

Cyrus W Ives 1903

- Jan 1 Mild and pleseant [standard Cyrus spelling; other spellings will have "sic" after them] thawed some. Done chores and drew 4 loads of wood from back of saw mill to the House. Harry went to Parsons Pond fishing caught 6.
- 2 Mild and pleseant in forenoon cloudy in afternoon rained in Evening. I went to Winsted Em went with me she bought her a coat. We took Dinner at C Deweys Mrs Nellie Rood there[.]
- 3 Cloudy some ice on trees melted off. Nelson Frisbie came up, in forenoon. I got 4 loads manure from sheep stable put it in hogpen [sic][.]
- 4 Mild thawed a little some signs of a storm[.] Attended Church Rev Bates preach[e]d Communion Service. Went to Prayer meeting in Eve.
- 5 Mild thawed some cloudy in Eve signs of a storm[.] Went to the mill Pond cut a hole to get Ice but to[o] warn [sic] to cut so drew wood.
- 6 Mild went [sic] west snowed a little cleared off windy in Eve. Went to E Granville to see about selling some White Birch & Cherry the[y] did not want[.] Attended Library meeting. Prayer meeting a[t] Nelson[s][.]
- 7 Cooler in morning snowed in afternoon. Churned in morning[.] Cut Ice 12 inches Harry drew.
- 8 Cool and windy in Evening. Mild in middle of the day. Cut Ice, Harry drew it.
- 9 [Ther] 6[.] Coldest morning this year, windy in Evening. Packed Ice in forenoon cut and drew 4 loads in afternoon. Harry went to Tolland Club house to Social with Mr Bates[.]
- 10 Cool in morning some windy during day, but milder. Worked getting Ice about 14 inches thick good sleighing.
- 11 Cool wind East & cloudy com[m]enced snowing about noon, moderated and rained a little in Eve, cleared off about 10. Attended Church Rev Waldron of Otis preached by Exchange.
- 12 Cool and quite windy, grew cold towards night[.] Packed ice awhile in morning cut and drew 5 load.
- 13 Cold and somewhat windy[.] Cut and drew 7 loads of ice about 16 inches thick. Mrs Geo W Treat called just at night took supper with us.
- 14 Milder but cold[.] Packed Ice[.] Carried Em to Hall in afternoon Ladies So[ciety] too[k] supper with them. Rev Mr Waldron of Otis delivered a lecture on Hawwaian [sic] Islands[.]
- 15 Mild with some signs of a storm. Went to Winsted with Eggs and Butter. Harry finished packing Ice.
- 16 Cool and pleseant[.] Split some wood took a load to the Church. Harry sawed some in forenoon[.] Rev Mr Bates & Wife called just at night[.]
- 17 Mild and pleseant thawed some. Went to Westfield got pump for Barn well brought back some grain for Welch. Emeline went with me stayed to Carries. Harry went to Otis fishing[.]
- 18 Cold all day wind blew some. I done some chores got the Breakfast, done the housework, went to Church. So cold did not go to Prayer meeting in Eve.
- 19 [Ther] 14 [probably below][.] Very cold all day but clear and pleseant, done chores and the house work [sic] took the old wood Pump out of Barn well put in a new Iron one. Went to G Miller's in Eve, Mr Bates was there[.] Harry went to Tolland.
- 20 Cold in the morning milder during day done chores and the House work [sic]. Harry came back from Tolland and went to Brunks to a surprise party. Cloudy in the Eve.
- 21 Rained in the forenoon cleared off about noon, done chores. Churned in afternoon. Harry went to Munn got Horse shod.
- 22 Cloudy in forenoon signs of a storm pleseant in afternoon cooler. Went to Westfield to W J Cooley got Mrs Ives got home about 4, done up the chores Harry gone to Tolland.
- 23 Cold wind blew some, done the chores[.] Went to Riverton got a load of grain[.] Cold in Eve.
- 24 Cold East wind done chores got a load of saw dust from Slocum lot in forenoon & one in afternoon for bedding[.] Mr Coombs from Hartford stayed with us all night[.]

- 25 Cold wind NE snowed quite hard until 3 PM. Went to Church Mr Coombs from Hartford preached he stopped with [sic] I carried him to Tolland[.]
- 26 Milder cloudy wind NE done chores in forenoon drew 3 loads of logs to Roberts mill on Slocum lot. Wm Cooley and Frank Magranis went to the Hall Pond fishing[.]
- 27 Cloudy, wind SW and raw broken in afternoon, warmer and thick cloudy towards night. Went to Magranis place got some wagon wheels took them to Munn. Will & Harry went fishing[.]
- 28 Mild and cloudy rained a little in the forenoon cleared off about noon. Chored about in forenoon. Moved 2 small loads of hay from Fenn place[.] Cooley went home. Harger & Wife called he wanted to buy hay.
- 29 Mild but cloudy very foggy, rained in the Evening[.] Went to Winsted with Butter & Eggs[.] Brunk brought a load of Fertilizer from Westfield[.]
- 30 Cloudy and windy with a little hail in forenoon. Churned worked on wood pile in forenoon[.] Went to the old saw mill drew some logs off the log way and piled them[.]
- 31 Cool and very windy. Chored about[.] Called on Major Nelson awhile in afternoon[.] A cool month with good sleighing[.] [31 days of sleighing in Amherst]
- Feb 1 Mild and cloudy more broken at noon. Stormed a little in Eve, wind SW, done chores and read, no Service in Church.
- 2 Cloudy foggy and warm com[m]enced to rain about noon stopped about 4 PM. Em & I went to Westfield with big Slay [sic] got Carrie and the 2 Children, to stay awhile.
- 3 Warm and pleseant, thawed some getting to be poor sleighing[.] Worked on wood pile in forenoon. Got a load of Hay from the Latham Barn & 1 from Brodribs[.]
- 4 Cloudy rained in the forenoon cloudy in afternoon with a thunder shower in the Evening[.] Harry carried me to Riverton. Walked to Winsted took Trolley to Torrington stayed to Wm Breckenridge[.]
- 5 Cool and very windy[.] Called on Dr Moore and Albert Breckenridge, took train to Waterbury. Went to Geo White [former husband of the late Jennie Brown] 102 Charles St took Dinner[.] Went with Mrs White to Bank St called on Mrs Joice [?], returned to White stayed all night[.]
- 6 Cool but pleseant left Whites on Charles St went to Mill plain called on L Barnes took Dinner, took 6:15 train to Meriden stayed with Mr Fenn.
- 7 Cool but pleseant went with Mr Fenn to East Meriden called on Alden & Abner Fenn at shop where they worked took 2:15 train to Springfield, changed for Holyoke & Trolley to Amherst to Franks stayed all night[.]
- 8 Cold and raw snowed and rained some during day cleared off in Eve. Stayed to Franks[.]
- 9 Cool and very windy, left Frank at 10 on Trolley to Holyoke, to train to Westfield[.] Harry met me with Horse & sleigh got home at 3 PM fair sleighing.
- 10 Cool and windy in morning pleseant in afternoon. Went in woods East of Sheets looked around, awhile[.] Worked on wood pile. Harry helped Chaffee get hay[.]
- 11 Mild and cloudy rained in afternoon. Went to Winsted with Eggs and Butter, sold Eggs for 30 cts. Went with slay [sic] quite bare through Hartland came back by the River, brought home Bbl flour [\$]4.75[.]
- 12 Very windy thawed a good deal. Harry went to Tolland got Horse shod. We worked on wood pile in afternoon[.] S Decker called in Eve.
- 13 Warm and thawey [sic] fixed window in manure shed, done chores[.] Sawed and split wood wood [sic] Harry went to Winsted got some teeth fixed.
- 14 Windy but not cold. Harry and I sawed wood with croos [sic] cut saw split some.
- 15 Cool wind NE commenced snowing about noon, did not storm very much. Em & I went to Church Mr Bates preached[.]
- 16 Cloudy wind NE about 3 inches snow fell, snowed again in Eve. Harry and I worked on wood pile he sawed & I split[.] Went to G Millers in Eve.
- 17 Snowed all day from NE cold wind blew some done chores read some.

