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Ther.

Sun. 1890
Sat. Nov. 2, 1889

Wea.

Home

Rained about all day.
He went over to the "other
house" to dinner.

Will come back this af-
ter-noon.

Ther.

Sun. 1890
Sun. Nov. 3, 1889

Wea.

Home

14

Pleasant and windy.

Mr. Smith carried me up
to school this morning.

Inorgan and Elias worked
on the road.

Ther

Tues 1890
MON. Nov. 4, 1889

Wea.

14

Pleasant and cold.

Mrs. S. Smith went to Dennyville.

Mrs. Smith, Elias and Clara went to the funeral of Capit Ed. Knowlton, this after-noon.

Morgan pulled turnips.

Ther.

Wed 1890
Tues. Nov. 5, 1889

Wea.

14

Home.

Pleasant and very windy.

My school in No. 14, closed to-day. My 22 term.

Mrs. S. Smith brought me down to father's, this after-noon.

Morgan pulled turnips and sawed wood.

I payed father \$5.00 and Will Morgan \$5.00 in full, and a little more.

Ther.

^{Thurs}
 WEB. Nov. 6, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant and very warm.
 Mr. ~~and~~ Mrs. Smith, Elias, Will, Morgan,
 Clara, ~~and~~ I went to Eastport
 to-day and had a beautiful day.
 Morgan got him a suit of
 clothes ^(\$3.00) etc. and I got an
 over coat (\$1.00) Elias got pants,
 vest and cap.

I payed Will Hunt ^{\$1.00} ^{1/2}

Ther.

^{Fri}
 Thurs. Nov. 7, 1889

Wea.

Cloudy and blowed almost
 a gale last night. Looked
 very much like rain about
 all day.

I carried father's wagon home
 this morning and he came out
 and helped me plow. Plowed
 till about four o'clock. (Catties)
 Will pulled turnips.

Ther.

Sat 1890
Fri. Nov. 8, 1889

Wea.

Cloudy most all day.
Rained a little about noon.

We finished pulling turnips,
pulled some parsnips, ditched
the piece we plowed yesterday.

Morgan banked part of the house.
Clara went out to Mother's and
Helen cut a dress for her.

I went up to Elder Brown's
this afternoon and got the
wagon I sent up to be fixed,
but it was not touched.

Morgan went home to night.
I got a barrel of Flour (25) this
^(opened it) afternoon, and bought a Buffa-
lo Robe of Fred Sprague, for \$10.00
on 1 year's time.

Mr. Smith plowed some to day
with his horse alone.

Ther.

Sun 1890
Sat. Nov. 9, 1889

Wea.

Cloudy. Rained this after-
noon.

Mrs. Smith walked over
to the Vestry to meeting in
time for the "Love Feast." Clara
and I went over with the
horse and wagon to the regu-
lar preaching service by Rev.
Mr. Haley.

Ther.

Sun. Nov. 10, 1889

Wea.

Met this morning; cleared up pleasant.

Morgan hauled out some manure and sawed wood, etc.

Father came out this forenoon with the team and we plowed in the "Samol-Hole" field this afternoon. Mother and Helen came out with him. Stayed to supper.

Ther.

Mon. Nov. 11, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant.

I went up to Xenoville to the **Teacher's Convention** today. I put the horse up to Mr. Hanson's and got my dinner and supper there and went to a Magic Lantern exhibition given by Dr. Sheahan for the benefit of the teachers. I got home at 11 o'clock tonight.

Morgan cut wood.
Clara washed.

Ther.

~~Wed~~ 1890
TUES. NOV. 12, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant.

I cut wood this forenoon. This afternoon Clara and I went to Jenningsville to attend the "Convention" but they got there at noon. We went over to the corner and did not get home till dark.

Morgan cut wood.

Ther.

~~Thurs~~ 1890
WED. NOV. 13, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant.

Morgan and I cut wood till about 10 o'clock. Reel Brown, road commissioner, came in and worked on Fifth Avenue and we helped him 5 1/2 hours. (\$1.57)

Clara and Mrs. Smith went over to Clara Owens, visiting.

Ther.

~~Fri~~ 1890
THURS. NOV. 14, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant.

Father came out and I helped him plow in the Clover field.

Morgan cut wood.

Mr. Smith has not felt very well for several days.

Ther.

Sat. 1890
FRI. NOV. 15, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant this morning. Looks much like a storm this afternoon. I helped Mr. Smith plow. Morgan finished work for me at noon to day's time & ms. 10 1/2 days @ \$10.00 a ms. = \$24.05. He cut wood this fore-noon, and went up home this afternoon.

