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Friday SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 1883

Pleasant and warm; windy this after-noon. — I fenced

all day, — commenced a pitch pole fence round the field.

Mr. Smith hired two boys to work in the mill (Lathrop's).

Clara and Mrs. Smith washed.

Got a letter from Venice

today.

Wednesday SUNDAY 29

Ground white with snow this morning; rained hard all

the after-noon. — I bowed

bottom and cap for apr. of bars, picked up a few potatoes etc.

Mr. Smith went up to the mill this morning.

Thursday MONDAY 30

Cloudy, all day.

I worked on my fence.

Mrs. Smith went to the corner this afternoon. I printed

a few cards for Venice. — Mr. Smith came home there being

too much water to saw.

Friday TUESDAY, MAY 1, 1883

Pleasant and warm.

I fenced this forenoon;

This afternoon Mr. Smith and

I went to Denny'sville and

I got my cow of W. S. R.

Gardner — paid \$10 cash. — Mr.

Smith came back with me.

Mrs. Smith papered her kitchen.

Saturday WEDNESDAY 2

Rained and hailed hard

all day. Snowed hard toward

night and this evening. Windy. — I picked up potatoes in the cellar. — Mr. Smith

made a lounge.

Sunday THURSDAY 3 *

Ground white with snow. Pleasant and cool.

We stayed home all day. — Mrs. Smith and Elsie

went out to Mrs. Rosworth's.

Mr. Smith went up to Denny'sville and came back to-night.

Monday FRIDAY, MAY 4, 1883

Pleasant and quite warm.
I fenced, burnt off some-
this evening. — Clara washed
and churned. — Mrs. Smith
went over to Mrs. Madasin
Owen's this fore-noon. She
and the children will stay
over here to night. — Mr. Smith
went to Denmyrville this afternoon.

Tuesday SATURDAY 5

School Commencement.

Pleasant; quite windy.
Father and I and Ellen
went down to Eastport in
Pass Omm's boat, and brought
about 1½ tons pomace @ 7.10.
We started about 4:30 and
got home about 5. — Mrs.
Smith went to Denmyrville.
Ellen lost a flock of chickens
to the bees ^{stinging} them to death.

Wednesday SUNDAY 6

Pleasant.

I got Ulysses's den and
hauled out 5 bbls. pomace, 1½
flour, 2 bags phosphate and
hauled a load of stuff
for fence. — Ulysses went
to Eastport. — Deborah Dwy
came out here and stayed till
after dinner. — Mrs. Doornith
went over to Mrs. Smith's. — I
spread some pomace this afternoon.

Thursday MONDAY, MAY 7, 1883

Quite pleasant.

I went out and got Ulysses's den and hauled in one
acre of oats this afternoon.
I spread pomace this forenoon.
Elias helped me. — Mrs. Smith
went to the Corner. She got a
letter from Vemie. — Clara
moved the beds. 12 Chickens

Friday.

TUESDAY 8

Quite pleasant.

I worked for Ulysses;
spreading pomace etc.
I kept his den out here last
night, and took them out this
morning. Clara and Carroll
went out to mother's.

Saturday

WEDNESDAY 9

Rained about all day.

I went over to the Corner
this fore-noon (Ulysses went
over with the horse) and got
grass seed @ 2.10 = 15¢ — 3 lbs.
Albax @ 25¢ = 75¢ — 3 "
red clover seed @ 18¢ = 54¢ etc.
I commenced to make a compost
this afternoon. — Sold 13 eggs
to Elias to set a hen 16¢

Sunday THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1883

Pleasant and warm.

Clara and Carroll went over to Mrs. Smith's and I went out to Father's a little while; stayed to dinner. Father drove the steers out to night. — Mr. Smith went to Sennysville. Mrs. Smith came over here a little while.

Monday FRIDAY 11

Pleasant and warm.

I fenced. — Clara cleaned house. — Fanny came out to shear Mr. Smith's sheep but did not. — Will Walker brought my apple trees (11 for \$40) from J. C. Merrill & Co. Seneca, N.Y.

Tuesday SATURDAY 12

Pleasant and warm.

I sowed 1 acre to grass-seed, — set out 10 apple trees, and fenced. — Clara cleaned house. — Mrs. Smith went to the Head of the Tide. — Fred Carter sheared Mr. Smith's sheep. — Mr. Smurray, Committee, visited the school Dist. No. 1.

Wednesday SUNDAY, MAY 13, 1883

Pleasant, windy.

I worked for Ulysses — sowed 6 bush. of oats, some parsnips, beets, etc. — Clara went over to her mother's.