- 18 Cold and blustering done the chores read some. Harry was sick with cold did not set [sic] up any[.] Wrote to Lib[.]
- 19 Cold and blustering done chores. Went to G Millers in the morning, and to Sheets in afternoon carried Society warrant up. Harry better.
- 20 Cool and windy signs of a storm[.] I sawed wood and Harry split[.]
- 21 Cool raw So West wind signs of a storm[.] I sawed wood and Harry split. Went to Church p[o]sted So[ciety] warrant in Eve called to G Millers[.]
- 22 Cool and very blustering in the afternoon roads filling up[.] Harry & I went to Church, Text Psalm 37th chapter] 37th verse] ["Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace."]. Washington Birthday Sermon Marshall died[.]
- 23 Milder wind So W. Went to Mr Hargers in morning sawed wood. Harry helped Chaffee shovel out north road drifted bad.
- 24 Mild and pleseant thawed some. Wife & I went to New Boston to J Northway's, he had gone to Winsted took Dinner there called at A Snow & J P Hall's & at Len.
- 25 Cool in the morning, pleseant during day, thawed a little. Went to Winsted through the Hollow found good sleighing. Eggs 25 Potatoes 90 cts.
- 26 Cool in the morning. Very pleseant thawed some. Harry & I went over on Slocum lot to Burt Roberts mill drew in my logs drew back 2 loads[.] Harry went over to Pats to help move hay[.]
- 27 Warm and thawey [sic] cloudy towards night signs of a storm, took a log to Cables for shingle, went to Roberts mill on Slocum lot drew out my lumber[.]
- 28 Rained some during day cleared off just at night[.] Chored about went to Millers and down to store called at Mr Bates[.]
- Mar 1 Pleseant but windy did not freeze any last night. Wife & I went to Church Communion Service. Went to Prayer meeting in Eve.
- 2 Warm and pleseant thawed some. Went to Harger's helped Chaffee kill a Pig, in the morning. Town Meeting[.] Harry came home from Tolland and went back.
- 3 Wind East and raw milder in afternoon with signs of a storm. Went to E Granville with some Corn to be ground brought back 2 Bags cracked corn & a Bag Oats.
- 4 Warm and very pleseant cloudy towards night with signs of a storm, drove to Sheets, down to Millers got can Oil. Attend[ed] Fund & Society meeting in afternoon. Em stayed at Frisbies[.]
- 5 Cloudy in the morning snowed and rained a little cleared off just at night, drove down street in morning chored about. Luke Moore called.
- 6 Warm and very pleseant. Sap run some, done the chores took some Corn to H Dickinson brought home some grain Carrie & Baby went with [sic] called to Gibbons. Attended prayer meeting at Millers May Frisbie died[.]
- 7 Warm and pleseant cloudy towards night rained a little, done the chores got out 5 loads of manure spread it on Granger mowing[.]
- 8 Cloudy and warm rained some, quite muddy done chores. No service at Church. Attended funeral of May Frisbie[.] Harry came home carried him to Tolland is working for J P Hall[.]
- 9 Warm and cloudy rained some very muddy. Chored about, put 2 sheep and their Lambs on Barn floor cleaned out the stable.
- 10 Warm some cloudy has not froze for several nights done chores, trim[m]ed and cut down apple trees in south lot. Cut an Elm.
- 11 Warm cloudy, rained in the morning, wind changed to the west broken towards night. Pared [?] apples in fore noon [sic][.] Cut some brush in afternoon[.]
- 12 Warm and very pleseant ground frozen a little in morning, got up at 4 done chores[.] Went to Winsted with Butter & Eggs. Retail 22 cts took 4 hours to go, hard wheeling[.]
- 13 [Ther] 90 in sun[.] Warm and pleseant ground froze a little in the norning [sic] not enough to make sap run much. Got the sheep manure out and put it in hog pen. Went to G Treats in Eve to a prayer meeting[.]

- 14 Very warm and pleseant done chores and trim[m]ed apple trees in cow pasture, heard Frogs peeping.
- 15 Mild wind East a little raw some cloudy in Eve. Carrie and I went to Church. I went to Prayer meeting in Eve.
- 16 Cloudy wind East signs of a storm quite cloudy and dark in Eve. Went to Hargers in morning, trim[m]ed apple trees in cow pasture in afternoon. Went to Deckers in Eve.
- 17 Mild and pleseant. Painted a set of wagon wheels for the Burt Magranis wagon. Chored about.
- 18 Cloudy and warm signs of rain drove to Hargers got a Gallon maple syrup. Carrie & Children rode up with me. Wild Geese went up[.] Went to Sugar Eat at Hall in Eve.
- 19 Very warm for March. Cut some Chestnut trees west of the mill south side of the road for fence posts done chores.
- 20 Very warm wind blew some with flying clouds, wind south, finished cutting Chestnut trees in forenoon, and drew off logs in afternoon. Prayer meeting here in Eve. No snow in sight[.]
- 21 Cloudy with showers during day, warm for season. Chored about had some Lambs to see to. Will Cooley came on Stage.
- 22 Warm and some cloudy, rained in the Evening[.] Wife and I went to Church, Cooley was here, went down and called on his Mother awhile.
- 23 Warm with showers during day streams quite high, done chores took care [of] Lambs. Went in afternoon to G Millers G Treats Store & Harrington[.] Bridge at Valley brook down[.]
- 24 Warm and foggy in the morning pleseant during day, rainy in Evening, done chores looked after sheep[.] Carr[i]ed Cooley to Valley Brook he went back to Albany[.]
- 25 Mild and pleseant in forenoon cooler and windy in afternoon. Chored about in forenoon, got out manure in afternoon.
- 26 Cool in morning ground froze a little in morning done up the chores went to Winsted with Butter & Eggs got 20 cts retail for Eggs 16 at Store[.]
- 27 Windy some cloudy signs of a storm. Painted a set of wagon wheel [sic]. Got out manure in afternoo[n].
- 28 Cloudy and squally in afternoon cooler, done up the chores and drew manure on Granger lot[.] Harry came home.
- 29 Mild for the season, done chores went to Church Carrie went with me. Harry rode over to Tolland with Mr Bates.
- 30 Cooler and cloudy wind NE com[m]enced raining towards night and rained hard all night[.] Went to Ed Ransoms got a shote [sic]. Got out 2 loads manure in afternoon[.]
- 31 Cloudy in morning, cleared off in afternoon warm. Went to Millers in morning done chores went to E Granville got some grain[.] Young sow had 9 Pigs. A very warm month[.] [Only 1945 & 1946 Marches were warmer in Amherst, 1836-2007; and it was the 8th wettest March in that period]
- Apr 1 Mild and pleseant[.] Washed a wagon and painted the Gear[.] Carried Wife to Ladies room Society day[.]
- 2 Mild in morning grew cold, cloudy in afternoon[.] Painted the body to the Magranis wagon. Got out 3 loads manure. Harger called. Carrie & Children went to Magranis.
- 3 Mild and ~~pleseant~~^{but cloudy} some signs of a storm towards night, done the chores, got out 7 loads manure on west side Granger lot on the grass. Attended prayer meeting at Sheets in Eve[.]
- 4 Cool wind East and cloudy, rained Hailed & snowed a little in afternoon[.] Painted the body to Magranis wagon[.] Chaffee called got his Boots. Went to the saw mill[.]
- 5 Cold ground froze quite hard, thawed out. Attended Church Wife went with me. Text Our friend Lazarus. Went to prayer meeting in Eve[.]