Clara and the children came over to Mr. Smith's to dinner.

Ther.

~~SAT. Nov. 16, 1889~~

Wea.

1890

Snowed last night.
About 2 inches of snow on the
ground to day.

Pleasant and quite cool.

We all went out to father's,
with the horse and truck
wagon. Called over to Mabel's

Helen went to Eastport
to work to Mr. Bishop's. They
came after her, this afternoon.

Brought home a barrel of cabbage
which Ulysses sent me for a
present. He sent father one, too.

22

Ther.

~~SUN. Nov. 17, 1889~~

Wea.

1890

Dull most all day. Very
pleasant this morning. Rained
some towards night.

I went down to Mr.
Andrew Small's and got a
load of straw for bedding.
Plowed for Mr. Smith a bit
the while this after-noon.

Clara and Carroll went out
to her grandmother Bosworth's.
I got my dinner to Mr. Smith's.
Will Morgan came in to night.

Ther.

~~Tues~~ 1890
MON. Nov. 18, 1889

Wea.

Rained about all of last night. Snowed most of the forenoon. Cleared up pleasant.

Morgan and I picked over 300 barrels of potatoes this forenoon. He harnessed up and we all, except Thomas, went down to Arthur's and stoyed to dinner and supper. Morgan went out to the road with us.

Ther.

~~Wed~~ 1890
TUES. NOV. 19, 1889

Wea.

Rained about all day. Morgan and I split up a little wood this morning, I worked under the barn some, and picked over some potatoes. Father and James came out and cleaned out a ditch in the "clover field." Morgan went out with them.

Elias went to the Corner twice to-day.

Ther.

Thurs. 1890
WED. NOV. 20, 1889

Wea.

Chimed

Quite pleasant.

I hauled out a load of manure, chummed, etc. Elias helped me plow this afternoon.

Morgan cleaned out a ditch and then went to the Corner. He went out to the Bosworth's to visit. Mrs. Smith and Elias went to the Corner this forenoon.

Ther.

Fri. 1890
THURS. NOV. 21, 1889

Wea.

Quite pleasant.

I went out to the road this morning and carried the butter, worked round the barn, and this afternoon Mr. Smith and I worked on the road.

Will Morgan cut wood for Tom. Clara, Sarah, and Stella went to the Corner with Tip, this afternoon.

Ther.

Sat

1890

Fri. Nov. 22, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant this morning. Rained this fore-noon. Snowed this after-noon, pleasant to night.

Father came out this forenoon and we plowed a little piece for me before it rained. Morgan came in this fore-noon and we picked up potatoes etc. He stayed with Coroll and Thomas and Clara, Stella and I went over to the "other house" a little while this evening.

Mr. Smith went to the Corner this fore-noon. He is not feeling very well.

Ther.

Sun

1890

Sat. Nov. 23, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant most all day. Snow-squally towards night. I went over to the Vestry to meeting this fore-noon. Mr. and Mrs. Smith went down to Stephen's.

Ther.

Mon 1889
 SUN. Nov. 24, 1889

Wea.

15°

Cold this morning. Very pleasant and cool to-day.

Will Morgan commenced work on a new job, for the winter, at \$8.00 per mo.

Morgan and I banked the pig-pen, dug gravel under the barn and banked the horse this forenoon. This afternoon Mr. Smith, Elias, Morgan, and I graded the our road.

Mrs. Smith went to the Corner this afternoon.

Ther.

Tues 1890
 MON. Nov. 25, 1889

Wea.

Snowed some last night, turned to rain and rained some this morning. Looked like rain all day.

We all worked on our road, today, hauling gravel.

Sarah has been over here about all day, braiding on a mat.

Ther.

Wed 1890
Tues. Nov. 26, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant.

Clara and I went to Den-
nyville, this fore-noon. She
went to get some teeth out but
Dr. Sheahan was gone. I payed
Dr. A. R. Lincoln \$5 on 1/2 and now
owe him \$12.00

Morgan cut wood this fore-noon.
He and I plowed this after-noon.
I had Mr. Smith's horse. Elias helped
me a little while.

Mr. Smith helped Mr. Buckman
butcher this after-noon

Ther.

Thurs. 1890
Wed. Nov. 27, 1889

Wea.

Thanksgiving.

Cloudy, cool, spit of snow
some through the day.

