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Ther.

WED. MAY 4, 1887

Wea.

Quite pleasant.

I sawed wood this fore-noon,  
 cleaned out the hog-pen this after-  
 noon, Elias helped me plow a piece  
 after supper.

Clara washed, cleaned some up  
 stairs etc.

Mrs. Smith came over here a lit-  
 tle while, and went out to the road.

Ther.

THURSDAY 5

Wea.

Pleasant.

I took away the banking  
 on the front side of the house  
 etc. Sold Elias my printing press etc.

Mrs. Smith and Elias went up  
 to Cross Roads. Elias got a gun  
 of Adams.

I have not felt very smart  
 to-day. Mr. Buzzel took his **Singer**.

Ther.

FRIDAY 6

Wea.

Pleasant.

I went up to Smyersville this  
 fore-noon and paid Mr. Haman <sup>5 cents</sup> for  
 I borrowed three weeks ago. Elias  
 worked for me this afternoon;  
 put the pig in the "summer pen"  
 Sowed a few **Oats**, and sowed  
 some wood. Plowed after supper.  
 Clara had a **Quitting** to-day.

Ther.

SAT. MAY 7, 1887

Wea.

Quite pleasant; rains some this  
 evening.

I went to the Corner this fore-noon.  
 Elias went over with my steers  
 and got a bag of meal, and the  
 barrels from Breckham fence. I got  
 some phosphate. I hauled away  
 banking this afternoon. He went <sup>but</sup>  
 to the other house this evening. <sup>Came home from the mill.</sup> Mr. Smith

Ther.

SUNDAY 8

Wea.

Pleasant and warm.

**Sabbath-School** organized  
 this fore-noon. Mrs. Smith and  
 I went down.

Helena and Lizzie came out  
 a little while this afternoon  
 and Mr. Smith came over. He  
 went up to Smyersville to-  
 night.

Ther.

MONDAY 9

Wea.

Pleasant and warm.

I harrowed, furrowed and  
 manureed for garden and  
 planted D. Champion peas.  
 Plowed some towards night.

Mrs. Smith went to the Cor-  
 ner.

Ther.

TUES. MAY 10, 1887

Wea.

Pleasant and warm,  
**Debor Day.**

I planted beets, carrots, and some parsnips. Harrowed, furrowed and manured out for potatoes. Sarah went to the Corner. Grace came home from Mrs. Lincoln's to stay a few days.

Mrs. Smith came over a little while

Ther.

WEDNESDAY 11

Wea.

Pleasant and very windy.  
 I planted **Potatoes**, ~~manured~~ out manure etc. Set a fire in the swamp. I went down to see Capt. J. J. Carter. ~~Ulysses~~ went down too. Clara went over to her mother's this evening. Grace and Mrs. Smith went to the Corner.

Steer struck chain-hook through foot

Ther.

THURSDAY 12

Wea.

Pleasant, cool, windy.  
 I plowed, furrowed, hauled manure, planted potatoes, went out to Ulysses's and got a box of butter-salt, went to the Corner this evening, etc. Clara went over to Carl's with me.

Mrs. Smith came home a little while this after-noon

Ther.

FRI. MAY 13, 1887

Wea.

**Churned.**

Cloudy. Sun shone very little. I planted about one bushel of potatoes, went up to Uncle W. C. Brown's this after-noon, and down to C. A. Brown's this evening. Father came out and got the cattle to-night. — Andrew and Harry came up after supper. Deborah came out here and made Grace's dress

Ther.

SATURDAY 14

Wea.

Pleasant.

I worked for Father, — planting potatoes. Clara and the children went out with me, and came in to-night.

Grace went up to Deborah's and came in with us to-night. Father's horse hurt and is very lame.

Ther.

SUNDAY 15

Wea.

Pleasant.

Mrs. Smith, Sarah, Harry and I went to Sabbath-School this fore-noon.

Silas Tyng and wife came over to Mr. Smith's this fore-noon, and over here this after-noon and stayed to supper.

Capt. Jarvis Carter died this evening at 7 o'clock.

Ther.

MON. MAY 16, 1887

Wea.

Pleasant and dry.  
I worked for Ulysses  
- planting potatoes - prodig-  
ies on rockweed -

Further had my steers.

Mr. Smith came down from  
Jennysville to night to do his  
farming. I hauled in a  
load of rockweed to night.

Ther.

TUESDAY 17

Wea.

Pleasant and dry.  
I worked for Mr. Smith  
this fore-noon - hauling manure  
and harrowing.

Capt. Jarvis Carter was  
buried this after-noon; preach-  
ing by Rev. Mr. Skithier; Buried  
under the Masonic order.