- 6 Cool in the morning ground froze some cloudy in afternoon, air felt like snow brought Sheep and Lamb up from Fenn place, drew out 7 loads manure[.]
- 7 Cloudy and foggy rained a little done chores went to Munns blacks[m]ith shop got wagon repaired and Horse shod.
- 8 Wind NE wet in the forenoon and rained quite hard in afternoon. Chored about, done up odd Jobs.
- 9 Mild and pleseant cloudy towards night with a shower in Eve. Got up early done the chores[.] Went to Winsted with Eggs & Butter, got home just as it commenced to rain[.]
- 10 Mild in forenoon showery and cool in afternoon. Chor[e]d about in morning[.] Carrie & I went up north way by Deckers & A Phelon to A Clapp. I went to Bronson's[.]
- 11 Mild and pleseant done chores, washed wagon went to Sheets, in forenoon[.] Went to mill got a load of saw dust. Harry came home in Eve, he is working for Marsh marking lumber.
- 12 Mild and pleseant done chores. Carrie the boy & I went to Church, had a Lamb at the Fenn Barn got sheep home.
- 13 Mild and pleseant signs of a storm towards night[.] Went to the old saw mill got a load of shingle stuff took it to Cables mill brought back 738 shingle.
- 14 Cold damp and foggy very windy during night[.] Chored about in forenoon, drew 2 loads logs to Burt Roberts mill for fence posts.
- 15 Windy rained very hard all the forenoon and some in afternoon done chores. Went to the mill cut some chestnut logs intoo [sic] for Posts. Frank Harrington called paid \$10 on rent[.]
- 16 Cloudy in the morning more broken in afternoon, done the chores put up some rye[.] Went to H B Dickinson got it ground, got 2 Bags meal [\$]1.20[.] ~~Carrie &~~ I attended meeting Rev Kebbe [?] spoke.
- 17 Mild and pleseant drew some chestnut logs to Roberts mill for fence posts. Attended meeting at Church Carrie went with me. Rev Waldron of Otis spoke.
- 18 Very windy cool in morning[.] Em & I started for Barkhamsted to see Lib called to Cables found she had come hom[e], drove to Ben Clark's mad[e] a call, took a load of wood to Church[.]
- 19 Cool in the morning ground froze some. Done chores went to Church Carrie went with me. Attended the prayer meeting in Eve.
- 20 Mild and pleseant went to Roberts mill got a load of stuff went after another load broke King bolt came home got another broke that did not do much.
- 21 Pleseant done the chores[.] Started at 8:30 for Westfield got Nellie and the Boy, got back at 4:30.
- 22 Cool East wind some cloudy, done the chores got Henry Miller to help me load the young sow took her to E W Bronson's left her.
- 23 Warm in the morning, grew cooler some cloudy in afternoon. Got up at 4:30 done chores started for Winsted at 7:40, got home at 5:30, took Butter & Eggs, got 18 cts fo[r] Eggs at retail[.]
- 24 Mild and pleseant done chores[.] Went down street took some nails to shingle Hatties House the Boys went with me. Went to Roberts mill got 2 loads lumber in afternoon[.] A Soule called just at night.
- 25 Mild with scat[t]ering clouds, took some wood to Church. Went to E W Bronsons got the young sow took some Boards to Hatties House. Frank and Harry & Will came.
- 26 Warm and pleseant. Frank & Nellie Harry, Will Cooley & myself went to Church. Mrs Magranis & Ellen called a little while after Church.
- 27 Warm and pleseant. Harry & I fixed fence around the Cow pasture in forenoon, dug Post holes in afternoon west side Granger lot. Frank & Will went trouting. Frank & Nellie went to Tolland[.]

- 28 Warm and pleseant done up the chores[.] Wife Carrie & Children & I went to Tolland to visit sisters. Harry fixed fence around north lot.
- 29 Warm and windy drew a load of Posts and set them on north side of Granger lot. Nellie went in the Hollow, Frank went to Frosts, Will went back to Albany in afternoon[.] Frank set a few scions in apple trees[.]
- 30 Very warm for the season. Frank and Family started for home in Amherst[.] Harry & I went to the old mill drew up the carriage & saw frame put it in the Fenn Barn[.]
- May ' Cool and windy[.] Harry went to Winsted[.] I dug post holes to divide the lot on Fenn place south of the road. Went to prayer meeting to Geo Treats[.]
- 2 Cool ground froz[e] in the morning[.] Took down wire fence on Fenn place. Harry went to Roberts mill on Slocum lot got some posts. Went to Barber place got a load of ashes[.]
- 3 Cloudy and cold signs of rain in Evening. Attended Church alone, held communion service.
- 4 Rained a little in the morning cleared off about 9 o'clock warm. Chored about went to the mill got a load of sawdust[.] Worked on fence on Fenn place.
- 5 Mild and pleseant some cloudy towards night wind East some signs of rain[.] Worked on fence on Fenn place[.] Oliver E Slocum came over in Eve got 4 Bags Fertilizer[.]
- 6 Mild and pleseant. Worked on Fenn place putting up Barbed wire fence south of road[.] Wm Keep came got a Pig[.] Ed Ransom came just at night got Pig & Fertiliz[er][.]
- 7 Mild and pleseant in the morning clouded up and rained a little about noon. Went to Winsted with Eggs & Butter, got 25 for Butt[er], Eggs 20 cts[.]
- 8 Warm and pleseant, finished fencing on the Fenn place[.]
- 9 Warm and pleseant very dry plowed the garden and planted some Potatoes & sweet corn south road [sic], planted som[e] Peas, sowed a few Beets in garden[.] Frost came got 2 Pigs[.]
- 10 Warm and pleseant. Carrie Boy & I went to Church had an Excel[lent] Sermon[.]
- 11 Warm and pleseant[.] Went on north lot to see the Heifers[.] Miller came up & plowed in Hog lot in forenoon. Harry & I planted Potatoes there in afternoon[.] Attended Huschall [?] meeting at Parsonage in Eve.
- 12 Cool nights and mornings, warm in middle of the day, took Carrie and children to Westfield, to stay awhile, brought back som[e] grain[.] Hays, Carl & Jeffies [sic] came from Westfield to go fishing.
- 13 Cloudy in the morning cleared off warm. Miller came up plowed awhile in forenoon[.] Cut some bean poles planted a few Potatoes. Went to Ladies Society Cemetery meeting Parish meeting[.]
- 14 Warm and dry[.] Worked at plan[t]ing Potatoes down west in Hog or Sheep lot drag[g]ed in afternoon. George Darling shot and Killed himself at C Moody just at night.
- 15 Warm and dry[.] Planted Potatoes in Hog lot. Harry worked getting out manure for Corn. Harger came down got some seed corn.
- 16 Warm and dry finished planting Potatoes in forenoon. Nelson called. Got out manure on corn land. Harry took old Sow to Club House[.]
- 17 Very warm and dry[.] Went to Church. The remains of Geo Darling buried in this Cemetery funeral at C H Moody's house.
- 18 Warm and pleseant[.] Worked in garden in forenoon helped Harry get out manure in afternoon. Stanard brought his wool.
- 19 Warm and dry[.] Worked on corn ground plowing and getting out manure[.]
- 20 Warm with a light shower in afternoon. Got the ground ready to plant corn. C Farnham brought his wool down did not buy it. Harry went fishing[.]
- 21 Warm and pleseant. Went to Winsted with Butter and Eggs. Harry went to Frosts sheared his and our Sheep[.]
- 22 Warm and windy and very dry[.] Harry drag[g]ed on corn piece and we planted some.

- 23 Warm and pleseant. We planted corn in forenoon[.] Harry sheared Miller sheep in afternoon[.] I planted corn[.]
- 24 Cool and cloudy with a little sleet or hail in the morning, cloudy in the Eve with signs of rain[.] Went to Church Rev Richards of W Hartland preached[.]
- 25 [In 26th slot] Mon 25[.] Cool and dry[.] We finished planting field corn No[r]th West of the House, the ground very dry and dusty[.]
- 26 [In 25th slot] Tues 26[.] Cool and dry. Went to Tolland got tires set on wagon, in the forenoon. Butchered a Hog in afternoon G Miller & G Chaffee helped[.] A mistake this is for Tues.
- 27 Cloudy East wind some signs of rain. Got up at 3 AM loaded a fat Hog started at 4 went to Springfield wt 346, 7 cts per lb, took breakfast at Carries got back there at 1, home about 6.
- 28 Cloudy with 2 showers during day wet the ground in good shape. Worked in garden a little chored about. Harry went to B Thompsons W Hartland sheared sheep[.]
- 29 Mild some cloudy planted some sweet corn for fodder. Harry came home from Thompson and started for Canaan to visit his Father[.]
- 30 Mild and pleseant. Went to Mr Nelsons helped about sawing off his Bulls horns, his sons home. Decker sawed the[m] off, patched the Barn roof hoed the garden planted pole Beans stuck Squash & Pumpkin seeds[.]
- 31 Cool but pleseant[.] Mr Newton Hartshorn & Wife call[e]d on way to Springfield. Wife & I attended [Church] Text Rev[elation] 15th chapter] 2nd verse] ["And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God."].
- Jun 1 Cool in the morning warm in the mid[d]le of the day[.] Went to Munns got Horse shod and one tire set on wagon in forenoon. Worked in garden in afternoon. Em & I went to Frosts in Eve got some wool[.]
- 2 Cool in morning pleseant. Weighed up some wool and loaded it. Chored about and done odd jobs. Harry came back from Canaan[.]
- 3 Cool in the morning windy in the mid[d]le of the day. Went to Agawam with wool took dinner at D Jacksons. Stayed all night with S S Bodurtha[.]
- 4 Cool in the morning warm in afternoon, very smoky [In Amherst "sun was almost wholly obscured by smoke due to forest fires"; May precip there was 0.48", the driest from 1836-2006]. Came home from Agawam. Cultivated a few rows of Potatoes and hoed them.
- 5 Warm and smoky went to Uinsted [sic] with Butter and Eggs got 22 cts retail for Eggs. Frank Thompson rode up to Hartland with me, & Stewart to Riverton from Hartland[.]
- 6 Warm and cloudy some smoke. Harry & I went to A Frosts got my sheep that he had been keeping for me. Got a load of Pea Brush chored about.
- 7 Cloudy rained a little in forenoon and rained some during the night[.] Went to Church and Prayer meeting in Eve.
- 8 Cloudy rained quite hard some of the time during forenoon, done odd jobs during day put up ashes to make soap. G Miller came up in afternoon[.]
- 9 Warm and cloudy signs of showers[.] Harry & I put in the floor sleepers in Barn put up 2 Rafters commenced boarding the Gable End. A Frost called in morning[.]
- 10 Warm with showers around us. Harry & I worked at boarding Gable End of Barn[.] Wife & I went to Ladies Society took supper.
- 11 Warm with showers in afternoon at the north and south of us rained a little here rained some during night. Worked on Barn in forenoon put up wire fence west side of Granger lot[.]
- 12 Rained hard in forenoon a lot of water fell, did not rain very much in afternoon. Harry went fishing I chored about.
- 13 Warm with scat[t]ering clouds. Wife & I went to Westfield muddy going. Went to Carries found them gone to Vermont, to stay awhile, done some trading called at Mrs Parsons.

