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Dawn East



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Ther.

SUN. JAN. 1, 1888

Wea.

Began to storm this fore-noon; snowed till about 2:30, hailed etc till evening, turned to rain.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith had an invitation to go out to Fannie's to New Year dinner. Mr. Smith not being able they did not go.

We went over and took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Smith. Allie Anthony was there too.

Father came out a little while this after-noon.

I have not felt very well to-day.

Ther.

MON. JAN. 2, 1888

Wea.

Rained and blowed hard all last night. Raining and wet this forenoon, so I did not go to school.

I fixed up round the barn etc. Went over to Mr. Smith's and got some oats.

Mrs. Smith quilted a wooden quilt. She came over a little while this afternoon. Mr. Smith about the same.

Father came out this afternoon, got the truck-wagon and went through to the Head of the Tide.

Ther.

TUES. JAN. 3, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant.

I went and came "across". Elias stayed up to "Cross-Roads" to-night.

Mr. Smith came over a little while; he is little or no better.

Clara washed, etc.

There was no meeting to-night;— Mr. Brown did not come over. Mrs. Smith and Sarah started to go down, but it was so icy that they came back.

Ther.

WED. JAN. 4, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and cold. Looks
some like a storm tonight.

I went and came "across".

Mrs. Smith went to the
Corner this fore-noon.

Mrs. Basworth came out
and stayed to Mrs. Smith's
till after dinner and then
went to the Corner.

Mr. William Stanhope came
down to see Mr. Smith.

Ther.

THURS. JAN. 5, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and cold.

I went and came "across" the
meadow. I ^{wrote} ~~sent~~ for F. and F.

Clara went to the Corner
this fore-noon - Canvassed for
Finn and Fireside. Sarah kept home.

Mother and Mabel came
out this fore-noon and stay-
ed till after supper.

Elias did not go to school.
Mr. Smith is about the same
He subscribed for Farm & Fireside

Ther.

FRI. JAN. 6, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and windy. old
Wind blowed almost a gale
from the North West. Looks
like a storm to night.

I came round the Head
of the Tide to night, and didn't
get home till quite late.

Ther.

SAT. JAN. 7, 1888

Wea.

Churned.

Beautiful morning; mild
and Spring like. Clouded up
and snowed two or ^{three} hours this
afternoon; turned to rain towards
night.

I got out a few rails
this forenoon, cleared out the
road some this afternoon, etc.

Mr. Smith is some better
so he cut wood a few hours.

Mrs. Smith went out to the
road, this afternoon.

Clara is quite tired to night.

Ther.

SUN. JAN. 8, 1888

Wea.

Cloudy and mild.

I went out to Father's a little while this forenoon. We all went over to Mr. Smith's to supper.

Mrs. Smith and Sarah went over to the Vestry to meeting.

Geo. W. Bosworth called here a few minutes this morning. He wrote in Clara's and Larrie's albums.

Ther.

MON. JAN. 9, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and quite cool. I went up to John's at noon. Skent and came across.

Eli's did not go to school. He and his father got their sheep home, - except one - Clara washed.

Dina (heifer) got in the spring or drinking place this afternoon.

John N. Anthony died this afternoon after a long illness.

Ther.

TUES. JAN. 10, 1888

Wea.

Commenced to snow before noon and snowed lightly all the after-noon.

I took "Tip" up across the meadow and Eddie sharpened ^{6"} her; I got a pump of Uncle ^{8.00} Thom; Came round the Head of the Tide and got a bag of meal.

Mr. Smith went to Jenningsville this morning, and back to night.

Chas staid up to Cross Roads Clara does not feel very well to night.

Mrs. Smith went over to Mrs. Madison Owen's

Ther.

WED. JAN. 11, 1888

Wea.

Snowed about an inch last night. Pleasant, Windy. I went round the Head of the Tide this morning; Came across to night.

Good sleighing up Calais way. Roads mostly bare in town although some try to "fring" it.