I churned this fore-noon. This
after-noon, Clara and I went over
to the Vestry to Thanksgiving ser-
vice. Sarah kept house.

Will went gunning this fore-noon.
Helen came out and went through
to the Corner with us.

and James went to the
this evening.

Ther.

1890
 Fri. Nov. 28, 1889

Wea.

Quite pleasant, windy, cold.
 I went out to father's this morning and carried some butter out, went to the Corner this fore-noon. This after-noon, Mr. Smith, Elias and I hauled gravel on our road. Morgan cut wood all day.

Mrs. Smith went out to her mother's.

Ther.

Sat
 Fri. Nov. 29, 1889

Wea.

Very pleasant this fore-noon. Snowed lightly part of the after-noon. Pleasant this evening.

Elias, Morgan and I hauled gravel on the road this fore-noon. Morgan went home after dinner and Elias and I hauled. This evening, Clara and I went down to Arthur's, and called to father's.

Mr. Smith went to Lemysville. Mrs. Smith went down to Mrs. Twilley's. Elias and James went to the Corner this evening.

Ther.

Sun 1890
SAT. NOV. 30, 1889

Wea.

Cloudy. Looked very much like rain. Did rain some towards night.

Clara and I and Mrs. Smith went over to the Vestry & meeting. Mrs. Smith got dinner to Mrs. Madison Owens. We got dinner to C. H. Owens. James was there after mother who has been over there for nearly a week.

Charles sold his horse, yesterday to Mr. Jones of Lubee. She went away to day.

Ther.

Sun 1890
SUN. DEC. 1, 1889

Wea.

Cloudy. Cold. Wind blowed almost a gale all day. Very cold this evening. (3°)

I commenced my 28th term of school at Cross Roads, it being my 7th term in this place.

All the schools in town commenced to day. Helen has the Orville school.

Inorgan. cut wood.

Mrs. Smith went over to the Corner this forenoon. Elias went over this afternoon with the team. He got me a bag of meal.

Mrs. Mary Etta Carter and Austin came up to Mrs. Smith's, visiting.

Elias went down to the serenade to night. (Eliphalet)

Ther. ^{Tues} MON. DEC. 2, 1889 Wea. 23

Pleasant, cold, quite windy, ^{-9° - 11° etc}
Morgan cut, hauled, and sawed
and split wood, etc.

Mrs. Smith went down to Mrs.
Mary Ette's and got a rooster.
Mr. Smith cut bushes.

Ther. ^{Wed} TUES. DEC. 3, 1889 Wea.

-13° - 16° - 18°, etc.

Pleasant and very cold this
morning; Clouded up and snowed
hard this evening.

Mr. Murray, supervisor, called
in to my school, this after-noon.
Morgan has been cutting
bushes etc.

Ther.

Thurs 1890
~~Wed~~ DEC. 4, 1889

Wea.

Snowed part of the night; turned to rain, and blowed a gale all night. Rained, snowed, and blowed all day.

Morgan went up home and got his felts, and rubbers, etc. He went up across with me. James stoped here to supper on his way home from the High school.

Ther.

Fri 1890
Thurs, DEC. 5, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant and quite cold. Morgan cut wood. He went to the Corner this evening.

Ther.

Sat
FRI. DEC. 6, 1889

Wea.

seard Chmmed
Cold + 2°

Very pleasant this fore noon; clouded up this afternoon, snows the night.

We split some wood, Morgan hauled gravel from under the barn and bunked the barn hauled brush and put round the house etc.

Arthur and May came out this fore noon and stayed to supper. We all went out to father's this evening and Helen, Lizzie, James, Clara Owen, Mable, Arthur and May, Clara and I and the children, Will Morgan, father and mother being there, we had a very good time.

I had "Ben" harnessed up and in Arthur's truck-wagon forward when he went first rate.

Ther.

Sun
SAT. DEC. 7, 1889

Wea.

1890

Pleasant most all day. a few snowsqualls, Windy.

Home all day. Clara went over to the "other house" a little while. We all went over this evening.

Mr. Smith is quite miserable to-day. He has not been very well for some time.

Elias, Sarah and Morgan went to Hardscrabble to meeting this evening.

Ther.

Mon. 1890
 SUN. DEC. 8, 1889 +9° Wea.

Pleasant and cool.

I came home from school tonight, via: Head of the Tide and got a gal. of kerosene.

Clara and her mother went up to Mrs. Dudley's to see Mrs. Julia Holland who is very low.

