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WAUKON, IOWA - OCTOBER, 1859

Tuesday 25 Received a visit yesterday from Sr. Butler. She is considerably out of health [and] has been stopping at Bro. Hazeltine's now for some days. Butchered our pig Sunday. Sunday evening John and I rode up to see Thomas. He was quite comfortable. He and Mary were of good courage. Fervent prayer is being offered in his behalf. Uncle Pottle and wife were down last week. Thursday little Eddy is 14 months old; [but] does not yet go alone. Charles Melville is a rugged little fellow, loves to run outdoors. It is very pleasant weather. Mr. Sturlevant has sold his place to Sacket. [They] have exchanged situations.

Weds., 26 John left about 4 this morning for Beeber Mills. He takes a grist of 20 bushels of wheat and 3 of corn. Father is slim [and] has taken cold.

Evening John returned about half past five this evening with his grist. I have made a visit to Mother's. Charles finished threshing for this season this forenoon. Has worked 38 days. 90 cts. or \$1 per day. Sister Beeman and Abigail made us a call this evening. The weather has considerably changed since last night. It has been very windy and quite cold today.

Friday 27 Bro. Hazeltine has been making up Henry Isted's sugar cane. [He] commenced yesterday [and] will soon get through. Had a pan of one-third of juice. Wm. took a load of wheat to Uncle Wm. yesterday. Has gone with a load of rye this afternoon.

Monday 30 Wm. takes a load of grain to Capoli for Uncle Wm. Mother was at Mother Stevens' yesterday doing some spinning.

NOVEMBER

Weds. 2 Wm. has again gone to Capoli with wheat. Mother went to Waukon yesterday. Has not yet returned. John is off trying to hunt up our line back heifer that has been gone since early in the Spring. Father is unable to work. [He] is very lame.

Thursday 3 Quite a summer-like evening, though some wind. Have had a call from Mr. & Mrs. Cole. Charles is much interested in reading his letters. [He] can tell a dozen or more of them.

Friday 4 Just written a note to May Dean and enclosed.

Tuesday 17 Had a quilting. A stranger, peddler of books, stops with us tonight.

Sat. eve. 21 Abigail Beeman with her baby was at our meeting today. Have had a fine rain.

Monday 23 Am disappointed in not getting a letter from John. Made a call over to Reuben Bullock. Henry finished grubbing in the pasture this forenoon.

Weds. 25 Henry finishes his work for us. Mother has gone to Waukon. [I] expect she will be absent a day or two. I made a call to Reuben's Monday PM. I received two letters

from John last evening. Calvin brought them - one from So. Lancaster, Mass, the other from Charlestown, Mass. It is quite uncertain about his returning this spring. Enclosed was \$1 to me from Sr. Oay. Last evening the evening star Venus was right in the moon on the end of its horn. I sent a letter to be mailed by Bro. Beeman this PM. I am making me a sun bonnet.

Monday 30 Have been fixing our rocking chair, making a cushion, etc. Made a call to Sr. Hazeltine's. Mr. Sturlevant came after her just at night - his wife is expecting to be sick.

MAY

Weds. 2 Visited at Bro. Beeman's and at Canlon's yesterday. The line back heifer came in Friday and the Beeman cow Tuesday night. Reuben and his company started for Pike's Peak yesterday. Sent a letter to be mailed by Calvin yesterday to John. Am anxiously watching the mail for a letter from him.

Eve. Have been up to Mother's. Oliver had brought me a letter from John. I went up on purpose to get it as I heard he had been to town.

Thursday 3 Thomas made us a call this afternoon. May and Nellie came just at night. They are thinking some of returning to Battle Creek this spring. Mrs. Bullock and children made us a visit. Warm day.

Monday 7 Sent a letter by the Butler girls to be mailed directly to John. Calvin's cow came in yesterday.

Tues. 8 Mother made us a visit today. I went up there yesterday and had a calico sack cut. Calvin handed me a letter from John tonight. The Butler girls took it out of the office yesterday and handed it to Calvin to bring over. He was over that way to work. Father and Wm. have planted the sugar cane seed, also their corn. I set out tomatoes Sunday. Had quite a rain Sunday night or rather Monday morning--it commenced between 3 & 4 AM.

Thurs. 10 Have been whitewashing. Father has been putting on mortar and putting down mop boards in the south room.

Sat. 12 Father was taken last evening with pain in his side - has been some better today but still feels slim. Mother has been sick - a bed most of the day - had the sick headache. Tonight is some better. Abigail Beeman spoke in our meeting today. So did Adelbert Bullock. He has commenced keeping the seventh day. Last Sabbath was the first that he has observed. Mrs. Cole and her mother visited us Friday PM. Nettie received a line yesterday from Harriet stating that she was intending to start for Iowa in about 2 weeks. She expects her about week from next Wednesday. I do not feel so well as I have done. I suppose I have overdone. My stomach is weak.

Mond. 4 Nettie has been helping me paper my room - have had quite a day's work of it. Charles Stevens intends to start for McGregor in the morning. I have sent a letter to be mailed by him to my husband - a letter from Memy enclosed.

- Tues. 15 Wm. & Mother have been to Waukon - got some paint so think of painting our room. Received 2 letters from John. I gather from one of them that he is inclined to the view that the providence of God will so order that he will labor this season in York state. I feel a good deal cast down in view of his long absence, yet I would have him move in the order of God. O Lord, direct him.
- Weds. 16 Have been painting our room. Shall intend to put on another coat of paint tomorrow. Mrs. R. Bullock was here this PM. Thomas rode Frank to town.
- Frid. 18 Sent a letter by Pauline's yesterday. Think perhaps Oliver or Charles would go to town today and take it to the Office. Wm. enclosed with me. I expressed my feeling when learning that he might stay and labor east this summer. Gave Mr. Sturlevant and Mrs. Bullock some tomato plants.
- Tues. 22 Mother and I have put our carpet down, an old one that Mrs. Pottle gave Mother. We nipped it and gave it a washing.
- Weds. 23 Wm. started for Prairie du Chien this morning. Geo. Butler and his wife and May Cady stopped here last night and left also with Wm. for the river. Oliver has gone with the expectation of bringing Harriet back with him. She wrote that she should leave Battle Creek Tuesday night.
- Thurs. 24 Harriet came this evening about 9 o'clock.
- Frid. 25 I went up to Mother's with her and Oliver last night - came back early this morning. Am about starting (P.M.) to go up again. Received a letter from John last night - enclosed some with Father and sent him today directed Palermo, Oswego Co., care of Hiram Edson.
- Sund. 27 Calvin commenced breaking for Bro. Hazeltine. I took supper at Thomas' this P.M. Harriet went there this morning - is stopping there tonight.
- Mond. 28 George Butler & Wm. commenced breaking our pasture west of the house - they broke the plow and had to go to town this P.M. Received a letter from John tonight dated 20th.
There is a want in my heart which remains unfulfilled. I do not seem to get much satisfaction either in writing or receiving letters.
- Weds. 30 Have been up to Mother's this afternoon. It is a great satisfaction to have Harriett visit with us once more. She seems very natural. Charles intends to start for McGregor in the morning. I left a letter for him to take and mail - my second directed to Palermo. I told John in this something of my sad feelings - I feel some more cheerful. I want John to do just right.
I set out husk and cherry tomatoes east of the house this A.M., 17 of each. Sent a dozen to Waukon Monday. Father sent 190 cabbage plants - got 75 in.

JUNE

- Sat. Eve 2 Have had no meeting it has been so rainy. I miss my dear husband very much - seems as though I could not endure the idea of his being away several months longer. I

suppose he is at the conference at Roosevelt, N.Y. I want the Lord to direct whether to return or remain and labor in York state this summer.

- Mond. 4 Oliver has just been in & paid in on Bradley's note the sum of \$105. We are having wet weather.
- Eve. I have visited over to Sr. Hazeltine this P.M. Paulina, Harriet & Nettie were there. Harriet came home with me.
- Tues. 5 Mother Andrews & my own Mother have gone down into the Beeman neighborhood - expect them to return morn or night. Harriet went home this P.M. I have been covering the lounge.
- Weds. 6 Received a letter from my dear husband, also his picture. I can hardly be reconciled to his long absence. How my heart would love to meet him again. He is one of the kindest and best of husbands. It is a great sacrifice to us both to be this separated, but I trust it will not always be thus yet while he lives I shall have abundant cause for thankfulness though duty leads him at a distance from me.
- Frid. 8 Went up to Mother's little while this afternoon. Harriet had just received a letter from her husband. I have bought me a bottle of sweet oil scented with bergamot - paid 15 cents.
- Sund. 10 Lenthe came over with George this morning.
- Weds. 13 No letter yet this week from my husband. I went to Waukon Tuesday hoping to get one - was disappointed. Stopped overnight until after the mail came in today but no letter for me, so this afternoon I thought I might as well retrace my steps - came down and stopped a few hours at Mother's and then came home. Mother was sick a bed with the headache - was some better when I came away. Mrs. Moore has a young child born yesterday P.M. Sr. Hazeltine's with her now.
- Mond. 18 Uncle Pottle and wife made us a call and took supper with us. Mother has gone up to Mother's Stevens' so to be ready to go up to Hosea's in the morning with the rest of the company. Deborah has a sewing bee tomorrow. I have received no letter yet from my husband. I learn by a letter from Uncle Edward Pottle that he has made up his mind to remain in New York till September. I hope to get word direct from John soon. I have sent a letter by Mother to mail in case she should get one so as to know how to direct. I have had it written about two weeks waiting to get one giving instructions how to direct it.
- Thurs. 21 Mother brought me a letter from John yesterday. Last week's letter was mailed from Constantia. Called down to Thomas little while this A.M. and this P.M. went up to Mother's. I left a letter for them to take to the P.O. tomorrow directed to Constantia - my second to John at that place. I gave expression in that to some of my sad feelings.
- Tues. 26 Mother came down to double yarn is going to all night.
- Weds. 27 I went up to Mother's about sundown last night to take up a letter to be mailed. Left it in Nettie's care. Harriet had gone on foot to Waukon to go to the Office this morning. Nettie came down before I was up and told us in a word that Harriet was

intending to leave to Battle Creek today that she had received a message from G. W. which caused her to feel most deeply. Mother and I returned with Nettie before breakfast. I will not attempt to describe the state of mind Harriet was in. Charlie obtained Bro. H. Mend's (?) wagon and started off with her between 2 and 3 this afternoon. We feel sad to have her leave so suddenly and under such trying circumstances. O God help her to do right in all things.

Thurs. 28 Wm. Brought me a letter from my dear husband last night written from Kirkville, Onondaga Co., New York. I sent one to be mailed by Bro. Beeman to Rossville. Mother is sick with headache.

Frid. 24 I wrote a few lines this forenoon to John and sent it to the Office by Wm. Sackwood. Charlie got back last night - brought a rocking chair for Thomas. Several of us contributed for that purpose.

JULY

Mond. 2 Mother Stevens came down last evening, has been over to Mr. Geasey's twisting yarn today. Mother Andrews has made a visit to Geo. Geasey's and to the old gentleman's.

Thurs. 5 Went up to Mother's yesterday. Thomas and May were there. Charlie brought me John's letter dated June 25. He says mine dated May 28 was the last he had received. He was waiting in anxious suspense. I sent a letter by Charles to mail at Rossville. He has gone to Mill, July 3rd to Kirkville.

Sunday 8 George and Wm. are breaking here today. Lenthe came over to Bro. Hazeltine's this morning - came here this evening. I handed Charles a letter to mail tomorrow. He is intending to go to Columbus for . I directed my letter Palermo, Oswego Co, N.Y., care of Hiram Edson. I have written John six letters within the last 18 days.

Mond. 9 Wm. Brought me a letter from my husband tonight. He had just received mine written somewhere the first of June, mailed the 20th. I kept it a long while as I received none from him and I did not know where to address him. His letter was a very welcome treat tonight. It has been a rainy day. Mother commenced making cheese today.

Weds. 11 Have had a quilting. Wm. Finished breaking the field west of the house. He intends to break a day for Bro. Hazeltine tomorrow. Mr. James Bullock and wife have commenced keep the Sabbath. They were to our meeting last Sabbath. Commenced cutting the rye. Charlie has been this P.M.

Frid. 13 Sent a letter to John. Father wrote too. Are having a visit from Mr. Pottle and family.

Sat. 14 Nettie brought me a letter from my dear husband - enclosed a dollar.

Weds. 18 I have been to town. Bro. & Sr. Hazeltine went up with me. Had our team. I was much disappointed in not getting a line from my husband. Received a letter from Harriet.