Mr. Smith went up to Adams this fore-noon. He went up to the funeral this after-noon. John N. Anthony was buried this after-noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Came over this evening.

Allie Anthony is sick with pneumonia.

Ther. THURS. JAN. 12, 1888 Wea.
-14° or -16°

Pleasant and cold.
Went and came "across" today.

Ther.

FRI. JAN. 13, 1888

Wea.

Churned.

Cloudy. Commenced to snow
about noon; turned to rain
this evening.

I churned this evening.

Allie Anthony is worse this
after-noon. Mrs. Smith went
over this fore-noon.

Mr. Smith carried Jackson
Brown's sled home. Went out
to Jos. Dunn's after his sheep
but did not get her.

Clara went over to her moth-
er's part of the day.

David Wright's store, at the
Iron Works, was burned this
morning.

Ther.

SAT. JAN. 14, 1888

Wea.

Rained part. of last night
and cleared off. Pleasant
and mild to-day.

Oke went to Eastport with
the horse and pump. Road very
good (icy) down to the bridge.
Went to walk most of the way
between the bridge and "town". Bank
ground. Started at 10 o'clock.
The children stayed over to
their grandmother's.

Allie Anthony is worse to-
night.

Ther.

SUN. JAN. 15, 1888

Wea.

Commenced to rain
about noon; rained all the
afternoon; Very icy; dan-
gerous traveling.

Father came out this fore-
noon and stayed to dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith went
over to Allie Anthony's. He
is no better.

Ther.

MON. JAN. 16, 1888

Wea.

3

Pleasant, cold and windy.
 Very icy; dangerous travel-
 ing. I went and came a-
 cross the meadow. I came
 down to Uncle Chan's to-
 night and paid him \$1. on
 my pig.

Allie Anthony is no better.
 I am quite tired to night

Ther.

TUES. JAN. 17, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and mild.
 Looks like a storm to night.
 Commenced to snow about 8 o'clock.
 Went and came across.
 Mr. Smith went to Denny-
 ville this fore-noon; got
 his sheep home from Jos. S.
 Dennis, and went to the corner
 this afternoon.

Father came out to Mr. Smith's
 a few minutes.

Allie Anthony reported worse

Ther.

WED. JAN. 18, 1888

Wea.

Snowed part of last night, - Wind blew hard this morning - and all day today hard.

Went to school with the horse, ^{for the} first time this winter. Put up at Chas. Wards.

Elias stayed up to Cross-Roads to night.

Ther.

THURS. JAN. 19, 1888

Wea.

Cold and windy; snow has blown and drifted quite badly.

Clara and the children went over to the other house with me, when I went to school, and stayed till I came home to night.

Mrs. Smith made a snug cushion for me.

Ther.

FRI. JAN. 20, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and cold. Wind has blown hard all day; snow is drifted quite badly in places.

Father went through this way to the Corner after Keelen. Came back this way just a head of me.

Sarah came over this morning and will stay all night.

Ther.

SAT. JAN. 21, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and cold. Wind blown almost a gale last night and to day. Bitter; very rough day. I took dinner to Mr. Smith's to day; Clara, Sarah and the children dined alone. Too rough for Sarah to go home to day. Allie Anthony reported better.

Ther.

SUN. JAN. 22, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant, windy, Cold
 Father came out a little
 while this fore-noon.
 I went over home with
 Sarah, - to break a track for
 her.
 Mr. and Mrs. Smith came
 over a little while this
 evening.

Ther.

MON. JAN. 23, 1888

Wea.

Churned.

Pleasant, very Cold - 18°
 Clouded up this evening
 and began to snow.
 I left Tip to Uncle
 Thau's to get a shoe fixed.
 I went over to Sawe's after
 school and got a pair of
 blankets and bats for robe
 to go with the furs.
 Churned this evening.
 Mr. Smith went in the
 woods this morning.

Ther.

TUES. JAN. 24, 1888

Wea.

