

June 1869.

Life is onward: try it, ere the day is lost;

It hath virtue; buy it, At whatever cost.

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1 Tuesday: a heavy thunder shower in morning; we purchased clapboards, got a M. spruce to lay on backside, paid 23.50. paid 5 cts. for nails today. we started for home abt. 4 o'clock, getting home after dark.

2 Went up to the sawmill in A.M., we are short of lath boards so I Mr. Skinner to supply some. we spanned the horses and plowed in P.M., they work nicely.

3 We planted potatoes today; got the piece nearly done; a very warm day, hot sun; too warm to work. they are lathing the house now.

4 Pleasant: I went on the plains to Mr. Palmers in morning. traded some at the Centre, got some pine lumber at Thomsons mill, belonging to Chs. Whitten. planted some corn, and got a load lath-boards & load sand after supper.

5 A misty dull day: cleaned out the cellar, hauled boards and sand today. Olive Foster got a certificate at night is to teach in the Vose dist. Sent a certificate to Nellie Carter by N.P. Bennett, she is to teach in the Frye dist. night closed around again misty and dark.

6 Sunday: a new clearing this morning, I went to meeting at the meetinghouse, sermon by Eld. Clark; Organized the sabbath school.

H.M. Howard, Supt. Wm. E. Poland Asst. Supt. Judson Hall Librarian; got the classes seated and did not do anything only to appoint the lessons. Mother, Ralph & I went down the road on a ride, we rode through the orchard field, looking at the apple trees, then went down to Amos's a few minutes. a nice ride. Ralph was well pleased with it.

7 A pleasant day: hauled lath boards, went to the Centre and to J.S. Palmers at night. a pleasant eve.

8 A fine morning; Mr. Palmer come this morning to build the chimneys, we built the foundation in the main house to-day; worked smartly and it was done well.

9 Quite warm; I went to Belfast, got a fireframe paid 4.50 got some receivers and some other things. coming home I was sick, had the sick head ache.

10 Pleasant: went to funeral John Sproul deceased, services at the house, speaking by Mrs. Morse, many were out. the old gentleman looked very natural, and as tho, he was sleeping, another earthly life is done, and spirit life begun.

11 Misty some rainy, got a load lath boards in P.M. it takes us some time to tend the mason, I went to stay with Jackson tonight. he is failing I think.

12 Saturday: plowed some in A.M., I went to conference in P.M., a pretty good one; all the members are rather cold, but steadfast. Mr. Palmer has got one chimney above the collar beams. and so ended another week. how pleasant is saturday night.

13 Sunday: went to baptism at the Centre, sermon by Eld. Hamilton, three were immersed, George Allen, F.A. Cushman, James Ramsey; quite a good meeting, rather a poor sermon. In P.M. went to baptism at the Vose school house, sermon by Eld. Z. Davis; two were sprinkled, Abby Curtis, Lorenzo Wright. I question somewhat whether they were baptized. went to sabbath school at 5 o'clock, a good one. got home about sundown. a sabbath well spent etc.

14 Misty this morning. the crew come this morn. it rained some if I remember correctly.

15 We are carrying brick & mortar this week, trying to sow a piece to barley, hauling lath boards etc. etc.;

16 Pleasant: visited the school in Bickmore dist. in A.M. it was doing well to all appearance; sold the wool to Joseph Whitten at 42 cts per lb. a good day.

17 Quite cool today; we washed the sheep in P.M., the water not very cold, Charles, John & I went, a comfortable time.

18 Pleasant: went to Lewis's in morning got some barley 4 bu. sowed it in A.M., got it harrowed in P.M.,

19 A beautiful day; Mr. Palmer finished one chimney today, Alfred & wife called at night. I begin to realize that we have a house.

20 Sunday: went to Sabbath school & meeting, sermon by Eld. Morse; Mary & Ralph went to Mr. Hahns we got home abt. 2 o'clock. Ralph is three yrs. old today; a smart boy. "A little treasure lent from heaven."

21 The crew come this morning: I went to Centre got a barrel flour, mother went to Amos's visiting today, I carried her down and went after her at night.

22 The sun arose and went into a cloud, Wm. Poland and I went to Belfast, it come on to rain and we had a wet time of it, We got an instrument to use in church, got home quite late tired enough. I bought sash nearly all we shall use, come to 14.50.

23 A cloudy day, I went in search of some one to set the underpinning, went to see Marden in Palermo, could not get him, then to Mr. Woods where I took dinner then on to Albion to Donahues, I got him & a man to come with him they will come in about a week if not before; a long ride, was tired enough.

24 Very pleasant: visited the Vose school, (all nice as ccn be.) the mistress at Ranlets cor. was sick so I did not go there.

25 Pleasant, sheared sheep in P.M., Charley went to meeting last night and did not come today, on a mission I guess.

26 Sheared sheep all day got them done; book agent Whitney was along. Maria was over at night. we sung some.

27 Sunday: went to meeting, carried up the organ used it in sunday school and in meeting had complete success; come home with a terrible headache laid abed most all the afternoon, some passing on the road.

28 Somewhat foggy this morning. events not remembered.

29 Pleasant: hauled rocks in A.M., in P.M. the men come to set the underpinning Donaho & Coombs of Albion, they commenced to fit it at once;

30 A rainy day: I went to Belfast, did not get much wet, but it was damp and disagreeable, Sam'l Rollins went, we had a nice time together; it was very cold coming home and so another month is gone.