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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1883

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1883

*Helen Carter's Birthday - 42*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 1883

Clara and I went  
over to the corner in  
the afternoon and,  
Sold

12 pounds of Butter, <sup>28</sup> \$3.00

2 dozen eggs 28 .56

And bought,

1 bush. corn \$1.00

8 yds shirting (Ulysses) 1.00

1 gal. molasses .60

1 " Kerosene <sup>14</sup> - <sup>14</sup> 1/2 lb tea <sup>14</sup> .32

1 box Cayenne pepper .15

to Mr Levy's, and 8 yds of  
cloth for curtains to the  
school-house.

Bought a spring bottom for  
our bed of Mrs. Kate Wilder \$3.00  
to be paid at pleasure.

One load of wood, Father hauled  
for me.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 1883

Rained part of last  
night, and this forenoon.

The snow is very soft.  
We went over to Father's  
and got dinner, and  
then Father and I, and  
Ulysses went down to  
Uncle West's and Mr. Smith's.  
Aunt Minna has the  
mumps. May is sick with  
a sore in her head.  
We got C eggs, to day.

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 1883

Cold last night  
and all day today.  
Mattie Lyons came  
to school today and  
studies book keeping  
and Algebra.

Venie, Grace, and  
Clara Jane were up  
here this evening.

Went up in the  
woods and cut a  
load of wood and  
hauled it home tonight.  
Lizzie is sick.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1883

Cool all day.  
Lizzie quite sick in  
the morning, but think  
she is better to-night.  
Ulysses has the mumps.  
John Carter sick again.  
Grace was up this af-  
ternoon after some milk  
for Venie. Miss Dean  
gave Clara and Helen  
their 22<sup>nd</sup> lesson this after-  
noon. May was not a-  
ble to take her lesson today.  
Mathias Ward took the  
key to-night and will  
build a fire in the morning.

Hauled some wood  
for Saml. Smith. Came Home

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1883

Cold all day; looks  
some like a storm to night.

Ida E. Ward was into  
school to-day. She starts  
for Nova Scotia next Tues-  
day.

Lizzie is better to  
night.

Clara went down  
to Oberman's, Albert Hol-  
lands, and all around  
visiting the sick; she  
and Kenie were up  
to Mr. Dunn's when I  
came from school and  
I went in and got my  
supper. Kenie stayed all  
night. Got two eggs today.

Father comes home every night.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1883

Snowed about one  
inch last night; clear  
off this morning and <sup>had been</sup> ~~was~~  
clear and cool all day.

Lizzie is pretty sick  
to night.

Mr. Bridges was taken  
sick last night, so there  
was no school today.

Geo. Bostworth sick to-day.

I paid Mathias Ward, 10 for  
building a fire for me the other  
mornings; and <sup>him</sup> to build  
them the rest of the term  
for \$1.25.

Wilmot Seighton was round  
canvassing, and Ulysses sub-  
scribed for the Farm, Fields  
and Fireside, 1.00 per year

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 1883

22° below zero this morning. Pleasant and warmer through the day. Clara and Grace churned this after-noon.

Sizzie seems to be a little better to-night. Father let Anaurice Baker have his horse and sleigh to-night.

Got six eggs.

Thomas was down here this evening.

Mr. Smith was here to supper - on his way home from the woods.

Elley cut and put in the shed about six feet of wood yesterday.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 1883

Grace Smith's Birthday 15 y's

Commenced to snow about noon, and snowed hard all the after-noon. In the morning took the horse and sleigh and went down and got Uncle West's pump and then went over to Mrs. Smith's and she went over to the corner with me. I carried over and sold to Mr. Levy

5  $\frac{3}{4}$  lbs butter @ 25, \$1.43<sup>35</sup> and got 1 lb. of black tea,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. ginger,<sup>16</sup> and 1 box of mustard,<sup>25</sup> 16 in all for Mother to pay her for butter we had last summer.

Got Father 2 bags meal. Paid Uncle West .25 for one pullet. OK - Clams for my horse of Odyssees  $\frac{25}{100}$  Sizzie about the same.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 1883

Stopped snowing some time last night; Cleared off in the fore-noon; Clouded up and commenced to snow about three o'clock and snowed all the rest of the after-noon.

Clara has been sick all day; but feels a little better to-night.

Lizzie seems to be a little better to-night.

Venjie has the mumps. Mother was over here a little while this after-noon, and Helen, this evening.

We got nine eggs to-day. Dr. Lincoln was down to see Mr. Carter. Father was to Ezra's.

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 1883

Cleared off this fore-noon and has been a very pleasant day. Clara has been sick all day but feels a little better to-night.

Took the horse this morning and put her in Mr. Smith's barn.

Wheeler stayed with Clara to-day. Grace was taken sick this morning.

