

December

Tuesday 1st 1857.

A dull cloudy Morning with the prospect of a rainy day.

Father and William started at an early hour for New Bedford. they went with the horse and buggy as far as Taunton and then took the Cars. Mr William Hunt and his son John have also gone, they went to Luskunk and took the Cars. They are to meet Dea Hunt in New Bedford. John and Joyce doing odd jobs, cutting turnip tops, picking over Cranberries, and cutting wood. Mother sewing &c. - Cousin Susan Smith is still here, is making a coat for Mr W. H. Bullock, with Leph's assistance, Lephie sewing on. Mrs Wilson at the silk dress, she not showing Susan. - Lydia Burt went to school with the Pierces. - Lizzie playing as usual. - Mary doing the work and picking over Cranberries. - I have not done much today - it commenced raining before ten o'clock and it has rained very hard a good part of the day. - It cleared just at night. Mother has been up to see Mrs Johnson, who has a swelled neck. - Father and William returned soon after dark.

Wednesday Dec 2nd 1854-

A bright clear morning and
some cooler.

Father and William took about
some hay about the house and
John and David

Almon
Hershey the
Sam

Thursday Dec 3rd 1867-

Another clear pleasant day

Monday
Wednesday Dec 5th

Friday Dec 4th 1857

A bright, clear Morning.

I carried Lydia and the Pierces
down to school early this morning.

Then came home and fixed a dress
for Lydia to wear this Evening then
dressed and walked down to the Exami-
nation with Mrs. E. M. Pierce and staid
all day, William and Lefie went down
in the afternoon to the Examination and
then came home, took supper and brought
the carriage down to the Exhibition
Father about home all day - busy doing odd
jobs. John and David picking stones on the
pat next to Mr. Pierces - Susan Smith
finished Mr. W. H. Bullocks coat today -
Lefie and Mother have picked over Loran-
terries this Morning and Lissie helped -
Mary busy in the kitchen -

The Exhibition came off very finely, each
one sustained their part well. "Nothing
to wear" was excellent as also the debate
by the young men, which I missed of hearing
as I had to be out to assist Lydia in dressing.
The house was crowded to overflowing, and
all spoke highly of the performers.

Saturday Dec 6th 1867.

The Morning dull and cloudy
looks very much like snow.

Father and William about home all
day - William dressed two pigs

for John and one for Mrs Allen

John and David helped him - David
has gone to Pawlucket this afternoon -

Mother busy about the taking this morn-
ing - Mary busy in the kitchen about dinner

etc - Lizzie sewing this morning and
this afternoon has gone over to Mrs. C.

Mr. Pierce to do some work for Lizzie
Lydia went with her and made a call -

Lizzie busy laying - I went over to Mrs
Pierce and Mrs. Hartons and made a
call this forenoon and this afternoon
have not done much -

after tea: we dressed and William, Lizzie
and myself went up to Mr. Ruben Bowens

to a party - Lydia went to Mr. Pierce and
Edward Bowen then to Mr. Bowens to
the party - had a very pleasant time -

got home before midnight - it commenced
snowing this forenoon and now the
ground is white with snow, the first of
the season.

Memo

Wednesday Dec 6th

Sabbath Dec 6th 1867-

Some cloudy this Morning
and rain is predicted next

Mercury this
Morning

Walter
Father,
L. H. Blanding,
O. Smith,
L. L. Burt,
L. B. Arey,

S. M. Blanding at L. Church
all day, William and Mary at home
guarding the premises, quite a full house
Mr Doe gave us two good sermons - It
commenced raining soon after supper
so we were prevented from attending
the Monthly Concert of prayer - We
had a little sing in the Evening -
Cousin Asah went home with Mrs Dancy
W. Bliss to make her a visit -
at nine o'clock it rained quite fast -

Monday Dec. 7th 1857-

A clear pleasant morning
and really warm for the season
of the year - our storms clear off
very mild.

Father and William about home all day
father busy getting in Cabbage &c. William
cleaning and greasing a harness - John
picking stone - David has not returned
from Paytucket yet - Mother busy helping
in the kitchen while Mary is busy at the
wash tub - Lephie and Lydia have both
severe colds so Lydia has not risen yet.
Lephie sewing on Mrs W. dress - Lissie
helping Mother about her dishes - I have
not done much to amount to anything to
day - Susie came in this afternoon and
sat most of the afternoon she feels quite
lonesome now Lissie has gone to Baring
ton to teach school - Lydia went over
to Mr Pierce's this evening to take her Music
lesson and I went with her and sat the
evening - William went to Mrs Allen's to cut
up her meat and then he came over for us -
David came while we were taking tea -

Thursday Dec. 8th 1857

A clear pleasant morning
warm for the month

Father and William have gone to
the City to day. John and David
picking stones. Mother sewing after she
swept the sitting room. Lizzie busy on
the dress. Mary busy in the kitchen and
ironing after she got the work done up. Lizzie
practising some and playing with her
doll. Lydia gone into the City with
Aurelia and Edward. I sewed awhile
after I got my chamber work done and
then wrote awhile.

