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Yes, low lie the buds that were fostered in sunshine,  
And watered with dew, from the fountains of air;  
Whose incense no more will be wafted to meet us,  
Nor bright colors glance, that have beamed rich and rare.

: \_\_ L.P. Taylor in Republican Journal

1 Monday: a nice morning. I commenced school in the Bryant dist. Chas. Carried me over.  
had quite a full school, good sleighing.

2 Very good sleighing; I went to Freedom in eve.

3 Somewhat warmer, the snow going off considerable. I come home, rode with Mrs. Poland  
most all the way.

4 A warm morning, I got very sweaty going to school a warm day, an Indian Summer.

5 Warm and fine, as pleasant as one could wish.

6 Looked some like a storm, I come home at night. was almost sick with a cold, found all  
well.

7 A very stormy day: has snowed most all day. Charles & Marcena were here all day.

8 Monday: I was most sick with a cold, Charles went to get some sand, so I rode part way to  
school. got along very well, for being most sick.

9 Tuesday: I went to Isaac Morse's to board tonight, a remarkable place to feel at home; I  
like them very much indeed.

10 Do not remember much about today but believe it was pretty cool. a good school.

11 Quite cool today, had a god play at ball.

12 Quite cool again today. I came home at night. found all well Ralph was glad to see me.

13 A beautiful day: we moved into the new house, Charles Curtis & Marcena Poland helped  
me. We got most of the things in today. Charles time is out now, he has been a good boy. a

Mr. Hussey was along to sell a stove, we bought one, am to have it a year without interest; the workmen all went away and left us alone, our first night in the new house, Ralph was homesick and I was some. Samuel & Maria, Jackson & Louisa were over in eve. we went to bed for the first time in the new house.

14 Sunday: cloudy; quite mild; I was at home all day, moved some things into the new house Wm. Poland was here a few minutes. Our first sabbath in the new home, passed away agreeably, it seems nice to have a good house.

15 Monday: one half the month goes today. I got to school quite late this morning; went to Wm. Polands in evening to a sing, had a good time.

16 Went to Mr. I. S. Morses tonight, that is my last night there, a nice place to board.

17 A stormy day; I came home at night, a hard storm. I got quite wet, but was very glad to get home.

18 Thursday: Thanksgiving day in Maine, also a national thanksgiving, I was at home all day; Marcena dressed sheep today, he is a great dabster at butchering. Samuel Rollins was in, in P.M.; he is the same old friend.

19 A fine day; went to school quite early; let out school early at night and went to Christmas tree at the meetinghouse, the exercises were quite interesting I thought, the best one we have ever had. Miss Bryant played the organ very well; the singing was quite good, the audience were attentive & well entertained, I thought, a good many small presents were hung. and some of considerable value.

20 Rainy again today; a fearful storm, heavy wind rain fell in torrents most all day, I come home last night went to school in morn & come home at night.

21 Sunday: pleasant & warm. Geo. Sproul was in in A.M., I went to Carrs a few minutes, Chs. Curtis & Mr. Hahn were here in P.M. Judson Hall was over. a warm day.

22 Monday: went to school as usual, kept all the week boarded at Young John Bryants. Silas Bryant went to Freedom for me one day and to Belfast to get the books; I came home Friday night brought the books home, a young teacher Mr. Chandler come to be examined, staid all night.

27 Saturday; kept school today, Mr. Chandler went apiece with me, when I got home at night Benson Goin was here to be certified. he staid all night.

28 Sunday: a cold day, I went to Carrs to get the mail, Exavier & George were here, Geo. Lewis come over with me. I read the paper in evening.

29 Cool, I visited schools in our dist. & Beals dist. distributed books, the schools are doing very well.

30 The last day of Nov. went to school in morn. a rainy day very windy and rough. I went in to Eld. Hamiltons staid all night. was used very well indeed.