In the evening I printed 25 cards for Mary T. Brown and 25 " " George S. Jones. for 25-

Got 5 eggs to-day.



TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1883

Warm and Pleasant.  
Clara is better to-day.  
Had but 14 scholars.  
Miss Dean finished her  
quarter of lessons to-day  
but will give an extra  
one Friday. Paid Miss Dean  
one week ago - due today  
\$5.00. Helen paid her \$5.00  
Sizzie is no better.  
Grace is reported better  
and Emma Carter, worse.

Died.-

Alice Saughton's baby  
died this morning a-  
bout 9 o'clock with fits.  
I greased the backs of  
three hens this evening.  
Got 6 eggs to-day

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1883

Cloudy all day.  
Commenced to rain about  
6 o'clock. The wind has  
blowed hard all the ev-  
ening. Clara came and  
met me, with the horse to  
night. She got out to John  
Anton's.

Alice Saughton's baby  
was buried this after-  
noon. Clara went to the  
funeral. Sizzie seems to  
be a little better to-day.  
Emma Carter is very  
low. John and Elphraet  
are getting better. Johanna  
Ebra. has the mumps.  
I had 16 scholars this forenoon  
and 15 this afternoon. Got 4 eggs.



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1883

Cleared off some time last night. Has been warm untill toward night and now is cold and blowing. Ulysses was up to my school this after-noon. We got a letter for Clara and one for mother, from Alice, and Dora. Lizzie is about the same.

Died

Emma Carter died last night, about 9 o'clock of fever and whooping cough. She has been sick about three or four weeks. Dr. Sheehan tended her.

Got 5 eggs today.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1883

Emma Carter was buried this after-noon. The Rev. Mr. Maine preached the funeral sermon. There was a large attendance. She was 14 years and a few months old. She was a general favorite to all who knew her, and a very smart scholar.

Her mother died six weeks ago to-day.

I had a school this fore-noon, and this after-noon I went to the funeral. I was taken yesterday with the mumps and they are pretty sore to night. Returned in 15-minute

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1883

## Mumps.

I stayed in the house about all day. I was sore all over and felt pretty badly. Commenced to snow in the fore noon, and stormed a little all day.

Ulysses went over to the corner, in the fore-noon and Mother went with him.

He got the Farm and Fire side, Helen and Ida were here in the afternoon a little while.

F.

Hauled me a load of wood in the fore-noon Mrs Bosworth in (Got 6 eggs) in the evening.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1883

Stormed all night, last night and misted about all day to-day. My mumps are pretty sore to-day; sore all over me.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith were going up home, to-day, had it not stormed. Deborah and Mrs. Bosworth were here a little while this after-noon. Father, Ulysses and Thomas Bosworth were here a few minutes.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith came up about 3:30 and stayed till after supper.

Got 4 eggs

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1883

Cloudy and cool.  
Clara washed in the fore noon. Ulysses lugged the water. I stayed here all day. Did not feel very smart. Cannot eat hardly a thing. I filled up papers, catalogues, circulars etc in the afternoon.

Wellington came in in the evenings. Ulysses went over to the corner after a bag of meal. Mr. Bridges went over to Lewis after a dialogue book. Helen was in this evening. Lizzie is much better. Father and Mr. Smith stay in the woods to night. Got 7 eggs,

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1883

Pleasant and warm all day. Clara ironed. Venie was here to dinner. Mother and Mrs. Smith were here a little while about noon. Venie went up to Mrs. Bosworth's after dinner. I washed a couple hen's legs after dinner.

Grace has got the mumps. J. E. Jr. " " " " " " I think my mumps are not swelled so badly on one side. Paid Ulysses one dollar cash for doing work to go on to bill after school.

Got 6 eggs.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1883

Commenced to snow  
some time last night,  
and snowed about all  
day. Mother has been  
quite sick all day.  
Father and Mr. Smith  
came out of the woods  
last night and did not  
go in today.

My mumps are no better.  
Mr. James Dunn was in  
a few minutes this after-  
noon. Venie came down  
and stayed till after sup-  
per and went over to  
Father's and stayed all night.  
Ulysses went down to  
Capt. Mitchell's in the  
evening - Round party. (Minnie's  
4 eggs)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1883

Pleasant all day.  
Mother is much better.  
Arthur has the mumps.  
Albert Holland is quite  
sick - his mumps hav-  
ing settled.

Clara and I went  
over to Mother's to din-  
ner. Venie went home  
this afternoon.

Mr. Smith took down  
a load of wood and  
then brought the open  
back.