- Thurs. 19 Have been down to Thomas' this P.M. talked with them quite freely of my trials relating to some things which relating some things which occurred back in connection with Bro. and Sr. - also my present feelings respecting the visions. I have great confidence in Bro. and Sr. Mead. I cannot yet take just the position in regard to Sr. White's visions that they do. They fully believe them to be all right from God, consequently of equal authority with the Bible.
- Frid. 20 Thomas has gone to Waukon with our team this P.M. Mother went with him. I sent a letter to Harriet to be mailed. Wm. is quite slim - has been complaining since week last Thursday night right after he closed breaking.
- P.M. Mother has returned bringing me a letter from my dear husband. She mailed mine directed Tompey Hall, Onondaga Co, New York.
- Monday 23 Wm. brought me a letter from my dear husband, his first from Pompey Hill, Onondaga Co. I sent one by Wm. to be mailed to him today. My second to Pompey Hill. I referred in this to the pamphlet recently sent to this place. I recapitulated too the letters I had sent which he had not received - asked him to get some paper for Nettie. I wrote last night about four pages. Pauline and Nettie have been down this afternoon. Mother went up to Sr. Bullock; Wm. is not able to do much though he is better than he was for days since.
- Tues. 24 Made a little visit over to Mr. R. Bullock's - Pauline has come down this evening - is going to cut a sack coat for Wm. tomorrow. Calvin commenced cutting the wheat P.M.
- Weds. 25 Been making a coat for Wm. Sr. Hazeltine and Pauline did the most of it. Paid Paulina 35 cents for what she has done. Just at night Nettie came down and brought Wm. and letter. Enclosed was a slip to me, also a draft of \$20.00. Wm. is really going to have a Father is at work in the harvest field. I am fearful of the consequences.
- Frid. 27 Mother and Thomas and Mary went to town this afternoon. I sent a letter addressed North Parma, Monroe County, New York. My first to this place.
- Sat. Eve. 28 The subject of visions was introduced in our meeting. There is some difference of views as to the place they should occupy in the church. Some hold them as equal authority with the Bible and are designed to correct and guide the church. This is in a great measure. Others believe the Bible does not sanction such use of them. O that we might understand just the right position to take in regard to them.
- Tues. 31 Received a letter from John by the hand of Mrs. R. Bullock. Wm. went up this P.M. and took one to mail I enclosed with him. The second addressed North Parma. It seems that John has at length received the pamphlet. I have received a few from the experience and views and new from page 17 to 80.

AUGUST

- Weds. 1 Oliver and Charles are at work in our wheat this P.M.

- Thurs. 2 Had a smart rain last night and this morning. Father and Calvin have been at work for George Geasey this afternoon. I made my first tomato pie today. Mother has been down to Thomas'.
- Frid. 3 Received a line from Bro. White in closing two testimones which he wished to sign. Mother went to Waukon accompanied by Sr. Hazeltine, Thomas and May. She bought a spinning wheel of Mrs. Pratt - gave \$3.00.
- Sund. 5 May Cady stopped with us from meeting - is going to spend part of the day here.
- Mond. 6 Have been to Waukon and round by Bro. Butler's home. Mailed a letter to Bro. White, also to John. Found Mother very sick on my return, pain in her right arm, finally pain all over. Had a touch of bloody dysentery.
- Tuesd. 7 Mother had a sick, restless night but she has improved considerably during the day for which I do thank God.
- Weds. 8 Received a letter from John. He was about leaving Pompey for Parma, west of Rochester. I received a letter also from Harriet. Father took a walk to the Office.
- Thurs. 9 Mother has been quite slim. By stirring about a little she has brought on again her complaint.
- Frid. 10 I have put a cheese in the press for the first time.
- Sat. 11 Mother is better. Sr. Butler came over the Bro. Hazeltine's yesterday sick when she started had not slept any the night before about 2 o'clock she called up May to give her a pack. They thought to ride out might do her good so she started off but she grew worse and last night she was very sick. Tonight she is very feeble yet some more favorable symptoms.
Thomas was here yesterday. He and Father went down into the timber in the P.M. got several quarts of plums. Have since sunset received two letters from John by the kindness of Mr. Geasey's folks. They bring encouraging news from the field of labor. Last Monday they were able to leave for western New York.
I wrote a letter to Harriet last Thursday P.M. Sent it by Linns to mail Friday. He left it at Hosea's.
It will not go out now till Tuesday, I suppose.
- Mond. 13 I sent my fourth letter to North Parma today by Sr. Hazeltine who leaves for Wisconsin. She has had word that her sister Lindsey is very sick.
- Mond. 20 Mother has been up to Mother Steven's. She brings me a letter from John dated North Parma. My first from that place.
- Tuesd. 21 Have made two comfortors today.
- Weds. 22 Mother went to prayer meeting at Sr. B. Charlie was taken quite sick and vomited about 4 P.M. He brightened up and appeared much better about 7 o'clock.

- Thurs. 23 Rested quite well till about 2 and then he was restless and thirsty. Vomited about 4. I called up Mother. He seemed quite sick but this afternoon appears much better finally after two or three hours this morning he seemed better. I do really hope he is truly on the gain. Received my second letter from Parma. Also one from Harriet dated August 1st - a long while in coming I think. Sent up by Hannah Geasey and brought a dollar's worth of sugar.
- Frid. 24 Charlie rested well last night and is well today. George and Calvin have threshed for Bro. Hazeltine. Mother has gone to town. I sent my first letter to Olcott. Thomas enclosed a line.
- Sat. 25 Thomas and Bro. H. were to meeting, only three over from Butler's way. Mother Stevens was unable to come so had rather of a thin meeting yet had some of the good spirit with us. Received since Sabbath two letters, one from John and one from Bro. White. Bro. W. writes in reply to mine very kindly.
- Sund. 26 Threshing today.
- Mond. 27 My face in badly swollen. It proceeds from a tooth I expect. Reuben Bullock returned today! I expect my husband about the 24th of next month. Rainy this evening.
- Weds. 29 My whole face is very badly swollen. It seems to be on the increase.
- Thurs. 30 I am better. I opened a large gathering under my upper lip just after dinner which gave instant relief. I suffered considerably from it yesterday P.M. and last night. I did not get any rest till after midnight and this forenoon I felt miserably. It is a service of gratitude that I have yet relief. I sent my second letter to Olcott yesterday P.M.

SEPTEMBER

- Sund. 2 Threshing for George Geasey. His little baby is very feeble. It is doubtful if it lives.
- Mond. 3 Mother is going to watch with the child tonight. She and Father went to town this P.M. Charlie went ahead of them to the P. Office and took out my letter, my second from John. I went up just at dark after it.
- Tues. 4 Received a letter from Harriet.
- Weds. 5 Went to a prayer meeting at Mr. Bullock's after meeting went up to Mother's and stopped an hour or so.
- Thurs. 6 Wm. And Oliver started at 4 o'clock this morning for McGregor with wheat. Wm. Took a load for Bro. Hazeltine. I sent a letter to be mailed for Harriet enclosing one for my husband. I went down to George Geasey's just at night. Their little babe is but just alive. It was a sorry spectacle. O what ravages death makes. My little Charlie still lives. O may I bring him up for God.
- Sat. 8 Mr. George Geasey has lost his infant boy of little more than 3 weeks. Died this afternoon just at night. It has been at the point of death for 2 or 3 days seemingly. I

watched with it last night. Had a very good meeting today. Ann Cole bore her testimony. Had quite a rain last night. It cleared off. Quite cold this A.M. It is about cold enough for a frost tonight. Have covered up some of my ground cherries.

- Sund. 9 Mr. Whitmore attended the funeral of the little infant at 3 this P.M. Mr. W. and Dinny stopped here to supper.
- Mond. 10 I made some preserves. Took 8 pounds of sugar to 12 pounds cherries. Husk tomatoes about equal parts of each.
- Tues. 11 Sent my second letter to Battle Creek.
- Weds. 12 A white frost! The first this fall. It is not so severe a freeze as we had the morning of September last fall. The sugar cane does not seem to be much injured.
- Thurs. 13 Wm. Started about 6 this morning for McGregor taking a load of wheat half for Bro. Hazeltine and half for himself. I sent my third letter to Battle Creek to be mailed by him at McGregor. I got up last night after I had been to bed and wrote it. Bro. & Sr. Mead are visiting here this P.M.
- Frid. 14 Carlon Beeman died this morning at 5. He had had a sore throat for some days. Yesterday he had it lanced and he thought he was going to have a good night's rest - ate quite a hearty supper. About 11 his wife gave him a dose of morphine which the Doctor had ordered. He immediately went to sleep from which he never woke. Some attribute his sudden death to one thing, some to another. The doctor calls it the putrid sore throat. Funeral services about 4 this afternoon. I walked down to the funeral. Had a ride back with Wm.
- Sat. 15 Have had quite a good meeting. Mary Cady bore testimony today. She has for several years taken the position that the Bible prohibited women speaking in meeting. She declared to the brethren that she believed she had grieved the Spirit in holding to that view. She confessed that she believed it was an error.
- Sund. 16 It appears that plunderers have been around in the neighborhood up to Oliver's, the Bullocks, Bro. Hazeltine's and Mr. Moore. Ransacked high and low and taken \$2 about at Bro. Hazeltine and the same from Pauline's purse. Took a cheese from Sr. Bullock and other things. Who it is remains a mystery. Mother and W. are setting out strawberries.
- Frid. 21 Went to town. Bought Memry a pair of shoes.
- Sat. Eve 22 Sr. Hazeltine returned Thursday, the 20th. Have just received two letters from John. His of Sept. 9 was missent to Wisconsin. At that date he had just seen the Review containing the notice of the General Conference. He says he will be in Pierre du Chien Tuesday evening the 2nd of October.
- Sund. 23 Mother went over to George Butler this P.M. Wm. is over to Bro. B. helping thresh.

- Mond. 24 Went up to Mother's. Took Charlie with me. Nettie has been helping me on my dress.
- Tues. 22 Sent a letter by Mr. Sturlevant to be mailed to Harriet. Enclosed a slip to John. Commenced stripping the sugar cane. Sr. Gilbert has been making us a visit.
- Weds. 26 A letter from John this evening. Also a book for Memry.
- Thurs. 27 Made a visit at Thomas's. Sr. Gilbert went with me - the first time I have taken Charlie with me there.
- Sat. 29 Father is very slim. He was taken about 11 o'clock last night. Chilly and sick to his stomach and then very severe pain in the hollow of his legs. He was in great agony for a while. We sent for Bro. & Sr. Hazeltine about 1 o'clock. We applied cloths wet in salt and water to his knees also wet in smartweed - poulticed his feet He had another distressed turn in the morning which lasted an hour or so and then he grew easier and through the day he has not been exercised with such severe pain though at times has had considerable. We have applied a mustard poultice on the calf of his legs, kept it on while he could well bear it. We are in hopes he is really better tonight. Mother has got him up and made his bed. We feel to look to God in this case. Calvin took the team and brought Mother down this morning. She is here tonight. Meeting has been over to Bro Hazeltine's. We are having quite a rain. Our folks threshed the beans yesterday. Wm. expects to go to the river Tuesday to meet John.

OCTOBER

- Mond. Father is still very feeble though slowly gaining we trust. It has been wet and rainy now for about three days. Anson Geesey brought me a letter from John, his 59th. The last one probably I shall receive from him this time.
- Tues. 2 Geo. Butler started about 4 this morning for McGregor. He offers to bring John up and it is very difficult for Wm. to leave. We shall trust to George's bringing him up.
- Weds. 3 A very heavy shower this evening. It has not faired off yet. George has not yet come with his precious company. I feel good deal of anxiety. It is very dark and wet.
- About 11 My dear husband has come! How precious the moment of meeting.
- Thurs. 4 John and I called down to Thomas and took dinner.
- Frid. 5 Our little Charlie's birthday - three years old.
- Tues. 9 Finished the sugar cane this forenoon. This P.M. they put up a grist for the mill.
- Weds. 10 Wm has gone to Beeber's mill. Putting our mill together. Mr. Geasey and Reuben Bullock are here helping.
- Thurs. 11 Commenced grinding. Mr. Israel came.

- Frid. 12 Boiled two tubs of juice yesterday and last night and one pan today. Finished up Israel's cane. We had about 7 gallons for our part.
- Sat. 14 John and I made a call at Bro. Bullock's this evening.
- Sund. 14 Uncle America Thayer has come to visit us. He left home last Monday. John and I made a call up to Mother's just at night and took supper.
- Mond. 15 Mother and Uncle and Nettie came down this morning. Are grinding our cane.
- Tues. 16 Father and Mother have gone to Waukon, they were intending to take Mother Stevens and Uncle to town with them.
- Weds. 17 all hands of us have been to the timber and round to the "devil's den". Uncle intends to leave tomorrow. We have tried to make his visit as pleasant as we could. Martin Lockwood commenced working for us Tuesday.
- Thurs. 18 Made a call up to Mother's this morning. Uncle leaves today.
- Mond. 22 John worked for Bro. Butler yesterday in the afternoon. After washing I took a walk over to Lentha's. Calvin came over with the team and gave us a ride home. Mother and Pauline are here also. Nettie and Charlie making their
- Mond. 29 Four years tonight since was united in marriage to and came here to live.

NOVEMBER

- Thurs. 1 It has been rainy now for several days.
- Sat. 3 Baptisms
- Sund. 4 Mr. Doggl is here this evening. Wm. has gone after the turkeys.
- Mond. 12 Calvin is threshing his grain.
- Tues. 13 Wm. And Mother have been to town. Brought a carosene lamp. Mailed a letter to Harriet. Enclosed \$1, for Sr. Bullock for the Review.
- Mond. 19 Finished making syrup. Have made about 90 gallons or rather we have about that number of gallons. Have made between 30 and 40 on Thursday. We are having a cold turn of weather. John commenced writing yesterday.
- Frid. 23 Winter has commenced in good earnest. Commenced snowing yesterday about noon. Today is cold and blustering.
- Thurs. 29 Thanksgiving. We have Mr. Wm. Pottle and family to supper - a fine day. Bro & Sr. Bullock were here in the evening.