Went to the funeral.

Ther.

WEDNESDAY 18

Wea.

Rainy all day.

I pitched over manure  
under the barn etc.

Mr. Smith harrowed a little  
while this morning. He went  
up to the mill this fore-noon.

Mrs. Smith and Elias shear-  
ed their sheep.

Ther.

THURS. MAY 19, 1887

Wea.

Cloudy this morning; clear-  
ed up this fore-noon.

Father and Elley went with  
me rockweeding. Got home at  
10:30 to night.

Mr. Smith's cow calved last  
night.

Mrs. Smith went to the  
Corner.

Ther.

FRIDAY 20

Wea.

Churned.  
Pleasant and warm.  
I hauled the rockweed from  
the gulch this fore-noon and  
one load home. Elias helped  
me. I picked off rocks,  
"holed out" for cucumbers, ma-  
nured out and planted five  
hills.

Ther.

SATURDAY 21

Wea.

Cloudy; cleared off plea-  
sant and warm.

I went to the Corner with  
the cattle and got some meal  
etc. Got dinner to Father's. James  
helped me plow a little while  
this after-noon and I planted  
some corn. Elias went to  
Jennysville this forenoon.

Ther.

SUN. MAY 22, 1887

Wea.

Thunder and lightning to night

Cloudy; windy; cool.  
Went to Sabbath School  
this forenoon, and Mr. Smith  
and I went down to meeting  
this evening.  
Clara Owen brought Lizzie  
home to-day.  
Shower this evening 9:30.

Ther.

MONDAY 23

Wea.

Looked like rain this morn-  
ing; sprinkled some. Cleared  
off pleasant and warm.  
I worked round the house;  
went out and got a load of  
rock-weed just before supper.  
Clara made Soap. Her mother  
helped her. - Mr. Smith sow-  
ed his oats, etc. Had my sture.

Ther.

TUESDAY 24

Wea.

Pleasant and very warm.  
I harrowed and furrowed  
this forenoon; hauled rock-  
weed and manure for 2 rows of  
potatoes.  
Mr. Smith planted potatoes  
and moved his hen-pen, etc.  
Mr. Smith and Sarah went to  
the Corner. - Clara went  
over to her mother's this afternoon.

Ther.

WED. MAY 25, 1887

Wea.

Cloudy, Showery and wet.  
I hauled rock-weed, and  
manure in the furrow for po-  
tatoes.  
Elias went to the Corner; sent  
for cards, and got S. S. papers  
for me.

Ther.

THURSDAY 26

Wea.

Cloudy this morning; clear-  
ed pleasant and very warm.  
I went out and got a  
load of rock-weed this morn-  
ing and Elley helped me carry  
the gamboer home. I cleared  
a-way in the grove etc, and  
planted a row of corn. I car-  
ried a pail of butter out to nit.

Ther.

FRIDAY 27

Wea.

Rained last night. Cloudy  
and wet to-day.  
I picked over some pota-  
toes, sawed wood, got a  
pigeon for goard-sticks, etc.  
Mr. Smith came home  
from the mill this afternoon.  
He came over a little while  
to-night. - Mrs. Smith went  
out to Deborah's to night

Ther.

SAT. MAY 28, 1887

Wea.

Rainy and wet. Rained this afternoon.

I plowed a little piece for Mr. Smith this morning; pitched over manure etc. this afternoon.

Father, Ulysses, Elley and James went to Eastport.

Ther.

SUNDAY 29

Wea.

Cloudy and misty.

Went to Sabbath School this forenoon. Clara went over home while we were gone and I went over to dinner. James Dunn came out with us.

Ther.

MONDAY 30

Wea.

## Decoration.

Cloudy. Dull. Wind East. I went out to father's this morning, and over to the Corner this forenoon; fixed the hen-pen this afternoon.

Mrs. Smith and Sarah went over to decoration this afternoon; got Elias's Carole.

Ther.

TUES. MAY 31, 1887

Wea.

## Pleasant.

I sawed wood this forenoon; planted corn, beans, parsnips etc. this afternoon.

Elley came out and got the steers to night.

Mr. Smith planted beans, etc. Gov. property placed on Oak-hill today.

Ther.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

Wea.

Pleasant; clouded up and rained some to night.

I planted 1 bush. of potatoes and planted 8 hills of citron. Father has had my cattle to day.

Mr. Smith went up to the mill to night.

Elias went to the Corner.

Ther.

THURSDAY 2

Wea.

Cleared up some about noon; clouded up towards night.

I cleared up in the Grove most all day; went out fishing to night caught some young pollock and two coals.

