

April -1870.

Hail! Lovely Spring; In thee and thy soft scenes,

The smiling God is seen, While water earth and air

Attest His bounty.----- Thomson.

1 Friday: quite cool last night; went to Centre in P.M., Lewis went & Geo. Lewis. I traded some & got the mail, not getting home till it was quite dark. had a god trip down.

2 Was cutting wood in A.M., went to Dexters in P.M., called to N. Averells & to Uncle Roberts. Paid Nathaniel \$50. borrowed some papers of Geo. Choate. so I got home about dusk, & read papers in evening.

3 Sunday: a cloudy windy raw day; I was reading doing chores etc.; a strong wind blowing from the east. Maria come home, she has been on a visit to Thorndike she expressed herself emphatically in relation to "Hogback."

4 A rough boisterous day; snowing and blowing fiercely. Charles Curtis called in A.M., he is looking nicely. I was reading a story, -- The Hidden Hand.

5 Tuesday: some stormy today; Exavier & Samuel Rollins were here in P.M.; they brought news that, -- Mr. Morse & family & Mrs. Rollins had returned from Cal. Mr. A. Poland & wife were here in eve.

6 Wednesday: stormy again today; Lewis here in P.M. a most disagreeable spell of weather.

7 Cleared off today; I went to A. Polands in A.M., they gave me some syrup, and I carried them a little butter; in P.M. it seemed to clear off in earnest.

8 A beautiful warm spring day; I went over to Lewis' in A.M., ent wood in P.M., went to Alonzos at night and got the mail, the papers are interesting this week.

9 A fine day: ent wood in A.M., went to conference in P.M. had a very good meeting, did not get home until after sunset; extremely bad travelling.

10 Sunday: a very warm day; Alfred come up, took dinner with us, after dinner we went over to Carrs and to Samuels; Lewis came home with us. a very nice day well enjoyed, Edwin White was here in morning to see something about school affairs.

11 Some hazy this morning, will be a storm soon I predict. Lewis starts to get married this morning, may the saints attend him, and his new wife be all to him a wife may be. Mrs

Holbrook & Miss Victoria Jackson were here in morning Miss. Jackson to get a school, I did not engage her. Mr. Palmer was here in P.M. I cut wood all day.

12 A very stormy day: rained hard all the A.M., held up a little in P.M. I read some did chores etc., wind blew hard towards night.

13 Wednesday: cut wood in A.M. went to M. Whittens in P.M. to see a pair oxen; called at T. Whittens as he is agent in that dist.; got home in time to do the chores; Alfred was here when I got home.

14 Thursday: Fast day in Maine; Jackson sent for me to help him saw wood, so I went over and worked hard, sawed with horses; Lewis is moving from Mr. Carrs down to his own house; he was married Tuesday evening in Northport by Eld. Murphy; he has been through many sad scenes, and this second marriage was among the saddest I think; but I hope he may be blest in a great blessing now, and prosperity attend him always.

15 Looks like a storm this morning; I helped Jackson in A.M., came home and cut wood in the woods in P.M. a cold raw wind today, exceedingly disagreeable.

16 Quite pleasant today: froze hard last night; I went to Centre in morning carried almost 20 doz. eggs got 22 cts. Marcena Poland was over to see me in P.M. we split logs with powder, Marcena was quite excited. Louisa & Sammy were over in P.M., I went apiece with Marcena.

17 Sunday: cloudy and raw wind, Mr. Morse was here in P.M., he gave quite a history of California. He has bought Esq. Nortons farm, will move tomorrow. I ought to have called on Lewis today but did not. Jackson & Samuel moved their machine to A. Polands.

18 Monday: an easterly wind, indicating a storm. was quite stormy; Horace Clements come he is to work for me if we like etc. stays two weeks on trial.

19 Rainy all day: we tried to do something but did not succeed in accomplishing much; I was writing, the report of schools to send to the Supt. Of schools.

20 Rainy and drizzly enough; Judson Hall come over to see us; S. Rollins went to Centre in P.M. we were enjoying a pleasant visit from Judson all the P.M.

21 Still continues rainy and wet; Judson went home in morning; we cut and sawed wood, when it did not rain.

22 A fine morning and only one shower today; I helped Alonzo Poland saw wood; Samuel Rollins, Exavier, were the remainder of the crew; we sawed a large pile and had a good time, very social. Sawed with horses. I was tired at night.

23 A very pleasant day; we cut wood smartly today, Horace went home in P.M. to get his boots tapped; I went to Carrs to get a letter from Brewer & Tileston; the book business is a very troublesome one, and when I exchange again it must be even. a pleasant saturday night. always welcome to weary ones.

24 Sunday: a nice spring-like day; was at home all day; as the travelling was so poor, I wanted to go to church as Bro. Knowlton preached at our meetinghouse but did not. Samuel & Maria went said they had a nice meeting. we moved the lounge in, and Ralph went to old house many times.

25 Monday: some rainy in morning. we cut wood. Lewis went to help Alfred kill a pig in morning getting back in P.M.; Mr. Enos Emery was over in morning to see about school matters; he says they want Miss Tilton and I told him as he lived nearest to her to go and engage her. he expressed a wish that I should instruct the winter school. Mr. Joseph Jackson and his sister Victoria were here, she wants to instruct in the Beals dist. I examined her and found that I could not certify her, so I gave her more time to look up her arithmetic; the Myrick brothers were here in P.M., they appear like good boys, it is said that homely people are apt to be good; father went up to Pattersons, got two bottles medicine. a busy day.

26 Very pleasant: we cut wood in woods; I went to Messers in A.M., they have bought Mr. M. Whittens oxen, so I shall not get them. Lewis was over in P.M., I got him to look up a pair of oxen for me.

27 Very warm and pleasant: cut wood in woods; Lewis come at night with a pair of oxen bought of Dea. Vose,--girt 6 ft. 2 in. 4 yrs. old, paid \$135. color red, a fine pair.

28 Pleasant: Mr. Averell was here; Horace got the horse shod. I went on a tramp this P.M., a thunder shower at night.

29 Pleasant: went to John Lambs got some money (\$100) and paid Dea. Vose. In P.M. went to Centre, getting home in time to do chores. a fine day.

30 April closes today; did a little gardening in morn. sawed a little in A.M. hauled some wood along etc., and it was Saturday night again.