DECEMBER

- Sat. 8 Mr. Shattuck and wife were here to meeting - stopped till after supper. John talked upon the subject of the Sabbath.
- Sund. 9 Are having a snow storm. John had a box come from New York last night - a rich supply of dried fruit of various kinds. Last Tuesday John and I went over George Butler's. Our Memry has been quite unwell. His skin is very yellow now and has been for several days.

Thurs. 20 Have been writing to Drusilla this evening.
JANUARY, 1861

- Mond. 7 Marriage of Calvin Washburn to May Butler by my husband at our house. About 27 were present.
- Tues. 8 Mrs. Lewis Bullock spent the day.
- Weds. 9 Mother & Sr. Hazeltine are here.
- Thurs. 10 Mother andrews has gone with Mother Stevens to visit Sr. Hazeltine. I do not feel very smart - have some cold. John walked over to meeting last evening. Returned about noon today.
- Tues. 15 Mother has visited to Reuben Bullock with Sr. Hazeltine and Mother Stevens.
- Weds. 16 Quite a fall of snow last night. John Cole has been making a buck case for John. We have been putting books into it today. Charlie has been rather slim now for several days - about two weeks since he had a touch of the croupe. He has a bad cold ans eems to renew it every day almost.

MARCH

- Sat. 9 My birthday - 37 years of age.
- Tues. 12 My husband starts this morning to meet Nathan Wheeler and wife, a son of Bro. Wheeler. He is out of health and is coming to this place for his health.
- Thurs. 14 John returned about 5 P.M. accompanied by the young Bro. & Sr. White. I am well-pleased with the appearance of them both. They bring me a present of a pair of shoes from Father White.
- Sat. 16 Bro. Thomas was taken bleeding just as he was about starting for meeting. He and Mary have been stopping at Mother's the last week.
- Sund. 17 John spoke on the two-horned beast and the Wimsgain schoolhouse where he was been holding meetings every Sunday for several weeks. The house caught fire where the stove pipe pased out of the roof. It was soon extinguished. After meeting the ordinance of baptism was attended to. Sr. Climer went forward. Her husband is much opposed to her coming among the Seventh-day Adventists. Bro. Thomas and his wife came down to Bro. Hazeltine's tonight.

Tues. 19 Nathen and his wife and I have bihave visited at Bro. Hazeltine's this afternoon. Found Thomas very feeble. He had a bleeding turn just after dinner. Also another turn justafter sitting down to the supper table.

Weds. 20 thomas still has bleeding turns.

Frid. 22 Thomas is more comfortable. Have some hope that he will be spared a little longer.

Sund. 24 Thomas had another turn of bleeding. He is in a very critical state.

APRIL

Mond. 1 Town meeting to try the removal of the county seat from Waukon to Lansing - Quite a fall of snow last night.

Tues. 2 John has been to town - brings the news that the country seat is removed - sad faces at Waukon. The warmest day we have yet had this spring - a very good spring day.

Weds. 3 Had a visit from Uncle Pottle and family. John went after them and took them back. Our folks commenced sowing wheat. Set turkeys' eggs and also some Brahma's [chickens].

Tues. 9 I am quite unwell - have good deal of pain. Wm. has traded of a steer for a new milch cow. We are quite pleased with the prospect of having milk.

Thurs. 11 I have felt better and have done considerable work. Father, Mother, Nathan and his wife made a call down to old Mr. Beeman's just at night.

Frid. 12 I have felt really miserable. Have attempted to do scarcely anything all day. We have had a long spell of wet weather - week last Wednesday night since it commenced raining.

MAY

Thurs. 2 I have been up to Mother's. She has been quite slim now for some days. The side of her neck and face are very badly swollen. Last Sunday we went up to see Dr. Hedge. He said it was occasioned by a cold. He did not apprehend that it would result in anything serious. She is in some respect better but her neck still looks bad. Calvin and Wm. Lockwood returned from the river just at night. Calvin brought a package for John. It was Webster's Dictionary Unabridged, the pictorial edition. It was sent him by Bradley Tompson as a present. I borrowed \$1 of Vernelia last Sunday also 34 cents week or two since of Nathan.

Thurs. 30 John & I rode to town with Mr. Pitts. We took dinner at John cole's. John handed in an article upon the Sabbath for the Waukon Journal a reply to an article written against the seventh-day Sabbath.

JUNE

- Tues. 18 I rode to town and made a short call at Uncle Wm. Pottle's. John took up his manuscript.
- Weds. 19 John has received a line from Bro. Bostwick stating that the intention was of pitching the tent at Lake City, which is on Lake Pipin, and wished John if he thought he could attend to give out the appointment in the Review.
- Thurs. 20 John arose early and took a letter to town containing the appointment for the Review. He sent the letter by John Earl to McGregor, also his History of the Sabbath.
- Sat. Eve 22 Mr. & Mrs. Pitts went forward in baptism. Sr. Butler has had a strange attack of disease while at meeting. She lost herself - did not know where she was, cannot remember anything about the meeting or the Baptism - she says her head feels strangely.
- Sund. 23 My dear husband left this morning on his way to join the Minnesota tent. Sad moments these parting scenes. He took passage for Lansing with Mr. Sacket who was going down with a lumber wagon. Mother has been over to Bro. Butler's. Sr. B. Is all right today but yesterday was all a blank.
- Mond. 24 Mellie and I visited at Mother's. I sent a letter to Harriet.
- Frid. 28 I wrote my first letter to John and received my first from Him. He left Lansing about 6 Sunday P.M. and arrived at Lake City at 9 the next morning.

JULY

- Mond. 1 Vermelia has gone up to Mother's this afternoon. I made a visit at Sr. Hazeltine's.
- Tues. 2 Mother has gone to Waukon with Wm. About half past 10 Mother Stevens came down and about noon Bro. Butler drove up with his wife and Bro. & Sr. Lockwood.
- Weds. 3 Mother visits with them over to Bro. Hazeltine's.
- Thurs. 4 Independence. I visit with the company to Mother Stevens.
- Frid. 5 I send my second letter to John.
- Mond. 8 A draft from Bro. Abby of \$243.
- Tues. 9 Wm. And Nathan go to Waukon to consult about the draft. It was sent in John's name yet intended for Nathan and therefore has to be sent to Minnesota for John to put his name to it.
- Weds. 10 Wm. And Nathan go to Lansing.
- Thurs. 11 I sent my third letter to John, also the lost Journal.
- Mond. 15 I sent my fourth letter to John. Charlie was quite sick last night.

- Thurs. 18 I have been to Mother's. Wm. has gone to Lansing. I received my fifth letter from John.
- Frid. 19 I sent my fifth to him and received at night another, his sixth, containing Nathan's draft.
- Mond. 22 I sent a letter enclosing a draft of \$20.55 to John directed Lake City. At night Wm. Brought me his seventh letter. Mrs. Climer visits us. Just at night Wm., Father and I rode over to see Bro. Thomas. It seems that he can live but a very short time. He is clear and triumphant in his mind. Mother Stevens leaves home about 4 this morning on her way to Michigan to visit Harriet. Charles goes with her to McGregor.
- Frid. 26 I receive John's eighth letter.
- Sab. 27 Our dear Bro Thomas died about 2 this morning.
- Sund. 28 Funeral this afternoon. At Bro. Mead's request Bro. Butler prayed and made a few remarks. Had no sermon. He leaves a poor disconsolate widow. Poor May can hardly bear the heavy stroke though it has been so long expected. May the grace of God be magnified in her weakness is my prayer. Our folks commence harvesting this morning.

AUGUST

- Tues. 6 Father and Mother have been to Waukon since supper and brought me John's ninth letter. I have not his address yet as he had not included where to have his next tent meeting.
- Thurs. 8 Our folks have got their grain all cradled, finished about 11 this forenoon. Mary Mead has been stopping with Pauline and Nettie this week.
- Sat. 10 Received my tenth letter. Sent one to him after Sabbath directed Medford.
- Weds. 14 Vernelia has been sick for several days with the dysentery. Has sent for the Doctor this P.M. as it seemed to be her wish and we have done all we can. Still she does not get any better but is rather growing worse. Sent a letter by the Dr. To mail directed to John.
- Tues. 20 Nathan went to town this morning. Took a letter to mail for me, my third directed to Medford, Steele Co., Minnesota. Vernelia is still real miserable.
- Tues. 27 Threshing. Emma and Jennette have kindly come in to assist us.
- Thurs. 29 Wm. starts for McGregor about 3 this morning with a load of wheat. Bro. Draper has returned home with him.

SEPTEMBER

- Sund. 1 I rode up to Mother's this P.M. just at dark. Grandpa and Memry came up after me.
- Weds. 4 Have sent a letter to John by Reuben Bullock directed Cleaveland, Le Sueur Co., Minnesota. I expect him home week after next.
- Frid. 6 Mrs. Abigail Beeman buries her little girl today. Father is quite slim and has been for several days. Vernelia has got quite smart. She has been helping me piece a quilt for Memry's crib.
- Thurs. 16 My dear husband returned about 5 P.M. Most glad were we to see him. Memry was the first to espy him.

OCTOBER

- Sund. 19 Since the above date, a little daughter has been added to our trust. Sunday, September 29 about 4 AM she was born. Today I have been outdoors for the first time. I feel the Lord has been very merciful. I have got along thus far remarkably well for which I would thank His name. Mary Cady came over Sunday evening and stopped with us till Thursday night. Our babe weighed 10 pounds.
- Sat. Eve. 27 Mother Stevens has returned from Michigan. By some mistake she did not arrive at Pierre du Chien Wednesday evening as was expected so Charles returned from there without her Thursday. We were all much disappointed but last evening about 8 o'clock a team came up to the house bringing Mother. She took the wrong train of cars and went round by Dunleith. There was a man down to McGregor from this way and he brought her up. Good fortune for her that there happened to be someone from this way. Our little girl grows finely. Weighed last Sunday 11 1/4 pounds.

NOVEMBER

- Tues. 5 Our little girl, Mary Frances, is a sweet baby. She grows finely. Weighed yesterday 12 pounds.

DECEMBER

- Weds. 18 Our William was united in marriage last evening to Sister Marthat a. Butler by Mr. Wilber of Waukon, a lawyer. John & I, Calvin and Mary, George and Lenthe attended the wedding. Are having very fine weather.
- Sund. 22 Bro. Hosea Mead buried his little boy today. My husband attended the funeral. He died with the throat disease. Mr. Thompson, a near neighbor, had a little girl burn Sunday 29 to death yesterday P.M.
- Sund. 29 Our little Mary is 3 months old and weighs 15 pounds. Mother came home with us from meeting.
- Mond. 30 My two mothers are visiting at Vernelia's and at Reuben Bullock.

JANUARY, 1862

- Weds. 7 Vernelia has been here today. This evening most of our folk have gone to meeting at Bro. Butler's. Mother Stevens has gone away tonight. I have been preparing mincemeat. Baby has some cold.
- Thurs. 8 Marriage. Mr. Adelbert Bullock to Miss Sarah Hazeltine by J.N. Andrews. Our little Mary weighs 16 pounds. She grows finely.
- Friday, 9 Took dinner at Bullocks in the evening. Our first covenant meeting.
- Sab. 11 Attended to the ordinances of the church meeting at Bro. Hazeltine's.
- Thurs. 16 Charlie had an attack of the croup last night - is quite sick today.
- Sab. 18 Charlie is on the mending hand. Meeting at Bro. Hazeltine's. Mother has gone but John and I remain at home on account of the children.
- Wed. 22 Meeting at Bro. Hazeltine's. A communication from Sr. White - testimony to the church was read.

FEBRUARY

- Tues. 11 Old Brother Lockwood died last night. Will be buried Thursday.
- Thurs. 13 Very cold. John attends the funeral of Bro. Lockwood.
- 26 Nathan has a son born.
- 27 Martha has gone down to help them. Mother stops today.
- 28 Our monthly meeting this evening.

MARCH

- Sund. 9 I am 38 years old today.
- Sund. 23 I have been down to see Vernelia this morning. She has quite a fine boy. They call him Ira Addison.
- Mond. 24 Spent the day at Bro. Hazeltine's. John came over and took supper with me at Sarah's.
- Tues. 25 Father has made us a washing machine.
- Weds. 26 I visit at Mother's. Mary Mead came there yesterday. Came home with me tonight.
- Thurs. 27 Are having company. Bro. & Sr. Nile, Sister Jane Bullock, May and Nettie, etc.
- Frid. 28 Mary has gone down to George Geasey's.

Sund. 30 Our little Mary was 6 months old yesterday. Weighs 20 pounds. A nice baby we think. She has seemd to have pain in her head twice. We have seen matter in her ears. Today I bored her right ear hoping it might help the humor in her head. John has gone to Waukon. I planted my tomatoes Friday.