Thursday MONDAY 14

Miss Smith's Cow Calved.
Commenced to rain about 2:30 ^{supper} this afternoon, and rained ^{for} some all the afternoon. ^{Mr. Allen} I went out this morning and got Ulysses's ^{green} and plowed a piece for oranges etc. went out to night and sowed some grass seed for Ulysses and stayed to supper ^{to supper}.

Friday TUESDAY 15

Cleared off pleasant this morning and has been very warm. — I took a way part of the bunking. — went down and told Mary-Ett about her cat, the being in my field, and carried Hemans's anger home. — I went to the corner to night and Clara went with me.

Don't know how far from the mill.

Saturday ~~WEDNESDAY~~, MAY 16, 1883

Pleasant and cool. - Cold to night.
Ulysses worked for me,
Planted some potatoes, and
mangle myrtille. - Fred Carter
brought Mr. Smith out a barrel
of flour and a bag of meal.
Mr. Smith has been quite
sick today. - Adolphe Price
and family have been to Mrs. Smith's

THURSDAY 17

Sunday.

Pleasant and cool.
Mr. Smith has had a chill
and has been pretty sick.
Mrs. Basworth, Ulysses and
Mabel were over to Mrs. Smith.
We went over this after-
noon and stayed to supper.
Father and Adolphe came to
see Mr. Smith.

Monday ~~FRIDAY~~ 18.

Pleasant, warm. Rains
this evening. - I have
helped Ulysses plant
potatoes. - Mother came
out here and to Mrs. Smith's.
Mrs. Smith and Chas went to
the Corner after supper.
Mr. Smith is little or no
better.

Tuesday ~~SATURDAY~~, MAY 19, 1883

Mr. Smith some better.
Showered a little this fore-
noon; cleared off and was
quite warm. - Ulysses
came out and we each got
a load of dry wood. -
I finished shingling the
house, painted, and took down
stage. - We planted one row of
potatoes after supper. Father
came out tonight.

SUNDAY 20

Wednesday.

Pleasant, warm.

Ulysses and Ben, Arthur, Fred
Carter and Irving, and I worked
for Mr. Smith, planted over a
barrel of potatoes for him.
This afternoon Elias and I went
down to J. P. Carter's and got our
steers and fenced this after-
noon. - Grace came home from
Mrs. ^{W.} ~~Singlet~~.

~~MONDAY~~ 21

Thursday.

Pleasant and warm.
I worked for Ulysses; - plant-
ed potatoes and flonol. - Mrs.
Smith and Grace went to the
Corner. - Clara went over
to her mother's - she dropped
a row of potatoes and I
covered part of it tonight.
Father planted some mangels.

Friday TUESDAY, MAY 22, 1883

Pleasant.

I worked on my garden - planted 7 rows of mangle-wurzles, 5 rows of parsnips and 2 of corn. — Mr. Smith has planted some potatoes. Carroll has a very bad cold.

Saturday WEDNESDAY 23

Cloudy. Showered some soon after noon.

I worked for Ulysses this fore-noon and about an hour after dinner. — I went to the corner this afternoon. Elias went too. — Mr. ~~and~~ ^{Dr.} Robinson came up to Ulysses's today.

Sunday THURSDAY 24

Pleasant and warm.

Home all day; went in to Mr. Smith's after supper. Father came out a few minutes to night. — Mr. Josiah Page and wife and Chas. Symms were to Mr. Smith's today. Edna is quite sick. Grace came home from Fanny's.

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 1883

Monday

Cloudy; foggy; wet.

Mr. Smith and I went up to Danversville this forenoon with Father's horse. I bought 2 bu. of barley ¹⁰⁰ of Mr. Benj. Lincoln. I set out 8 plum trees and planted 18 hills of Hybrid Essex Squash. — Set some fives this evening.

Tuesday SATURDAY 26

Cloudy part of the forenoon pleasant and very warm. I planted 10 rows of mangle (golden turband). went out to Father's and got some potatoes and fence to night. — Mr. Nelson Allen came out to Mr. Smith's. — Mr. Smith went up to the mill. — (Edna is worse.)

SUNDAY 27

Tuesday

Pleasant and warm this forenoon; showery. thunder shower this afternoon. I harrowed a piece for my beans this forenoon with Ulysses's oxen. Took some blanking away. Planted some lettuce and radish. — Mrs. Smith's cow lost her bell. — Clara set a hen. — (Edna is better)

fine in the evening

Thursday MONDAY, MAY 28, 1883

Pleasant and warm.
I planted 12 hills of Red
Chin squash and 12 rows
of White Spine cymbers.
Planted beans this after-
noon. — Mr. Smith came home
to night. — Grace came home today.
Eimerson Lyons Died yesterday
I fencel this evening.
TUESDAY 29

Friday. — Pleasant
and warm. — I planted
beans; went over to the Cle-
try, to the funeral this after-
noon. Bought 1 pt. of beans
of Will. Wilder and planted
them to night. — Mr. and Mrs.
Smith and Grace went to the
funeral.

