.

Sunday, December 24, 1871

It is clear and pleasant to day the ground is froze but the sun shines warm and it thaws so it is muddy I walk out and look around some go to church at 11 oclock and also in the evening it is lonley how I wish I could see Sabra to night I know she thinks of me but I will keep up good cheer it may not always be like this I have got to make the best of it now

Monday, December 25, 1871

It is Christmas to day it is clear in the morning but clouds up and is a cold wind I see Mr. Clark to day and the chances for making much at teaching is rather small We have turkey for dinner and oysters for supper there is a dance here tonight 6 young ladies and 5 little girls a large company I get a good insight into Ind. life I have no desire to attend such balls I am glad Sabra does not go to such places I wonder where she is today if she has gone over to her uncles I hope she enjoys herself

Tuesday, December 26, 1871

It is cloudy and chilly this morning I feel some sleepy get up early go up to the Institute there is not many presant to day and we do not do much but organize at night I go up to Dover Hill where I expect to take up my abode I go to a festival of the masons to night they had it in the church I am lonely I wish Sabra was here with me I think I could enjoy myself better I stay at Mr. Clarks to night

Wednesday, December 27, 1871

It is sharp cold this morning and quite frosty but the sun shines bright I go back to the Institute this morning ride down with Mr. Clark I get pretty cold we do not have many out to day but have a very good time we have a session in the evening and discuss whiping in school time drags slow with no thing to do I wish I could see some one to night

Thursday, December 28, 1871

It is still quite cold to day I go to the Institute again to day in the after noon we have a spelling match and also a reading match at night we have two lectures I am geting some tired and wish I was at work doing some thing I wish I knew what Sabra was doing to night and if she thinks of me any to night

Friday, December 29, 1871

It is wet and some misty to day It thaws so it is quite muddy I give a short address to the Institute this fore noon in the after noon we adjourn and I go up to Daover Hill and stay to Mr. Clarks but it is not like home I feel as if I was crowding myself on people I wish I had a home of my own with some one I love to be with me

Saturday, December 30, 1871

It is pleasant to day but very muddy you cannot step out without getting in the mud I go down to the school house to examination of teachers take dinner with Mr. Clark go back to the school house then go home with H. Rogers stay till after supper go to meeting and come back and stay all night with him I wonder if Sabra thinks of me tonight

Sunday, December 31, 1871

It is raining hard this morning with thunder and lightening and it is very muddy I do not go to church or hardly out of the house stay at Mr. Rogers all day read some and am lonely this is the last day of another year and I am afraid my life has been no better than the year before it is worth while to try one year and I hope god may assist me to do better I am alone among strangers and it is a gloomy day I wish Sabra was here or I was where she is it seems an age since I have seen her but I must make the best of it and love on hoping all will turn out well I read some in the evening I wish I had wings to fly I would see what Sabra is doing to night I know she thinks of me and would like to see me to the old year I must say farewell

Information from the back pages of the diary:

Cash Account January

<u>Date</u>		<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
2nd	Orephilian Jubilee		30
3rd	Silas Burdick		3.50
6	Pastoye on paper		5
9	Present for Proff. Allen		50

12	Hook watch chain		05
31	Postage Stamps		30
	Total		4.70

Cash Account February

<u>Date</u>		<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
1	To W.D. Williams	Milk	.50
3	can oysters		40
14	Lyceum tax		<u>100</u>
	total		1.90

Cash Account March

<u>Date</u>		<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
2nd	for likeness		70
"	filling tooth		50
"	flower seeds		10
7	Mark Sheapherd		150
10	To Sabra		500
13	For Wood		100
"	for Milk		65
"	paper cuffs		04
31	Picture frame		<u>130</u>
	total		10,79

Cash Account March

<u>Date</u>		<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
4th	paper cuffs		06
6	postage & box	15	
"	window curtain		10
7	Musselage brush		,02
"	Musselage & Oil		15
10	Postage		24
12	eggs & Kettle		33
16	For Butter		28
20	Postage		10
"	Matches		10
22	Sojourner Truth		15
25	Drawing Paper		<u>20</u>
	Total		1,88

Cash Account May

<u>Date</u>		<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
1st	Butter		25
"	Cloth		50
10	Postage Stamps		30
11	For Flour		1,12

14	Sunday School	20
16	Butter	37
20	Libra Tax	25
22	Go to Show	25
29	For Fish	18
30	Ill. cracker	<u>10</u>
	Total	352

Cash Account June

<u>Date</u>	<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
1st For Butter		,20
2 Potatoes		32
5 Green. Allen		5,00
" for Beans		17
12 for Butter		25
13 " cutting hair	10	
16 Box bollors		25
" Paper		03
19 Drawing Paper		15
20 Dress triming		38
" Postage Stamps		21
27 Tuition	10,00	
" writing paper		18
28 1 doz. eggs		14
30 stone		<u>10</u>
	Total	17,48

crossed out:

V.M. Babbitt Dr. to C. Sprague for work
 Oct 14th 3 days
 Oct 16th 1 "

Cash Accounts July

<u>Date</u>	<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
Go to Hornellsville		
1 Lecture Mrs. Howe		1,45
3 Hair oil		,5
" watch cord		25
4 cuffs		05
5 room rent		4,50
" Mrs. P. for Milk& Ribbon	05	1,70
9 Horses to feed	1,00	
13 To Andover on Carr		40