Mr. Whitman made us a call this morn-
ing, was very glad to see him. It is very
fickle - it rained some this afternoon but
the sun has come out bright again.
Lydia returned before three o'clock.

Wednesday Dec 9th 1857-

Every this
man

February

Monday 1st 1868

Mercy has
Morning 1868
A bright clear morning and
very pleasant for the last month
of winter we have had very remark-
able weather thus far this winter
very favorable for the poor and those out
of work - Father and William both gone
to the City to day after the flour which
arrived there last Friday night and to
bring out some molasses William purchases
Saturday for himself and Mrs. Allen a
barrel of each - they did not get home till
about night John and David trimming
out among the brush -

Mother busy assisting in the kitchen -
while Mary is busy at the wash tub -
after I got my chamber work done &c. sat
down to writing and wrote Mr. A. C. Douglas
Camden Co. Ga. and Miss C. J. Carpenter
Salem Mass. and commenced one to
Mrs. A. A. Rattiner Ottawa Illinois -

Tuesday Feb. 2nd 1868-

A dull, rainy Morning with
a prospect of a rainy day.

Father and William about home
all day - John and David cutting
wood & trimming out where Saml.
has been cutting ~~wood~~ brush.

Mother sewing, knitting &c - Mary busy
in the kitchen - after I got my chamber
work done - sat down to writing and wrote
to Mrs. Susan E. Ince, West Harscawen N. H.
finished one to Mrs. R. A. Rattinger, Ottawa
Illinois, - then dressed and with Mrs. Allen
and Mary went to Mrs. Betsey Goff's funeral
which was attended at the Baptist Church
by Mr. Elacher did not get home until near-
ly eight - I took the letters to the Office in-
cluding the two above named and one I
wrote yesterday to Mr James H. Douglas;
Camden, Co. La. and one to Miss C. Lane
Learpenter Guilford Mass - Eben Lane
came and settled with William this afternoon.
It has partially cleared this afternoon -
We tried the flour this morning and pro-
nounce it first rate -

Wednesday Feb 3rd 1858

A pleasant day after the storm
but some muddy -

Father gone to the City - William
laying wall - John and David
pulling the foundation of an old
wall away and helping William -

Mother sewing &c. Mary busy in the
kitchen - after I got my Chamber work
done, went over to Mrs C. M. Pierces and
made a call - then home to sewing &c.
Edwin Lushington had Tom and Jackson
to go to a funeral at Manville, they did
not get home till after nine o'clock -
William spent part of the Evening at
Mrs. C. M. Pierces - we saw a light or
fire this Evening in the direction of
Fall River -

Barren this
Evening

Thursday Feb 4th 1858.

The early morning was some
cloudy but it cleared off and we
have had a pleasant day -
After breakfast father and William
started for Norton to see a Mr
Lincoln about making a Monument
for our dear uncle -

John and David pulling the foundation
of an old wall away over where the old orchard
used to be -

Mother busy sewing, knitting, and reading
Mary busy in the kitchen and this after-
noon sewing on her mat - after I got my
morning work done, I sat down to sewing
and sewed the most of the day - just at
night I went over to Mrs. Allen to tell them
I would take one of them down to meeting this
evening - Mary, Allen, Mary McEag, William
and myself went down - had a good meeting
Mrs. Allen went with Aurelia - Mary had
a sick turn just as meeting closed but
got over it soon - father and William got
home from Norton just at bedtime -

Friday Feb 5th 1858-

A clear pleasant Morning,
the appearance of a storm has
about disappeared -

Father has gone to the City today
after cotton seed meal and she
feed - William, John and David

burning brush down where James
Langlan has been cutting them -

Mother has been sitting down reading &c.
since she got her Morning work done
after I got my chamberwork done and
my hair combed, I put on my hood & shawl
and made a call at Mrs C. M. Pierce
and at Mr B. B. Horton to see Julia who
is laid up with a sore foot, then home
to sewing - after dinner Mother dressed
and went down to the Church meeting
Mrs. C. M. Pierce went with her. Edward
went to drive - they did not get home until
about five o'clock, Father came about the
same time - I heard today that Dr. W. had
got the Measles, basket has had them -
It has clouded up and again looks like a
storm - Ann called in a little while this
afternoon, she was on her way to visit the
school which closes this afternoon -

Mother has

Mother has

Saturday Oct 6th 1858

Thom 1/2

Mercury 1/2

A bright, clear, Morning and
some cooler than it has been for
some days, and the appearance of
a storm has passed off.

