

1890 FTI Diary

- 10 [Inside front cover, in pencil, price in cents?] Frank T. Ives West Granville, Mass. From D. & W. B. Phelps, Apothecaries, West Winsted, Conn. [Last Info stamped in ink]
- Jan 1 Cool and cloudy rained a little. Father and Mother went over to Grandfathers. Bert Carrie and I went to school.
- 2 Warm and cloudy with some wind. Father worked in the mill. I went down to the store at noon from school got some salt. Father salted the beef in evening.
- 3 Warm and cloudy. Father finished putting in the bearing and sawed a few shingle.
- 4 Very warm and pleasant. I took some shingle down to Joseph Welch in forenoon drew up two loads of saw dust and a load of wood in afternoon. Bert and Father worked in mill.
- 5 Warm and cloudy rained some in the fore-noon. All but Mother went to Church. Father, Bert and I went to dedication of the Congregational Church in East Granville.
- 6 Warm and cloudy. Father and Andrew Hunt worked cutting logs on Nelson Hargers' [sic] lot. Bert, Carrie and I went to school.
- 7 Cool and cloudy. Father and Andrew finished cutting logs in the forenoon. We went to school but Teacher was sick and went home. Father and I moved three loads of hay.
- 8 Warm and pleasant. Snowed some and wind blew hard all night. Father and I finished cutting brush down by bridges. Bert and I cut brush in pasture in afternoon. We all went to society in the evening.
- 9 Cold and very windy. We worked around the house in the forenoon. Father and I went to the mill split up a hemlock log and sawed an elm for Mr. Louck. I went to meeting in evening.
- 10 Cold and windy snow squalled nearl[y] all day. We changed shoes on sleigh and put on a rave.
- 11 Cool and snowed hard part of day. Father and Mrs. Frost went to Winsted. Bert and I cut brush and broke both hook[s]. We put a helve into one and a band on the other in afternoon.
- 12 Warm and pleasant. We all went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in evening.
- 13 Cold and [sic] most of day cleared off and froze some in evening. Father sawed shingle all day. We packed five thousand. Bert was sick and could not work in afternoon.
- 14 Warm and pleasant. Father went to Barkhamsted with a load of corn. I packed a thousand of hemlock shingle and cut brush the rest of day. Bert is still sick and cannot work.
- 15 Cool and cloudy rained hard all the fore noon. Father went down street in fore noon washed the heavy harness in afternoon. Bert and I are both sick cannon [meant to write "cannot"?] go out of doors much.
- 16 Cold and rained hard in fore noon cleared off and froze up in afternoon. Father oiled the harness and worked on in side [sic] of ice house a little. We put harness toget[h]er in afternoo[n].
- 17 Cold and windy. Father Mother and Carrie went to Westfield. Bert and I did the chores and chopped a little wood.
- 18 Cool and pleasant. Bert and Father worked in mill. They sawed out two sled neaps and a lot of wook [sic, meant to write "wood"?] got up a load of hay just at night. I drew up three loads of shaveings [sic] and two of wood.
- 19 Warm and pleasant. Father, Carrie and Bert went to Church. Bert went to meeting in evening. I was sick did not go out much.
- 20 Cool and cloudy rained quite hard part of day. Father went down to mill got two sled neeps [sic] and some pine boards. Father worked on a sled neep [sic] for George. I did not go out any.
- 21 Cold and windy. Father cut two oak and two popple trees in forenoon got Georges' [sic] team and drew them in and drew down some wook [sic, meant to write "wood?"] from V. E. Barnes woods.

- 22 Cold and windy. Father took a couple of hides up to Mr. Bates and went from there to Westfield. Bert came home at noon and did the chores. I did not get [sic, meant to write "get"?] out of doors any.
- 23 Cool and cloudy snowed quite hard in afternoon. Father cut some hemlock trees at the foot of the hill. He had George's' [sic; second apostrophe may have been partially erased] stags [meant to write "stage"?] drew them down in afternoon. I could not get out any.
- 24 Cold and windy. Father finished George's sled neap and put a shoe onto his sled in forenoon drew up a load of poles and a load of slab wood. I got out a little.
- 25 Cold and windy. Father went to Winstead [sic]. Bert and I cut up some wood and did the chores.
- 26 Warm and pleasant. We all went to Church. Bert went to meeting in the evening.
- 27 Warm and foggy but froze up in afternoon. Carrie, Bert and I went to school. Father and Bert mooved [sic] up a load of hay after school.
- 28 Cold but pleasant. Father and All worked a little while in the mill in afternoon but something about the gate gave out. Bert Carrie and I went to school. Bert went to meeting in evening.
- 29 Warm and pleasant but clouded up before night. Father went over and got the horse shod the[n] went up to Burt Moore's traded cows with him.
- 30 Warm and cloudy snowed a little in the morning. Father went to Winsted ten hundred and thirty five pounds of hay. Bert and I came home at noon and did the chores.
- 31 Cold and snowed a little. Father worked on the gate most of the day. Bert, Carrie, and I went to school.
- Feb 1 Cool but pleasant. I drew up two loads of wood in the forenoon. Father fixed the gate. In the afternoon we sawed five twenty foot hemlock sticks.
- 2 Cold and cloudy. Father Carrie and Bert went to Church. Mr. Ston[e?] was sick so Mr. Gibbs preached.
- 3 Warm and Cloudy [sic] stormed some. Father changed cows. Bert, Carrie and I went to school.
- 4 Cool but pleasant in the forenoon but clouded up and rained before night. Father got out six or seven loads of manure. Bert was sick in the morning didn't go to school in forenoon. [Entry erased and rewritten]
- 5 Warm and windy. Father did the chores and went down to the store did not go out any more than obliged to. We went to school. [Entry erased and rewritten]
- 6 Cold but pleasant. Father went down to the store and got a pattern for bob sleigh runners. He also drew up a load of wood.
- 7 Very raw and cold. Father drew up a load of wood in the forenoon and we mooved [sic] up two loads of hay.
- 8 Cold and rained hard most of the day but grew cold and snowed some in evening. We worked in the shop most of the day.
- 9 Cold and windy. Carrie, Bert and I went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 10 Cold and cloudy snowed a little. We helped mother mos[t] of the forenoon. Chopped alders beside the old road in afternoon. Father went to Winsted.
- 11 Warm and pleasant. I drew up five loads of alder wood Bert chopped some. Father we[n?]t down orr [sic, meant to write "our"?] side hill cut a couple of hemlock trees. In the afternoon he fixed up the rack and we loaded up a load of hay.
- 12 Warm and pleasant. Father went to Winsted with 1030 lbs. of hay. We chopped some wood did up the chores early and a load of twelve of us went up to Blandford we got back to the store about 8 [3?] o'clock in morning.
- 13 Warm and pleasant. We fixed the wagon in the forenoon. Father drew up two loads of bark. Bert and I cut alders.