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Ther.

WED. JAN. 25, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant, cold, windy.
Snowed last night - about
two inches; light and has blow-
ed well to-day.

Clara and the children
all went up to Mrs.
Kard's with me when I
went to school. Clara call-
ed up to her grand-mother's

Pleasant. Very cold this
morning; more moderate to night.
Elias did not go to school
to-day.

Mrs. Smith came over a
little while.

Clara ironed etc.

Ther.

SAT. JAN. 28, 1888

Wea.

- 20°

Pleasant and cold.

I cut some green birch wood to burn, helped Elias cut down a dry stub etc.

Father came out this afternoon and I went out with him and got some oats.

Mrs. Smith came over a little while.

Mr. Smith came home from the woods to night.

Clara has not been very well to day.

The Eclipse on the moon this evening could be very plainly seen.

Ther.

SUN. JAN. 29, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith came over to dinner.

Fred. Reynolds brought Grace home to day.

Mr. Smith

Ther.

MON. JAN. 30, 1888

Wea.

Churned.

-12°

Pleasant and cold.

Mrs. Smith went up to Cross-Roads with me today.

Elias and Fred Carter got a load of ^{hay} for Mr. Smith from Adna's.

Mr. Smith went to Dennyville but did not go in the woods.

Chas. Owen and Clara and Mabel came up and will stay all night.

Clara washed and churned.

Ther.

TUES. JAN. 31, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant. Quite cold. Mabel came out this morning and went over with me to Ida Fishers.

Chas. Owen went home after getting a load of hay from his barn.

Mr. Brown - the minister - came out; stayed to Mrs. Smith's to dinner. Called here this afternoon. Clara Owen and Mabel spent out to Mother's with him. Mrs. Smith, Grace and Sarah went to meeting this evening.

Ther.

WED. FEB. 1, 1888

Wea.

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Ther.

THURS. FEB. 2, 1888

Wea.

~~Fri.~~ Pleasant and Cold.

Sarah went up to Cross Roads with me this morning. Mr. Smith went up to see his mother.

Mabel came home with me to night, from Ida Fisher's; she and Elick Roberson stayed here to supper.

Candlemas

Rather cloudy this forenoon. Pleasant this afternoon. Cool.

Clara and the children ~~came~~ over to Addie Rice's this morning with me, and back to night.

Sarah came home to night, - part way with me and the remainder with Chas. Hard. Glee came in to Mr. Smith's and bought a sheep.

Mr. Smith went up to Demysville but did not go in the woods.

Ther.

FRI. FEB. 3, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and quite moderate.

Mrs. Smith went over to the Head of the Tide with me this morning. Geo. H. Allan came from the schoolhouse, and Mr. and Mrs. Hanson came from Chas. Restois to Mill. Kees, I bought a sack of shorts ^{for} for Mrs. Smith. I went up to Aunt Betsey's; called in to see Mrs. Smith.

Mr. Smith went out to the road today.

Ther.

SAT. FEB. 4, 1888

Wea.

Quite pleasant this forenoon. Clouded up and began to snow about five o'clock to night.

I carried Clara and the children up to Deborah's this forenoon; came home and done up a few chores; went up after them and stayed to supper. Called to see Jos. Imm and Helen.

Mr. Smith was taken suddenly sick at noon. He is not very well tonight. I went over (with Grace) to see him, this evening.

Mrs. Ezra Carter was up to Mother's today.

Ther.

SUN. FEB. 5, 1888

Wea.

The storm of yesterday turned to rain last night; rained hard part of this forenoon. Cleared off quite pleasant this afternoon.

Sarah took care of the children, and Clara and I rode out to see Helen. She is better to-day.

Ther.

MON. FEB. 6, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and moderate. Clara washed and put a mat in.

Ther.

TUES. FEB. 7, 1888

Wea.

Snowed lightly all day; turned to

Ida Ward came over with me to night.