14	from Andover	40
19	Go Wellsville & Return	60
"	Trunk handle 4 laudlum	50
"	crackers	05
"	Boat Taps	20
"	Shepherd	<u>4,75</u>
	Total	16,05

crossed out:

V.M. Babbitt Dr. to F. Brodie for work

Oct 14 5 days
 " 21 5 1/2
 " 25 2 1/2
 Nov. 45 1/2

Wm. Armstrong Dr. to V.M. Babbitt for extra work on house

2 botten doors 150
 buttery shelves 125
 2 boxes for chimes 125
 moulding door 75
 dressing stan 125
 Buse Boards 25
 threshold
 stantials 4,00
 casing stairs

Cash Account August

<u>Date</u>		<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
1st	Postage Stamps		24
6	Sunday School		11
9	to Preacher		2,00
12	Pulling teeth		50
"	crackers		10
21	Pepper & c.		<u>25</u>
	Total		3,20

Aug 2nd H. Babbitt Dr. to work S. House 5 1/2 days

" 9 6 "
 " 16 8 "
 " 21.. . . . 1 3/4 "
 214
 42
 25
 17

Oct. 25 Researved of H. Babbitt the full amount due on the above work

Cash Account September

<u>Date</u>	<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
18 Scio to Belmont& Back		30
19 Trip to Portage		570
22 To Angelica		75
29 " Wellsville		20
30 for tools		1.80
" " Coffee		<u>25</u>
Total		9 00

V.M. Babbitt Dr. for board to C. Sprague

October 7th.....	3 1/2 days	
" 14.....	9	"
" 21.....	12	"
" 25.....	5	"
Nov. 4.....	11	"
" 10.....	3	"

Cash Accounts October

<u>Date</u>	<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
4 cloth for overalls		75
9 Postage		09
12 Box collar		30
13 To Institute		1,25
18 Paper brads		10
23 Postage		<u>21</u>
Total		2,70

Job Dr. to V. M. Babbitt work

oct. 7.....	3 1/2 days
" 14.....	4 1/2 "
" 21.....	5 1/2
" 25.....	2 1/2
Nov 4.....	5 1/2

Cash Account November

<u>Date</u>	<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
6 Green Allen		19,00
" Prof. Allen		7,50
" Dr. Saunders		4 00
" Irving Saunders		2 00

"	Crandalls	11,50
7	Postage	10
8	Scratch awl	10
17	Postage	12
"	Dress Brade	10
18	boots	5,00
29	to Wellsville & Back	<u>20</u>
	Total	49,62

Nov. 25th S. Smith Dr. to work on house 5 1/2 days
 29th.....1 1/2 "

Cash Accounts December

<u>Date</u>	<u>Recieved</u>	<u>Paid</u>
4	Postage	24
"	Coffee	30
"	Cotton Yarn	35
6	Paper & envelopes	22
8	factory cloth	75
10	bible for S. House	50
14	coat vest & pants	1800
"	Trunk	900
"	Horses in Barn	30
19	Crandalls Acc.	6.68
"	shirt buttons	15
"	cutting hair	10
"	oysters	70
"	Books	7.50
21	Rope for Trunk	15
"	Ticket Cincinnati	14.65
22	Aples & Luncheon	25
"	omnibus	50
23	Tavern Bill	<u>100</u>
	Total	61.34
23	Ticket Shoals	6.00
"	Book	50
"	Saveing	10
25	Postage	24
29	Institute	10
"	Shaving	<u>10</u>
		719
"	Bottle Ink	<u>10</u>
		7.29
		<u>61.34</u>
		68.63

Summary of Cash Accounts

Jan.	4.70
Feb.	1 90
Mar.	10 79
Apr.	1 88
May.	3 52
June	17 48
July	16 05
Aug.	3 20
Sept.	9 00
Oct.	2 70
Nov.	49 62
Dec.	<u>68 63</u>
	189,47

Note from Sabra under the Memoranda page:

"Every man's the architect of his own fortune" And may you mold and fashion your own character so as always to be a true and happy man Disapointments often come to us but may you be prepared to meet them with courage and keep this book in Remembrance of the many days that are to come. And years from now as you turn over leaf after leaf may you think of one dear friend who loved you well if it is not the will of God to have her with you then, but love and cherish the remembrance of that one fir tus wekk ti be renenbered. Your own true and loving one Sabra

memoranda:

Oct. 1, 1871

Yours
Sabra Rogers

Memoranda

Science is the product of self culture all the mountain pracked from a devotion to a cause

Memoranda

Date

11. Culture of Body the first culture not to have to much tast it spoils every thing American Society European Society first learnt to exist ____ learn to libe church culture christianity is no sect character culture should embrase all christian principles Culture of Literature Medical culture

Memoranda

Wm Armstrong Dr. to work on house	\$107.75
C. by check Nov. 5	\$ 15.00
" " " " 18	80.00
Dr. 5th by check	12.75

Memoranda

Home
Sunday eve 1871
March 26

Vernon remember there is one friend who loves you well. and again I ask you to remember me
Sabra
I always remember you
Vernon

27,00
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14 65
6 00
1 00
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Memoranda

Sabra Rogers (her handwriting)

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Due Oct. 6 1869 from
Ames William \$113,04
Recieved from June 16/70 \$50,00
Recieved Due 10/70 \$50 00
Recieved Oct. 18/71 \$20 00

Memoranda

Nov. 16th 1869 Casey Williams Dr. to work on house \$15 50
Recieved May 16th/70 of C. Williams \$10.00
15.50
5 42
16,04.2 03.52
6,04.2 5
7 17.60
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