APRIL

Thurs. 3 Mother came down yesterday. Will stop till Sabbath. She is twisting some yarn.

Weds. 9 Our baby is quite unwell - has another sore coming in her head. I think her bowels have been out of order too, though this morning she seems better in this repect. Have had another very blustering snow storm. It commenced Sunday night. Monday P.M. was very blustering.

Tues. 29 Our baby is 7 months. Has got to be quite smart. Weighs 20 pounds.

MAY

Mond. 19 John had a tooth out this evening. After returning from the Doctor, he had a violent attack of neuralgia. I never saw him in such distress between 12 and 1. We went to bed . He rested but very little all night.

Tues. 20 John is better of the pain in his face but very weak so as to be unable to go out much. O I am thankful he has not that severe pain he had last night.

Thurs. 22 Nathan has been helping plant corn today. Our little Mary weighs 21 pounds. Father has planted six acres of imphe (sugar cane). I have braided two hats this week for Pauline.

JUNE

Mond. 2 Have been to town and bought something for John - a vest. Also made a visit to George Butler.

Tues. 3 Paulina is here working on John's vest just at night. Went to Waukon with my husband. He bought him a pair of boots and something for pants. John is making preparation to go east.

Mond. 9 John left us about 3 this morning. He intends to labor with the New York team in connection with Bro. Cornell. It is my earnest desire that God's hand may guide him and that his heart may be greatly cheered by the blessing of the Lord.

Weds. 11 Brn. Pitts, Holcomb and Mead gave us a helping hand in plowing among the corn.

Thurs. 12 Wm. has been to Lansing. Mailed a letter for me tonight. I sleep upstairs for the first time since the baby was born. Moved our stove out today.

- Sund. 15 The brethren from Waukon have been helping again today. We had a strawberry cake for supper.
- Tues. 17 I received my first letter for John. He thinks of remaining at B.C. until he hears from Bro. Cornell.
- Thurs. 19 A frost last night. I sent my second letter to John directed to Battle Creek. Enclosed one from Bro. Aldrich. Received my second from him.
- Frid. 20 I have felt rather unwell. Little Mary has not felt well for a few days past. Charlie went up to his grandmother's Tuesday night. Has been to school to his Aung Nettie. Mother went after him his P.M. He seems to like going well.
- Tues. 24 I went up and spent a few hours with Paulina this forenoon. My third from John by the hand of Mr. Bullock.
- Weds. 25 My fourth dated Rochester. We put up two bottles of strawberries - scald the berries and put them hot into the bottles, heat the bottles by putting them into cold water and letting them be until the water boils. Then fill full while the bottle remains in the hot water. Seal while hot. We put in some sugar when scalding the berries.
- Frid. 17 Had a beautiful rain last night. Also a fine shower today noon.
- Sat. 28 A fifth letter from John.
- Sund. 28 Our little Mary Frances is 9 months old today. Weighs 22 pounds. A church meeting at Bro. Hazeltine's this P.M.
- Mond. 30 I took our Charlie to school this morning.

JULY

- Weds. 2 We have lost our Frank. Father started with him and Fred to go after rails. He had gone but a short distance when he fell down. Father unharnessed him and came home. We doctored him as we had done before, did all we could and as fast as we could but to no avail. Within three hours, he was dead. It is a great loss We hardly know how we shall get along with only one horse, but there will be some way. We cannot say a word. It has come in the providence of God and it is for us to submit. I sent a letter to John and, of course, must give the sad news.
- Thurs. 3 John Farnsworth does not work today. He has gone to a ride with several others. Father came home from Cofield's where he had been after rails, about 5. Was taken very sick to his stomach, commenced vomiting and kept it up for two hours or so. He was very sick. We were quite alarmed about him. It seemed like the cholera morbis, but thank the Lord his life was spared.
- Frid. 4 A church meeting instead of our usual Covenant meeting. Uncle W. And wife were down in the afternoon. Father is gaining slowly.

- Sund. 6 Very warm weather. Baby is worrisome. Charlie has a cold. He has been very restless nights of late. I received a letter from John on Friday, dated Adam's Center.
- Frid. 11 Bro. and Sr. Gillet accompanied by Brn. and Sisters from West Illinois have come to meet with us on the Sabbath.
- Sat. 12 Meeting at Bullocks at 5 P.M beside the usual Sabbath meeting. The baby is so unwell, I have not been to either meeting.
- Sund. 13 Prayer meeting at Bro. Butler's at 4 P.M. They have had excellent meetings since the Brn. have been here. It has not been my privilege to attend at all. The Brn. intend to leave in the morning. I have been writing to John while I have been alone this afternoon.
- Tues. 15 Mother went with Melville to see the doctor about his ankle.
- Weds. 16 Our folks have bought a horse of Mr. Wilford Bryant. Turn our young stock and pay \$50. In November
- Mond. 28 Go up to Mother's and take the children.
- Tues. 29 Returned tonight. Charlie and Mary have got the whooping cough. Charlie has had a bad cough now for two weeks. Has just begun to whoop and vomit.
- Weds. 30 Father and Mother have gone to get our wool carded. Returned about 7 with their rolls. Have 12 3/4 pounds.
- Thurs. 31 Martha and I have been to town and the children went with us. I got some cough syrup for them. I mailed a letter to John. Have received two from him this week. Sabbath - my third letter from John.

AUGUST

- Tues. 5 The children are getting along as well as we could expect. Charlie has got a hard cough indeed. Martha went to town yesterday mailed a letter for me to John and brought me one from him.
- Frid. 15 Our little Mary is quite sick. Sent for Mother and St. Hazeltine this morning. I put her in to a wet sheet. She appear brighter after coming out of that. We had a season for prayer for her. I felt it to be a privilege to lay her case before the Lord and ask for his healing power. She has seemed more comfortable.
- Sat. 16 She continues about the same. Seems quite weak - hardly strength to cough.
- Sund. 17 Mary does not appear as well - feverish again. Again I put her in a wet sheet. Father went after the Doctor before breakfast. Fear she will have a fever. Doctor came about 10 A.M. He thinks the worst symptom is her being so weak. Left her some wine of ipecac, smart spirits of Nitre, also quinine, particularly as a tonic. Said he did not expect it would affect her cough any way.

- Mond. 18 I sent a letter to mail by the Doctor. I think Mary's cough is stronger than it was this afternoon. She has felt quite miserable at times but goes to bed comfortable.
- Tues. 19 She rested full better than she has done. No fever this morning. Appears quite natural.
- Evening Mary really seems much stronger and better. We are much encouraged. I walked to town this P.M. and mailed a letter to John. The Lord has dealt graciously with us.
- Tues. 22 Our little baby is very feeble - has not been as well yesterday and today. Received a line from Harriet. She sent a recipe for the whooping cough - warranted to cure in 8 - 12 days. We cannot get the ingredients all to Waukon. Have sent to McGregor.
- Sat. 23 Mary rested full better last night than usual. Put her into a wet sheet this morning as she seemed some feverish. Has appeared more comfortable today. I hope she has really seen the worst of this disease.
- Sund. 24 Mary has been very sick all day. Sent for Mother. Wm. went over to help George thresh.
- Mond. 25 About half past 10 Paulina brought the syrup. Nettie had obtained the ingredients and prepared it. We gave her a dose immediately. I think Mary has never been sicker than this afternoon. Medicine has no effect to vomit her as I supposed it would. Wm. and Martha return after dark this evening. Uncle Pottle and wife and Anna called down just at night.
- Tues. 26 Sent for Dr. Hedge this morning. He thinks our great effort should be to keep Mary's strength up, thinks she may live through it. He encouraged us some.
- Weds. 27 Mary really seemed better last night and rested better today. She has appeared more comfortable. Our hopes are raised considerably. She still is slim. We have anxiety.
- Thurs. 28 She is really better we think. Has appeared very comfortable about all day. I would realize that it is of the great goodness of God. Mother has been to Waukon. Father and Wm. have been off trying to obtain information about improving our sugar mill.
- Friday 29 Mary is 11 months old - weighs 19 1/2 pounds.

AUGUST

- Mond. 1 There is a fair prospect of our dear Mary again having health.
- Tues. 2 Paulina, Nettie and Mary Mead made us a little visit. Mary is making preparation to return to Battle Creek this fall.

- Frid. 12 Stephen Ryder's children are having the whooping cough. The babe is very sick. Mother is over there today. Uncle Pottle and Althea were down this forenoon. Sent a letter to mail.
- Sab. 13 Have been to meeting. Nettie brought me two letters from John.
- Sund. 14 Bro. Hazeltine is trying some of his imphe [sugar cane]. Boiled down one bath and poor stuff it is.
- Mond. 15 Nathan is trying his today. His is more mature than Bro. Hazeltine's. William is quite unwell - will have a sore without doubt. Are having wet weather. Our Mary coughs some yet, though very much better. Stephen Ryder's little babe died about 1 P.M. Will be buried tomorrow at 2 P.M.
- Tues. 16 Oliver started with Mary Mead and Nettie to take them to the river. This afternoon it has been some rainy. I think Oliver will have a hard time to get along with his heavy load. Wm., Martha and I have been to the funeral. Bro. Butler made the prayer.
- Frid. 19 Mother, Wm. and Martha left about 4 A.M. to attend the meeting at West Union. Wm. is miserable - having a sore gathering.
- Sund. 21 I have commenced weaning my baby. Our folks returned home about 5 P.M. 27 went from this church - only our team came back today.
- Mond. 22 I went to town early this morning. Mailed a letter to John. Also took one from the Office from him. Mr. Simpson has been at work for us today. Mary had three crying spells last night. I think she weans very easy. She has been better than usual today.
- Frid. 25 A letter from Bro. Allen came today to John requiring immediate answer. I intend to forward it and shall write a line to Bro. Allen. Received two from my husband, also a book for Charlie.
- Sund. 28 Mary is quite unwell. Has a slight touch of the dysentery. Was taken last night Thresher to dinner. So rainy no threshing this P.M.
- Mond. 27 Threshing. One year since our little Mary was born.
- Tues. 30 Rainy. Mary is still slim. Mailed a letter to John.

SEPTEMBER

- Thurs. 2 Mary was quite sick last night. Has been about the same through the day. Mother has a very bad cough. Threshing Oliver's wheat.
- Frid. 3 Mother had an alarming turn last night. It seemed like the croup. She commenced to cough and her breath entirely stopped. We put her feet into warm water, gave her ipecac and lobelia until she vomited. After a minute or so she got some relief but it was some time before she got entirely over it. She did not have another turn last night, but today she has had two rather light turns in getting her breath. She whoops like

the whooping cough. There seems to be phlegm which she cannot start in her throat. Mary is full as comfortable as she has been.

Sat. 4 Bro. & Sr. Hazeltine and Mother came from the meeting Last night Mother was so slim, we sent for them. Mother was anointed with oil in the name of the Lord and prayed for an answer to prayer. The Lord graciously blest. Mother said that she was healed. It was very evident that the Lord had commenced the work. She coughed some that night but very differently. A slight cough would start the phlegm, and today she has been to meeting and has come home real smart.

Sund. 5 Mary has been real sick today. She rolls her eyes and appears strangely. It must be that her head feels bad. She has hardly wanted to hold her head up all day. Just at night Father went after the doctor. He has not come down but said he would come in the morning. Mother had two slight turns of being pressed for breath last night and this has been a trying day to us both, but in retiring to rest we commend ourself to our kind heavenly Father.

Mond. 6 We have all had a comfortable night's rest. There is an evident change for the better in our Mary. Mother also has coughed but little all day. Paulina and Martha were down this afternoon. Wm. went to town just after dinner to tell the doctor if he had not started that he need not come.

Weds. 8 Mary is quite sick today. The trouble seems to be in her head. Yesterday she sneezed and her nose ran as though she had taken a violent cold but today her nose is dry and head very hot. We have kept cloths wet in cold water upon her head and several times have her head. As she appeared no better in the P.M., I suggested to Mother that we call in some of the brethren and sisters and have a season of prayer for Mary. She agreed with me and we invited in Martha, Sr. Bullock and Br. & Sr. Hazeltine. Mary was anointed with oil and prayed for and the Lord heard and answered. Praise to His Holy name.

Frid. 10 Mary has been gradually gaining ever since she was prayed for. Vernelia's father and mother came with Isted tonight.

Mond. 13 Bro. & Sr. Abbey have made us a visit today. We like them much. Sent my second letter to Kirkville by Bro. Abbey this forenoon.

NOVEMBER

Sund. 2 Pauline has been making her cne today. It had soured and was hardly worth making up. We finished ours Friday forenoon.

Thurs. 6 Pedro died this morning. Has been sick since Tuesday morning. We feel that we have met with quite a loss in thus losing our dog.

Mond. 10 We are having fine weather for havesting. My brother Charlie intends to start in the morning on his way to Round Grove, Illinois. I sent a letter to mail this morning in which I gave him to understand I was willing to start with my baby alone to meet him in New York.