Mrs. Smith went over to Mrs. Saughton's. Elias went up to Cross-Roads.



Ther.

FRI. JUNE 3, 1887

Wea.

Churned.

Cloudy; Commenced to rain about 3 o'clock. Rained hard for a while. I plowed, furrowed, hauled out manure and planted beans etc.

Plowed some on road.  
Elias helped me today.  
Heavy Thunder shower this evening. Rained very hard.

Ther.

SATURDAY 4

Wea.

Cloudy and quiet this forenoon. Cleared off towards night.

I went out to the road this morning, to the Corner this forenoon, (Elias went with me) tried to quilt a quilt on the machine, made a shirt (mostly) for Elias, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Elias and I went to meeting this evening.

Ther.

SUNDAY 5

Wea.

Pleasant.

Went to Sabbath School this forenoon.

Clara went over home while we were gone and I met over and <sup>we</sup> stayed part of the afternoon.

Mrs. Smith and Elias went out to the road this evening. Mr. Smith went up to the mill.

Ther.

MON. JUNE 6, 1887

Wea.

Cloudy and cool this forenoon; Pleasant and warm this afternoon.

Sawed an old log this forenoon; (Elias helped me) planted beans, peas, etc. this afternoon. Mrs. Smith helped Clara quilt. Elias went to the Corner to-night.

Ther.

TUESDAY 7

Wea.

Pleasant and warm. I harrowed, furrowed, hauled manure, and planted beans. I went out and got 5 bush. of oats of Father. Mother, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Madison Owen helped Clara quilt.

Ther.

WEDNESDAY 8

Wea.

Foggy this morning. Pleasant. I finished planting <sup>potatoes</sup> beans, set out a few onions, and sowed an acre - 5 bush. of oats. Mrs. Smith and Elias went up to Dennyville.

Ther.

THURS. JUNE 9, 1887

Wea.

Rained pretty hard most of the forenoon; cleared off pleasant. I set out some potato onions this morning; cleared off stumps etc from the road, getting ready to plow. planted a few potatoes, hauled a load of manure for beets and fixed off some. Sarah went to the Corner. Elias went out and ground his ax.

Ther.

FRIDAY 10

Wea.

Churned.

Pleasant and warm.  
Ulysses, with his oxen, and Elias helped me plow the **Road** along the fence from the grove to the barn. I manured out and planted my beets - mostly - this afternoon. - Mrs. Smith went down to Anna Benton's. ~ Mrs. Dwyer Rhoda went out to Cash's. and Eliza Dunn Come out here all day.

Ther.

SATURDAY 11

Wea.

Pleasant.

Used all my manure; Cleaned out under the barn and put in a load of muck. Put a load of rock weed in the furrow. Planted potatoes part of the afternoon. Tired to night. Elias went over to the Corner. No meeting to night.

Ther.

SUN. JUNE 12, 1887

Wea.

Pleasant and warm.  
Went to Sabbath School this forenoon. Mrs. Smith went to the Vestry.  
Lorence M. Glanflin and wife, Uncle James M. Glanflin (from Bristol) Clara Owen and a Miss Jones were out to Father's. I went out a little while this afternoon.

Ther.

MONDAY 13

Wea.

Pleasant and warm. Squally, and cool to night.  
I worked amongst my Cucumbers and melons, planted some potatoes etc. Clara went over home a little while after supper. I went over later - Elias went over to the Corner and got a barrel of flour. Mrs. Smith went too.

Ther.

TUESDAY 14

Wea.

Pleasant, windy and cool.  
Heavy shower last night.  
Elias helped me saw wood this forenoon. Hired out and <sup>for</sup> planted set out 10 tomato plants to night. Carried a pail of butter out to the road to go to Eastport, tomorrow. Mrs. Smith went down the road this evening.



Sell it, and brought it back.  
Ther. WED. JUNE 15, 1887 Wea.  
Carried butter to Eastport. Could not  
Pleasant.

I harrowed my new piece  
and piled and burned roots etc.  
Worked on the road a little while  
Had a row of potatoes, etc.

Mrs. Smith went out to  
Mrs. Bouseworth's.

Ulysses carried Elly to Eastport in road  
for Massachusetts.

Ther. THURSDAY 16 Wea.

Very windy this forenoon.  
Rained this afternoon.

I went to the Corner this  
forenoon, went to Dennyville and  
got home at 4:45. Got dinner  
to Mr. Hanson's.

Clara went over to her mother's  
to dinner.

Ther. FRIDAY 17 Wea.

Churned  
Pleasant and warm.

I went over to the Corner and  
carried some butter. Worked on  
the road a little while, had  
potatoes and set out 16 tomato  
plants. Elias went over to the  
Corner with me, and got a crystal  
put in his watch.