- 14 Cool and cloudy rained some in afternoon and evening. Father went to Winsted with sixteen hundred and forty pounds of bark. Bert and I cut alders in forenoon.
- 15 Warm but very windy. Father, Bert and I cut brush in fore noon. Father and I went down to the mill to saw but a hoop burst on the tube we came back and made one.
- 16 Warm and pleasant. All except Mother went to Church. Bert, Carrie and ~~and~~ [2nd "and" written over with a large cursive "I"] I went to Church in the evening.
- 17 Warm and pleasant. Father and I went up to Parsons pond got a load of ice. Father and Bert cut brush a little while in the afternoon. I drew up two loads of alder wood.
- 18 Cool but pleasant. Father and I went to the mill and sawed Hitchcocks' [sic] logs. I drew up a load of sawdust in afternoon. Bert got his boot capped and sawed some wood.
- 19 Cool but pleasant. Father and Bert cut logs in forenoon sawed in mill in the afternoon. I drew 13 logs to mill and drew up six sticks of timber. We went to lecture in evening.
- 20 Cold and snowed hard in forenoon wind blew hard in afternoon. I went down in the morning got the sled. Bert and I drew up a load of timber. Father shod the sled. He, Mother and Carrie went down town.
- 21 Very cold and windy. Father worked rolling logs for V. Barnes in forenoon tried to saw in afternoon but could not. Aunt Eliza came down stayed most all day. Father carried her home and went up to V. E. Barnes in evening.
- 22 Cold but pleasant. Father went to Wimsted [sic]. Bert and I cut and piled some wood.
- 23 Warm and very pleasant. We all went to Church. Hattie came up after meeting and went back in evening. Bert, Carrie and I went to meeting in evening.
- 24 Warm and foggy rained some in after noon. I drew down three loads of wood from under the ledges and drew home a load of stove wood. We worked in the mill in the afternoon.
- 25 Warm and cloudy rained some in afternoon. I drew up a load of sawdust and drew out four loads of manure churned in afternoon. Bert and Father worked in mill all day.
- 26 Warm and pleasant. Father put new beams into the horse sled and cut a few brush. Bert and I finished chopping and piling up the wood pile and cut a few brush.
- 27 Cool and windy. Bert went down to Ben's with the clock in fore noon. We cut brush a while in afternoon.
- 28 Cold but rained hard all the forenoon. We worked in the shop all day. Father painted the sleigh and helped up [meant to write "us"?] make some shoes for the sled.
- Mar 1 Cold and windy. Father worked fixing the mill most of the day. Bert and I made some braces and put them and the shoes onto the sled. We cut nearly a cord of wood in the afternoon.
- 2 Cold and cloudy signs of a storm. We all went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 3 Cold and windy in the morning but moderated down some. Father and Bert worked in the mill all day. I drew up four loads of wood and churned.
- 4 Cool but pleasant. Father and Bert worked all day in the mill. I drew up four loads of saw dust and three of alder wood. Bert and I went [to] meeting in evening.
- 5 Warm and pleasant. I drew up two loads of seasoned alder on a sled. Father and Mother went down to society stayed all afternoon and to lecture.
- 6 Cold and windy snowed hard most of the day. Father fixed shoes and shod the horse. Bert and I sawed about a cord of wood for George in afternoon.
- 7 Cold and windy. Father and Bert cut ice all day. We had Georges' [sic] team and Andrew Hunt and his team. We drew up about 200 caces [meant to write "cakes"?] of ice.
- 8 Cool but pleasant. Father and Bert sawed and packed ice all day. We drew up about 150 caked [meant to write "cakes"?] and got a load of alder wood.
- 9 Warm and pleasant. All of us but Mother went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.

- 10 Warm and pleasant. Father went to Winsted. Bert and I finished packing the ice and filled around the outside with sawdust.
- 11 Warm and foggy rained some. We went up to Parsons' [sic] pond and cut ice for Gilbert Miller. He drew down three loads and got the horses into the pond but got them out again.
- 12 Warm and pleasant. Father worked in the shop most of the day. Bert and I got out the sap tubs scalded them and set 25 trees. Bert Carrie and I went to the lecture in evening.
- 13 Warm and cloudy. Father cleaned and painted the Business Wagon. Bert finished setting the sap trees and gathered up the sap. I helped Gilbert get out his tubs and scald most of them.
- 14 Warm and rained hard all day. Father put a bottom in the business wagon and worked fixing boots in the afternoon. I did Gilberts chores at noon.
- 15 Cool and snowed hard most all day. Father and I worked in the mill we sawed a little over seventeen hundred feet. Bert worked for George in the afternoon.
- 16 Cool but pleasant. All but Mother went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 17 Cool and windy. Father went to town ["t" in town not crossed] meeting was gone all day. Bert and I did the chores and I churned.
- 18 Warm and windy. Bert and I drew out two loads of manure. Father cut some ice and we got up three loads. Bert, Carrie and I went to meeting.
- 19 Cold wind north east and blew hard all day snowed eight or ten inches. Father sawed three ash logs for V. E. B. I drew up 10 cakes of ice and went to center and got 2 cut [cnt?] of meal and 1 cut of Bran for Father and one for George.
- 20 Very warm and pleasant. I drew a load of slabs to the north sap place. We drew down some stone and Father laid up an arch. Bert + I cut split and piled about $\frac{3}{4}$ of on[e] cord of wood.
- 21 Warm and rained hard all the forenoon but cleared up some in afternoon. Father went over to Alls got the pan and gathering tub. We went up in the afternoon set the pan and drew up 190 tubs.
- 22 Warm and rained hard most all day. Father went to Winsted. Bert and I scalded the sap tubs and scattered a few. We gathered up the sap in the afternoon.
- 23 Cold but pleasant. Bert and I went to Church.
- 24 Cold and raw. I drew three loads of slabs. We went up north and seat [sic] a few trees and cut some wood.
- 25 Cold and cloudy rained a little just at night. Be[r]t sirruped [sic] off in the forenoon. We cut and split some wood in the afternoon. Father and I sawed up part of a large hard maple.
- 26 Warm and pleasant. We scattered tubs and set the rest of th[e] trees. Father and I gathered six barrels of sap and Bert gathered about three.
- 27 Cool but pleasant. Father and Bert boiled sap cut down a beech and put three blasts into the hard maple logs. In the afternoon they gathered 11 barrels of sap. I was sick did not work much.
- 28 Cold and rained most of the day. Bert and I went down and brought up the sirrup [sic] from the west place. Bert and Father gathered 5 or 6 barrels of sap in the north place and sirruped [sic] off.
- 29 Cold and windy snow squalled some. Father painted the wagon mended some chains. I boiled sap in forenoon. We siruped [sic] off just at night.
- 30 Warm and pleasant. We all went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 31 Warm and pleasant. Father went to Riverton and got nine hundred and fifty lbs of grain. Bert and I went up to the sap place and chopped and sawed wood l[n] forenoon. Bert churned and I cut wood in afternoon.
- Apr 1 Warm and pleasant. We went up north Father and Bert sawed wood and blasted some logs. I drew up some sap wood. Father painted [?] on wagon in afternoon. Bert Carrie and I went to meeting in evening.