Morgan cut a little wood. He ground his ax etc, this forenoon, out to father's.

Our cow "Susie" calved this afternoon. (out of doors)

Mr. Smith is no better.

Ther.

Tues 1890
 MON. DEC. 9, 1889 Wea.

Very pleasant this forenoon. Clouded up some this afternoon.

Morgan has been cutting wood. Mr. Smith is not so well today. Eliza went up after the doctor but he has not come down yet.

Clara washed etc

Mrs. Julia Holland died this morning, after a short illness,

Ther.

Wed 1890
TUES. DEC. 10, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant. Clouded up
and snowed lightly part of
the day, evening.

Clara, Mrs. Smith, went up
to the funeral this afternoon,
with Elias. He went up to Orange
ville. Mr. Smith is no better.
Morgan cut wood. He went
to the Corner, this evening.

Ther.

Thurs 1890
WED. DEC. 11, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant.
Mr. Smith is no better.
Morgan cut bushes.
Clara has the tooth-ache.

Ther.

Fri

1890

THURS. DEC. 12, 1889

Wea.

Snowed and blowed about all day. Cleared off to night.

Clara^x, Carroll and Estelle went out to mother's today. Will went out after them with the horse and pump.

Mr. Smith has felt some better to-day.

Ther.

Sat

1890

FRI. DEC. 13, 1889

Wea.

Chilled.

- 3° to - 8° Pleasant and cold.

Morgan and I went out to the road this morning and ground our axes; he went down to Arthur's and helped haul his boat and the gun-low up.

Clara and I went over to the Corner this forenoon, got back about 3:30. Helen went over to Clara with us. Sarah kept house.

Mrs. Harold and Nellie came over to Mrs. Smith's this afternoon. Mr. Smith is not very well. I went over to the Corner to a meeting held for the purpose of organizing a society of S. of O. Morgan went over with me and got him a pr. of shoes.

Ther.

Sun 1890
SAT. DEC. 14, 1889

Wea.

X Snowed all the forenoon; cleared up this afternoon. Quite moderate.

Mr. Smith is about the same. Mrs. Ward and Tellic came over here this forenoon, Mr. Ward came over after them a bout noon, father came out this forenoon and we went over to see Mr. Smith, and all were here to dinner.

Adna Smith brought his mother over to Mr. Smith's this afternoon to make a visit.

Will Morgan and Sarah with my team went up home and to the funeral of his cousin, Miss Jennie Cushing. They got back about 8:50 this evening.

Ther.

Mon. 1890
Sun. DEC. 15, 1889

Wea.

Quite pleasant and moderate.

Morgan cut and hauled some birch wood to burn now, and cut bushes in the swamp.

Elias went down to Capt. Duell's vessel and got a bottle of medicine for his father. He went to the Corner this afternoon.

Capt. Daniel Loughton and wife came in to Mr. Smith's today. Mr. Smith has felt some better.

Ther.

~~Tues~~ ¹⁸⁹⁰
~~Mon~~ DEC. 16, 1889

Wea.

^{Zero!}

Pleasant and quite cold.

Morgan cut bushes.

Elias went up to the Cross-Roads to carry his grandmother home, this after-noon. She (Mrs. Smith) was over to our home this fore-noon.

Mrs. Smith is about the same

Ther.

~~Wed~~ ¹⁸⁹⁰
~~Tues~~ DEC. 17, 1889

Wea.

Looked like a storm all day.

Morgan cut bushes.

Mrs. Smith is no better. Elias went up and brought Dr. Lincoln down and carried him back, and then went up to the apothecary shop.

The doctor says Mrs. Smith has heart and liver trouble, besides fever & chills.

Ther.

~~Thurs~~

1890
~~WED. DEC. 18, 1889~~

1890
Wea.
Chimed

Rained and blowed part
of last night and this forenoon.
I went up to school, but
it was pretty wet. I got
quite wet.

Cleared up tonight. Snow-
squall.

Morgan cut bushes this af-
ternoon.

Ther.

~~Fri~~

1890
~~THURS. DEC. 19, 1889~~

Wea.

Pleasant, cold and
windy. Wind blowed a gale
last night and to day.

Very icy and bad getting
about on foot.

Morgan cut bushes.

Ther.

Sat.

1890

FRI. DEC. 20, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant, cold and windy.
Wind blowed very hard last night.
I went out to the road
this morning and Morgan and
went out towards night and
ground our axes. We cut
brushes to-day, - finished cutting
the alders in the swamp.