My mumps have "gone down"  
and I do not feel very well  
tonight. I put scorching  
oil and vinegar on the  
affected part. Got 6 eggs.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1883

Pleasant and warm;  
wind blowed quite hard.  
I have not felt very  
well to-day. have not  
been out door to-day.  
Albert Holland is no bet-  
ter, and Mr. Lincoln  
went down to see him  
to-night. Mrs. Smith came  
up this morning, and stayed  
till after dinner.

Clara churned all alone  
this after noon. Father and  
Mother and Mrs. Bosworth were  
here in the evening.

Ulysses went up to Ed-  
munds to meeting to night.  
Willie packed and cleaned  
the eggs while I got supper.

Got 4 eggs.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1883

Mrs. Smith's Birth-day, 41 yrs.  
Snapping cold, all day.  
Grace came up in the fore  
noon and stayed till after  
supper; she went up to her  
Grandmother's to-night.

Lizzie has the mumps.  
Helen has a very sore throat.  
Rhoda Holland is said to  
have the fever. Albert is  
better. Ulysses went over  
to the corner and sold to (Sey)  
for us - 9  $\frac{3}{4}$  lbs. butter @ 25. \$2.44

and got - 1 bush. meal 95.  
2 lb. sugar. 25 - short thread. 14. - \$3.32  
He got the Sentinel and a  
Catalogue or two. I have not been  
out door to-day. Ulysses got  
Mrs. Smith a bag of meal.

Got 4 eggs

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1883

It snowed all the forenoon commenced to snow and mist toward night. I went out to the shed several times to-day. Uncle Ira, Thomas Bosworth and George, Ulysses, Grace, and Father were here to-day. Ulysses got the Jan. and Feb. numbers of his magazine - Farm, Field and Fireside. Father and Mother went down to Uncle Wets a little while this after-noon. Mr. Smith went up home to-day, and I think Adna brought him home.

Venie went up with Adna. Mattie Lyons is quite sick. Got 5 eggs.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1883

Ulysses's Birthday. 18y's

It snowed a little through the night. Blowed and blustered all day.

Ulysses took the horse and sleigh and carried Father and Mr. Smith up as far as John Anthony's, and then went down to do his work. Grace went down with him. He drove the steers up. Edna is sick to-day.

I mended my moccasin up where it was ripped. Sewed the first vol. of Farm and Fireside together. I have been out considerably to-day. Rhoda Holland is reported better.

Got 5 eggs.



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1883

Pleasant and warm all day. Mother went down to Aunt Margaretts and Clara and I went down to Mrs. Smiths this fore noon and stayed till after dinner and then went over to Uncle Kests and stayed till after supper. We took the horse. Got home about 4:30 o'clock. Father and Mr. Smith came out to visit. I milked before I went away this morning and after I got home to night. Father hauled me a load of wood to day. Ulysses carried the oxen in this morning. Did not get an egg.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1883

## St Valentine's Day.

Pleasant in the morning but looks like a storm to night. Clara and I went over to the Corner this fore noon and did not get back till about 3.30. She stayed to Mrs. Gardner's while I went over to Seags and got a bottle of butter coloring. 25¢ I got \$50. toward my pay for teaching. We went up the road and got our dinner to Mrs. Smiths. Nat. came over in the evening. Mr. Smith was taken sick this morning, and has been unable to be round the house. Mother came over in the evening. Got 4 eggs



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1883

Pleasant to day  
Went down home to day  
Father was sick today  
Stayed until after dinner  
came home in the after-  
noon. Willis taken sick  
to night.  
And not able to milk  
the cows I carried the  
pail over and Ulysses  
milked the cows.

Got three eggs

Yesterday,  
carried over and sold to  
Mr. H. S. Bridges, 8 doz eggs @ 25 =  
2.00 & paid him for pans we got  
last Summer. Butter prints.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1883

Willis is no better  
to day he is pretty sick  
had the Dr. Kate at  
night. Father is sick  
told the Dr to go  
down and see him  
but he has not gone  
yet. Grandma, and  
Simpson came over  
today called here.  
Jelen stayed here  
while I went up to  
Grandmother Bosworth's  
and got some vinegar

Got one egg to day

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1883

Very soft today.  
Venie came up this  
morning and helped  
me do my work.  
Mr Barter went down  
home. Ulysses, Ellie and  
Jamer set up our  
wood this fore noon.  
and Ulysses went  
over to the carner and  
got us some kerosene.  
Willis is quite sick.  
Mother came up to  
see him. Joseph Dunn  
was in here this  
fore noon. Mrs. Carter  
colored my stockings  
and Venie yarn.  
Got one egg to day.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1883

Willis is sick and  
no better. Expect the  
Dr here to day.  
Mrs Barter came over  
and staid until after  
dinner. Dr Linedon  
was here to dinner.  
after dinner he went  
down to see father.  
Ulysses went to  
Dennysville twice  
to day once for Willis  
and ... Father  
Mother came up to see  
Willis, Ira Carter and  
aunt Deborah and a  
few others were here  
this afternoon.  
Got 2 eggs today.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1883

Good this morning  
Venie and I washed  
to day. Willis is sick  
but seems to be quite  
smart to day. Had  
company all day  
Aunt Phebe came  
up this morning and  
staid all day Aunt  
Deborah came down  
this afternoon and  
stayed till after  
supper. Venie has  
gone over to Mrs  
Barter to stay all  
night.  
Father is not so  
well today.

