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No diaries for 1882 or 1883.  
In 1884, no entries until

Feb. 28 went to Springfield on Probate business for Father's estate. Drove my team to Kentfield & took the cars.

March 4. went to Springfield on Probate business.

Wetson Devery (W. Granty) died at 8 A. M.

March 15. wrote to Peter Rose (Jephth's brother in Illinois) sent copy of Aunt Jennie's will.

April 2. Paid John Roberts \$2. - for carrying the moccasins at Father's funeral.

April 3. Attended the funeral  
of Minnie Wilson

April 29 Sold my horse to  
Le Roy Gillett (Westfield) for \$125.-

May 7. Appraised Father's  
estate - Orville Carpenter,  
W. E. Marvin & E. F. Roberts.

May 20. Went to Westfield  
on Probate business. Mother  
Aunt went with me.

June 9. Ellen Henry (Lawrence  
H's mother) died at 7.30 P.M.

July 3. Paid Gibbons & Henry \$15.-  
for sawing lumber, shingles & planing

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July 4. Attended the Union Picnic on the mountain west of Wm. Spellman's.

Aug. 13. Attended the Merion picnic at Southwick Ponds.

Aug. 27. Methodist Picnic at Southwick Ponds. We all went.

Sept. 1. Paid taxes on the Corley Place, the Bowen place & the Stearns lot. (Grandman Rose must have bought the Lunsom Corley place before this.) L. R. W. J. M. Gibbons' Store burned.

Sept. 2. Did not work much. Was out of the fire of J. M. Gibbons' Store.

Sept. 11. Went to Southwick  
Ponds to Grange Picnic.

Sept. 26. Engaged James  
Chapman to dig well on  
Boren place.

Sept. 29. Jas. Chapman  
commenced to dig the well.  
I helped.

Sept. 30. I helped Jas. Chap-  
man on the well.

Oct. 1. Jas. Chapman worked  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  day on well. I helped.

Oct. 2. Jas. Chapman, Ed  
Holcomb & I worked on well.

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Oct. 3. Did not work on well  
because of rain. Paid 20 cents  
for sharpening pick & crowbar;  
75 cents for rope; 2.35 for boots;  
75 cents for Ed Holcomb at Gilbois.

Oct. 4. Jas. Chapman, W<sup>m</sup>.  
Rowley & Ed Holcomb worked on well.

Oct. 6. Jas. Chapman, W<sup>m</sup>.  
Rowley & Ed Holcomb worked on  
the well. I picked up 3 stones for  
the well. Got picks & crow bar  
sharpened.

Oct. 7. Jas. Chapman, W<sup>m</sup>.  
Rowley & Ed Holcomb worked  
on well.

Oct. 8. Jas. Chapman, Ed

Holcomb + I worked all day  
on well. W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley 1/2 day.

Oct. 9. Jas. Chapman, W<sup>m</sup>.  
Rowley + Ed Holcomb worked  
on well.

Oct. 10. Jas. Chapman, W<sup>m</sup>.  
Rowley + Ed Holcomb worked  
on the well.

Oct. 11. I worked on the  
well in the forenoon with Jas.  
Chapman, W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley + Ed  
Holcomb. I paid Chapman  
\$10. - + W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley \$3. - on account.

Oct. 15. Afternoon worked on  
well. Ed Holcomb + W<sup>m</sup>. Row-  
ley worked all day on well.

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Oct. 16. I worked all day  
in the mill. Ed Holcomb & W<sup>m</sup>.  
Rowley helped.

Oct. 17. I worked in the mill.  
Ed Holcomb & W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley helped.

Oct. 18 worked in the mill  
with Ed Holcomb & W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley.

Oct. 20. Went over to see Ed  
Bernard about drawing  
stones for the mill. Jas. Chap-  
man, Ed Holcomb & W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley  
worked at the mill.

Oct. 21. worked at the mill  
in the forenoon; in the after-  
noon, drew stone for the mill.  
Jas. Chapman, Ed Holcomb

\* W<sup>m</sup> Rowley worked at the mill.

Oct. 22. Worked at the mill in the forenoon; in the afternoon drew stone for the mill. Ed Barnard drew stone for the mill. Jas. Chapman, Ed Holcomb & W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley worked at the mill. I paid J. W. Gibbons 11 cents for powder & fuse for blasting in the well.

Oct. 23. Worked at stone for the mill. Jas. Chapman, Ed Holcomb & W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley worked at the mill.

Oct. 24. Drew stone from up the mountain for the mill. Jas. Chapman, Ed Holcomb & W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley



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worked at the well. Finished digging & commenced stoning. Paid Chapman \$2.- on account.

Oct. 25. Jas. Chapman, Ed Holcomb & W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley worked at the well. Paid Jas. Chapman \$5.- on account.

Oct. 27. Drew stone for the well with the horse. Jas. Chapman, W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley & Lester Fryon worked on the well.

Oct. 28. In the forenoon drew stone for the well. Jas. Chapman, W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley worked in the forenoon on the well; Lester Fryon  $\frac{1}{4}$  day.

Oct. 29. Drove stones for the  
well. Jas. Chapman, Ed Hol-  
comb & W<sup>m</sup>. Rowley worked  
on the well.

Oct. 31. In the afternoon, I  
worked at the well. Jas. Chap-  
man & Ed Holcomb helped.

Nov. 1. Finished the well.  
Jas. Chapman, Ed Holcomb  
& myself worked at it.  
Settled in fall with all  
the help at the well.

Nov. 12. Received of Dr.  
Sweet 4- due on sleigh  
belonging to Father's Estate.  
(This was a very old, very  
low & very high back one which  
Dr. S. used for years.) L.R.E.

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No entries from Nov. 13 to Dec. 3.

Dec. 6. Mother Beach. Sophie + Annie went to best field. Got carpet for sitting room. Engaged 3 tons of coal.

Dec. 8. Cleaned off the ground around the well.

Aside from many entries about beef (butchering) etc. not many others except about the well. Many pages blank.

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All through the time when  
the well was being made,  
my father carried on the  
necessary work of the farm -  
getting in apples, potatoes, corn,  
etc., etc. as well as doing  
various things for Grandma  
Stone at the Cooley Place.  
My mother had to prepare  
& serve dinners for the men  
working on the well.

L. N. W.