Clara went over to the
Corner to-day, - got dinner to
Clara Owen's.

Ther.

Sun.

1890

SAT. DEC. 21, 1889

Wea.

Very pleasant this morn-
ing. Clouded up through the day
and rained to night.

Morgan and Sarah went
out to the road.

Chas. Owen and family here
on their way home from father's.

Mr. Smith is about the same.

A party of about 50 men
and boys hunted and chased
Charley Gaughton's 5 heifers
on Oak-hill and my pasture a-
bout all day. They captured
two of them.

Mon. 1890
Ther. ~~SUN.~~ DEC. 22, 1889 Wea.

Rained most of last night.
Pleasant this morning, Cloudy
through the day.

I got my supper to Mr.
J. Hilton, and went down to
the Head of the Lake, Morgan
came over. He stayed all the
evening.

Morgan cut wood.

Mrs. Smith went to the Corner
and Elias went over to day
and this evening.

Adna called in to Mr. Smith's

Tues. 1890
Ther. MON. DEC. 23, 1889 Wea.

Looks much like a
storm. Cloudy.

Morgan took Tip over to the
black-smith's shop and got
her shoes sharpened. He
cut wood this afternoon.
James got supper here
to night.

Sarah went to the Corner.

Ther.

Wed 1890
~~Thurs~~ DEC. 24, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant and quite cold.

I churned this morning. Elias went up to Adna's and I went up to school with him.

Silas Lyons came in to see Mr. Smith.

We all went out to father's with the horse and truck wagon to a family Christmas Tree. All had a good time and lots of presents.

Morgan went over to the Corner this afternoon. He did not go to the Christmas Tree.

Ther.

Thurs 1890
~~Thurs~~ WED. DEC. 25, 1889

Wea.

Christmas.

Very pleasant and cold. Windy. We all went out to father's to a family Christmas dinner. Morgan went out this morning and brought the horse back and he and Sarah went up to his father's to a Christmas dinner. He came out after us tonight. Arthur has a bad cold and is not very well.

Mr. Smith is about the same.

Ther.

~~Fri~~ 1890
THURS. DEC. 26, 1889

Wea.

Looks ~~some~~ like a storm
Morgan cut wood.
Mr and Mrs. Daniel Laughton,
Maggie, Mamie, Mrs. Hutchinson
and son were in to Mr. Smith
to-day.

Ther.

~~Sat~~ 1890
FRI. DEC. 27, 1889

Wea.

Snowed part of last night
when it turned to hail and
rain. Stormed and blowed very
hard all night. Rained all the
fore-noon. Cleared up towards
night leaving considerable
snow on the ground.

I made a seat for the pump
etc. to-day.

Mr. Smith has felt pretty
well to-day.

Mrs. Smith has had a
cough back for a few days.

Sarah came over a little while
to-day.

Ther.

Sun

1890

SAT. DEC. 28, 1889

Wea.

Cloudy most of the forenoon. Cleared up this afternoon.

I went over to the other house to see how the folks were and stayed to dinner. They are some better. This afternoon we all went out to father's with the horse and pump. Father and I went down to Arthur's with his horse. He came out tonight and got my pump to take Lizzie to Eastport tomorrow.

Morgan and Sarah went to Hardscrabble this evening to a concert.

Ther.

Mon

1890

TUE. DEC. 29, 1889

Wea.

-9-

Pleasant and cold this morning. Clouded up and commenced to snow about 9 o'clock and snowed all day.

Clara fell on the ice and hurt her arm quite badly. Morgan cast wood.

I walked across the meadow this morning and Morgan came after me with Tip to night.

Father carried Lizzie to the Corner, where she will go to Eastport by stage en route to Christman Mass.

Helen had trouble with Fred Dunn in school this afternoon. She closed her school and sent word for Mr. Murray to come over.

Ther.

Thurs 1890
Mon. Dec. 30, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant and very cold

From 8° to $14\frac{1}{2}$ below zero.

Clara, Carroll and Estella went up with me to Mrs. Chas. Ward's. I put the horse up there, and shall for the rest of the term, (probably). He got home about 5:15. Thomas has a very sore mouth.

Elias hauled a load of hay from Adm's.

Ther.

Thurs 1890
Tues. Dec. 31, 1889

Wea.

Pleasant but cold.

10° to 15° below zero.

James gave over and back with me.

Churned this forenoon
Clara ironed etc.

Elias hauled his third and last load of hay from Adm's.