Father about home doing odd jobs
about the house &c - William, John and
David since doing the Morning work,
are busy burning the brush in the pas-
tures as they were yesterday.

Mother busy sweeping after breakfast
and since she finished sweeping has done
the baking which is now in the oven.

Mary has assisted her and prepared
dinner besides doing the Morning work.
After breakfast I did my Chamberwork
and sweeping then cleaned the brasses
on the fire place in the dining room.

Father has just rung the bell for dinner.

David has gone to Pawbuckett this afternoon
to spend the Sabbath - Anna has been in
and brought the papers that came from
the office.

Chatham Isby 7th 1858

A dull, cloudy Morning, and soon after breakfast it commenced snowing and continued to snow until after we started for Church -

C. M. Blanding

W. W. Blanding

W. H. McWay at Church

all day - Father & Mother at home keeping house - Mr Doe gave us two excellent sermons - On the Evening we all walked down, had a very full meeting and a very interesting one - Mr Doe gave us a most excellent discourse and Mr W. H. Bullock spoke very feelingly - Seven - verse for prayers - Good part way home with Mr Doe - Mrs Doe is quite unwell, hope it will not prove anything serious - The weather has moderated and it has the appearance of rain - David got home this Evening -

Monday July 8th 1858.

A bright clear morning—the appearance of rain has passed.

My Father about home this morning and this afternoon has walked over as far as Mrs. Allen's. William choring around and making a few calls at the neighbors. This afternoon has dressed a calf for market. John and David have mowed brush today. Mother has assisted in the kitchen today, while Mary has been busy at the wash tub, she got her washing out quite early—after I got my chamberwork done and made myself ready to sit down to sewing I went over to Mrs. Allen to get some linen trade but she had none—have been busy sewing this afternoon as has Mother. Mary Allen called here and after tea I dressed and went to make some calls with her. we called to see Julia Horton, found her got some letter. George Nelson was there—then went to Mrs. Witham's, had a pleasant call. Mrs. W. must be very lonely—then to Mrs. C. M. Pierce, and found that Aurelia had been to call on me—saw some very pretty things for the fair—then found we have had some parchees come this evening.

Mon-88°

Mercury this

Tuesday Feb 9th 1858.

Mon 11

Mercury 11 1/2

The morning quite pleasant and cold - Last Night was the coldest we have had for a long time I think -
Soon after breakfast Father started for Providence to take in the coal -
Aurelia rode as far as her school with him -
William has been over to Mr Horton this morning and this afternoon has been after a load of wood. He bought of Eben Lane -
John and David mowing bushes in the pasture -
Mother has been sewing most of the day as also myself after cutting out my work &c -
Mary busy preparing dinner and ironing since she got her morning work done -
Father got home about a quarter after three o'clock, he says Elizabeth and Mr Kimpton will come out tomorrow if we send in for them - Aurelia called in on her way from school - it commenced snowing about the time Father got home but it does not increase much think it will turn to rain -
William has gone to Mr Timothy Sellers this Evening to a meeting, says when he returned there was quite a good number out - it rained quite hard when he came home -

Wednesday July 10th 1858.

The morning pleasant after the
rain and much warmer -
Father about home during the
morning and this afternoon has
gone into the City after Mr. P.

and sister Elizabeth & William in to
see some of the neighbors. This morning
and since dinner gone to the post office.
He did not get home very quickly - John
and David heaping up brush &c -

Mother sewing most of the day as also
myself after doing my mending work -
Mary busy in the kitchen preparing
dinner, ironing, and this afternoon has
been scrubbing - Father did not get home
until after dark, they were very cold as
it has grown cold since morning and the
wind blows very hard - William and my
self spent the evening at Cousin Abby
Carpenters. had a pleasant time got
home about seven o'clock and not very
cold although the wind blew hard we
saw a large fire in the direction of Provi-
dence as we came home. It burnt for a
long time

Morning 36°

Thursday Feb 11th 1858 -

A clear pleasant Morning but
still wind high it seems very cold
Father and William starting round
today - the men leaving up with
this Morning, this afternoon and cutting
wood - Mother did her Morning work and
then assisted Mary about dinner some -
after I got my Morning work done I went
into Mrs. C. M. Pierce's a few minutes and
invited her, and Anna and Edward over
to take dinner with us which invitation
they accepted all but Edward came -
our dinner consisted of Calves head and
the Rabbit and for dessert Ginger pudding
I think the dinner was nice and all
seemed to enjoy it very much - Mr. P.
full of his fun and Elizabeth busy
sewing - Mrs. C. M. Pierce staid till
about four o'clock and went home, after
tea I ran a few minutes to let them
know we were not going to meeting it was
so very cold - we were sorry we could not
go - (do not know as Mr. Doe came out
but think he did to meet his appointment)
the Evening closes in cold and windy -

Thom. Co
Merrimack Mass

Friday Feb'y 12th 1858-

A very cold but clear Morning, and we felt the cold very much, we have had such a mild winter thus far.