DECEMBER

- Mond. 1 Wm. and Martha went to West Union Friday morning accompanied by Bro. & Sr. Hazeltine and George Butler. Returned this evening. Bro. C. returned with them. He intends to commence a course of lectures Wednesday evening.
- Tues. 2 I received a letter from my husband. He seems to be in great trial of mind about returning home. The brethren are urgent that he should send for me and that he make that state his field of his labor. The matter of my going he submits to us as a whole. He desires much that I should be with him, yet leaves it with us to decide. I have written him that I would come with my baby. I intend now to leave our Mellie at home believing it will be for the best.
- Thurs. 4 Lectures commenced last evening and tonight our folks have gone. Mellie and I have been up to Mother's and spent a short time. I feel sad in view of leaving home and home friends, especially our dear Mother and Mellie. I desire if it is not right that God would in his kind providence hedge up the way. Bro. Cornell makes it his home at Bro. Hazeltine's.
- Mond. 8 I took Mellie up to the artist and had his picture taken - gave 50 cents.
- Thurs. 11 Our children both had a slight attack of the croup last night. Mary has felt quite slim today and has been some hoarse. Have been anxiously looking for a letter some days past. Had a meeting Tuesday last at Bro. Hazeltine's for the church. The cases of father Andrews and Butler were considered.
- Frid. 12 Few of the members of the church met at Bro. Hazeltine's this P.M. This meeting was called particularly on Father's account. He stated some of the reasons why he had not fully gone with the visions. I think his mind was helped some by remarks from Bro. Cornell and others. He then took a stand fully upon the visions as being of the Lord.
- Tues. 16 Received letters from John and Harriet. A \$10 draft came in John's. Bro. Cornell is still holding meetings at Waukon. His congregations are increasing and a good deal of interest is manifest.
- Thurs. 18 Mother went to meeting last evening and stopped until tonight. Went to Uncle Pottle's and Eugene's. This evening I went up with the children. The subject was the death of Christ.
- Frid. 19 The subject of discourse this evening, "Reasons Why I Cannot be a Universalist."
- Sat. 10 We have all been to meeting today. Father and the children with myself came home after the second meeting. The others stopped to the evening meeting.

FEBRUARY

- Thurs. 5 Received intelligence that Charles is very sick with congestion of lungs with typhoid symptoms.

- Friday 6 Paulina starts this morning to see Charles. He has been teaching schools in Carroll County. She goes with a horse and buggy accompanied by ana Lockwood. We feel very anxious about him.
- Sat. 7 We learned that Charles is better. O thank the Lord. I received word this evening from my husband also. He writes encouragingly for me to join him in New York. We have been long talking of such a move but for some time past the way has seemed all hedged up. I calculate to start Tuesday A.M. My trunk was packed some weeks since. My mind has been in great suspense and my way has seemed quite hedged up. I expect now to start next Tuesday.
- Tues. 10 Wm. takes me to the river. Nettie is going with us to the river. It is hard parting with dear friends.
- Weds. 19 Take the cars at Prairie du Chien at 6 o'clock 15.
- Thurs. 12 I am at Uriah's in Battle Creek. Arrived at this place about two this morning. Had a prosperous journey thus far. Mary and Wilton make quite a pair. Folks here think they look a good deal alike.
- Sab. 14 Social meeting this morning and two discourses by Bro. White. I did not go in the afternoon as it has been so rainy.
- Sund. 15 Bro. and Sr. White take dinner here today and supper. Sr. White visits with us this afternoon.
- Mond. 16 Last evening Harriet and I walked home with Sr. White and made a short call. She showed me all over the house. The boys have a Melodeon. They seem to be in good health and good spirits. I esteemed it a great privilege to see them once more. I had some talk with Sr. White concerning the past with considerable satisfaction. They both approve of my going to York State. About noon today, I start to p my eastern journey.
- Tues. 17 Arrived in Rochester at 6 Am. Was disappointed in not meeting my husband or Bradly. After waiting about two hours I engaged a hackman to take me to Bradly's and there I found John greatly disappointed in not meeting me at the cars this morning. It appears that John and Bradly were both watching at the cars but strange to tell we missed each other, but thankful to meet at last. John is just recovering from the diptheria. I have had a wearisome journey with my two children, one 17 months and a little boy 5 years. It was a great undertaking but the Lord has brought me safely through. Blessed be His name.
- Thurs. 19 Go to Bro. Orton this P.M. Yesterday about noon we went to visit at Mr. Edward Pottle's. Returned to Bradley's today at Noon. Find their Willie sick.
- Frid. 20 The children seem more at home. Mary has been afraid of everyone. Has not been willing sit with her father.

- Sab. 21 Meeting at this house Br. & Sr. Tarbor and Bro. Wm. Loughborough were present. Have not been in meeting with my husband for 8 or 9 months. His throat is still in a bad state, the effect of the diphtheria.
- Sund. 22 Meeting taken up on the account of Bradley's child is very sick. Bro. & Sr. O and John have gone there.
- Mond. 23 John has had several teeth extracted. Is going to have an entire set of upper teeth. The Lord heard prayer for little Willie and he is better.
- Wed. 25 We go to Old Bro. Lamson's. John had the impression taken for his teeth this forenoon. Tomorrow he is going to return to the city to get them and then go to Lockport to attend a meeting.
- Mond 2 John returns to Bro. Lamson's from Lockport.
- Weds. 4 Received a letter from Bro. White giving some reasons why he advises us not to settle in Rochester or vicinity. He rather recommends Kirkville or Adam's Center. We have been much perplexed about fixing upon a location. I intend to go to the city tomorrow and have a job done to my teeth.
- Frid. 6 I have been to Doctor Naramore's and had 14 teeth extracted. Took cloroform. Was not unconscious and sensed the pain considerably. He took them all out in about ten minutes. John leaves for Kirkville about 11 A.M.
- Mond. 9 Returned again to Bro. Lamson's.
- Sab. 14 Went out to Parma to meeting at Bro. Smith's. It was their monthly meeting. Bro. Orton and wife and Bradley's folks were present. Elder Harman spoke twice. He has but recently come into the truth.
- Mond 23 Went out to Rochester hoping to meet Oliver sometime during the week. Bro. Orton met me at the depot and took me to his house. Found Sr. Jane Seaman there.
- Tues. 24 In company with Sr. S. Did a little business. Engaged to have a drawn silk hat made. Had the impression taken for my teeth. Bought me a net.
- Weds. 25 Went with Bro. Orton to Dr. Naramore's. Received my teeth. Paid \$10.00. Met Drusilla at the Arcade and went home with her.
- Thurs. 26 Drusilla went with me to Mrs. Talenger's where I found my hat ready for me. Paid her \$4.50. Obtained some oil silk, 1/2 yard and made me a hat covering. Bought a pair of shoes for Mellie, a net for Phebe and stick of braid.
- Sab. 28 Meeting at Bradley's.
- Sund. 29 Bradley took me to Bro. Orton's. Bradley is about moving. Intends to move his family tomorrow.

Tues. 31 Leave for Hamlin. Are met at Brockport by Justus. Stop at his house. Find a letter from my husband and in an hour or so Bro. Lamson comes over bringing me another very comforting letter.

APRIL

Weds. 1 Martha takes their team and we go to Bro. Lamson's. It is very muddy traveling. Charlotte brings me from the Office two letters from Waukon and one from John. Father has been very sick and is now but a very little more comfortable.

Sund. 5 Came over to Bro. Smith's yesterday to meeting and stopped to visit round. This week are at Bro. Smith's.

Mond. 6 Came to Sr. Prentiss. Bro. S. took his wife and myself and children here this morning.

Weds. 8 Sr. Prentiss is visiting with me at Bro. Tracy's.

Thurs. 9 I go to Bro. Demarist's. Here is where poor Bro. Sperry was sick so long and died. I slept in the room where he died.

Frid. 10 Returned to Bro. Smith's. Have had a pleasant time.

Sab. 11 So back to Bro. Lamson's with Bro. Smith. The quarterly meeting is holden today and tomorrow at Bro. L.'s. Bro. Cottrell and Harmon have spoken. Mary has been so uneasy, I have enjoyed but little of the meeting. Am happy to see several brethren and sisters whose names have been familiar to me.

Sund. 12 After meeting, Mr. Gaskel and Miss Charlotte Lamson were united in marriage by Bro. Cottrell.

Mond. 13 Have a wedding dinner at Bro. Lamson's. Bradley and Drusilla remained.

Weds. 15 Came to stop a day or two with Bro. Craig.

Frid. 17 Have had a wet time for a day or two past. Phebe came over this afternoon. Bro. Craig harnesses his horse into his buggy and we ride over to Bro. Lamson's. I feel it to be a privilege to get back there again tonight. Bro. Craig has given me dried fruit, a pair of shoes that were his wife's. While here, I received a letter from John, also two from Waukon. Frather and Mother, Bro. Snook has been at Waukon and they have had a good melting down time for which I am exceedingly glad.

Thurs. 23 I leave here for Rochester. Intending to start from there Tuesday next for Kirkville where I expect to meet my husband Wednesday. We intend settling in that place. I am pleased at the thought of having a home and settling down with our little ones. Bro. Orton meets me and takes me to his house. I meet Drusilla and Jenny here. I pack my trunks and get them ready that they may be taken to the cars Tuesday A.M.

Frid. 24 I go to Bradley's. He lives close by Uncle Edward Pottle's. Take dinner with them. Stopped by the way and bought a hat for Mellie. Went to town this P.M. and had Mary's picture taken.

Sab. 25 Bro. Orton and Elder Harman came and we had a little meeting. Sr. Orton was not able to ride over. She has been quite slim ever since she was at the quarterly meeting at Bro. Lamson's.

Mond. 27 Visit at Uncle Edward's this P.M. They seem very friendly and I had a pleasant time.

Tues. 28 I start between 10 and 11. I learn when getting at the depot that this train does not stop at Manlius as I had supposed. I must wait awhile at Syracuse.

Weds. 29 Arrived at Kirkville not far from 5 yesterday P.M. Stopped 2 hours or more at Syracuse. Got my baggage rechecked. I am glad indeed to get so near through my journeyings, at least for the present. Mr. Sperry met me at the depot, and Bro. Kinne was there to take my trunks. I learn a home has been purchased for us a few rods from Bro. Gardner's I have been over to see the place. The house is of an ordinary cast yet very good I understand, having been recently fixed up. Attached to the house is an excellent garden containing quite a variety of fruit and this P.M. I have done a little trading. On my return I found my husband had come, a good deal tired out.

Mond. 27 Mellie was taken sick with the scarlet fever. He complained of his throat along in the forenoon or about noon.

MAY

Frid. 1 Did not rest much with Mellie last night. We gave him a warm bath and put him in a wet sheet last evening. This P.M. John takes him in his arms and we settle ourselves in our home.

Sat. 2 Had a trying time last night. Mellie was very sick and we gave him a pack. We had scarcely any rest all night and today we feel about tired out.

Mond. 4 Mellie is all broke out with a rash and is as comfortable as we can expect. This disease seems to have taken a favorable turn, and we trust he will soon be up and about.

Frid. 15 John has gone to Pompey to remain over the Sabbath. Mellie seems quite well.

Sab. 16 Mellie woke up about 11 last night and complained of his throat. I was alone in the home. I felt some alarm at first, but looked to the Lord and did what I could for his throat and in an hour or so he seemed comfortable. His fever left him and we all rested very well. I believe the Lord in answer to prayer appeared in our behalf.

Sund. 17 John returned about noon. He has bought me a nice porcelain kettle and covered pot. We have had some whitewashing done and paper put on two bedrooms. The kitchen is partly papered and we have paper for the sitting room.

- Mond. 18 My dear husband left us this noon on his way to Michigan to attend the General Conference. I believe the Lord calls him to labor in his service and mean to cheerfully submit to the necessary separation.
John has subscribed for the semi-weekly Tribune. The first issue came today.
- Weds. 20 Just been to the groceries and made purchases to the amount of 43 cents.
- Sund. 24 Have been putting on paper in the sitting room.
- Thurs. 28 Have been looking for the return of my husband. Brn. Taylor and Philips came to Bro. Gardner's just at night. I learn by them that John is coming tomorrow. He was detained on business in Rochester.
- Frid. 29 Have been disappointed in not seeing John. I retire to bed with a sad anxious heart.
- Sund. 31 About 12 Friday night my husband arrived at home. I was awakened by his calling my name at our bedroom window. O how my heart leaped with joy at the sound of his dear voice. Bro. Buck accompanied him while waiting at Syracuse for the cars. They went out to see the salt works, etc. And before they were aware, the cars had started and they took passage in a tow boat on the canal. John is very much worn down, did not sit up scarcely any yesterday. Today he has been about some.