- 14 Cloudy rained some during day and all night. Attended Church had a strawberry shortcake for supper.
- 15 Rained hard all day wind NE, done chores. Churn[e]d in forenoon, put up some window curtains and chor[e]d about. Mr Nelson called.
- 16 Cloudy and wet in the morning broke away but sund [sic] did not shine. Worked on the Barn put up some of the Rafters[.]
- 17 Warm but somewhat cloudy, rained a little in the Evening. Worked on the Barn put on some Rafters[.] Strawberry & Ice Cream Social in Eve. We all went down.
- 18 Warm and wet[.] Carried Wife to the Ladies room to clean up butchered a Lamb[.] Pat brought Lib over she stayed[.]
- 19 Cloudy and it rained a little in afternoon. Went to Winsted with Butter Eggs Potatoes & Lamb brought Lovina Breckenridge & Betsey [sic] Smith home with me.
- 20 Cloudy but did not rain a little warmer. Harry & I took a Heifer out of North lot turned her into Hargers lot. Worked on the Barn some.
- 21 Rained quite hard all day. Wind NE and cool, did not go to Church. Made some Ice Cream[.] Lib played on Organ Lovina & Sister Smith sung[.]
- 22 Cloudy wind NE very wet[.] Worked on the Barn a little while, rained in afternoon with thunder[.] Pat came over got Lib[.]
- 23 Cloudy and wet cold rained in afternoon[.] Harry drew a load of Boards & a load of saw dust from the mill. Worked on Barn a little. Steve Hall came stayed all night[.]
- 24 Rained a little in forenoon more broken in afternoon[.] Chored about in forenoon. Worked on Barn in afternoon Harry went fishing[.]
- 25 Cloudy wind East sun shone some in afternoon cloudy in Eve. I went to Winsted got 3,000 shingle Keg Nails Bbl flour some grain. Harry worked on Barn[.]
- 26 Mild and pleseant[.] Chored about in the morning, took Em, Lovina B & Betsey [sic] Smith to Tolland took Dinner with Len & Lib, had Chicken Pie.
- 27 Warm and pleseant took Em & Sister Smith to Westfield they took Trolley for Amherst to visit Frank, got home at 2 PM, put the Pump back in well[.] Cultivated some corn.
- 28 Pleseant, some signs of a storm in afternoon. Lovina & [I] went to Church, Childrens Sunday[.] We went to Prayer meeting in Eve.
- 29 Cloudy wet in forenoon and rained quite hard all the afternoon hoed in the garden in forenoon sit in the House in afternoon. Harry went to Westfield got Em & Sister Smith[.]
- 30 Warm and pleseant, a thunder shower about, 6 PM. Carried Sister Smith to Warren Hawleys Cold Spring, met Henry Spring there Lovina went with us. Went through E Otis, back by the Dam. [Wettest June in Amherst from 1862 to 1922 and the coldest from 1836-2006]
- Jul 1 Warm and some cloudy, quite warm in afternoon & Eve, plowed out the Potatoes in forenoon hoed $\frac{1}{2}$ of them in afternoon butchered a Lamb just at night[.]
- 2 Warm and pleseant[.] Went to Winsted with Eggs and Butter Eggs 25 cts retail[.] Lovina B went with [me] took car home to Torrington[.]
- 3 Warm and pleseant, finished hoeing Potatoes in forenoon and cutivated out the corn, hoed in afternoon[.]
- 4 Warm and pleseant, hoed the garden and bushed the Peas hoed 2 rows Potatoes south of the road. Harry went to Picnic at W G.
- 5 Warm and pleseant cloudy towards night with signs of rain, rained when we went to bed, at 10:30. Attended Church but few out. Went up to North lot, to see cattle just at night[.]
- 6 Very warm with rain in the morning, cleared off hot about 9 AM. Went to Cables got some shingle, got homa [sic] about 2 PM, shingled awhile[.]
- 7 Very warm and pleseant. Cultivated and hoed corn very small and weedy[.]
- 8 Very warm and good hay weather. We hoed corn. S W Decker and Mr Severance called here in Eve.

- 9 Very warm[.] We hoed corn, finished about noon. Shingled in afternoon[.] Sent to Westfield by Stage cot [sic] some Southern corn to plant, drove to Deckers in Eve with Wife[.]
- 10 Hot, and pleseant[.] Carried Wife to the Hall to help clean it Mrs Decker & Mrs Hunt helped I brought water[.] Came home dropped some corn and partly covered it with cultivator finished it with hoe. Shingled awhile[.]
- 11 Warm grew cloudy and sprinkled a little in afternoon hay did not dry much got out Mower & Rake ground the Knives and mowed north of House. Went to Munns with rake wheels in afternoon[.]
- 12 Very warm with a hard shower South and East of us towards night. Attended Church, had Communion Service[.] Fred Slocum and Will Webber of Tolland called took supper.
- 13 Cloudy sprinkled a little in forenoon wind North West a little broken in afternoon. Mowed around the old cellar on Granger lot and a piece on East side[.] Got Millers rake and raked north of House got in 2 loads, 1 out.
- 14 Cloudy with showers in afternoon, sun shone some in forenoon. Spread out hay in Granger lot. Got in 2 loads north [of] House in forenoon, raked the Granger lot got 2 loads there between showers[.]
- 15 Cloudy and dull no hay day. Chored about in forenoon[.] We all went a Huckeleberrying [sic] in afternoon on north lot, got 15 qts.
- 16 Cool and cloudy in forenoon, sun shone some in afternoon, a fair hay day. Went to Winsted with Eggs & Butter Eggs 28 cts retail. Carried some berries[.]
- 17 Warm and pleseant a fair hay day. Mowed a piece in Granger lot by hand and a piece in orchard with machine[.] Got in 3 loads left out some.
- 18 Cloudy rained in afternoon raked and cocked 63 heaps got in one small load left some spread out, took 2 wheels off from farm wagon to Munns to get repaired[.]
- 19 Warm rained in the morning broken towards noon a little showery in afternoon. Did not feel well went to bed. Em & I drove out to Tolland in afternoon.
- 20 Warm some cloudy showery in afternoon drove to lower club house Tolland, up to Munn's shop got 2 wagon wheels, 2 Murdock boys went with [me]. Mr Bates & Wife called in afternoon[.]
- 21 Warm and cloudy with light showers, heavy showers around us. Harry & I shingled finished the East roof of new Barn[.]
- 22 Warm and broken with a shower about 4 PM. Churned in morning. We opened the hay dried some got in 3 small loads 3 more out.
- 23 Mild a fair hay day. Opened hay and got in some finished mowing the orchard[.]
- 24 Pleseant a good hay day. Mowed a piece in south lot, got in what was out in orchard and one load in south lot[.] Butchered a sheep just at night[.]
- 25 Warm. Went to Club house with a sheep & some Eggs, got back 10:30, rooled [sic] up the hay got in 3 loads from south lot[.] Butchered a sheep Mr Marble from Club House came after it and Jar of Butter in Eve.
- 26 Very warm some cloudy with showers around us, had service in Church at 3:30. Ministers from Eass [sic] part of town and the people came over. Home week services[.]
- 27 Very cold for season and windy for time of year. Mowed all the west side of Granger lot and old lane got in 11 load[.]
- 28 Warm and pleseant a very good hay day cloudy towards night and in Eve, signs of rain. Mowed a little by hand in morning[.] Went to getting in hay, got in 4 loads finished the Granger lot. Em & Murdocks went berrying[.]
- 29 Cloudy sun tried to shine, looked showery, rained a little in Eve. Went to Winsted with Eggs & Butter & Berries, got 28 cts for Eggs. Harry went to Granville Center old Home week day[.]
- 30 Cloudy and dull no hay day, unloaded hay wagon mowed a little in afternoon on Fenn place. Came up a shower towards night. Watson of Westfield fed horse and got Dinner.