Saturday WEDNESDAY 30 Decoration,
Pleasant, and quite warm
I worked for Father; pull-
ed rockweed and planted po-
tatoes etc. — Ulysses helped
him too. — Clara has not been
very well; Helen, Lizzie, and
Sarah stayed with her. —
Grace went up to Mr.
Holbert Allan's to work.

Sunday THURSDAY, MAY 31, 1883

Looks like a storm; com-
menced to rain about 8:15 this
evening. — Mr. Hinkley
preached down to the school-
house this afternoon and ev-
ening. — Mr. and Mrs. Smith and
Sarah and I went down this
afternoon. — Harriet came out a
little while. — Mr. Smith went to the
funeral.

Monday FRIDAY, JUNE 1

Rainy and wet all day.
I pitched over manure,
took away some banking etc.
— Churnish. — I went out to
Father's a little while.
I wrote for Gov. Reports and
a card to Isaac.

Tuesday SATURDAY 2

Rainy and wet all
day; cold; wind about N.
I set out 12 tomato plants
(Mother gave me) filed the saw;
sawed some wood; went out
to Father's and got my paint (2 gal)
and painted some on the house.
Father and Ulysses went to
Eastport and got some haddock.
Mrs. Smith came over and stored all

Wednesday, SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 1883

Cloudy and cold this morning; pleasant this afternoon; windy. — I finished taking away the banking; painted some, fixed the "long bridge," and ~~hauled~~ ^{fixed} some peas. — Mrs. Smith and Elias went to the Corner. — He went over to Mrs. Smith's to supper. ^(with Thursday)

MONDAY 4

Thursday

Rained some this forenoon; quite pleasant this afternoon. — Ulysses helped me with his oxen; hauled out manure etc. I have been sick this afternoon. — Mrs. Smith and the children will stay here to night. — Father came out with some ^{butter} and some ^{meat}.

TUESDAY 5

Friday Cloudy.

I have felt better to-day, but have gone out very little. — Father came out and "doctored" my pig, and Mr. Smith's too. — Ulysses planted potatoes for me $\frac{1}{2}$ day.

Mrs. Smith came home from Pennsylvia this forenoon, and went to the Corner this afternoon.

Saturday, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1883

Pleasant; quite cool.

I have not been very well to-day. — Mr. Smith planted ^{part of} potatoes for me this forenoon. — Mr. Osborn came in this afternoon and I signed for 1 tree — "~~Frank~~ a keg" — and Mr. Smith signed for 5. — Mother and Father came out to night. Mother will stay all night.

THURSDAY 7

Sunday. — Heavy frost last night.

Pleasant this morning; rained some this afternoon. — Mother went home after dinner to go to meeting. — Mr. Hinkley preached. — I did not feel very well and did not go. — Lizzie came out this forenoon and went out with mother. — Adena Smith and his mother came in to Mr. Smith's.

FRIDAY 8

Monday. Pleasant; Showery.

I spread some pomace and planted 14 hills of ~~eggs~~ ^{potatoes} and went out to Father's this morning. — Father sheared sheep.

Mrs. Smith made soap.

Clara has been knitting. Elias brought out part of our wool.

Clara made Soap

Clara went out to Mr. Smith's to get some ^{potatoes} and some ^{meat} and some ^{butter}

the Corner this fore-noon.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 1883

Tuesday,

Pleasant; wind has blowed hard all day. Cold. I spread pomace this fore-noon and went out and got Ulysses's oxen and put in 1 A. - 2 bush. of barley. Did not get done time to carry the oxen home. - Mr. Smith went up to Dennyville with his team.

SUNDAY 10

Thurs Wednesday 10

Pleasant; cool; windy. I went out and helped Ulysses; - sowed barley and buck-wheat etc. - Ulysses went to the Corner this fore-noon. - Clara went out to Mother's this fore-noon and to Mabel's this after-noon. - Mr. J. H. Stillner plowed for Mr. Smith.

MONDAY 11

Thursday.

Pleasant, windy.

I planted 26 rows of potatoes. I washed the wool after supper. - Mr. Smith went to the Corner this fore-noon and Fred Carter helped him put in buck-wheat this after-noon.

Friday.