JUNE

- Mond. 1 John seems more like himself, especially this afternoon. He expects to leave in the morning. He is starting out in the tent operations, expects to pitch it first in Allegheny Co. Bo. Fuller is going with him. Jr. Mr. Cook came in and spent the evening.
- Tues. 2 My dear husband left about 9 this morning. It is a sacrifice to have him thus leave home. I Miss him much, but it is for the Lord's work and I will do it cheerfully.
- Thurs. 4 Our boxes have really arrived at last. Bro. G. took them from the depot this A.M. The book case is some marred, otherwise the things came well. I have felt somewhat cast down since John left.
- Frid. 12 I received tidings from Bro. N. Fuller that my dear husband is sick. Was taken at first with cold chills and the morning of the 9th, the date of his letter, he was unable to sit up. I feel very anxious in regard to him. I have hope that God will raise him up. I will trust in Him and hope in His mercy. I mail a letter this P.M. to Bro. Fuller.
- Sund. 14 I have passed two days of deep sadness and anxious suspense. Friday night I slept but little. At least I was awake a good deal with a heavy weight upon my heart. Last night, in answer to prayer, I rested very well. I woke up but once till 5 in the morning. This morning my mind is calm and quite free. I have lost my burden of anxiety and sadness which I have had and I am more hopeful. I have done my washing and some cooking.
- Mond. 15 A letter from Bro. Harmon stating more definitely in regard to John. He kept to his bed most of the day after he arrived and the next day assisted in pitching the tent. He

preached Sabbath evening also the evening after the Sabbath and also twice on Sunday. That night was taken in the tent with chills which lasted an hour or so. Then a burning fever set in which continued till Wednesday when he took a pack which gave much relief. They seem to think it is the lung fever. He has had pain in his right breast, raised some blood, etc. Well, this letter does not bring with it the apprehensions and weight of sadness the first did.

Weds. 17 A letter from my husband in his own handwriting. He is still unable to sit up with writes "flat on his back". The fever has subsided also his cough and he is comfortable. O what cause for deep gratitude to God. I wrote him Monday. Mailed also one to him today and each time mailed one to Waukon.

Mond 22 A very favorable line from John. I have been very anxious in regard to him having had no word since last Wednesday. He sits up a few hours or so in a day and walks out a few rods.

Weds. 24 Another letter from him. He writes that he seems to be entirely free from disease but is still weak. It is possible I may see him in about two weeks. He thinks it probable he may quit laboring with the tent for awhile and perhaps for the season. How very glad I should be to see him once more, but I feel like submitting to the order of God. I want him to move in His counsel.

JULY

Weds. 1 John writes that he preached in the tent Sunday. Thinks he shall stick by the tent.

Tues. 7 Sr. G., Sr. Sperry, and Sr. Hoeg visited me this afternoon. Sr. Cook came in just at night. Mellie went home with Bro. Kinne today. I miss him a good deal.

AUGUST

Mond. 21 John leaves for Port Byron meetings with tent commencing this evening. I think I may attend that meeting some.

Thurs. 27 Am making preparation to go out to Port B. Think of going tomorrow. Mellie went home with Bro. Kinne and is going to remain there while I am gone.

SEPTEMBER

Thurs. 3 I returned from Port Byron today. Am quite unwell. Was taken quite sick at Bro. Harris' Sunday evening. I have had a chill every afternoon since. I presume it is what I have heard of but never anything of before - the fever and ague.

OCTOBER

Weds. 28 Nettie has come to stop awhile with us and very thankful are we. Since late September as a family we have passed through trying scenes. We have all been sick more or less. Mellie and Mary have had the fever and ague. I have been very sick with

the intermittent fever. Wednesday the 9th of September gave birth prematurely to a little daughter but I was not in the least conscious of the sufferings of that day. The following Monday we buried our baby. The Sisters were exceedingly kind and did what they could in helping us but it was impossible, situated as they were, to render us the help that we needed. Those days are almost a blank to me. I cannot note events as they occurred. Our prospect now is brightening.

Sr. Sperry is very feeble. She has bled from her nose for several days. John and I with the children spent a few hours at Mr. Hoeg's before going to the railroad for Jennette - the first time I have called on Sr. H. since I came here.

NOVEMBER

- Sund. 1 John and Nettie watched with her Friday night. This morning before light, Bro. Kinne called John and said that Sr. Sperry was very low and Sr. G. desired him to come over and talk some with her about her situation. Sr. Sperry had not then given up the hope that she should recover it seemed.
- Sund. P.M. About 3 Sr. Sperry is dead. Though she has been feeble for a long while, yet sudden and almost unexpected is her death. Most of the time since I came here she has had a hopeful, cheerful spirit, trusting that God in answer to prayer would arrest the progress of her disease and restore a measure of health once more to her. But it has been otherwise determined, and we are called to lay her away to rest. We do it with the full assurance that she will come forth in the first resurrection. Funeral Tuesday at 10 A.M.
- Thurs. 5 Bro. and Sr. Gardner and John left about Noon on their way to Adam's Center. The State Conference is to commence Friday the 6th, tomorrow, P.M. Mary does not seem to get well. For a few days now she has been more unwell than usual. I think it may be noma [disease of the mouth in small children] that is troubling her.
- Mond. 9 Bro. & Sr. Gardner returned from Adam's this afternoon much pleased with their meeting. John sends me a line by them. He thinks he will return soon, probably Tuesday, but is not certain. I went to the grocery just at night and bought little beef and 1/4 pound of cinnamon. Nettie is a great help to me. She has been working on my debage(?) dress, piecing down the skirt, etc. I am making Mellie a suit of clothes.
- Friday 13 Mr. Worden moves today. Left just about sunset. I mailed a letter to John, directed Mannsville.
- Sund. 15 Have been trying to straighten things some. Brn. Gardner and Kinne have been helping. Mrs. Houser is very sick; has been sick for several days.
- Mond. 16 John came home just at dark and unexpectedly. He is feeling rather slim and has come with the intention of stopping a few days and buying a little water treatment to see if he can't recruit somewhat.
- Tues. 17 Bro. Hoeg brought him a letter from Bro. White - Brookfield - in which he desires him to come to Brookfield next Sabbath. Quite a good work is being wrought

inthat place. Brn. Hoeg and Smith went out there last Friday. Bro and Sr. White went to Brookfield from the State Conference and have been holding meetings.

Mond. 23 John and I have been to Brookfield. Went Friday and returned this evening. Sunday A.M. the ordiance of baptism was attended to. There were 17 that went forward - of the number were John and myself.
At Hamilton on our way home we bought a web of sheeting - 36 yards. Paid \$3 per year. Also a dozen knives and forks, paid \$4.25

Weds. 25 Have been cutting out a pair of shirts of John. John seems to be quite slim yet.

DECEMBER

Tues. 1 John and I went out to the city. Made a purchase of some dishes, etc. Paid for the dishes including some silverplated tablespoons, a set of teaspoons, a butter knife and a nightlamp - \$13.72.

Sund. 6 Have been visiting to Sr. Prentice. Made some window curtains.

Mond 21 Returned from Bro. Saterlee's.

Thurs. 24 John left for Roosevelt.

Tues. 27 John returned from Roosevelt. He bought me a boiler at Syracuse, paid \$9.00.

JANUARY

Friday 1 Monthly meeting in this place commences this evening.

Sund. 3 John has spoken five times during our meetings and this afternoon had the ordinances at Bro. Gardner's. About 20 met with us from abroad. Have had a very interesting season.

Tues. 5 I now intend to leave with John in the morning for Western New York. A quarterly meeting is apponted for next Sabbath and Sunday.

Weds. 6 Bro. Gardner takes us to Manlius depot, and we take the car about 7 P.M.

Thurs. 7 Arrive in Rochester about 6 last evening and walk to Bro. Orton's. This P.M. call on Dr. N. and get him to fix my teeth. He fills one for John all gratis. Spend the evening at Uncle Pottle's.

Frid. 8 Leave for Brockport and meet at that place Bro. Lamson who takes us, Bro. & Sr. Orton and Bro. Eggleston to his house. Met with a very cordial reception from all.

Sab. 9 John spoke twice. Bro. Gottrill in the evening. John has not been at all well since we have been here. The meeting at Kirkville was a heavy tax upon his strength.

Sund. 10 John spoke in the forenoon. Bro. Cottrell in the afternoon. It has been a good meeting. A resolution was adopted to invite John to lay by a few weeks and rest then go

to Dansville if he would like. I was very grateful for such a move as it is very evident when he does not take time to rest and recruit somewhat that he must give out. Still John is loath to quit.

Mond. 11 The brethren. are leaving. I have met at this meeting Br. & Sr. Aldrich for the the first time. Have enjoyed meeting with old friends - at least acquaintances - that I made last spring. I would like much to visit Sr. Prentiss, but the weather is very cold and John is too much worn down to think of going. It is some 7 or 8 miles. We shall remain here a day or two. It seems much like home. Bro. Lamson's family seems quite near to me. Mother Lamson is quite slim.

Weds. 13 Phebe takes us to Brockport where we take the cars for Rochester. Spend the remainder of the day at Bradley's.

Thurs. 14 We go into the city and do some trading. Buy a sleigh for Mellie - \$10, John overshoes, me a pair of rubbers and other small articles. In the P.M. go into Uncle Edward's and stop.

Frid. 15 Left about 11 for Lancaster at which place Bro. Eggleston meets us with his team and takes us to his house. He has a mother and two sisters keeping the Sabbath.

Sund. 17 John spoke twice yesterday. He has an appointment for Tuesday evening.

Mond. 18 At home once more. The children have some cold. I left Bro. Eggleston's about 5 this morning. John came with us to Lancaster station where I took the cars for Batavia. From there I took the cars for Syracuse. Arrived in Syracuse between 1 and 2 P.M. At 4 P.M. left for Kirkville where I arrived about 5. Have written a line to John and enclosed one from George Butler.

Thurs. 21 Mr. Seymour Warner has made the offer of \$700 for this place. Will pay down. He has been in the army, served his time, and now has enlisted again. I write to John this evening sending the offer. Bro. G. has sold his place for \$3250.

Tues. 26 John has returned. Received my letter Sunday and concluding to accept the offer. Has returned to have the business done.

Weds. 27 John and Nettie have gone to the city. Bro G. had business and he thought he must have John's help and counsel.

Thurs. 28 Mr. Platteau was in last evening and made out the deed. Our place is sold and writings all made out and signed. We received \$700. Nettie went out to Syracuse and put it in the Onondaga Savings Bank.

Sat. 30 Had a good meeting. John talked some on the last part of John 17, "Father I will that they also which thou has given me be where I am" etc.

Sund. 31 Bro. And Sr. Kinne, John and myself called over to Bro. Smith. Stopped an hour or so and then Bro. Smith took his team and took us to see Sr. Gridley. She is quite low and probably will live but a short time.

FEBRUARY

- Mond. 1 Very windy. John and I called at Mr. Gouts and spent an hour or two.
- Tues. 2 We called at Royal Hoeg's. Also just at night in to Bro. Moses' and then spent a short time in to Bro. Gardner's. Bro and Sr. Treadwell we met there. Sr. Ophelia Edson is at Bro Gardner's. She came Friday and spent Friday night with us. A Sunday School Convention is being held in the place.
- Weds. 3 John left for Western New York between 9 and 10. I walked down to the railroad with him.
- Tues. 9 A letter from John also from Bro. White. He was at Bro. Lindsey's when he wrote Monday - was intending to come that day to Lockport to buy him an overcoat and the next day go to Bro. Aldrich in Somerset. Also a letter from Mother.
- Weds. 10 Bro. Kinne has been to the monthly meeting at Roosevelt. Returned yesterday P.M. Bro. Taylor came with him. Have had an excellent meeting, he says. He has engaged a room of Mrs. Squire's - intends to move in in about two weeks.
- Thurs. 11 I have visited at Mrs. Cook's this afternoon. Home after all is the pleasantest place to me. I mail a letter to Mother today and one yesterday to my dear husband, directed Olcott. Enclosed one to him from Bro. White. In Bro. White's letter was enclosed \$5 from a brother in Illinois, a present to John. Bro. Taylor returned 75 cents. He is not buying a certain book which John sent by him to get his brother, D. T. Taylor. He did not wish to part with it.
- Frid. 12 Have been buying some tin ware - three plates, 15 cents; 2 quart basin 20 cents; 5 quart pail, 35 cents; and a mop handle, 25 cents. Sold him 19 cents worth of rags (3 lbs.)
- Sat. 13 Had a good meeting. Mrs. Sheppard was present. She has been helping Sr. Gardner in her sewing.
- Sund. 14 Had a visit from Sr. Kinne.
- Tues. 16 Called at Mr. Cook's. Mariette returned from Dansville Friday. Intends to return again and spend the month of March. She hardly looks natural to me. She has taken some cold and is not feeling as well as usual. Thinks she is much better than when she first went there. It snows a little.
- Weds. 17 A fearful spell of weather. The snow and wind and cold makes it terric. Mailed a letter to John last nigh, directed Winspear. Nettie has been reading inthe History of the United States. She has read aloud in it evenings for some time. It is very interesting.
- Sat. 20 Our last meeting at Bro. G. They are making all preparations for leaving Kirkville. A Mrs. Page was present and gave in quite a good testimony. Her mind has been exercised upon the truth for some time past, and she has been very favorable. She talked as though she meant to keep the Sabbath. Her health is poor but she is a person of

great mind. A letter from John tonight and also one last night. He intends to be at Mill Grove next Sabbath; the following Sabbath and first day at Parma.

Mond 22 Mailed a letter to John, also to Sr. Preston. Sent her John's photograph. Bro. Gardner's family took breakfast with us this morning. Expect they will board and lodge with us hereafter until they leave the place.