31

Cloudy cool wind NW. Mowed some on Fenn place south of Hen houses and East. Went up on North lot about 3 o'clock picked some Huckleberries[.] Butchered 2 sheep just at night[.]

Aug 1 Warm and pleasant a good Hay day. Went to Club House with 2 sheep, Murdock rode over with me. Worked on Fenn place got in 3 load. Sheets cut my eye.

2 Warm and pleasant. Went to Church a good congregation out. Mrs Pendleton and Children of Winsted there.

3 Cloudy wind East rained in Evening. Ground mower knives and scythes bound up the rye mowed a little on Fenn place. Got in the rye after dinner raked and cocked what we mowed, and mowed awhile[.]

4 Cloudy wind East rained in afternoon[.] Cultivated out the corn, sowed some turnips in forenoon laid floor overhead in new Barn in afternoon[.]

5 Rained moderately all day. Chored about the House in forenoon laid some plank for stable floor in new Barn. N Harger called.

6

Cloudy dull weather a shower in afternoon [&] Eve. Got some plank into barn moved [?] some board [?][.] Butchered 2 sheep in afternoon took them to Club House, rained when going over[.]

7

Warmer a fair hay day ground very wet. Mowed on Fenn lot, got in 2 load left out 3 small ones.

8 Pleasant in forenoon hazy in afternoon, hay did not dry very well. Mowed the corner lot on Fenn place, got it in 3 loads, got in 3 loads south of the Barn[.]

9 Cloudy and foggy rained a very little cleared off just at night pleasant in Eve. Went to Church Rev I W Smith preached came here to lunch. Called on Campers at Nelsons in Eve.

10 Mild and pleasant a very good hay day[.] Mowed on Fenn place East side of drain A Hunt helped us, got in 3 load[.] I took grey cow to Hargers in Eve.

11 Cloudy signs of rain a shower in the Evening, a poor hay day. Mowed on the Fenn place got in 4 loads A Hunt helped us.

12 Cool a very good hay day, finished finished [sic] the Fenn place and mowed 2 loads in south lot. Got in 3 small loads on Fenn place Hunt helped us.

13

Cool in the morning but pleasant, a good hay day. Went to Winsted by way of Club House took 2 lambs there, took Butter & Eggs to Winsted[.] Grace Pendleton & Mary Welch rode down with me.

14 Warm and pleasant a good Hay day[.] Mowed a piece in south lot had G Chaffee in afternoon Mr Nelson and Lewis Barnes helped awhile got in 4 loads[.]

15 Warm and pleasant[.] Went on north lot salted cattle got Sheets flail threshed a little rye. Chored about picked a few Blackberries. Harry went to Winsted got his Sisters[.]

16 Cloudy signs of rain wind NW sprinkled a little in afternoon. We all went to Church Rev Bates preached Text John 17th chapter 19th verse ["And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth."]. Pat & Len called in Eve they came and brought Lib to Millers[.]

17 Warm and pleasant a good hay day, a shower north of us finished mowing the south lot got it in 5 loads. Milo Miller helped us in afternoon, the last of the Haying.

18

Warm a good hay day[.] Mowed out the road, picked some Huckleberries [sic] on the north lot.

19 Cloudy signs of rain, a light shower in afternoon. Mowed the side road west of House. Killed 2 Lambs in forenoon. Got in what we mowed north road. Carried Wife to Society, took 2 Lambs to Club House[.]

20 Warm with a light shower in forenoon cloudy all day. Went to Cables got a load of shingle in forenoon, put ridge boards on new Barn[.] A Frost came up got Mower & Rake.

- 21 Pleseant, a good hay day. Harry & I went to A Frosts worked at haying. Mowed a piece with machine, got in 2 loads[.]
 - 22 Warm and pleseant a good Hay day. Worked for A Frost. Mowed awhile in the morning, went to getting in hay got in 7 loads[.]
 - 23 Very warm and windy, showers in afternoon at the south. Harry and I went to Church[.]
 - 24 Cloudy with a dash of rain in morning, broke away about noon, hay dried well. Worked for Frost, mowed by hand in forenoon got in 2 loads. Mowed with machine in afternoon[.]
 - 25 Rained until 10 AM cleared off hot with showers in afternoon laid stable floor in New Barn in forenoon drew a small load of Hay from Fenn Barn went Blackberrying. Nellie and Sister came in Eve.
 - 26 Warm and cloudy signs of showers wind NE. Got wood into wood house. Nellie & Sister went to Tolland in afternoon.
 - 27 Broken in morning grew cloudy wind SE. Comme[n]ced shingling the East roof of Old Barn[.] Butchered 2 Lambs. Nellie & Sister came back from Tolland went into the Hollow spent the night here.
 - 28 Cloudy commenced raining about 11 AM not very hard. Went to Winsted by way of Club House took 2 Lambs & Eggs took Butter to Winsted brought back some grain meal [\$]1.30[.]
 - 29 Cool rained quite hard all day wind SE, repaired the wagon platform chored about.
 - 30 Cloudy and wet rained a little[.] Walked down to Church 6 present, did not have any Sermon had a general discussion on matters[.]
 - 31 Cloudy and damp in the morning more broken in the afternoon. Carried Harry to Winsted to take train to Salisbury Ct where he expects to work. Got home at 4 PM[.]
- Sep 1 Very warm sun shone some first time since for [sic] a week. Went to Hargers in morning and to Millers[.] Worked at shingling Barn. Went to Millers in Eve.
- 2 Warm, cloudy in afternoon signs of showers, hay dried some. Butchered a Lamb in morning[.] Went to Frosts about 10, raked up some hay. G Miller & Milo came down in afternoon got in 4 loads, took supper with Ladies [Society][.]
 - 3 Very warm and pleseant a good hay day. Went to Winsted by way of Club House took Gerti[e] & Mertie down. Got Horse shod called on Mrs A Terrell [possibly Terrett, or Farell?].
 - 4 Very warm hay dried well. Went to A Frost's mowed some with machine G Miller worked got in 2 loads. John Rogers lost a boy with scarlet fever, sick but few hours.
 - 5 Very warm cloudy in afternoon with a shower south of us with hail. Went to Frosts mowed some with machine. Decker & Brown worked, got in 4 loads.
 - 6 Cooler but pleseant. Attended Church had Communion Service[.]
 - 7 Pleseant a good hay day, cool in morning and Evening. Worked for A Frost on his upper lot. G Chaffee worked there, [&] G Miller[.] Mowed with machine got down 2 loads in afternoon[.]
 - 8 Cool in the morning, a good hay day[.] Worked for A Frost on his upper lot, picked out after machine, raked and rooled [sic] in forenoon, got down 2 loads in afternoon[.]
 - 9 Cloudy looked like rain. Em and I went to New Boston to the Fair Ruth Nelson rode over with us Len and Lib rode down with [sic]. Lib came back to Millers with us.
 - 10 Cloudy and damp in the morning did not rain. Miller came up in morning, picked pears got some hay from Fenn place, got a load of saw dust. Harger came down in afternoon. Went to Milo Marshall in Eve sold him 10 Pigs[.]
 - 11 Warm and pleseant[.] Went to Club House with Lamb and Eggs[.] Chored about, dug a few potatoes in afternoon, took a cow to Hargers.
 - 12 Warm and pleseant[.] Went to Winsted with Butter and Eggs got home about 5 PM.
 - 13 Very warm and pleseant. Attended Church at 1:30 Rev Dr Emerich Sec [?] Home Missionary So[ciety] spoke. Attended Prayer meeting in Eve.
 - 14 Hot and clear. Went to Henry Blair Blandford got a Buck, took Dinner with him got home about 4 PM.