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Warm and pleasant. Father and Bert worked in mill in forenoon. I got out four loads of manure. Father went over to O. E. Slocums with Howard [sic] heifer. Bert gathered up his sap.

3 Warm and pleasant. Father and I gathered 15 barrels of sap and boiled all day. Bert churned and boiled sap all day. Father took Nancy [cow?] over to O. E. Slocums in afternoon.

4 Warm and rainy. We gather[ed] 22 barrels of sap. I drew up a load of slabs to Bert's place and we went over to Allen Howard got two store tubs. We syrupe[d] [sic] off in forenoon.

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Warm and pleasant. Father went to Winsted. Bert and I syrupe[d] off in north place in forenoon. Bert syrupe[d] [sic] off in west place in after noon. I boiled sap and chopped in afternoon.

6 Warm and pleasant. All of us except Mother went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening. Father Syrupe[d] [sic] off after dark. Abner Fenn stay[ed] over Sunday with us.

7 Warm and rainy. Father and I gathered eighteen barrels of sap. We went up in the afternoon built up a fire and boiled all night. Bert gathered up his and boiled all day. Mrs. E. Beck stayed with us all night.

8 Warm and pleasant. We syrupe[d] [sic] off [f] about noon. Bert drew up a load of slabs and syrupe[d] [sic] off.

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Warm and rained very hard all day. I boiled sap most of the day. Father put the wagon together.

10 Warm and pleasant. We went up north [h] sawed on hard map[le] and put in three blasts. We syrupe[d] [sic] off. We went up and Father and Bert sawed I washed and turned over the tubs.

11 Warm and pleasant. We moove[d] [sic] up three loads of hay. Father packed sugar some in the afternoon and he & Mother went down to Ariel Frosts' [sic] in the evening.

12 Very warm and pleasant. Father went to Winsted. Bert and I chopped wood and fixed fence some.

13 Warm and pleasant. We all went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.

14 Very warm and pleasant. Father and I gathered up the sap things and put them into the sap house. Bert and I fixed fence around the west pasture in afternoon.

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Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert and I got manure in the forenoon. I helped George gather up his buckets. Father boarded up over the door in the ice house. Bert went to meeting in the evening.

16 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and I went up north and saw[ed] a couple of beech in lengths right for plane woods. Bert helped George put up tubs and saw wood. Bert Carrie and I went to lecture.

17 Windy but warm. Father worked sticking up lumber for V. E. Barnes. Bert and I got out manure and drew off stone. Bert, Carrie + I went over to Grandfathers and stayed over night.

18 Cool but ple[a]sant. Father did the chores and bu[i]lt a door for the ice house. Bert and I went fishing on the Ritihson [Meant Richardson? between New Boston and Tolland] brook we caught 55 trout. We came [home?] in the evening.

19 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father went to Winsted. Bert and I fixed fence in the forenoon and worked making for [meant to write "four"?] posts in the afternoon.

20 Warm and pleasant. We all went to Church. A sermon by Mr. Stone in forenoon and by Mr. Shockly in afternoon and evening.

21 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and I fixed fence in fore noon. I helped George manure [?] in afternoon. Bert and Father drew in some logs. Father tried to saw and Bert drew up two loads of wood.

22 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father split out about Forty plane woods. Bert and I got out fifteen or sixteen loads of manure. I did Gilbert Millers' [sic] chores in morning and at night.

23 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and I plowed with George's team part of the day. Bert got out some manure and drew off stone. Bert and I went to meeting.

- 24 Cool and cloudy rained a little t["t" not crossed]oward night. Bert and I got out manure most of the day. We went down in the pasture and burned some brush just at night.
- 25 Warm and rainy but cleared up some in afternoon. Father set two shoes on the horse and fixed a hot bed in fore noon and cut some potatoes in afternoon. Bert + I got up the sap tubs and plowed some.
- 26 Cold and cloudy stormed some in afternoon. Father split out a few plane woods in morning. I drew down over 75 plane woods and put them into the sap hous[e]. We fixed fence in afternoon.
- 27 Cold and rainy. Bert Carrie and I went to Church in morning and afternoon. Bert and I went down in the evening.
- 28 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert churned in the afternoon. Father and I mooved [sic] up two loads of hay and went down to the mill sawed two logs and took a load of 2X4 down street.
- 29 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert and I finished plowing the potato piece. Father and I went down to Mr. Stones killed his pig broad [sic] it home killed ours and dressed them off. Bert Carrie & I went to meeting in evening.
- 30 Warm and pleasant. I harrowed on potatoe piece in morning a while then Bert and I drew off stone. I Bushed the piece in afternoon and we planted part of it. Father Mother and Carrie went to society.
- May 'Cool and windy. Bert and I finished manureing [sic] the corn piece in the fore noon and Father grafted some. Bert and Father planted in afternoon. I harrowed on the corn piece.
- 2 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father went down street in the morning. Bert and I planted potatoes until He came back then I went to harrowing and worked until most night. Father grafted some.
- 3 Warm and pleasant. Father went to Winsted. Bert and [I] carried a lot of sawdust into the ice house put up a lye leach and planted a few potatoes. Bert went cow slipping [sic] and I got my hair cut just at night.
- 4 Cold and cloudy. All of us but Mother went to Church. Bert & I went to meeting in the evening.
- 5 Warm and rained quite hard in fore noon. Father sheared the sheep. Bert & I got a load of wood in afternoon. Aunt Len came over in afternoon.
- 6 Cool an[d] very rainy. We fixed up a pen for little pigs in fore noon. Father and I went down to the mill and cut up a lot of slabs. Bert went fishing. Bert & I went to meeting in the evening.
- 7 Very warm and ple[a]sant. Father grafted some in fore noon and went to Mr. Gorham's funeral and to Society meeting in after noon. I drew up two loads of wood planted some corn and drew off some stone.
- 8 Cool and cloudy. Father grafted nearly all day. Bert mad[e] an onion bed and worked on little jobs. I went to Riverton got some corn ground and got some grain.
- 9 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and I went up to Mr. Fenns' [sic] woods and cut and drew poles of fence. Father and Bert went up in after noon and laid up a fence.
- 10 Cool and cloudy rained some in the fore noon and evening. I drew two loads of rails up to the north lot and Father & Bert laid up some fence. Father, Mother and Carrie went ^{to} Barkhamsted.
- 11 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert and I went to Church and to meeting in evening. Father Mother and Carrie came home in edge of evening.
- 12 Very warm and ple[a]sant. I took a load of rails up to north lot and Bert & I fixed up fence between mowing and pasture. Father worked grafting. In the afternoon Bert & I went north and laid over some fence.
- 13 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father helped Mother clean house. Bert and I drew out rocks most of the day. We went to meeting in the evening.
- 14 Very hot with a little shower toward night. Father worked on the road. We manured and plowed the garden. I plowed the upper piece on the Fenn place.