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 1883

Pleasant, warm and windy. I planted 29 rows of potatoes, etc. - Mr. Smith went to Dennyville this after-noon, and Mrs. Smith came over here.

Saturday

WEDNESDAY 13

Pleasant and very windy. Elias and I went to the Corner this fore-noon. I planted potatoes - 15 rows - this after-noon. - Father came out tonight. Mr. Smith came home from Dennyville this after-noon.

Sunday

THURSDAY 14

Pleasant and very windy. Mr. Asa Smith, Centerville and Adna S. Smith came over to Mr. Smith's to-day. Clara and I went over to dinner, and Mr. & Mrs. Smith came over here and stayed to supper. - Helen and Lizzie came out this after-noon and stayed to supper.

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Mondas

Thursday.

Pleasant, warm, windy.
I hoed peas, potatoes and
brood out beets etc. I went
out and helped Father drive
up the sheep - marked our
sheep and lamb. - Mrs.
Smith came over a little
while this after-noon.
Mr. Smith got hurt to day.

Tuesday ~~SATURDAY~~ 16

Pleasant. Dry.
I sowed grass-seed
on pasture of barley, dug
out the ditch, planted
two rows of beets, etc.
Burnt the brush from round
the barn tonight. — Clara
went over to her Mother's and wash-
ed — Clara and Ann. called here.

Wednesday ~~SUNDAY~~ 17 en route to Father's.

Pleasant, Dry.
I went out to the "road" and
got the pick ax and commene-
ced my well, throwing out
a few hangers etc. - Ulysses and
Mabel, Charles ~~and~~ Clara, and
Arthur and Elley went to East
port - Mrs. Smith went out
to the "road" and stayed to dinner
and supper. - Eliza Donna ^{in P. night.} ~~came~~

Pleasant. Dry.
I dug on my well, hoed
beets, cut bushes, etc.
Mrs. William Rice and Al-
tha came out to Mrs. Smith's
and called over here. — Mrs.
Smith and Eliza Thum came over
this after-noon and stayed to
supper. — Clara has not felt well

Friday, ~~TUESDAY~~ 19

Pleasant. Try.
I dug on my well.
- Eliza Drumm went out
to the "road" and Mrs. Smith
went out with her. - Mrs.
Smith went to Jenningsville
to night, to see Mr. Smith, who
was hurt in the mill, last
Monday.

Saturday. ~~WEDNESDAY~~ 20

Pleasant. Dry.
I went out and got some
meal, oats and corn; and
painted on the house, hord
my squashes, &c. - Father
went to the corner, and got
Physiology from me, from Isaac.
Mr. Smith came home to night.
He walked about all the way.
I's went over a little while to night.

Sunday THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 1883

Pleasant, Dry.

Charles and Clara came over to-day and stayed to dinner and supper; Bulbin and Mabel came too. — Hemar and Effie came out to Mr. Smith. Mr. Smith is no better. Our cow "Susie" came in today.

Monday, FRIDAY 22

Rained some. — I painted some and took clown stage. I got ready to plant some sweet Corn for fodder — Elias and I killed and skinned the calf this morning. He and Mrs. Smith went to the Corner; He sold the spin for \$3.25. He went over to Mrs. Smith's to supper; Clara went over this afternoon.

SATURDAY 23

Tuesday Pleasant, cool.

I went over to the Corner this fore-nom, via Balis's expected to have the horse for Mr. Smith. — I sold 5⁹⁹ doz. ¹²⁰ butter, and bought 6 milk-hands. — I planted some corn this afternoon. — Mrs. Lyon and Mrs. Smith (Nancy) came out to Mrs. Smiths. — Ulysses and James came out to night.

straw-service. 15¢ @ 12 doz. ea. Wednesday, JUNE 24, 1883

Pleasant, windy, cool.

I hoid potatoes, and then need gut mangles, etc. Clara went over to her mother's and washed. — Mother came out and stayed till after supper. — Helen came out after supper and will stay all night. — Hemar came out to Mr. Smiths, and got a strong

MONDAY 25

Thursday.

Pleasant. — Warm. — Dry.

Elias and I went out to Balis's this morning, with his sters, and got some phosphate, etc. — I have thimiped out beets (mangles)

Clara got a letter from Alice. — Straw-berries and cream for tea.

TUESDAY 26

Friday.

Pleasant, warm. — Dry.

Looked some like a shower. I hoid mangles, dug on the well, and went down to Aunt Jammies to see about cutting some hay. — I made a lettuce bed to night. — Mr. and Mrs. Smith went to Dourysville with Balis's horse. — Father and Ulysses went to Eastport last night.