Ther. SAT. JUNE 18, 1887 Wea.

Pleasant and cool.  
Worked amongst my po-  
tatoes about all day.  
Mrs. Smith went over to the  
Corner; came over here a little  
while this evening.

Rosetta Carter at Florence Lyons  
came out to Sarah's a little while  
this after-noon, and called here.

Ther. SUNDAY 19 Wea.

Pleasant and warm. Cloudy.  
Went to Sabbath School this  
forenoon; all but Clara and Mrs. Smith.  
Joshua Cushing, Esq. went through  
here and stopped to Mr. Smith's a  
while.

Ther. MONDAY 20 Wea.

Looked like rain this morning;  
pleasant this after-noon.  
I worked in the garden, - hoeing  
potatoes, peas, etc. Went out to  
the road and got the wheel-barrow.  
Elias helped me this afternoon, hauled  
wheeling stones, and I hauled  
them to the bridge to night.

Mrs. Smith painted her floor.  
Elias went to the Corner this forenoon.

Ther.

TUES. JUNE 21, 1887

Wea.

Strawberries &amp; Cream

Pleasant. Rained some to night.

I worked in the garden; wheeled away bonking, etc. Father and Mr. Bennett called here a little while.

Rev. Mr. Brown, minister from Kimbrooke, preached in the school-house this evening. I did not go down.

Ther.

WEDNESDAY 22

Wea.

Rained all last night and this forenoon. A very heavy thunder storm, with sharp lightning passed over between 10 and 12 o'clock this forenoon. The rain fell in torrents. The lightning struck the barn of Oles A. Porter.

I went out to Farming and got my 4 bushels of pomegranates and 1 of pomegranates killed in the storm today.

Ther.

THURSDAY 23

Wea.

Cloudy.

I sawed wood at the door. Mr. Smith came home from the mill having finished sawing for the present. He came over a little while this evening.

Ther.

FRI. JUNE 24, 1887

Wea.

Churned.

Rained hard this forenoon; met part of the afternoon.

We all went over to the "other house" to dinner. I sawed and split a little wood this afternoon and went out to the road to night.

Elias went to the Corner towards night.

Ther.

SATURDAY 25

Wea.

Pleasant.

I went to the Corner this forenoon; sawed and piled wood this afternoon. Elias helped me part of the forenoon.

Mr. Smith went out to the road. Mrs. Smith went to the Corner this afternoon. — Mr. Smith and I went down to the school-house but there was no key, and I did not go in.

Ther.

SUNDAY 26

Wea.

Pleasant and warm.

Went to Sunday-School this forenoon.

Mother came out a little while this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith went out to Mill River.

Ther.

MON. JUNE 27, 1887

Wea.

Pleasant. Showered some at noon.

I went out to the road this morning; brought Father's horse in and Elias helped me cultivate and plow my potatoes. Father came out a little while after supper and helped me hoe a few potatoes. Mr. and Mrs. Smith went out to the road this evening. I worked on the road.

Ther.

TUESDAY 28

Wea.

Pleasant.

I finished hoeing a piece of potatoes, worked amongst my crows, etc. Meeting with

"Betty" Calver, school.

Clara was taken sick to night. I went to Dennyville and Dr. Lincoln, Mother, Mrs. Smith, and Fanny stayed all night.

Ther.

WEDNESDAY 29

Wea.

Pleasant, very warm.

I hauled corn, beans etc.

Dr. Lincoln went up home this morning and came right back; he Mother, and Mrs. Smith stayed here all day. Clara sick to day.

"Boy" came along 8:30 this afternoon. - Ma Eliza Dunn came out to night to stay a little while.

Ther.

THURS. JUNE 30, 1887

Wea.

Chilled.

Pleasant. Hot.

Mr. Smith and I went to the Corner this forenoon. I hauled a few potatoes etc. towards night. Ulysses went to the Corner to night. Mabel and Sybil came out here. Mr. Smith went down to Chas. Browns after supper. Mr. Smith hauled a few potatoes.

Ther.

FRIDAY, JULY 1

Wea.

Pleasant and warm.

Mr. Smith and Elias went with me to get a load of rock-wood. Got a good load. I got home near 9 o'clock.

Schools in town closed to-day.

Ther.

SATURDAY 2

Wea.

Pleasant and very warm. I hauled my oxen out of the gun-bow and went with Mr. Smith after a load on Mrs. Eliza Dunn's shore.

Eliza Dunn is sick to-day and Mrs. Smith is doing the work. Mrs. Joanna Carth and Ann came out here to-day.