

March 1866.

And still through all these snowy days

Of cloud and stormy weather

Our hearts in sweetest unison

Beat lovingly together. -----(Original.)

1 Thursday: a day of cloud, not a ray of sunshine all day; I was at work as usual logging. In P.M. went out the back way to the bridge.

2 Cloudy in morning; cleared up in A.M. and we had a nice P.M. and a gloriously beautiful evening. George went to Carrs to stay with G, Lewis. the snow has run fast this P.M a warm sun shining.

3 Warm & sunny; Lewis came over in A.M. I was engaged in my report of school. I went to Lewis's at night.

4 Sunday: cooler and windy; I was writing on my report all day, J. Tobie & Louisa called toward night; I went to Carrs when Louisa went home; hauled some eggs on the sled to send to Aarons; 12 doz. a dark night, got home about 8 o'clock and finished my annual report of schools for another year.

5 Monday: the annual town meeting; a full attendance. Chose Hon. Nathan Pierce Moderator; Nathan French, Clerk; Ward Mason, N. Pierce, Alfred Howard Selectmen etc. J. W. Barker, Treasurer; S.O. Whitten, S.S.Committee; Benj. Bean, Collector; a very harmonious meeting, business passed off lively and quickly; requiring only one day to transact the business; It was a very cold windy day, very bad for man and beast. I came home with Lewis, very cold coming home, a cold night.

6 A windy cold uncomfortable day; the colt got loose last night and eats too many oats, we travelled her about in morning; she went to Carrs and we staid awhile. Bargilla Bennett come in A.M. he is a nice little fellow, I like him much; Barry & George have gone to Mr. Youngs this P.M. to see Alonzo, the wind blows terribly.

7 Very windy & cold; I went out to the bridge with a log in the A.M. I sprained my back very badly by lifting too hard; did not do much in P.M. as it was cold & squally. a cold night set in once more.

8 Thursday: still continues cold & windy; I did not do much as my back is so lame I am obliged to keep still. in P.M. Newt. & Charley came over, George went over and got the paper, the news is almost all political, etc. letter from Uncle Jesse Howard.

9 Cloudy & a little snow in P.M. heard of George Phillips death this P.M. he was a good fellow, I always liked him much; Ma is not quite so well today, must have the Dr. tomorrow.

10 Pleasant: I went to the mill with a log in A.M. when I got back C. P. Palmer was here; George went to Freedom to get Dr. Billings to come out and see Mother who is sick. The Doctor come at night; he talked good about the President.

11 Cloudy, windy, and in P.M. a smart storm of snow come on; Geo. went over to Carrs and then Geo. Lewis come home with him; and now Geo. has gone over to stay with him all night; he promised that if I would let him go that he would behave himself and be a good boy; George S. Bennett might be a nice boy if he would only behave himself a little better; I hope he will and thus become a good man.

12 Rainy, somewhat; I went to the mill with a log also to the bridge; Alfred & Sarah were here visiting, Louisa & Sidia Young were here too.

13 Foggy some misty, Louisa come over in morning. we went to cutting ash for shovel handles, (?) not do much only prospected a little.

14 Wednesday: we were cutting ash, no one here all day, cloudy and misty as usual.

15 Cloudy: rainy at night; George W. Lamb came in P.M. shortly after Eld. Small come, the both staid all night, we were thus favored with quite a lot of company, had an interesting talk in evening.

16 A smart rain storm last night: our company went away in morn. Eld. Small is on his way to a three days meeting at White's cor. Mr. Lamb is a nice looking young man, he has improved much since last winter, he is a real gentleman. In P.M. Arthur Gilcrest come to work making shovel handles we made a few in P.M.

17 A splendid morning, soon a squall of snow come up and it snowed fiercely for awhile. Nathan Averell was up took dinner, Art. worked here. George went to Aarons got some stores also the papers. wind blows fiercely this P.M.

18 Sunday: a cold day, Sat home all day; I finished a journal for Lucy today. o one here all day, it is cold to night. the three days meeting was at Whites cor. I read some done the chores etc. etc.

19 Monday: Cool in morning, I hauled ash in morning, Arthur came in P.M. I hauled ash in P.M.

20 Quite pleasant: we were making handles, hauling ash etc. looked like a storm at night.

21 A storm of snow; I went logging hauled 5 logs it was a very disagreeable day to work out.

22 Pleasant morning, I arose early and went to Freedom to mill; got there a little after sunrise; got my grist ground traded some and got home at noon, the wind blew terribly, and it was a hard pull to get up the hill.

23 Pleasant day; I went logging finished up the logs in P.M. S.B. Rollins helped me in P.M. the sun shone very warm and I tanned very black; Arthur worked here yesterday and today. I have hauled in 53 hemlock logs, am glad they are there, it has been quite a job, yet I have persevered and had a very good time while hauling them.

24 A storm of snow; I sat in house in A.M. not being very well; went to the mill in P.M. with a spruce log, 3 logs made my load. Had a very pleasant trip and got safely back about dusk. The snow is quite deep now, enough for good sledding.

25 Sunday: still continues snowing; a quiet day. I was reading papers etc. etc.

26 Monday. stormy day, the snow fell rapidly.

27 cleared up last night, we broke roads it was quite hard breaking as the snow came deep.

28 Pleasant. Went to Liberty with a load shovel handles the sun shone hot and it was splashy enough. called and settled my account with D. Atkinson.

29 A stormy day Snow in A.M. rain in P.M.

30 A very wet day underfoot, everything is flooded with water, the brook runs smartly.

31 Saturday: froze some last night, I went to Aarons carried 29 doz. eggs got 18 cts. very hard travelling. so ends March 1866.