- 15 Very warm, done the chores and dug Potatoes west in sheep lot, found them quite rotten but very large but few small ones[.] Rev Dr Emrich & Bates called in afternoon[.]
- 16 Warm and cloudy wind got into NE in afternoon and com[m]enced to rain about 4 PM very hard wind blew, hard, until 7. I dug Potatoes yielded very well some rotten ones[.]
- 17 Cloudy rained in the afternoon and Eve, ground very wet. Went to Hargers in morning salted cattle on north lot, got up sheep butchered a Lamb, unloaded a load of Potatoes.
- 18 Cool in the morning but pleseant. Went to Club House with a Lamb, dug Potatoes[.] Went to Prayer meeting at Geo Treats in Eve.
- 19 Mild and pleseant dug Potatoes Geo Treat helped me awhile in after noon [sic] finished the Cobblers, 18 bush. H Ripley called to see Pigs.
- 20 Cool and pleseant[.] Wife & I attended Church, R Norton & Wife from Otis there. Text Romans 8th chapter] 32nd verse], ["He that spared not"] His own Son ["but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?"]. Went to Prayer meeting in Eve, Lib rode down with us.
- 21 Warm a little cloudy about noon but blew over, dug Potatoes in the forenoon, Geo Treat helped me awhile[.] Went to A Frost's in afternoon mowed a piece of grass with machine[.]
- 22 Warm and pleseant[.] Carried Sister Lib to Barkhamsted through the hollow went to Case's Store took Dinner with Mrs Sarah Case[.]
- 23 Warm and pleseant[.] Chored about cleaned out the creamery had to take 2 cans to Sheets got them mended. Got up the sheep Killed a Lamb. Wife went to Ladies So[ciety].
- 24 Cool windy and cloudy wind NW, cleared off just at night. Went to Winsted took Lamb to Beardsley House, took Butter & Eggs, brought home grain meal [\$]1.30[.]
- 25 Mild and pleseant[.] Went to Hargers in morning with cow dug Potatoes the rest part [sic] of the day[.]
- 26 Mild some cloudy in afternoon wind south, finished digging Potatoes in Hog lot, got a fair yield. Went to store in Eve, Em went to Millers we [?] spent the Eve.
- 27 Cloudy rained a little a thunder shower just at night. Went to Church Mr Bates preached his farewell Sermon Tex[t] Job 19th chapter] 25th verse], For I know that my Redeemer liveth ["and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth."][.]
- 28 Cool and windy did not feel well in morning. Cut corn very poor[.] Went to G Millers in Eve.
- 29 Cool with a little frost in morning wind blew some[.] I worked at cutting corn NW of House[.] Wife & I went to S Deckers in Eve to see Mr Bates he had gone.
- 30 Cool in morning some frost on low ground, very pleseant during day. Went to Winsted got Bbl flour at Woodruffs [\$]5.65 some grain at Watchers[.]
- Oct 1 Warm and pleseant unloaded the grain finished cutting the corn in forenoon, got up the sheep[.] Pearl Newton came up got a Lamb in afternoon. ~~Picked a few apples.~~
- 2 Warm and pleseant[.] Carried Wife to the Hall she cleaned and filled the Lamps I put up some brackets. I picked some apples in pasture in afternoon. A prayer meeting here in Eve.
- 3 Warm and pleseant picked some apples down west beside the road in forenoon. Went on the north lot, picked up some in afternoon. Mr Underwood from Long Meadow came stayed all night[.]
- 4 Cloudy and broken during day and Eve, warm. Attended Church Rev Underwood preached an Excellent Sermon. Miller carried him to Tolland, he held a meeting in Hall in Eve.
- 5 Mild cloudy in forenoon some broken, rained a little in afternoon[.] Cleaned out sheep stable put it in hogpen [sic]. Got a load sawdust, chored about. Rev Underwood returned by Stage[.]
- 6 Mild and pleseant[.] Went to Academy Hall fixed so Mrs Hunt could paper the stairway, put 2 loads of dirt in my shed. Picked a few apples in young orchard. Set shoe on Magranis Hors[e].

- 7 Cloudy and wet, continued damp all day & Eve. Picked a few apples on Fenn place in morning and some and some [sic] in cow pasture in afternoon. Ladies had Chicken Pie supper in Eve, not many out.
- 8 Mild foggy and damp broken in afternoon. Carried Wife to clean up the Hall in morning. Nephew T Ives and another Chap called got Dinner rained in Eve.
- 9 Wind N East rained very hard in morning and some all day. Magranis came up in mor[ni]ng sent box by Stage[.] I threshed rye[.]
- 10 Cloudy and windy with light showers during day, rained quite hard about 5 PM. Went to Winsted with Butter & Eggs, brought home grain meal [\$]1.30[.]
- 11 Cool and wet, windy[.] I went to Church a small attendance. Rev Mr Richmond from New Ham[p]shire preached as a candidate, Text from Job, I know that my Reedemer [sic] liveth.
- 12 Cloudy with light showers from the west, finished threshing rye. A very wet time for the past week.
- 13 Cloudy in the morning wind west cleared off, pleseant[.] Chored about in forenoon, P Slocum came got 3 Pigs. Mowed a little rowen with mower in afternoon[.] Went to J Hunts in Eve and to Millers.
- 14 Very pleseant wind blew some. Worked at shingleing [sic] the East roof of the Barn raked up rowen[.] Lib came up in afternoon.
- 15 Warm with signs of a storm towards night. Shingled a while in forenoon[.] Got up the sheep, sold 7 to S W Decker, took a Lamb to P Newton[.] Rev Richmond stayed with us, all night.
- 16 Cloudy wind SW damp sun shone out about 9, cloudy again. Shingled awhile on Barn[.] Attended prayer meeting at G Millers. Rev Richmond stayed here all night[.]
- 17 Cloudy a[nd] damp in forenoon, a wet afternoon. Went to Munn got Horse shod. Got up sheep took 2 Lambs to C H Treat brought home Fanning Mill.
- 18 Cool and very windy, a sprinkle or [sic] rain in morning with 2 Rainbows in NW. Wife & I went to Church Rev Richmond from Chichester NH as a candidate[.] Went to prayer meeting in Eve.
- 19 Cool with light showers wind SW. Chaffee helped me clean up rye 13 Bush. Went to Riverton got some grain[.]
- 20 Mild and pleseant[.] Em & I went to New Boston to see Aunt Electa found her quite well. Mrs S S Bodurtha of Agawam and Son came stayed all night[.]
- 21 Mild and pleseant opened the rowen[.] Killed 10 chick[en]s[.] Got Chaffee to help get in the rowen[.] Got up sheep Newton got a Lamb, Brunk got one of his. Mrs Bodurtha & Son went on Beech Hill came back stayed all night.
- 22 Mild and pleseant[.] Mrs Bodurtha & Elmer started for home. Chored about in forenoon, got in some corn in afternoon[.]
- 23 Cloudy and rainey [sic][.] Went to Winsted with Butter Lib went with me to do some trading. Went by way of Colebrook River[.]
- 24 Mild cloudy grew cold towards night[.] Em went to Westfield with Sheets to see Carrie. I churned in forenoon, picked up a few apples[.] Pat & Len came over.
- 25 Cold in the morning Ice $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick warmer towards night[.] Went to Church Rev Coolidge preached as a candidate Text Be ye reconciled to God, a good Sermon[.]
- 26 Cold and windy with squalls of snow done chores, pulled the Beets picked the tree of sweet apples by Hog lot west, got in the Pumpkins. Em came home in Stage.
- 27 Cold and windy with a squall of snow during night husked corn, very poor corn, the poorest I Ever raised [In Amherst August was the coldest from 1836-2006 by a full degree; only 3 others were less than 2.5 degrees warmer; also the coldest June and summer on record].
- 28 Cold in morning froze hard, ground covered with snow all gone by noon, husked corn awhile put up 4 Bbls apples to go to H H Fenn Meriden[.]