Tuesday 23 Bro. Kinne is moving into Mrs. Squire's house - has rented a chamber. A letter from Father from which I learn that Oliver has been and is quite sick with inflammatory rheumatism. He is slowly recovering, it is hoped. Also a line from Harriet. She seems to be in rather of a desponding state of mind. Mary has quite sore eyes and this evening she has had pain in her left ear. She is asleep now. Hope she will rest through the night.

Began to read Luther's life this evening.

Sab. 27 Meeting here. Bro. Smith took his team and brought Sr. Page to meeting. She is very feeble but says she is better than she was yesterday. She is greatly interested in the truth. Hope she will come out free and clear.

MARCH

Tues. 1 Bro. Gardner went to the City to draw his money, but for some lack on his part failed to do his business and has got to try it again tomorrow.

Weds. 2 Bro. Gardner has been successful today intends to start with his family for W. New York in the morning. Bro. Taylor has come. All glad to see him. Sr. Page has been here good part of the day.

Thurs. 3 Bro. & Sr. Gardner and Byron left little past 9 this morning felt sad to have them leave. Shall miss them much. Have been with us now since week last Monday.

Frid. 4 Bro. Taylor left for Verona - yesterday he called on Sr. Page and speaks favorably in regard to her. She has stepped out firmly on the Sabbath. Bro. R. has gone to Roosevelt intends to be at the monthly meeting at West Monroe Sabbath.

Sund. 6 I have been somewhat downcast, borrowing trouble about the future, which, of course, is not right. I will try and overcome such feelings and trust in Providence. We missed Bro. & Sr. G. and Bro. Rims in our meeting very much, yet we had quite a good Bible Class and meeting. Bro. Smith rather took the lead. Sr. Page was present. She greatly desires to understand the truth. Am expecting John home last of this week. Mary fell down and hurt her right eye quite badly. She and Mell both have bad colds.

Tues. 8 Have quite a bad cold and last night was obliged to speak to Nettie to get up and do something for me. My bowels were so sore. I could not turn in bed and coughing was very disheartening. After a little while I got relief and today have felt better. Had Mrs. Moses and daughter-in-law and Mrs. Cook to visit us, and to my joy and great surprise, just as I had supper on the table, in came my dear husband.

Weds. 9 My birthday. Am forty years of age. Have been quite smart. Just at night went to the Office to mail a letter from Sr. Page. Did some trading at Brown's.

- Thurs. 10 Had quite a sick turn last night. Took cold by being out yesterday P.M. but today feel comfortable comparatively, but considerable pain in my right side and shoulder when I cough or take a long breath.
- Sund. 13 My face and head feel bad most of the time but pain in my lungs gone. Cough some yet. John has been writing to Bro. White. We now intend to prepare for moving. Think we may leave by the first of next week. Shall go west.
- Mond. 28 Left our house about 9th in the evening and have come to stop overnight at E.D. Cook's. Intend to leave in the morning for Rochester.
- Weds. 30 Arrived in Rochester about six last evening. Bro. Orton took us to Bradley's. Before we left Kirkville yesterday morning, we had the news that Bro. And Sr. Kinne had an addition, a little son. We are making preparations to send Mellie to Dansville. My sister will go with him. Will start in the morning, providence permitting.

APRIL

- Thurs. 7 Have been trying to make some improvement in our new home. Have rented a house close by Bradley's. Pay \$1 per week. Drusilla and Jennie have been visiting me.
- Mond. 11 Returned from Somerset this evening. Brn. Orton and Loughborough, John and myself went out there last Friday to attend monthly meeting. Had an excellent meeting. I left Mary with Drusilla week last Wednesday. We went down and made a purchase of some few articles of furniture: Bedstead, \$7; Bureau, \$15; Table, \$35; Stand, \$2.75; Half dozen flag seat chairs - \$0.75 a piece.
- Thurs. 14 Moved in to our new home this afternoon.
- Sabbath 16 John has gone to Fairport. Has a meeting there.
- Sabbath 23 Another meeting at Fairport. Bradley and Drusilla have gone with John.
- Frid. 29 John has gone to Victor intending to have a meeting on the morrow. I went into the city to make some purchases. I now think of exchanging places with Jennette. Shall probably go Monday or Tuesday. Have bought something for a dress and a yard of mohair to fix over a dress.

MAY

- Mond. 2 Have fixed my plaid dress into a loose dress. Intend to leave for Dansville in the morning.
- Thurs. 5 Came to Dansville Tuesday P.M. Nettie left for Rochester this morning between five and six. If eel like a stranger in a strange land. Mellie, I think, has improved some. Does not walk as lame and his ankle is not as badly swollen. He looks some poorer than when he left home. I have been downtown and made some slight purchases. This

afternoon I have trimmed me a shaker. Very warm weather we are having. Mailed a letter to John and enclosed one from Mrs. R. to Nettie.

- Sat. 7 Have settled with Mr. Brewster for the 1st week's board, \$7.50. He could not make change so he owes me.
- Mond. 9 Paid \$2 at the cure for Mellie's treatment. Mellie is not well. I think he is coming down with the measles. Has not appeared smart for two or three days past. Had a letter from my dear husband. He thinks of leaving for Michigan Wednesday. Enclosed was \$10.00. I wrote yesterday to Sr. Gardner, my mother and to my husband.
- Weds. 11 Mellie has the measles sure enough. He had rather of a hard time of it last night. Complained of his bowels. Some sick to his stomach. His face is very red, his body has begun to break out.
- Thurs. 12 Mellie has quite frequent stools and at such times some considerable pain. I gave him a warm sponge bath this afternoon. Received a good letter enclosing \$5 from my husband. Mailed a letter to Waukon last night.
- Sund. 15 Mellie has been up and dressed. Has gained finely for a day or two past. Have written to my husband and sent it tot he Office by Mrs. Strong. Enclosed a line to my sister Harriet.
- Frid. 20 Have not felt quite as well this week past as usual. Have had considerable pain in my bowels. Saw Dr. York today and she said she would call at my room a little after 7 P.M. as I wished an interview. Received a letter from my husband yesterday dated Battle Creek. He arrived at Memphis, Michigan about midnight after leaving Rochester in the morning. Monday started for Battle Creek and arrived about midnight. Was quite weary. Preached four times at Memphis.
- Mond. 23 Have been up with Mellie to see the Doctors. They seem to think he is doing well. His nutritive system improving, his limb to show much of an increase of growth must require some time. It will be a slow process. Advised that he come tomorrow and take treatment. His food must be principally graham gruel and crackers. I had an interview with Dr. York Friday evening. She said that rest was what I needed more than anything, freedom from care and occasional sitz baths, say two a week near the abdominal bandage and nights resting body and the wet cap. Put a letter in the Office yesterday to John, address Battle Creek. One this morning to Sr. Prentz.
- Sund. 29 James G. Clark, the noted ballad singer, came yesterday. His wife and little girl are boarding here. He sang and played on the melodean his touching song of Children of the Battle Field.

JUNE

- Thurs. 2 The Huchinson family came about noon. They give a concert tomorrow evening downtown and Saturday evening in the Hall. Mr. W. and Mrs. H., Friddie and Dennett compose the company.

Sund, 5 Mell and I attended the concert last evening. They closed with the Battle Cry of Freedom. Today at a quarter before two Dr. Jackson gave a lecture on Freedom. His text was Gen. 1:26. God created man in his own image. At the close the Huchinsons sang the Flag of our Union Forever.
Written John to Greenville, Mont Calm Co., Michigan.

Mond. 6 Have written Nettie. Very warm morning but a cool day.

Tues. 7 Quite a frost. Attended the lecture. The Doctor went on to share that our people as a whole had scarcely an earnest habit. First went into the Church, the people and place of worship dwelt upon. The ministers, a more pitiable clan you could not find, not a free man. What he should say must be drawn from the bread and butter argument. Otherwise he finds himself astride of a skeleton going here and there in itinerancy getting his living. Then the physicians and the farmers spending all their vital energy in hard labor they could not think. A more dull, stupid clan could not be found except the farmer women. Everything neat and in order in the house - quilts, comfortors, blankets, etc. piled away up to the plastery in some closet a way upstairs - for Jerusha and two other girls (giving names) were to be married by and by, but where's the library? The bookcase - after the old grandmother goes out we'll open it. There's a Bible, Baxter's Saints Rest. Catechism, spelling book and an old yellow cornered novel. The whole, sold at a sheriff's sale, wouldn't bring a sixpence unless someone was in distress for a Bible.
One newspaper a week was all could be managed, etc. etc.

Weds. 15 Have had an interview with Dr. Jackson seeking his advice relative to taking Mellie home the last of this month. He says it is very desirable, that he should remain through the warm weather especially the months of July and August as they are the most trying months in the whole year. My husband had written me that he thought I would remain here with Mellie through July, but it did not seem hardly consistent considering my circumstances. Well, I told the Dr. I thought I might stay, say till the middle of July. He thought I had better. Said the child was doing very well indeed he might continue to do the same under home treatment but there was more risk. If he could keep him till October he would warrant to turn him out then well. If we took him away he would give us what instruction he could. He occasionally would be in the city and would call upon us.

Mond. 20 A half day at the cure. Bath hours are dispensed with. A Mrs. Roberts from Niagara County gave her experience at farming in the A.M. and in the P.M. Mrs. Harris spoke on dress reform, etc. I have not attended either - hardly felt like it. The weather is very warm. Went downtown just at night and bought a pair of shoes for Mellie and something else for him, a pair of pants. On my return I find that he has met with quite an accident in attempting to let the bucket down into the well. The crank slipped out of his hand and gave him a severe blow upon his thumb, cutting quite a gash and otherwise bruising it. Dr. Hand has been in and done it up. Think it will prove nothing very serious.

Tues. 21 Dr. Jackson, Miss Austin and some others leave for the dress reform convention. Mellie was some restless last night. He did not go to the breakfast table this morning.

Weds. 24 Mellie takes his treatment as usual. Hand seems to be doing well.

Sund. 16 Very warm weather. Have had now for some days warm and very dry. The past weeks have had letters from Waukon, from Nettie, Sr. Prentiss and also two from John. On Saturday week from Harriet and Sr. Gardner. Have written the past week to Harriet, John Nettie, Sr. Prentiss and Miss Jenny Cackly. I now think I shall leave here about the 18th of July. I feel desirous to get home once more.

Mond. 27 Giles Jackson died about 10 A.M.

Tues. 28 Funeral service in the Hall at 4 P.M. Dr. Jackson conducted the exercises. The 23rd Psalm was read as descriptive of his state of mind. The Doctor then gave some account of his son's life, his sickness and death. There was quite an attendance.

Thurs. 30 Letters from my husband and Jennette. It seems that my letter to Memphis did not reach him so he knew not whether I had left for Rochester or still remained here. If I remained, I should have more means sent me but did not dare to send any upon uncertainties. It trust he will get mine directed Battle Creek and that I shall have means sent in season to meet my payments so to leave Tuesday, July 12.

Sat. 2 A nice rain last night. I have been troubled for a few days with sour stomach. I think it may arise from a lack of sufficient outdoor exercise - too close application to sewing, writing and reading. I am feeling anxious to get home. Mellie's thumb has got about well. He seems to be feeling very well in body.

Mond. 11 Think of leaving for Rochester in the morning. Had an interview with Dr. Hurd at two this P.M. He gives a very favorable report of Mellie. There has been quite a marked change for the better since coming here.

Tues. 12 Left the Brewster House at 5:30 this morning. Mr. Simmons kindly lets me take the Encyclopedia in advance. It is a premium that John has been sending subscribers for the "Laws" to obtain - has not yet sent but about half the number of names required. Found awaiting us at the depot in Rochester my husband and sister and little Maty - very glad indeed to mingle once more with my dear family. John is very much struck with the change wrought in Mellie. I think his hopes are fully met. On arriving at home, I go into our parlor and on the floor I see a nice new carpet, a present to us since my absence. Also I have a beautiful present from Sr. White of a photograph picture of their family in a nice frame. With this I am much pleased.

Weds. 13 John has been holding meetings at Victor. Leaves this afternoon for that place and intends to remain until Monday meeting. This evening finally every evening I think also Saturday and Sunday. John looks a good deal worn down. He needs to take time to rest very much.

Thurs. 14 We make a little call at Uncle Edward's. I think Mary has improved considerably since I left home.

Frid. 22 John started to go to Victor but not feeling very well returned and will start in the morning. Bradley and wife are going also. Nettie and I have been putting up some shade curtains and had quite a perplexing job of it as we had no suitable tools to work with.

