

July 869 through Sept. 1869.

(A daily diary is kept only through July 19. There are but a few notes for Aug. and Sept. at the end of the third journal))

1 Thursday: cold & windy, we hauled rocks in A.M., and also in P.M., I was unwell in P.M., got a terrible cold yesterday at Belfast; a fine day.

2 Windy, I went to get bed screws, thought to get Alonzo Bryants but they were broke, so I got a set of Mr. Whitehouse near So. Montville, got home at noon. in P.M. we commenced to set underpinning.

3 Quite warm, we got as far as the North corner of the house tonight, pretty hard smart work to set it. Jackson & Louisa were over today.

4 Sunday: very warm, went to meeting, George & Nellie come up last night; George went to meeting with me; there was a baptism at the Centre, Mrs. Sarah Clements and Eliza Goin were immersed; In P.M. we went to Mrs. Jessie Rowells funeral, sermon by Eld. Clark at the house.

5 Cold enough for comfort, we set the underpinning under the entire backside of the building, got it done after supper, the men went home, they worked 5 ½ days 2.50 per day. 27.50. George & Nellie went home in morning, we had a very pleasant visit from them. Father went to Aarons in P.M.

6 A beautiful morning: Charles helped Lewis hoe I was quite unwell, did not do very much.

7 We worked on the road, N. Averell jr. surveyor Mr. Feltman come at night, the old veteran. father was taken sick today or tomorrow I forget which!

8 Warm: Mary & Mrs. Hahn went to Searsmont. We worked on road in A.M., Charley went to Freedom in P.M., I was not very well, not doing much.

9 Cloudy; we hoed; I visited the school at Ranlets cor. in P.M., It is doing very well, Miss Tilton is a smart teacher. Rainy at night. very windy too.

10 We were hoeing; tarred a little in P.M.

11 Sunday: went to meeting, also to a baptism at the Vose school house in P.M. Charley Curtis & Johnny Lamb were immersed by Eld. Davis. an awful windy day.

12 Monday: very windy. we hoed, Mr. Terry was along, peddling.

13 I visited the school in Bickmore dist. the teacher is not giving perfect satisfaction, tho her failings are not very great.

14 I went to see Schuster on school business, he thought Miss Foster had better leave if she was willing to do so. we commenced haying in P.M.

15 Cloudy: I went to the school in P.M., Miss Foster concluded that she would close her school, a wise thing I think. somewhat rainy at night.

16 Samuel & Maria, Mary & I & Ralph went over to John Beals visiting, had a good visit, getting home at dark.

17 I went to pay Mr. Palmer for building chimneys, 20.13. come home around by Aarons, were haying today.

18 Sunday. a good meeting today sermon by Eld. Couliard.

19 A good hay day. went to funeral at Centre, George Polands

From this time to the end of the month we were busily engaged in haying, the weather was quite good and we worked steadily;

Aug. 7 the day of the eclipse we were haying in the run back of the house the sun was nearly three quarters covered, - the moon sailing by in majesty was a pretty sight.

We finished haying Aug. 13. have got through in good season, a pleasant haying season as I ever saw.

The week ending Aug. 21. we hauled manure most of the week topdressing the fields.

The week ending Aug. 28 we were very busily engaged in getting ready to plaster hauling sand from Isaac Morses and lime from Searsmont Jackson got hair at Weeds, & some of Mayo Harriman. Sat. Aug. 28 we were ready to plaster.

Monday Aug. 30 Mr. Downer & his sons come to plaster, Lewis helped us, we had to work hard, Tuesday & Wednesday. they worked at getting it all on Wednesday night. will take them some longer to smoothe it. Mr. Downer got it smoothed sat. night. so the week ended and the job of plastering was done. and I was very glad.

The week ending Sat. Sept. 11 Chs. Has been chinking and pointing the wall, I have been hauling manure etc., had a conference, at the meetinghouse sat. Sept. 11, a very good meeting.

Sunday 12 sermon by Eld. Clark, Miss Bryant played the instrument. Lewis & family were over in P.M.

13 Town meeting, a quiet meeting, beautiful day. the remains of the week especially wednesday and thursday I was almost sick.

Friday, quarterly meeting begun, I went Saturday and Sunday, had good meetings. George & wife were up, had a good time.

Monday Sept. 20 I was sick all day.

Tuesday was a little better.

Wednesday 22 went to Belfast

Thursday D. Murray & sister called in morning.

(end book 3)