- 15 Very warm and cloudy rained some. Father worked a while on the road in morning. I finished plowing the oat piece. Bert and I went fishing caught 66 trout.
- 16 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father worked on the road. We fixed some rows and I set out some strawberry plants. Bert and I got out 5 loads of horse manure from the Fenn place.
- 17 Blesant [sic] but windy. Father and Mother went to Winsted. Mother had four teeth out and three filled. Bert & I cut picked up and burned brush on the Granger lot.
- 18 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father, Carrie, Bert and I went to Church. Bert & I went to meeting in the evening.
- 19 Warm and cloudy in morning but cleared off. Father worked on the road. Bert and I plowed a little piece for sweetcorn. I harrowed it and the oat piece on the Fenn place.
- 20 Warm and rainy. Father worked on the road in the fore noon. Bert and I went down to store got some plaster and grain, and mixed up the hominy [?? very unclear word]. We went to meeting in the evening.
- 21 Warm and pleasant. Father worked on the road all day. Bert and I got a load of rails and laid over the fence beside the road on north lot. We drew up two loads of 20 ft timber from the Dutton place.
- 22 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father worked on the road. Bert and I got off some stone and bushed the oat piece. Then we manured a place for sweet corn and potatoes. Bert planted it. I dragged on corn piece.
- 23 Warm and pleasant. Father worked on road in forenoon. Bert put his knee out of joint. Father took him up to Blandford got it set. I planted corn.
- 24 Very hot but ple[a]sant. Father and I planted corn most of the day. Father took the little sow out to Marshall Millers' [sic] just at night and went to Grand fathers [sic] a little while.
- 25 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father, Carrie, Bert, and I went to Church. Carrie Bert and I went to meeting in the evening. Aunt Em, Lalice [?], and the baby came up a little while in afternoon.
- 26 Cool and rainy. We planted corn a little while then Father went out and got the sow. He went to the mill in afternoon. I cleared out the hen house and fussed around all day.
- 27 Warm and rained hard all the fore noon. Father and I worked in the mill all day. Bert carried Carrie to school in morning and drew up a load of wood in afternoon.
- 28 Cool and cloudy with four or five showers. I harrowed a while morning. Then Father and I planted corn when it did not rain. Bert was sick did not work much.
- 29 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and I finished planting the corn in fore noon and cultivated out the potatoes. Bert and I got out two loads of manure.
- 30 Warm and ple[a]sant. We look[ed] two or three hours for a lamb that the dogs killed then Father went down and put up barbed wire for Aunt Em. Bert and I got out manure and planted some.
- 31 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert and Father went to Winsted. Bert had four teeth filled. I looked after sheep som[e], finished planting popcorn and bushed and hoed the peas.
- Jun 1 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert Carrie and I went to Church and to meeting in the evening.
- 2 Warm and ple[as]ant. Father and Bert planted a few potatoes and hoed some. I worked plowing a piece for barley and planted some pole beans.
- 3 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father worked on the road. Bert ~~and~~ hoed potatoes and planted some squashes. I plowed most of the day. Father took Brownie down to Gilberts in morning.
- 4 Very hot and muggy. Father worked on the road. Bert and I got some saw-dust and banked the ice house then we went and cut some bean poles. We hoed potatoes in afternoon.
- 5 Warm and ple[a]sant wit[h] shower in evening. Father cultivated out the potatoes and finished plowing for barley. Bert and I hoed potatoes all day.
- 6 Warm and very foggy all day. Father and I weighed out 1000 of hay and Father took it over to Tolland. I cleaned out the cellar. Bert and Tommy Hayes went fishing.

- 7 Very hot but ple[a]sant. Father took the wool up to Ripley Bros. and got some barley. Bert and I went up to north woods and split up some wood. Father and Bert hoes [sic] potatoes. I dragged on barley piece.
- 8 Warm and ple[a]sant. We all went to Church. Then Bert Carrie and I went over to Tolland to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 9 Warm and ple[a]sant. I harrowed the barley peice [sic] and Father sowed it then I harrowed it again. Father and Mother went over to the burial of Mrs. Louise Treat. Bert and I finished hoeing the potatoes.
- 10 Warm and ple[a]sant. We went up to Mr. Hargers woods and tried to peel the logs but could not. We went and bushed over the barley peice [sic] and we leveled in [sic] off. Got out some manure in the afternoon and sowed some rock turnips.
- 11 Very hot and ple[a]sant. Father and I went down and fixed the race. In the afternoon Bert and Father tore away under the mill. I worked gravelling the dam.
- 12 Cool and rainy. Father worked tearing out and fixing under the mill. I worked gravelling the dam. Father went over to W. G. [West Granville?] Snow's and got a jack screw.
- 13 Warm and cloudy. Bert and Father raised up the mill in morning. I churned and got up a load of sawdust. We went down and sawed out a post and put it under the mill.
- 14 Warm and cloudy. Father and I went to Winsted. I had four teeth filled. Bert did odd jobs around the place.
- 15 Warm and cloudy. Bert Carrie and I went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 16 Cloudy in morning but cleared off and was ple[a]sant in afternoon. We put up a stageing [sic] on the mill in fore noon. Cultivated and hoed some of the corn.
- 17 Warm and ple[a]sant. We hoed corn all day. Gilbert Miller had the horse to go to Westfield. Bert went to meeting in the evening.
- 18 Warm and ple[a]sant. We shingled on the mill in forenoon. We cultivated out a little peice [sic] of potatoes and corn and hoed them. Father cultivated out the potatoes.
- 19 Very hot but ple[a]sant. We finished shingling the mill. Father took the horse down to Gilberts in the afternoon.
- 20 Warm and ple[a]sant. We had Gilbert Millers' [sic] oxen and Father and I plowed the hog lot. Bert hoed some corn.
- 21 Cool and cloudy rained some. I harrowed the buck wheat peice [sic] in forenoon. Father sowed the buck wheat in afternoon and we got out some manure and harrowed it in.
- 22 Warm and ple[a]sant. We all went to Church. Bert, Carrie, and [I?] went to meeting in the evening.
- 23 Warm and cloudy in the morning but cleared off. Robert Pease came up and he and Father framed timber all day. Bert and [I?] plowed out and hoed some potatoes.
- 24 Very hot but ple[a]sant. Father and Mr. Pease worked frameing [sic] all day. Bert and I hoed potatoes in fore noon and mowed the rye in after noon. We went to meeting in the evening.
- 25 Hot with several showers during the day. Father framed all day Pease worked until 2 o'clock. Bert and I got out manure between showers.
- 26 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert and I finished manuring the corn peice [sic]. I harrowed in the manure and plowed out the rest of the potatoes. We hoed all but four rows of the potatoes.
- 27 Cool and ple[a]sant. Father plowed on the buckwheat peice [sic]. I plowed out eleven rows of corn and we hoed most of it and finished hoeing the potatoes.
- 28 Very warm but ple[a]sant. Father and I went to Winsted. I had four teeth filled and one pulled. Bert hoed corn in forenoon and helped George in the afternoon.
- 29 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert ~~Carrie~~ and [I?] went to Church and to meeting in the evening. Carrie was sick all day.