- 29 Mild and pleseant[.] Went to Riverton took 5 Bbls apples, sent by Wachter to Winsted to ship to H
H Fenn brought up some grain[.]
- 30 Warm and pleseant drew off a few stone on the north End of corn piece near the old lane and
plowed awhile[.]
- 31 Very pleseant and mild, plowed awhile near old lane. Went to Deckers got Miller drag sowe[d]
some rye and dragged it in, took sow to Tunxis Club farm left her.
- Nov 1 Mild and pleseant done chores read some. Albert Sheets drove my young cattle down I put them
in Barn till towards night put them in Fenn lot. Em went to Tolland with Lib & G Miller[.]
- 2 Mild and pleseant warm for the season[.] I took Henry Blairs Buck home got home 1:30, dragged
on rye piece. Went to G Miller in Eve.
- 3 Warm and pleseant[.] Went to Tunxis Club got my Sow in forenoon, husked corn in afternoon.
Wife & I went to M Nelsons spent the Eve. State Election[.]
- 4 Warm and pleseant husked corn awhile in the morning got the rest of it into Barn. Carried a Lamb
to Chas H Treat. Got a Bbl apples at Mrs Stancliff to carry to Winsted for her.
- 5 Cool rained some wind changed to NW grew cold. Carried Em to Brunks and Martha went to New
Boston with her. I worked at husking corn.
- 6 Cold and windy[.] Went to Winsted took a Bbl apples to Mrs Holmes Spencer St[.] Carried Butter
brought home 2 Bbl[.] Attended Social at C A Sheets in Eve 45 present.
- 7 Cold froze all day[.] Chored about, got some wood into wood House in afternoon.
- 8 Cold but milder towards night[.] Attended Church no Minister read a Sermon. Stayed to Sunday
School[.]
- 9 Mild and pleseant done up the chores got ready to butcher[.] Will Brunk & Geo Chaffee helped
me kill t[w]o Pigs in the afternoon[.]
- 10 Mild and very pleseant. Carried 1¹/₂ Pigs to Westfield to Osborne Bros 231 [lbs] 7¹/₂ cts, took
Dinner with Carrie brought the boy home with me.
- 11 Mild and very pleseant. Went to A Cables got 3,000 shingle [\$]2.75 per M.
- 12 Cloudy in the morning wind NE signs of rain wind changed to NW cleared off cooler and windy[.]
Shingled awhile butchered a sheep carried it to Deckers to go to Westfield[.]
- 13 Cool in the morning very pleseant done chores and shingled on the Barn the rest of the day[.]
- 14 Mild cloudy towards night some signs of a storm, a squall of snow in Evening and cooler.
Shingled on the Barn. S Decker came over just at night returned the wagon[.]
- 15 Cool but pleseant[.] We went to Church took Burton with us[.] Rev C S Bates here and preached
to us Text, Whom say ye that I am. Decker took him to Tolland, called here when came back[.]
- 16 Cold and raw com[m]enced storming about 9 o'clock, sleet, turned to rain, quite stormy[.] Chored
about nearly all day. E H Seymour called inspecting cattle. Eat his lunch here.
- 17 Cloudy rained some in morning, warm wind changed to NW towards night and cooler, rode to
store with Magranis in morning called to Millers[.] Salted Pork & Hams and chored about[.]
- 18 Cool but pleseant grew cold towards night. Went to Holcomb Bros with cider apples, brought back
a Bbl cider for G Miller. Carried Em to L A S [Ladies Aid Society?] came home done chores went
down Eat Supper[.]
- 19 [In 20th slot] Thurs[.] Cold quite wintery [sic]. Started for Winsted at 8 AM with Butter, got back at
6 PM [Sunset 4:39], got some wall Paper for Parsonage[.]
- 20 [In 19th slot] Friday[.] Cool in morning milder during day. Chored about done some odd Jobs[.] E
H Seymour called looked at Sylvia[.] A Newton called Wm Keep came got a Pig \$3.00.
- 21 Cool in morning moderated some, done chores, put on some boards on East side of old Barn
where hog tore them off, fixed the Pig pen got Pigs and old Sow into it.

- 22 Cloudy not very cold, snowed a little. Got the sheep up in morning turned them out again in afternoon[.] Went to Church Rev Coolidge preached Text, What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world &c.
- 23 Cloudy and foggy snowed and rained a little towards night grew cold. G Chaffee helped me butcher hog for M Nelson in forenoon. We butchered one for Mr Harger in afternoon[.]
- 24 Cool and windy blew hard in Eve. Carried Em to Parsonage in morning, took cow Sylvia to Mrs Noble Granville \$42.50, rode back with Soules team[.]
- 25 Cold wind blew some, done chores Killed 2 Hens & the old Rooster, drove to Riverton and on to Wallens [?] Hill met Harry Hakes brought him up.
- 26 Cold and pleseant done the chores. Started at 9 o'clock for Westfield[.] Wife, Harry Hakes & Grandson Burton went with [me] to Carries to Thanksgiving Dinner had Turkey[.] Frank came down came home with us.
- 27 Cold but pleseant cloudy in Eve signs of a storm. Harry & Nic Newton went to Hall Pond fishing Frank carried them up, got 11 1/2 lbs. Chored about[.] Lib came up to Dinner had Chicken Pie. Al Newton came in Evening after Nic.
- 28 Cold but pleseant very frosty in the morning[.] Harry & Frank went to Tolland got Horse shod at Munn's I chored about.
- 29 Cold in the morning cloudy in afternoon signs of a storm[.] Frank Harry and I went to Church Rev Coolidge preached[.] Frank carried Harry to Riverton, going to Salisbury in morning[.]
- 30 Cold in morning but pleseant, frosty[.] Went to Hargers killed a Pig. Went to Riverton in afternoon got 800 grain. A pleseant month. [In Amherst only 3 colder 1904-2006; 15 colder 1836-1902]
- Dec 1 Cool in the morning frosty, moderated very pleseant. Chored about in forenoon. Frank went to A Frost, in morning. We put on ridge boards took down staging. W Cooley came out on Stage[.]
- 2 Cloudy wind NE snowed a little all day, rather cold. Got ready to go to Winsted did not go. Frank & Will went to Black Pond fishing caught 71[.] I chored about laid floor in new Barn[.] Aunt Electa Dimock died at 8:30 PM, 79 yrs 9 mos[.]
- 3 Milder with some snow falling, about 8 in[ches] cleared off in Eve. Ed Miner came over to tell us of Aunt Electa[s] death. Em & I went over to J Northways where she died stayed all night.
- 4 Mild and very pleseant fair slaying [sic] came home from New Boston. Got out sleigh carried Frank to Granville Corners to take Stage for home[.] Will went to Hall Pond fishing, fair luck.
- 5 Milder cloudy with a snow squall in forenoon. Wife and I went to New Boston attended the funeral of Aunt Electa Dimock at John Northway's buried at Otis, drove home through E Otis got home at 5 o'clock. Will here done chores[.]
- 6 Cool some cloudy wind NW. Carried W Cooley to Twining Hollow going home to Westfield, James McDonald was going to carry him to Mundale. Attended Church went up to Sheets on an Errand in Eve.
- 7 Mild with some signs of a storm, done the chores in morning got started for Winsted about 8, took Butter carried a Pig to Ed Ransom, weighed 70 lbs[.] Called at J G Spears he was at home.
- 8 Mild thawed a little signs of a storm quite cloudy in Eve, husked corn awhile in forenoon. Went to Roberts mill in afternoon got a load of saw dust.
- 9 Cloudy wind NE com[m]enced snowing about 4 PM quite hard rained a little about 10 in Eve cleared off. Em & I went to New Boston to John Northway to see about Aunt Electa affairs. Lib rode over with us from Pats.
- 10 Mild and pleseant snow enough for good sleighing, done chores loaded some straw on sled took it to B Roberts E Granville 880 lbs. Ordered cutter from Sears, Roebuck & Co.

- 11 Cool in morning but pleseant, done chores called to M Nelson's they were sick with colds, took 2 wagons to Latham place put them under shed, put up some Potatoes to take to Westfield[.] Wife & I called to Parsonage. Attended prayer meeting at G Millers in Eve[.]
- 12 Cool in morning milder towards night wind got into SW. Went to Westfield took some Potatoes to Mrs Parsons & J J Hearn bought a center tobe [?] and some grain took Dinner a[t] Carries got home about 6.
- 13 Rained in morning wind SW changed to NW grew colder with a squall of snow, cleared off pleseant, done chores did not go to Church[.]
- 14 Cool but pleseant wind west, done chores, got out 7 loads manure from manure shed, put it on the Granger lot, on the west side.
- 15 Cold wind west done chores, took the Pump to pieces did not work, val[v]e [?] loose. Went to Granville Corners got Horse shod in afternoon, got a letter from Nellie, Frank has the measles[.]
- 16 Cool west wind pleseant, put the Pump together got out 4 load manure in afternoon, put a shoe on sled. Em went to Sheets. Chaffee sick with measel [sic][.]
- 17 Cold in the morning a little warmer towards night, done chores started about 8 for Winsted with Butter, went with a slay [sic], rather poor going.
- 18 Very cold all day done chores, put some board on the doors on New Barn chored about.
- 19 Milder and pleseant, thawed a very little in the sun, signs of a storm in Eve. Cleaned out the Ice House, drove to Hargers paid him for Beef, 5¹/₂ cts 119 lbs[.] Em rode up to[o], found Mrs H in bed with measles.
- 20 Rained hard all day from So East, did not go to Church read Daughters of Revolution[.] Wrote to Frank & Harry in Eve.
- 21 Cooler and windy went down west south of road and chopped awhile. Got a letter from Nellie that Frank was quite bad off with measles[.]
- 22 Cool and windy[.] Chored about in the forenoon. Carried Em to Granville Center to take afternoon Stage for Westfield going to Amherst[.]
- 23 Mild and pleseant done chores and the house work. Went to Sheets to see how the sick were. Cut wood awhile in the afternoon[.]
- 24 Warmer thawed a little, snow squall just at night windy done chores and churned in forenoon cut wood awhile in afternoon.
- 25 Cloudy and warm thawed some. ~~a squall of snow just at night~~ Cut wood a while in forenoon. ~~Churned and~~ done chores in afternoon. Milo Miller came up to have me go down to Dinner did not go. Pat & Len called. Went to Prayer meeting at Parsonage, in Eve[.]
- 26 Snowed quite hard Early in morning, wind blew later from NW grew cold very blustering. Sheets came down about 2 in morning to have me go to E[ast] G[ranville] after Nurse Mrs Davis, went got back a[t] 7. Snowed very still done chores churned[.]
- 27 [Ther] 0[.] Cold and squally coldest morning yet, done chores drove to Sheets to see how sick were. Went to Church heard a[n] Excellent Sermon took Dinner with G Miller.
- 28 Cold in the morning some windy sun shone quite bright. Worked and balled 19 lbs butter done chores and house work. Geo Treat came in Eve to borrow a wagon wheel.
- 29 Cool wind East snowed about 3 inches cleared off towards night done up chores drew out to road 3 loads. Churned in afternoon. G Treat called in Eve.
- 30 Mild and pleseant with a snow squall about 4 PM, pleseant in Eve, done chores worked and balled some Butter. Went to Ladies Society in afternoon.
- 31 Cold and squally in the morning pleseant and milder in afternoon done my chores went to Winsted with Eggs and Butter 36 cts for Eggs 30 cts Butter, got home about 5, found Lib here with a good fire[.] G Miller came up in Eve.

