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How e'er it be it seems to me

Good deeds are more than coronets

And simple faith than Norman blood. Anon

Commences on Wednesday

- 1 Pleasant: is good sledding now; and is fine weather; for which I am glad
- 2 Candlemas day: fair & Bright, so I suppose Winter'll take another flight.
- 3 A fine day as usual; cold and windy.
- 4 A storm of snow; mild & hazy; we had a spelling school at our school house, not a great many there but we had a fine time, I never was to a more interesting school.
- 5 Sunday: A snow storm; quiet and still; I went to meeting at the meeting house, Sam'l & Maria went; Bro. Small addressed a small congregation; came to Samuels and took dinner after which we sang and conversed very pleasantly till 9 o'clock when I came home. it was hard walking.
- 6 Monday: Some snow fell say 6 inches. have had a very good school today, the weather this afternoon is quite moderate, the snow is very damp and treads beautifully.
- 7 Pleasant, quite moderate, we went to a spelling school at the Vose dist. had a very good one.
- 8 A hard rain storm, the rain fell sweetly, we broke roads in P. M.
- $9 \ \text{Colder, froze hard last night.} \\$
- 10 Quite a full school this day.
- 11 I went to see B. Thompson he was not at home so went to Bro. H. Beals took dinner then came to conference, had a pretty hard cold time at conference some were there who said nothing.
- 12 Sunday: I went to Searsmont after Mary found her there, came home after noon it was some cold. got home before dark, was pretty cold riding.
- $13\,\mathrm{A}$ terrible windy cold day, we suffered in the school house some

- 14 warmer than yesterday had a full school
- 15 Wednesday: a fine day. had a full school I wish all days could be like this.
- 16 A storm of snow & rain. S. B. Rollins was in to school in P. M.
- 17 Quite pleasant: the quarterly meeting commenced at Centre Montville, I went in evening, preaching by Rev. D. Waterman Text: "Why will ye die". quite a full meeting.
- 18 Went to meeting, Preaching in A. M. by Rev. Mr. Kilmer, Text: "Unto you therefore which believe he is precious." had good singing, we sung tunes mostly in the Jubilee today; A. G. Bumps Esq. takes lead, we are assisted by the lady from Rockland a splendid singer. In P. M. preaching by Rev. J. D. Coullard he preached very well indeed for him. We came home after meeting, G. H. Clark & wife Hattie Clark & Arvilla Lamb came home with us; we went to meeting in eve sermon by Rev. W. H. Littlefield, quite a good sermon, a communion service followed, very interesting.
- 19 Sunday: a little snowy in morning; we went to meeting, had a very good social meeting, preaching in the A. M. by Rev. J Erskine the best sermon during the meeting, Text, "whosoever therefore confesseth me before him will I confess before my father & the holy Angels." It was a very touching discourse; an intermission of an hour followed when every one talked as much as they liked.
- In P. M. the sermon was by Rev. Mr. Littlefield "Choose you this day whom ye will serve" Text. Mr. Littlefield is a very gifted speaker, he has a very good control of language. Our company did not return with us. Lewis & George Lamb stopped to supper. Jackson & Louisa were here in P. M.
- 20 Very pleasant: a full school' Alfred Murray staid here all night, he is a very entertaining young man has traveled much and is able to converse on almost all subjects.
- 21 Quite cool; Alfred & Louisa went away they were going to Levi Bartletts. Father went to Belfast, got home late.
- 22 Wednesday: pleasant yet, a full school we had a spelling school at our school house, a very good one. Miss Alfrada & Eunice Whitten were to school also Caro Messer.
- 23 Pleasant: quite a full school today.
- 24 Pleasant again: we went to a spelling school at the Vose school house, had a very good one, I took supper at Alfreds. Came home, but was <u>not very</u> tired.

25 Saturday: we have had a beautiful week for school the scholars have enjoyed it very much & I too; we read in floor in P.M. had a very interesting season too. I enjoyed it much, so did the scholars.

26 Sunday: A rainy day rain fell smartly almost all day, cleared up some at night.

27 A fine day: some windy in P.M.

28 Cloudy, some snow fell towards night. Guy Averill called in P. M. he used to be here years ago; Louisa was here in P.M. Fenwick Dodge one of my good boys came by to stay all night. he & George slid some at night. then they came in & looked at pictures till bedtime.