Got 4 eggs to day,

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1883

Pleasant to day.  
Willis is better tonight  
I have the mumps  
and do not feel  
very well Venie went  
down home this  
morning Mrs Barter  
and Lizzie were over  
here to dinner. Simpson<sup>son</sup>  
and Grandma  
were in here to day  
Mother and Elias  
came up to night  
and stayed after  
supper. George Dunn  
and a few others were  
in here to night.  
And now it is  
morning. 1 egg today.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1883

Windy and quite pleasant. I feel quite well yet swelled some and quite weak. Clara is not feeling very comfortable with her mumps. Venie got a valentine to-night. Wellington brought it.

Ulysses went down to the Clark side to a pound party in the evening. He reports a large crowd. John Carter took the "Guess Cake", he guessing the nearest to its weight, 8 lbs. 10 oz.

Father and Josiah came out tonight. Mr. Smith is no better. Got 3 eggs.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1883

Mr. Shingtons Birthday.  
Warm and pleasant.

I have felt pretty well to-day; my swelling having all gone away. I have been out in the room two or three times, although I am quite weak and sore yet. Clara has a very delicate appetite. Mr. Smith does not seem to get any better yet. His legs are swollen very badly yet. Grace came up a little this afternoon. Mother went up to Deborah's visiting to-day.

Ulysses is going up to Pennysville this evening. Mr. and Mrs. James Dunn were here in the evening. Got 3 eggs.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1883

Pleasant and cool.  
I have been pretty well  
to-day; up all day; but  
not out doors. Clara is  
a little better; her jaws  
are not so sore. Mr.  
Smith is no better to-day.  
Albert Holland, Rhoda,  
and Clara Jane were in  
a few minutes this afternoon.  
Father hauled me a load  
of wood to-day; and he and  
Josiah unloaded it in  
the evening.

Got 3 eggs.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1883

Pleasant and quite warm.  
We churned in the  
forenoon. Venie scrubbed  
and Clara done the butter  
up after dinner. I went  
out to the shed, twice.  
Limson Lyons came down  
in the after noon, and stayed  
here till after supper.  
Venie went down home  
in the afternoon and while  
there Capt. H. F. Porter came  
after her and she agreed to go  
with him to-morrow. Grace  
was up here a few minutes.  
Mother went over to  
Clara's and stayed all day.  
Father came over in the even-  
ing and brought the papers.  
Got 3 eggs

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1883

Commenced to snow early in the morning, snowed till about noon; then turned to rain and rained the rest of the day. Venie went down home this morning, and went up with Capt. Porter about noon.

Ulysses and George Bosworth were in a few minutes this after-noon. Father went down to Uncle Vests, Josiah will not help Father this week.

Father came in a few minutes before supper and reports Mr. Smith feeling pretty well bodily; but not very well legly. Ulysses done our out-door-work to night. Got 4 eggs.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1883

Sarah E. Smith's Birthday, 74's  
Eva T. Lyons's " 17's

Pleasant but windy.  
Father went to Eastport and sold for us,

7 1/4 lb. butter @ .25	\$1.81
2 doz eggs @ .26	.52
and got,	2.33

1 gal. molasses,	.60
1 box butter-salt,	.25
1/2 lb. black tea,	.20

He got back about 5 o'clock. Sold his oxen to S. Stevens.

Mother and Lizzie were over here to dinner. Deborah came down in the evening. We got a letter from Isaac and Alice. Got 4 eggs.



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1883

Pleasant but quite cool and windy.

Dr. Lincoln went down early this morning to tend Miss Laura Greenlaw.

Mrs. Smith came up this morning with Ulysses. He went down to carry Mr. Smith a bag of meal. Clara baked a couple custard pies and sent her father one.

I have not been out much to-day.

Geo. H. Dunn started for Massachusetts yesterday. Good sliding. Got 6 eggs.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1883

Pleasant but quite cool. Clara and I went over to Father's and stayed till after dinner.

Mr. James Owen and wife and Clara and the children came over visiting. Clara and the children will stay a few days.

Father has a lame back to-day, and did not go in the woods.

Grace came up after school and stayed till after supper, and then went up to Rebecca's to stay all night.

The boys went up to Josh. Quabbin's to a party. Got 8 eggs.