- 30 Very warm and ple[a]sant. Father finished plowing the wheat piece and sowed the buckwheat and corn. Bert and I mowed some in the south lot.
- Jul 1 Very hot but ple[a]sant. Father dragged in the buckwheat and the corn. Bert and I finished mowing the south lot and got in three loads of hay.
- 2 Cool and cloudy. Father sowed the ["t" not crossed] grass seed and I harrowed it in and plowed out some corn. Bert and I hoed some. Father worked Paris greening the potatoes.
- 3 Cool and cloudy raine[d] some. We tore out the bottom of the bay and put in some new floor.
- 4 Warm and ple[a]sant. We all went to the picnic and dedication services. Bert, Carrie and I went down to fire works in the evening.
- 5 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father Paris greened the potatoes. I cultivated out the rest of the corn. Bert and I finished hoeing it.
- 6 Warm and ple[a]sant. We all went to Church. Bert, Carrie, and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 7 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and I mowed off[f] north of the house. We got in two loads. Bert was sick did not work much.
- 8 Very hot but ple[a]sant. We mowed from the ends of drains west and north. We got two or three loads. Bert was sick and did not work.
- 9 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and I finished mowing the house lot. I raked it up and left two loads in wind row. We got in three loads. Bert was sick did not work any.
- 10 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and I mowed the orchard and got in four loads. Left some in windrows.
- 11 Warm and ple[a]sant. We mowed a little piece west of the orchard. Bert and father cleaned up all the hay. I was sick and did not do much.
- 12 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and Carrie went to Winsted. Carrie had four cavities in her teeth filled. We hoed the garden and wed [sic] out the rest of the turnips.
- 13 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert Carrie and I went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 14 Warm and ple[a]sant. We mowed the old lane and around the old cellar hole and the south end of the heavy grass.
- 15 Very hot and ple[a]sant with a shower in the afternoon. We finished mowing the west side of the Granger lot we got in two loads an[d] raked and cocked some of rest.
- 16 Warm and ple[a]sant. We finished mowing the Granger lot and got it all in at three loads.
- 17 Warm and ple[a]sant but clouded up in afternoon. We finished mowing the orchard lot and the upper night lot cleaned it all up at three loads.
- 18 Cool but ple[a]sant. Father went to Winsted with 2 lambs and a calf. Brought Aunt Lavina [sic] home with him. Bert and I hoed the pop corn and mowed some on north lot in afternoon.
- 19 Cool and cloudy with a shower in the forenoon. We went up north and mowed most of the lot down. Shower came up, we raked up a few heaps and came home. In afternoon raked and cocked some.
- 20 Cool but ple[a]sant. We all went to Church. Bert Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 21 Warm and ple[a]sant. We mowed a little on the corner lot the[n] went up north finished up up there had two large loads.
- 22 Warm but not a very good hay day we finished up the corner lot got in 6 or 7 loads. We carried Aunt Lavinia down to Aunt Ems and went to meeting.
- 23 Warm and ple[a]sant. We mowed part of the north lot on the Fenn place. We got in four loads of hay.
- 24 Warm and cloudy rained some. We unloaded a load of hay and hoed over some ground and sowed it to turnips. Father shod the horse. Bert went down to Peases and I mowed side of road in afternoon.

- 25 Warm but rained hard all the forenoon. Father worked mending shoes most of the day. Bert and I took down fence between well house and house.
- 26 Very hot and rained hard all the forenoon. We mad[e] a rack to the hay wagon in the fore noon. In afternoon Father, Mother and Aunt Lavinia went out to Grandpas.
- 27 Warm and ple[a]sant. All of us except mother went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 28 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and Carrie carried Aunt Lavinia to Winsted. Carrie went home with Aunt Lavinia. Bert and I mowed on east side of barl[e]y peice [sic] on Fenn place.
- 29 Warm but cloudy We got in two loads of hay in morning then Father and I went down beside the road and peeled two hemlock trees.
- 30 Warm and ple[a]sant. We mowed the rest of the upper lot on Fenn place an[d] all of the grass west of the barl[e]y. We got in five loads.
- 31 Warm and ple[a]sant. We mowed the orchard on Fenn Place and the horse barn lot got in four loads.
- Aug 1 Warm and rained some in forenoon but cleared off before night. Father and I mowed around the hog lot once. Bert and [I?] mowed off the side of north road. Father sowed some turnips.
- 2 Warm and ple[a]sant in forenoon but clouded up in afternoon. Father and Bert worked putting in a new chain in the pump in forenoon. We finished mowing the hog lot and cocked it up.
- 3 Warm and ple[a]sant. We went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in evening.
- 4 Warm and ple[a]sant. We mowed the [sic] down to the north barn in the house lot. We got in three or four load[s] an[d] left out one.
- 5 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father went to Winsted with two lambs got home at half past one. Bert and I mowed on west side of house lot. We got in two loads of hay.
- 6 Warm but cloudy in morning. Father helped Gilber[t] look up his cattle and bury one that died. Bert and I went berrying in morning. We mowed some in afternoon.
- 7 Warm and ple[a]sant. Gilbert Miller helped us mow off[f] north side of south lot and got in three ox loads.
- 8 Warm but cloudy most of the time. We mowed a little while in south lot got in three loads.
- 9 Warm and cloudy. Father went to Winsted. Carrie and Lucia [?] came home with him. Mrs. W. C. Hall stayed over night with us.
- 10 Warm and ple[a]sant. All of us except Mother went to Church. All except Father and Mother went to Meeting in evening.
- 11 Warm and ple[a]sant in morning but showered some in afternoon. We had Gilbert and his team. Mowed on west and north sides of lot got in two loads.
- 12 Warm and ple[a]sant. We mowed the east side of the lot. We had the cattle in after noon and got in two loads of hay.
- 13 Cool and cloudy. Gilber[t] came up and we mowed the rest of south lot and most of house lot. We went down about eleven oclock [sic] and helped Gilbert get in his barley.
- 14 Warm and ple[a]sant. We finished the house [lot?] and got in all but one load of it.
- 15 Warm and ple[a]sant. We mowed a little peice [sic] in the south lot the[n] Carrie Lucia Bert and I went huckleberrying. We got in three loads of hay in afternoon.
- 16 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and Mother went to New Boston and stayed all night. Bert and I went black berrying. Carrie and Lucia went down to Aunt Emelines.
- 17 Warm but cloudy with a shower in afternoon and another in the evening. Lucia Carrie Bert and I went to meeting. Father and Mother got home just at night.
- 18 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father worked on the road. Bert mowed brush. I went over to Wilbur Munns and got the wagon fixed.
- 19 Warm and pleasant in morning but clouded up in afternoon. Father worked on the road. Bert and I dug a load of potatoes in forenoon.