[Memoranda] Nelson Harger Dr To Hay on Fenn place \$16.00; Cr Cash \$10.00; Apr 2^[nd] Cash \$6.00; X Paid X[.]

[Memoranda] Burt Knox Dr To 1 Pig \$2.75; Apr 7th by cash [\$]2.50[.]

[Memoranda] Dr To Fenn Bros to balance on Hay Sold \$6.15; Sent check for [\$]8.85; 1903 Paid Tax \$9.89[.]

[Memoranda] 1903 Frank Harrington Dr To Hattie Smith for rent of place \$40. Cr Cash \$30. Balance due for rent April 15th \$10[.]

[Memoranda] Received of James Hunt on the rent of Hattie Smith place Nov 2nd \$12.50; Jan 25th '04 Cash [\$]10.00; Feb 19th '04 [\$]5.00; July 16th '04 [\$]10.00; [total =] \$37.50; [plus] Harrington [\$]10 [=] [\$]47.50; Due from James Hunt on rent \$6.67 for Year Ending July 1st 1904; acct carried forward a few Pages[.]

[Memoranda] 1903 Hattie E Smith Dr To 5000 shingle cedar [\$]3.70; Shingle and 1000 cheap shingle [\$]2.50 per M; 1000 of J Welch [\$]4.10; 330 feet B[o]ards; Shingle Nails [\$0.]80; Hanover laying shingle and making well curb \$12.00; Shingle [\$]25.10; Boards [\$]3.30; Nails [\$0.]80; Expense [total =] \$41.20; Hattie Smith Cr \$10.00 money rec[eive]d of Harrington; rec[eive]d of J Hunt Sept [\$]5.00; Oct [\$]5.00; Nov 2nd [\$]2.50; Feb [\$]5.00; [total =] \$37.50[.]

[Memoranda] Paid Merrick L Co for shingle for Hattie Smith House \$21.00; Paid Joseph Welch [\$]4.00; Nails [\$]1.30; Roof Boards [\$]3.50; [total =] \$29.80; [plus] Miller for Drawing Hanover for Shingle [\$]12.00; [total =] \$41.80; Rec[iev]ed of rent [\$]32.50[.]

[Memoranda] May 19th turned old Sow; Turned young Sow Apr 24th due Aug 14th; Old Sow due Sept 5th[.]

[Memoranda] Wool 17¹/₂ cts Sold at 19 cts; Bought of Newton 89 [=] \$15.05 [calc = \$15.575]; Stanard 41¹/₂ [=] \$7.25 [calc = \$7.2625]; Brunk 6¹/₂ [=] \$1.13 [calc = \$1.1375]; Miller 47 = [\$]8.90 [calc = \$8.225]; A Frost 19 \$3.61 [calc = \$3.325]; [sum =] 201 [calc = 203]; Amount Wool 343[.]

[Memoranda] 1903 Wilbert Munn Dr To 4 Bush Potatoes 90 [\$]3.60; Fertilizer [\$]4.10; Paid[.]

[Memoranda] C Mubb Sheep; 1 [lamb] 32 [lbs] 12 [cts/lb] [=] \$3.84; 1 [lamb] 30 [lbs] [=] \$3.60; Eggs 7.25 [doz at 27 cts?] [\$]1.96; [sum =] \$9.40; Aug 1st 2 [lambs] 59 lbs [\$]7.08; 6th 2 [lambs] 69 lbs [at] 12 [cts per lb] [\$]8.28; Aug 13th 2 Lambs 67¹/₂ lbs 1.5 [possibly 15 cts/lb?]; 19th 2 [lambs] 66¹/₂[.]

[Memoranda] Turned Nellie about June 20th; Turned Gray Cow Aug 10th; Turned May Sept 11th; 25th; Turned Kit Nov 30; Turned Sow Nov 2, '03; Due Feb 22, '04;

[Memoranda] 1903 Nelson Harger Dr Aug 17th To grass [\$]2.50; Cr to 7⁶/₁₂ Doz Eggs [\$]1.88; Sept 2nd 6¹/₂ Doz Eggs 27 [\$]1.75; Paid[.]

[Memoranda] A Frost Dr Aug 21st work [\$]1.50; 22nd [\$]1.00; 24th [\$]1.50; Sept 2nd [\$0.]75; 4th [\$]1.50; 5th [\$]1.50; 7th [\$]1.00; 8th [\$]1.00; Sept 21st [\$0.]60; [sum =] \$10.35 [minus] Discount [\$]1.35 [=] \$9.00; Cr July 1, 1904 [\$]4.00; Cash 4 Dr [\$]5.00; Transferred to 1904 Book[.]

[Memoranda] Hattie Smith Brought forward. Expense for Shingling House \$41.80; Paid 1904 Tax [\$]8.80; [sum =] \$50.60; [minus] Rec[eive]d of rent [\$]47.50; Balance [\$]3.10; Rec[eive]d of James Hunt July 05, Balance on rent \$6.00; Due from Frank Harrington \$10.00; [\$]6.00 [minus] \$3.10 [=] \$2.90; [\$]47.50 [+] [\$]6 [=] \$53.50; Sent check Jan 1, '06 [?] to Balance.

[Memoranda] Scratches on Horses Sweet Oil 6 ozs; Borax 2 [ozs]; Sugar Lead [?] 2 [ozs][.]

[Pocket in back of Diary] Clipping "For Sale Eight extra fine grade Shropshire ewes and two ewe lambs. Wanted a young ox or a pair. Dwight Rogers, West Cornwall, Ct." A scratch sheet of figuring. Clipping "Valley Farm White Rocks won one half the Pan firsts. Simsbury, Conn."

[Also a handwritten verse in very fine Hand] Cyrus - "I Live for those who love me" 1st I Live for those who love me Whose hearts are fond and true For the heaven that smiles above me And waits my spirit too For every tie that binds me For every task assigned me For bright hopes left behind me And the good that I may do. 2nd I live to hold communion With all that is divine To feel that there's a union Twixt Nature's God and mine To profit by affliction Reap truth's [sic] from every fiction And wiser from conviction Help on the grand design. 3rd I Live to hail the season By gifted minds foretold When man shall live by reason And not alone by gold When man to man united And every wrong thing righted The whole world shall be lighted As eden [sic] was of old. For Cyrus - with compliments of your friend Fannie [Bidwell Parsons] {PS Remember the visit of Aug. 1867} F. [From "What I Live For" by George Linnaeus Banks]
 [Addresses, front of Diary] [George] White 102 Charles St [Waterbury Conn. Married Jennie Brown][.] Wm Hayward Died Oct 10, 1888[.] Jennie Brown White wife of George White Died April 8, 1900[.] C W Abele 11 Charles St Work Harness sale [?][.] Charles W Hilton Somerset Co Maine Oxford Sheep[.] Rev A Alvord 507 Chestnut St Springfield[.] Weld I Smith 194 Brown St Waltham Mass[.]