Grace went over to the Corner with me this morning.

Uncle Sam. went up on the "Big Hail" cutting wood.

He went a little way with me

Ther.

WED. FEB. 8, 1888

Wea.

Churned.

Rainy and wet all day.
Rains hard this evening.
Ida Ward went over to Mrs. Smith's to-day; She and Sarah will stay here to night.

Ther.

THURS. FEB. 9, 1888

Wea.

Quite pleasant to-day.
Cooler to night. Windy.
Ida Ward went up home
with me this morning.
Mr. Smith is better - he
went up in the woods to-
day - Duncysville - and back to-
night.

Ther.

FRI. FEB. 10, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant, cold, windy.
I walked up to school
this morning - went up a-
cross the meadow. Came across.
Mrs. Smith went to the Cor-
ner. Grace came home from
Mrs. Anthony's.
Grace and Sarah came over
this evening.
Looks like snow to night.

Ther.

SAT. FEB. 11, 1888

Wea.

Snowed part of last night
and all of to-day.

I had a school to-day to make
up for a day missed by being
sick. Had only ten scholars.

I went over to Hobart's and
got some corn and meal.

Charles Owen and Auldin
& came up from Eastport this
afternoon; Chas. went out to
father's and Auldin will stay
here.

Grace and Sarah helped Clara
draw on her mat.

Ther.

SUN. FEB. 12, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant. Cool to night.
Home all day. James came
out this forenoon and Auldin
went out with him.

Mrs. Smith came over a little
while this afternoon.

Fred Carter called in this co-
evening.

Ther.

WED. FEB. 15, 1888

Wea.

Snowed and blowed hard all day.

Quite disagreeable going to and coming from school.

Clara put a mat in to-day and drained some.

Sarah stayed over about all day.

Ther.

THURS. FEB. 16, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant, cold and windy.
Beautiful evening.

Ida Ward came down to Addie Rice's with me to-night.

Grace and Sarah came over and helped Clara on her mat; stayed till this evening.

Ther.

FRI. FEB. 17, 1888

Wea.

5

Snowed this morning; part of the fore-noon. Windy.

Ida E. Ward went up home from Addie Rice's, with me this morning. Clara and I and Carroll went down to see Grandmother Carter, who was taken sick yesterday morning. She had a "shock" this morning and is very low tonight.

Fred Carter and Sarah had a party to Mr. Smith's tonight.

Ther.

SAT. FEB. 18, 1888

Wea.

Churned.

Pleasant, Cool.

I had a school to-day to make up lost time. Clara^{Carroll and} went up to Laura Preston's and Mrs. Rice's with me.

Lucy Ward came over to Sarah's with us tonight. She and Sarah and Elias came over and spent the evening.

I churned to-night.

Tues, Feb. 21, 1888

Ther.

~~SUN. FEB. 19, 1888~~

Wea.

Rained hard all last night. Pleasant to day. Brooks, swamps etc. filled and overflowing.

I did not go to school to day. I have a boil on my arm and have done little or nothing.

Clara washed and ironed.

Wednesday, Feb, 22, '88.

Ther.

~~MON. FEB. 20, 1888~~

Wea.

Washington's Birthday.
Pleasant and mild.

I went out to the road and ground my ax. I went up to Lemysville with Mr. Smith this after-noon after some meal, but Mr. Lincoln being gone he got none.

Grandmother Carter
died this morning after a
brief illness. Age 87y-8mo-13d.

Sun. Feb. 19, 1888.

Ther.

~~TUES. FEB. 21, 1888~~

Wea.

Pleasant and quite mild.
Clara and I and Mrs. Smith went
down to see Grandmother this
fore-noon. - She is some easier.
Albert Holland, wife, and their
daughter Etta came out to Mr. Smith.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ward and Mr. and
Mrs. Ed. Leighton called in to
Mr. Smith's this after-noon. Oh!
Yes, Fred was out too.
Mrs. Smith, Sarah and Lucy went
over to the Vistry to meeting this
evening.