- 20 Cloudy in morning but cleared off and was very hot. We picked over the potatoes in forenoon. Lucia Carrie Bert and I went over to Noyes pond [in Tolland] to a picnic.
 - 21 Warm but cloudy. We raised up the mill and put under another post in forenoon. We peeled three hemlock trees in afternoon and picked some black berries.
 - 22 Very warm and ple[a]sant. We went down in morning and peeled three hemlock trees in little pasture and bough[t] three of Mr. Nelson and peeled them. Father cradled the oats in afternoon and Bert and I dug potatoes.
 - 23 Cool and cloudy all day. Father and Bert carried Lucia to Winsted. Bert had some teeth filled. I went up on north lot blackberrying but found Prude had come so, I drove her and calf home ^{and} went berrying in afternoon.
 - 24 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert, Carrie and I went to Church and to meeting in the evening.
 - 25 Warm and ple[a]sant. Bert and Father raised up mill in another place and put a plank top of posts under west sill. I drew up three loads of wood and churned.
 - 26 Warm and ple[a]sant with a hard shower in night. Bert and I dug potatoes. Father worked in the mill. Bert, Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening.
 - 27 Hot and ple[a]sant. Father cut a few brush in forenoon. Bert and I too walls. In afternoon we, [sic] sorted over a load of potatoes and Bert and I dug a few more.
 - 28 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father went down to mill and got some timber to make a privy of. Bert and I dug a load of potatoes and unloaded them.
 - 29 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father worked on privy. Bert and I dug a load of potatoes. Father and I got in the oats just at night.
 - 30 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father worked some on the building. We dug the rest of E Beauty of Hebron potatoes and unloaded them.
 - 31 Cool but ple[a]sant. We all went to Church. Bert, Carrie and I went to meeting in evening.
- Sep 1 Very warm but ple[a]sant. Father worked some on the building. Bert churned and then we picked blackberries most of day. Got nearly one bushel.
- 2 Warm and ple[a]sant. We all worked in mill in forenoon. Father and I worked there in afternoon. Bert sorted some potatoes and got in rest of oats.
 - 3 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father finished privy all but shingling it. I went down and peeled some logs. Then we went up in sap place and picked a few berries in afternoon even went up aroun[d] the old mill place picked about 1 bushel.
 - 4 Warm but some cloudy. Father went to Winsted. Bert was sick and did not work much. I threshed out a few oats in morning then I mowed part of the barley and dug potatoes in the afternoon.
 - 5 Very hot but ple[a]sant in forenoon had a very hard shower in afternoon. Father looked over some of the potatoes in cellar. Bert and I dug potatoes.
 - 6 Warm but cloudy with two hard shower[s] in afternoon. We looked over the potatoes in wagon and went and dug until it rained we picked up part of them in afternoon. Father worked painting the wagon.
 - 7 Warm and ple[a]sant. All of us except mother went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in evening. Father, Mother, and Carrie went down to Mrs. Hattie Greenes in evening.
 - 8 Warm and some cloudy. Bert and I dug some potatoes.
 - 9 Warm and cloudy rained some in afternoon. We finished digging the potatoes and raked and cocked all but a small load of the barl[e]y.
 - 10 Cool and rained hard all day. Father worked in mill all day. Bert worked in afternoon. Bert and I sorted potatoes in morning. I did some in afternoon.
 - 11 Warm and ple[a]sant most of the day but rained quite hard just at nigh[t]. Father, Bert, and I went over to Blandford to the fair.
 - 12 Warm and quite rainy. Father cut some bolts and nuts and went down to mill put them through the posts in wheel deck. Bert and I split and piled up some wood.

- 13 Warm but rainy. Father and I worked in the mill in fore noon. Father went up to Hargers in the afternoon. I drew up a load of saw dust.
- 14 Warm but cloudy. Father looked for the Howard cow most of the day found her. Bert, Carrie and I went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 15 Warm but rained very hard most of the day. Father and I went down to mill put in some rods in the wheel deck and fixed up around the mill all the forenoon.
- 16 Warm but ~~rainy~~ cloudy. Father and I went down to mill fixed up race way and sawed out most of Gilberts logs. Bert drew up wood and sawdust. We went to meeting in evening.
- 17 Warm but rained very hard most of the day. Father and I went down to mill fixed the race way and cut out all the slabs.
- 18 Warm but windy. We worked cutting corn in fore noon. We mowed some barley in afternoon.
- 19 Very warm but ple[a]sant. Father went to Winsted Mary came home with him. Bert and I worked on the road in morning. We cut the buckwheat and barl[e]y and the south end of the corn.
- 20 Cloudy in morning but cleared off before noon. Father and I went down to mill and sawed some boards for Gilbert Miller in forenoon. Bert and I drew off some potato~~es~~ tops. Father cradled some buck wheat.
- 21 Warm and ple[a]sant. We all went to Church. Mary, Carrie, Bert [+]
I went to meeting in the evening.
- 22 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father cradled on the buck wheat most of the fore noon. Bert and I raked and bound some of it. In the afternoon we raked up buck wheat and barl[e]y and got in a load of it.
- 23 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father finished cradling the b wheat [sic]. I plowed the piece for rye. Father and Mother went to Mrs. G. G. Treats funeral. We got water hot while Father was gone and when he got back we killed the old sow.
- 24 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father went up to W. A. Cowles [?] with e the old sow. She weighed 436 lbs. Bert and I did the chores and bound and set most of the b-wheat [sic]. I dragged ⁱⁿ the the [sic] rye.
- 25 Warm and pleasant. Father sowed grass seed onto the piece. I brushed it in and drew off some stones. Father and Bert worked in mill most of day. I drew up two loads of sawdus[t] and got in a load of pumpkins.
- 26 Warm and cloudy in forenoon rained some in afternoon. Father and Grand-father went over to North Blandford and got a buck. Bert and I picked apples for Mr. Goodwin in fore noon.
- 27 Cool but ple[a]sant. Mary Carrie and I went out to New Boston took dinner and stayed a while with Aunt Electa then came up to Tolland and took supper with Aunt Selendy. Father and Bert worked in the mill.
- 28 Warm and ple[a]sant. All of us except mother and Grandmother went to Church. Bert, Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 29 Warm and ple[a]sant. Grand pa and Grand mother went home in morning. I drew up a load of wood and two loads of saw-dus[t] in forenoon. Bert and I picked up apples for Mr. Goodwin in after noon.
- 30 Warm and ple[a]sant. I went up to Mr. Sheets in morning and got the fanning mill. We threshed buck wheat the rest of the day. Father sawed a few logs for N. G. Chaffee in after noon.
- Oct 1 Warm and ple[a]sant. We cleaned up the buck wheat in the morning and then threshed all day. I carried mother down to society in after noon.
- 2 Warm but a little hazy. We cleaned up the buck wheat in the morning. And then threshed until noon. Bert and I finished picking Mr. Goodwins apples in after noon.
- 3 Cool and cloudy rained a little. We cleaned up the rest of the buck wheat (had 45 bushels in all). Father and I got in two loads of corn and a load of pumpkins.