AUGUST

- Thurs. 4 John has left this morning expecting to be absent till the first of the week. Think of stopping a short time at Bro. Lamson's. He has been very sick and then he will go out to Lockport and hold meetings over Sabbath and first-day and attend to organization. Last Sabbath had a meeting in Rochester and several were taken into the church. Among them were John and myself.
- P.M. John returned as he found no one at the cars to take him to Bro. Lamson's/
- Frid. 5 About 4 P.M. John and Bro. Gardner started for Lockport.
- Mond. 8 Have felt quite miserable all day. John not yet returned. Expect him home on the 8 o'clock train.
- Mond. 15 Since the above date, a little daughter has been added to our number, born last Tuesday about 10 AM. Thank the Lord that He has so mercifully sustained and carried me through the hour of labor and deliverance. John returned about 9 Monday evening. I was feeling quite unwell and had been through day. My pains continued to increase and be more frequent and about one o'clock we sent out. John left Friday last to attend the monthly meeting at Olect. There was some quite urgent reason why he should attend or he would not have left home under the circumstances. Expect him at home today. Uncle Went. Pottle made us a call yesterday.
- Weds. 17 John returned Monday evening and today has gone with Bro. Orton out to Mill grove. Sr. Davis is very sick.
- Friday 19 Bro. Lampher came last night about 11 o'clock. He came expecting to visit Sr. Seymore in company with John on business connected with the draft. Such a measure having been addressed by Battle Creek brethren, but letters of a recent date have released them from certain considerations. Nettie is real miserable. She is attacked with the bowel complaint. I have cut apples for sauce, about the first work I have done since the baby was born.
- Sabbath 20 John and Bro. G. and others have gone to meeting at Fairport. Nettie is not able to be about and I have managed to get along with my baby and the other children till about 2 when Drusilla came in.
- Sunday 21 Nettie took a sitz bath last evening and slept in the cot bed in the kitchen last night and today she goes in to the other room and takes my bed. We are looking or expecting Bro. and Sr. White this week. He writes that they will leave Battle Creek Tuesday so we shall probably see them Wednesday A.M.
- Friday 26 This morning we see Bro. and Sr. White. Had got about discouraged looking! John has received orer and intelligence from Battle Creek that he has been chosen by the General Conference Committee to visit the Provost Marshal General at Washington. The word came Wednesday which has cast a heavy burden upon him. He has been very anxious to see Bro. White. He wished him to accompany him if he goes.

Sabbath 27 A first - our meeting is at Bradley's. Nettie has so far recovered as to attend and I also with my baby and all the children. Have had a good season. John's mission at Washington was made a particular subject of prayer.

Sunday 18 Bro. and Sr. White and Sr. Eggleston were here to dinner.

Monday 29 John left about eight this A.M. Friday John and Bro. White spent most of the day in the city. John has him a whole suit of new clothes, cost about \$50.

SPETEMBER

Mond. 5 A letter from John. It appears that his interview with the Provost Marshal General has been quite satisfactory to him. Bro. White left for Dansville last Thursday.

Tues. 6 A letter from John. He was in Brooklyn. Thinks it probable he will be at home Friday next. Finished quilting a comfortor.

Thursday 8 Adelia Batten and Eddie & Willie White came last evening. Left for Dansville this A.M.

Friday 9 John returned this A.M. Held meetings with the Brethren and Sisters in the vicinity of New York City last Sabbath and Sunday. He comes home well satisfied with the result of his mission to Washington. He is very weary. I hope he will get some rest at home before he again leaves.

Monday 12 We have taken a ride over to the eastern part of the city to the University. I should like a situation in this part of the city were the brethren living that way.

Tues. 19 John got Uncle Edward's horse and buggy and we have taken another ride into the city. Went to the freight office and got a bushel of apples which had been sent us by Bro. David of Mill Grove.

Friday 16 John leaves for Dansville.

Monday 19 Adelia and Bro. White's boys returned from Dansville. Expect my husband to come Wednesday if he does not accompany Bro. and Sr. White to Nile up where Bro. Lamphear lives or near there.

Thurs. 22 Nettie and Mellie with all of Bradley's family have gone to the fair.

Friday 23 Nettie brought me a line from my husband last night. It appears that they have persuaded him to remain at Dansville until Friday and then go with them to Nile. I expect they will all return to Rochester Monday night.

Tuesday 27 Our folks came last evening. Very glad to see them especially my own dear John a very favorable report he brings of thir sojourn at Dr. Jackson's Institution. Bro. And Sr. White, Edson and Willie take dinner with us. We had sweet potatoes, pumkin pie, bread, peaches and grapes, apples and tomatoes, etc. Baptism just at night. Also a business meeting in the evening.

Weds. 28 Sr. Prentiss and Sr. Chapman, Bro. Loughborough's sister, stopped with us last night. Bro. White and family take breakfast with us. He provided some fresh fish, and John went to the groceries and bought a peck of potatoes and it went well. The first new potatoes we have had that have been good. Sr. Prentiss visited with us this forenoon and took dinner. Left about 4 P.M. Have enjoyed it much.

Thurs. Eve. 29 Our Mary's birthday - three years old. Bro. & Sr. Lamphear came last night on their way to the state conference. Quite a company, including my husband, left this evening taking the cars for Adams Center to attend the meeting. Bro. & Sr. White and boys left this morning. Have had a wet day. Nettie is trying to dry some apples to take to Iowa with her. She wants to return home about the first of November. I don't know how I am going to get along without her but will trust in Providence. Our brethren have been making an effort to buy a place near here for us. Had not the man raised his price 300 or 400 dollars since they talked with him yesterday they probably would have decided this morning to take the place. Bro. White leaves an offer of 2,100 dollars, the man's first price and if he will accept it, it will be bought. After the conference it will be decided or the man will be visited again to learn his mind. Our present situation is not comfortable for cold weather, and it is very desirable to get into some place where we can be comfortable and feel that for the present it is our home. I have been earnestly praying to God to guide in the matter of our location. Bro. White proposes that we move to Battle Creek, Michigan. I feel that the Lord does notice our prayers and that He will order for us. I am thankful for the aid of His Spirit that I have received this evening in making supplications unto Him. Trials and perplexities are good if rightly improved. My little baby grows finely and is rather of a model baby, I think.

OCTOBER

Monday 3 Our brethren returned from the Conference this evening on a part of them Bradley and Brn. Aldrich and Lamphear and wife. Bradley and Bro. Aldrich went to see the man about that place. The lowest that he now will take is 2300 so of course it will not be bought for us. I feel somewhat disappointed but will trust that it is all for the best.

Friday 7 Drusilla and Sr. Criggs leave for the quarterly meeting at Lancaster. Are having a spell of wet weather. I expect Nettie will leave us in a few weeks. I can't bear to think of her leaving, but I must submit. Where we are to live this winter or who I'm to have live with me I know not.

Tues. 11 We have been to the city to "Godfrey's Sunbeam Gallery, 87 Main Street" and had our pictures taken. I had eight for \$1. The children each six for \$2 each.

Weds. 12 Have had a visit from Sr. Potter. Bro. P. came and took dinner with us. She brought us a few candles and he a little corn beef. All quite acceptable.

Friday 14 Bradley and wife, Bro. Orton and Nettie and Millie have gone to Hamlin. Started about 3 Pm. Mellie has not felt as well as usual yesterday and today.

Sat. Eve. 15 Mellie, baby and I have spent a quiet Sabbath. Mell seems to be improving in health. I put the baby into bed awake and have heard not a word from her. I did hear her sucking her finger. I call her a good child. She cries some to be sure but she yields very quickly generally when she sees it does no good. Expect John at home Tuesday night.

- Monday 17 My dear husband returned tonight accompanied by Miss Emma Maxon who is on her way to Dansville. Bro. Whipple and his father are stopping with us.
- Sunday 23 Attended meeting at Fairport yesterday, the first of my going out with the baby. She has been so good. I shall be encouraged to start again.
- Friday 28 We were intending to go to Bro. Tracy's today to spend the Sabbath. Had written him to that effect and desired him to meet us at Adam's Basin. It is so rainy that I gave up going; but John went out there and, as no one met him at the station, has returned. Bro. Sr. Lamson and Phebe are at Bradley's. Sr. L. came to see a Dr. Newton who is reputed to effect astonishing cures, but by inquiry we have learned that he is a spiritualist. She wishes not to put herself in any way under his influence.
- Mond. 31 Nettie intends to leave for home Thursday next. We have been to Godfry's Picture Gallery and had a family group - excepting the baby - taken. Had three pictures taken and as the children were getting uneasy, they proposed to copy the other three as we wanted six. The last three do not suit us.
- NOVEMBER
- Tues. 1 John and I went again and four pictures taken together. \$5.00 for the two copies. Returned the three that did not suit us of the group.
- Thurs. 3 Nettie left early this morning. O how my heart ached to part with her, but I am glad the parting is over; and as it was her wish to return home, I am not sorry that she is gone. But, oh how very glad we should have been could she have seen it her privilege to have remained with us.
- Friday 4 A Brother Conkright is with us.
- Sunday 6 Have just returned from the Victor meeting. We all went out there yesterday. Had a good meeting.
- Monday 7 Have had Sr. Maggie Newman and her brother and wife to dine with us. After dinner, we went to see the falls, children and all.
- Tuesday 8 Election. Quite rainy.
- Weds. 9 Emma Maxon came here on her way to her school from Dansville. She speaks very highly of the institution there. She leaves early tomorrow morning. While eating dinner, John came from the city bringing me a letter for Jennette, dated Battle Creek, Sunday 6. Mary Cottrell met her at the Falls and took her round to the various places of interest and there she renewed her journey. She arrived in Battle Creek on Friday P.M.
- Sunday 13 Received another letter last evening from Nettie, dated Home. She met with home friends at McGregor, J.P. F. And Paulina, Wednesday A.M. who came down Monday.

Thursday she and J.P.F. were united in marriage at P. Du Chien. Arrived home at 9 or 10 o'clock that night. Found all in usual health.

We received a letter Thursday from the General Conference Committee stating their conviction that it would be our best course to remove at once to Battle Creek. This has thrown a great burden upon us, especially upon John. He wrote a reply Friday stating frankly his convictions of duty in the matter. We wait with anxious solicitude for a response. In the meanwhile, we are making the subject as a special subject of prayer. O that the Lord may guide us in the matter of our location. O that His hand might appear to open our right way before us and hedge up every wrong way.

Sr. June Leaman stopped with us last night.

DECEMBER

Thurs. 29 Since the above was written, great perplexities have rested upon us. The monthly meeting was held in this place, the second Sabbath in this month, but the weather and going were very bad so that brethren from Somerset and Olcott did not come as we hoped. We were hoping to see Brn Aldrich and Lindsey that we might confer some with them as to our place of residence. Bro. White had in reply to John's letter given away somewhat and wrote to the effect that if we could be situated advantageously in Rochester so that John could attend to the writing that is on his mind, even as well as at Battle Creek, he should feel perfectly free to have him remain.

Mond. 19 Brn. Aldrich and Lindsey came and Tuesday was a day of great strait with us. The final decision was that we should take Bro. Loughborough's place in Victor but the next morning should that all hands were dissatisfied with it and Brn. Aldrich and Lindsey came in from Bradley's and then for the first time gave John a candid hearing as to his own judgment and choice or light in the matter and they at once fell in with it. But the thing was in such a shape that it seemed better to wait than to move on the spur of the moment. The brethren returned home and still we are unsettled. The with Bro. L. Given up. Still we will wait humbly trusting that the Lord will open our way. John has an appointment at Parma next Sabbath. I have thought some of going with him but tonight have about given it up, it being cold and some stormy. Bro. And Sr. Osgood came week tonight. If we obtain the place that is on our minds, they will probably occupy a part of it and so render us some assistance. Aunt Sarah Pottle is quite sick. Has been for some time. Hear of the death of Mrs. Bartlett. Nettie writes Mell that his grandpa is quite sick.

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Monday 2 Went with John to Hamlin Friday. Bro. Craig met us at Brockport and took us to Father Lamson's. Meeting Sabbath was at Bro. Tracy's. After meeting we returned to Bro. L. as Bro. L. was quite slim and we were very desirous that he should go to Dansville, if possible, hoping he might thereby get some help. This morning Phebe and her father came with us home intending to leave for Dansville tomorrow A.M.

Tuesday 3 Went to hear Fred Douglass last evening. Bro. L. And B. Left for dansville this A.M. We met last evening with Dr. Jackson and Mrs Austin. Very glad to meet them. John has learnt today that Mr. Hartman, the owner of the place that we have had on our minds to buy. This has seemed the Lord would have us have. Will take \$2,900. Bro. Orton intends to make the trade with him in the morning.

- Weds. 4 I awake up last night repeating Faith, Hope and patience brings round great results. My mind being exercised about our obtaining this place. This P.M. John returned from the city and told me that Bro. O. Had made the trade. Surely faith, hope and patience has brought around great results.
- Mond. 9 Bro. Aldrich come last night and today. He intends to close up this house business. It really seems too much is being done for us.
- Thurs. 12 Sr. May Maxon came about noon. John left for Madison Co. This A.M.
- Frid. 13 The Brn and sisters several of them leave for the quarterly meeting at Hamlin.
- Monday 16 John returns home.
- Weds. 18 May Maxon leaves for Battle Creek. We move into our new home and a nice home it is. Jenny came ahead of us this morning to assist in setting things to right and she had made it look quite like home when I came about 3 P.M. O that we may be truly fitted to dwell here as the prospect now is that we shall at least for a season.
- Monday 23 Bro. Craig came after John to attend the funeral of Mr. Capin. Sister Osgood and I are alone with the children tonight.
- Weds. 25 John returned last evening.
- Friday 27 John left for Parma to meet with the church on Sabbath.
- Monday 30 Returns
- Tuesday 31 Bro. Tracy has made us a call bringing us some potatoes, apples, etc. We feel grateful for his present.