Mon. Feb. 20, 1888.

Ther.

~~WED. FEB. 22, 1888~~

Wea.

Snowed all day.
Clara washed, etc.
Lucy went up home with me
this morning.
Mr. B. B. Murry - committee -
visited my school this afternoon.

Ther.

THURS. FEB. 23, 1888

Wea.

Mild and pleasant. Looks like a storm to night.

I walked up across the meadow this morning and round the Head of the Tickle to night.

Clara was taken suddenly sick this morning. Has not been well all day. Sarah came over and stayed with her all day, scrubbed etc.

Ther.

FRI. FEB. 24, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant. Mild.

Grandmother's funeral took place at the school-house this after-noon. The house was full. Services by Rev. P. E. Brown. A large number of relatives and friends followed the remains to the grave. Grace went over with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith came over and spent the evening.

Ther.

SAT. FEB. 25, 1888

Wea.

Chummed.

Pleasant. Looks like a storm this after-noon. Commenced to snow and blow this evening.

School Closed at Cross Roads. 6th term there, 18th in all.

I settled up with the town this after-noon. Paid, N. C. Brown, by Capt. Hatch, \$50.75. Note and interest, Paid tax \$9.75 - R. D. Leighton, \$3.50 Hatch \$2.99 - Bridges \$3.59

Mr. and Mrs. Smith attended Quarterly Meeting at the Vestry this after-noon.

Mr. Smith and I were appointed Stewards of the Church to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Smith, Coopers, came in a little while to-day went home after supper.

Ther.

SUN. FEB. 26, 1888

Wea.

Snow storm of last evening turned to rain in the night. Rained part of this fore-noon. Home all day. I went over to Mr. Smith's a few minutes this after-noon.

Father came out and stayed to dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith went over to see Allie Anthony.

Sarah stayed with Raddie Rice last night.

Mother and Deborah stayed over to the Head of the tide last night and attended Quarterly Meeting to-day at the Vestry.

Ther.

MON. FEB. 27, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant, quite cool.

Father came out this way and went over to the brook to get his oxen shod. I went over with him and sold 20 lbs. butter to Hatch and got a barrel of flour. Opened it. I commenced cutting my fine wood.

Lizzie came out last night and will stay all night.

Mr. Smith went to Lenoxville; back to night.

Ther.

TUES. FEB. 28, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and quite cold. I cut wood part of the fore-noon; broke a piece out of my ax. Fixed a place to pile wood. Went out to the road and ground my ax and brought in Father's sled to haul my wood on.

George Bosworth and Ida Dumm came out this afternoon and stayed to supper.

Mrs. Smith went down to Rhoda Holland's this fore-noon. Mr. Smith went down this afternoon; stayed to meeting.

Clara and Grace went down to meeting this evening; Sarah stayed with Edna over here. I stayed at home with the children.

Thomas Ellwell is not very well to night.

Ther.

WED. FEB. 29, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant but very cold and windy, all day.

I hauled two loads of hay for Mr. Smith from Capt. Jesse Knowlton's barn. He bought it of Mr. Pearson.

Mr. Smith cut wood for me this after-noon.

Mr. Smith and family all went out to Fred. Carter's this evening to a "chamb chowder".

Grace and Sarah went to the Head of the Tide this fore-noon.

Clara spun some to-day etc

Ther.

THURS. MAR. 1, 1888

Wea.

Pleasant and quite cold. I carried Clara and the children out to Mother's this fore-noon. While turning, the horse tripped and fell, breaking one thigh of the pump. I came home, cut and hauled some wood. Part of one of Tip's shoes came off this afternoon, so I could not take her out tonight. I went out to supper and Clara and the children rode in with Father as he went to the Corner.

Mrs. Smith went out to Mother's. Mr. Smith stopped there to supper on his way home from Dennyville.

Albert Holland and wife got them out of their pump this morning.