- 4 Mild and pleasant. Father and Mother carried Mary to Winsted. Mother had two teeth pulled. Bert and I husked corn awhile in morning then we went over to Tolland to see then [meant to write "them"?] play wicket ball.
- 5 Cool but pleasant. We all went to Church. Bert, Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 6 Cool and rained some. Father and I went down to Jos. Welch's got a load of ice. Then we went to mill and sawed some of Gilbert's logs. Bert drew up two loads of saw-dust.
- 7 Cold and rainy. Father and I worked in mill. Bert carried Carrie to school and sorted over some potatoes.
- 8 Cool and cloudy. Father and I worked in the ^{mill} most of the day. Bert drew up a load or two of wood then, we got in seven loads of pumpkins.
- 9 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and mother went to Westfield. Bert and I finished husking the corn that was on the barn floor and husked the oat[s] and barley.
- 10 Warm and pleasant. Father worked in the mill all day. I drew up a load of wood and bark in the morning. Bert and I got in three loads of corn in afternoon.
- 11 Cold and windy. Bert and I husked what corn there was in the barn, and picked a few cranberries. Father went down to Hiram Parsons and straightened up his barn.
- 12 Cool but pleasant. We all went to Church. Carrie Bert and I went to meeting in the evening. Hattie came up after Church and stayed until we went to meeting in the evening.
- 13 Warm and pleasant. Father sawed some logs for Joseph Welch. Bert and I filled up the barn floor with corn and got in the rest of the pumpkins.
- 14 Cold and rainy. We husked corn in the forenoon. Father worked in the mill in afternoon. Bert and I went down street.
- 15 Cool but pleasant. Father carried Bert and I [sic] into Westfield. We took the train went to Holyoke. Will Atkins met us there and we went home with him.
- 16 Warm and pleasant. We helped Will get in three loads of corn. Then we went up up [sic] to Amherst and looked around som[e] and went to a musical concert given by the Boston Symphony.
- 17 Cold and rainy in the forenoon but cleared off[f] and the widy [sic] blew very hard. We helped William husk corn some.
- 18 Warm and pleasant. Father went to Winsted. Bert and I went up to So. Amherst took the train and came to Westfield and walked most of the way home.
- 19 Cool and rained hard all day. We did not go to Church.
- 20 Cool and rained most of the day. Father and I took off[f] the gate on the water wheel then we took down part of the nest [or meant to write "west"?] wall and commenced laying it up.
- 21 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and I finished laying up the wall in the fore noon father put in a post and we put back the shaft and pulley. Bert and I went to Joseph Welch's got a load of ice.
- 22 Warm and pleasant. Father shingled up the south end of the shed roof next to the house. Bert went over to Granville Corners with Mr. Moore to help him drive some cows over. I dug some post holed [sic] and we built a fence aroun[d] the garden.
- 23 Cold and windy. Father went to Westfield to get the gate castings. Bert and I went chestnutting part of the day.
- 24 Cold and rained hard most all day. Father went down street in morning. Bert churned and I husked some corn.
- 25 Warm and pleasant. Father and I worked in the mill all day. Bert took 2 ¹/₂ thousand of shingles over to Jos Welch and drew up a load of wood and one of sawdust.
- 26 Warm and pleasant. We all went to Church except Mother. Bert, Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 27 Warm and pleasant. Bert and Father fixing the mill all day. I got out ten loads of manure and pulled a few turnips.

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Cold and windy. Father worked fixing the mill all day. Bert and I finished pulling the rock turnips and pulled the cabbages and put them in the cellar. We drew down two loads of wood.

29 Cold and windy rained some. Bert and Father worked on the mill all day. I finished husking the corn.

30 Warm and pleasant. Father sawed shingle most of the day. I cut dow[n] three trees up beside the road and drew in two of them. Bert and I packed $2\frac{1}{2}$ ^M of shingle.

31 Warm and pleasant. Father and Bert split up two logs and sawed some humlock [sic] in timber. Then Father sawed a thousand of shingl[e]. Bert packed $1\frac{1}{2}$ M. I churned and drew up fived [sic] load of dirt and pulled some turnips.

Nov 1 Warm and pleasant. Father and Carrie went to Winsted. Carrie had some teeth filled. Bert and I cleaned out the hen house and filled it with sand and cut and split a lot of wood.

2 Cool and cloudy. Bert Carrie and I went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.

3 Cool and windy. We split up some chest nut [sic] logs in the morning. Father sawed shingle all day. Bert and [I] got out 7 loads of manure and packed $3\frac{1}{2}$ thousand of shingle.

4 Cool but pleasant. We went down in the morning and split up Emersons logs. Father sawed shingle the rest of the day. I took 3 ^M of shingle up to L. Granger. Bert packed some shingle in after noon.

5 Warm and pleasant. Father and I drew in six chest nut [sic] logs in the morning the[n] Father sawed shingle the rest of the forenoon. Bert and I finished Packing [sic] Emersons shingle and got out 8 load of manure.

6 Warm and pleasant. Father and I split up four logs in fore noon. Father sawed shingle in afternoon. Bert churned in morning. Bert and I got out 8 loads of manure in afternoon.

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Warm and cloudy in forenoon but cleared off. We went down to the mill split up too [sic] logs and packed 2 ^M of shingle. We got out 13 loads of manure in afternoon. Father sawed shingle.

8 Cool and cloudy. Gilbert came up and drew in the logs down the river that we had of Nelson. Gilbert and I plowed in afternoon. Father worked in the mill.

9 Cold and cloudy. We all went to Church. Bert Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening.

10 Warm and pleasant. Bert and I got a load of ice in morning. Gilbert and Father got the buck in morning. Gilbert and I plowed the rest of the day. Father and Bert worked in mill.

11 Cold and rainy. Gilbert came up and drew in the logs that came off the island. We worked in the mill the rest of forenoon. Bert worked there in afternoon.

12 Cold and windy. We pryed up the east shed and moved in [meant to write "it"?] on rollers back the length of it to the east and then north to the hen yard.

13 Warm and pleasant. Father and Bert put two new sills under the shed and I put under the underpinning stones. Gilbert and I finished plowing.

14 Cool but pleasant. We butchered on[e] of the hogs in the forenoon. Father and Bert worked in the mill. I drew up some saw dust.

15 Cool and cloudy. Father went to Winsted. Bert and I stuck up some boards in forenoon pulled turnips in afternoon.

16 Warm and pleasant. We all went to Church. Bert Carrie and I went up to Beech Hill to meeting in afternoon. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.

17 Cold and rained hard most of the day. We boarded up part of the west end of the shed put a partition in it and put two of the pigs in northside [sic].

18 Warm and pleasant. Father and Bert worked in mill. I drew up stuff ["t" not crossed] from the mill most of the day. Bert, Carrie and I went to meeting in evening.

- 19 Cool but pleasant. Bert and I got out eight loads of manure in forenoon. I drew up 3 2 [actually a strikeover of the "3" with a "2"] loads of boards in afternoon. Bert and Father worked in the mill in afternoon.
- 20 Cold and windy. Father and I went up on to [sic] Mr. Goodwins lot and cut a hemlock tree. Father and Bert worked in the mill in the after noon. I drew up ~~three~~ two [overwritten on "three"] loads of ~~boards~~ of saw dust and one of timber.
- 21 Cool but pleasant. Father and mother went to Winsted. Bert and I cut and piled wood in the yard in forenoon. Cut a half of a cord on north side of Granger lot.
- 22 Cold and windy. Father and I went down and drew up ^{the bark} on the island and that beside the river.
- 23 Cold and windy. We all went to Church. Bert Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 24 Cool but pleasant. Father went to Winsted with a load of bark. Bert and I threshed oats most of the day.
- 25 Warm and pleasant [sic]. Bert and I took the ro[o]f off of the old shed and filled up a trench with stone to lay the underpinning on.
- 26 Cold and windy. Father went to Winsted. Bert and I finished tearing down the old shed and piled up the rubbish.
- 27 Cold but pleasant. Bert and I went hunting With [sic] Will Holcomb and Leaghty [?]. We all took dinner with Aunt Emeline. Pat and Aunt Selendy came over and spent the evening.
- 28 Cold and windy. We butchered the hog in the fore noon. Father split out stone in afternoon. Bert and I wend [meant to write "went"?] down and got a load of bark.
- 29 Cold and cloudy. Father and Bert went to Westfield. Father took in a load of goods and got Bert a suit of clothes.
- 30 Cool but pleasant [sic]. We all went to Church. Bert Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening.
- Dec 1 Cool and pleasant. Father split out some stone. Bert and I cut wood in the afternoon.
- 2 Cold and pleasant [sic]. Father went to Westfield with a load of hay. Bert and I chopped wood on the side of the old road most of the day.
- 3 Cold and stormy. Father went and fixed the bridge on the river road. I drew down four thousand of shingle to Mr. Stone.
- 4 Cold but pleasant [sic]. Father went out to Tolland and got the horse shod and the wagon fixed. Bert and I made sausage and helped shoe the sled.
- 5 Warm and snowed hard most of the day. Father and I went up into Hargers woods and drew out a hemlock log and drew two logs home.
- 6 Warm and stormed some. Father and Bert worked in the mill. I drew two loads of logs to mill and got up four loads of wood.
- 7 Cold but pleasant [sic]. We all went to Church. Bert Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 8 Cold but pleasant [sic]. Father worked in the mill some. Bert and Carrie went to school. I went over to M. Arnolds wit[h] Pease and got his tools in fore noon took the same [?] out to Marshall Millers [?] in the afternoon.
- 9 Warm and plesent [sic]. Father and Pease worked framing the sill most of the day. Bert Carrie and I went to school and to meeting in the evening.
- 10 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father and Pease worked framing most of the day. Mother went to society in the afternoon. Bert, Carrie and I went down in the evening.
- 11 Warm and plesent [sic]. Father and Pease put in the underpinning sotone [meant to write "stone"?] laid the sills and put four bents [?] togather [sic].
- 12 Very cold and windy. Father and I went to Winsted. I had a tooth filled. Bert went to school and did the chores.

- 13 Cold and windy. We finished framing the girts [?] in fore noon and in the after we raised the frame to the barn.
- 14 Warm and pleasant [sic]. All but Mother went to Church. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 15 Warm and pleasant [sic]. Ase came up with Gilberts oxen and we went up into Hargers woods piled forty six logs in fore noon. Father went out and got the sow in afternoon.
- 16 Cold but pleasant [sic]. Father board[e]d up some on south side of the new barn. Bert, Carrie and [I] went to school and to meeting in the evening.
- 17 Cold and snowed and wind blew hard all day. Father drew up a load of wood and cut most of it up. We went to school.
- 18 Cold and the wind blew hard most of the day. Snow about 10 inches deep. Father and mother went down street in the morning. ~~Father went down to mill and got a hard maple log.~~
- 19 Cold but pleasant [sic]. Father did the chores and went down to the mill and got a maple log. He and Mother went down town and stayed to oyster supper. Bert Carrie and [I] went down.
- 20 Cool but pleasant [sic]. Father and Mother went down to centre [sic] and helped clean up the academy. Bert and I sawed and split up some wood. Father Bert and I went down to mill and piled up some logs.
- 21 Warm and windy rained some in evening. All of us except Mother went to Church. Bert and I [sic]
- 22 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father went to Winsted with a load of bark and brought home a load of grain. I came home from school at noon and did the chirese [meant to write "chores"?].
- 23 Warm and ple[a]sant. Father went to Winsted with a load of bark and brought home a load of grain. I came home from school at noon and did the chores.
- 24 Cold but pleasant. Father and [Mother?] went to society in the afternoon. We all Went to the Christmas tree in the evening.
- 25 Cold but pleasant [sic]. Father helped Gilbert cut logs in fore noon and Bert + I drew up four loads of wood. In the after noon we cut a road to the pond.
- 26 Cold and a hard snow storm with a heavy wind from NE. Father went to Winsted with butter eggs and potatoes. I came home and did the chores at noon.
- 27 Cool but pleasant. Bert and I did the chores and helped break out the road. Father got home from Winsted about four o'clock. Bert and I went down street in the evening.
- 28 Cold but pleasant [sic]. Bert and I went to Church.
- 29 Cool and windy in the morning. Father got out the heavy sled went to the mill got some shoes and partly shod the sled. Bert and I went down street in evening.
- 30 Cool but pleasant [sic]. Father finished shoeing the sled and He and Mother went to Beech hill in after noon. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.
- 31 Cool and some squally. Father put curoll [a roll?] into the horse sled and sawed out a whiffletree. January, 1891.
- Warm and cloudy. Father and Mother went over to Aunt Selendy's. Bert, Carrie and I went to school.
- 1 Warm and rained quite hard in the forenoon. Father did the chores. Bert Carrie and I went to school.
- 2 Cool but ple[a]sant. Father went up into the woods and cut a road to the log pile. Bert and I cut stove wood most of the day.
- 4 Cold but ple[a]sant. Father, Bert, Carrie and I went to Church. Bert, Carrie and I went to meeting in the evening. Father stayed at Aunt Em's all night to help take care of George Bradley [?].

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Cool and windy. Father went down to Aunt Em's in morning and got a harness. He took the heavy harness apart and washed it. Father and Mother went down to Mr. Hitchcocks in evening.

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Cold and windy. Father got Mr. Hitchcocks horse and begun [sic] to draw his logs from Hagers woods. Bert and I went to meeting in the evening.

[In back of diary] Expense for Gilbert Miller to C. W. Ives 1890 Fo sawing 6090 ft [\$]12.18

" " 2^M 740 shingle [\$]4.80