Soon after breakfast Father started with Mr. Plimpton and sister to take them back to the City. They had a cold ride - William, David Wall and

John and David Lauder Stone and took the stone from the foundation in the old orchard - Mother sewed

most of the day as I did some after doing my chamber work, cutting out work and ironing the bosoms and collars &c -

Mary Lucy in the kitchen and this afternoon has been doing some of her Saturday scrubbing - Edward came over

just at noon and brought our Mails to us consisting of a letter to father from A. D. Blanding M.D. Lyons, Iowa, one to myself from L. H. Blanding Berkley Mass. and two or three papers &c - father got home just after dinner - since they got quite

cold going in - it has been quite still today not very much wind - William, Mary Ellen and myself spent the Evening at Mrs. Withmanks, had quite a pleasant time -

Mary was sick for a few moments but got over it soon - went into Mrs. C. M. P. a few minutes this afternoon -

Mercury this
morning below zero

Saturday Feb'y 18th 1858.

A bright, clear but cold

Morning, we feel the cold very

Father and William started at

nine o'clock for the Cedar Swamp

to look after the corners. - John and

David after getting through the stone

have been getting up the trash wood

that James cut while mowing the brush

Mother did her sweeping and since then

has done the baking with Mary's assistance

and this afternoon has been sewing - Mary

has been preparing dinner and scrubbing

After breakfast David did my chamber work &

my sweeping and have done very little

besides as David, not feel very well - have

been laying on the sofa awhile this afternoon

At her David is up and looks like a storm

again -

From 10 o'clock on

Mary's

Sabbath Feb. 14th 1858-

Mon 13th

Mercury 13th

A dull cloudy morning and looks much like snow - soon after breakfast it commenced snowing and snowed a little until after we got to meeting.

Father

Mary B. Allen

Ch. M. Blanding

W. W. Blanding at L Church

all day - Father and Mary M. Hay at home to keep house - not a very full attendance this forenoon, but this afternoon quite full - Mr Doe preached to the L children this afternoon he gave us a good discourse this morning - at noon he examined the Sabbath School on the lessons we had been over it was very interesting - this when meeting closed found it snowing and it continued to, so we did not go down to the third service - Mr Doe went home before evening on account of the storm I suppose - George Fuller, Child Nash and several others are indulging a hope - the meetings are very interesting - William spent the evening at Mr M. Pierce's - Miss Submit Lewis that was, was at L Church today with her husband, a smart looking gentleman - David was at L Church all day -

Monday Feb 15th 1858-

A bright, clear, cold Morning after a light snow storm - not enough snow fell to make sleighing -

Father and William about home all day - father doing odd jobs about the house and William not doing much of anything, reading and this afternoon has colored his whiskers and poked some corn &c - John and David cutting wood and doing odd jobs about the crib and barn &c -

Mother assisting in the kitchen after she did her chamberwork - Mary busy at the wash tub - after breakfast I wrote a few lines to Mrs. E. R. Plimpton to send by Mr. R. Pierce and took it over to him. Made a call and home again - after doing my chamberwork I made myself ready to sit down to sewing then trimmed Williams' whiskers then to sewing &c - have sewed this afternoon as Mother has read and knit - Lucia called a little while just before dark to show Mother her pin cushion and watch case. She has made for the Fair, both are very handsome -

March 13th
Monday Feb 15th

Wednesday, July 16th 1858

A bright clear Morning but quite
cold to what we have been used to
having thus far this winter.

Father and Mother soon after break-
fast fixed and started for Mr.
Cora French to spend the day.

William Laying wall and then Mrs.
hauling stone and doing the chores &c.
After I got my chamberwork done & Mother
fixed off I went over to Mrs. C. M. Pierce
and got some sugar to make a loaf of cake
came home and made it and then sat
down to my work. I sewed most of the
afternoon. Mary busy in the kitchen
this afternoon she has cleaned the tables
here which William has dressed since
dinner. Father and Mother got home just
about dusk the wind flows very hard -
we had intended going to Mr. J. H. Sullens to
meeting this evening but it was so cold
and windy & they thought we had best not
go. William spent the evening at Mrs. Allen's.
Had quite a snow squall this afternoon.

Monday 16th

Monday 16th

Wednesday Feb 17th 1858-

Another pleasant and cold

Morning - not quite as cold as yesterday
Father and William started about
nine o'clock for the City - they took
in the Call William dressed yesterday

They carried Aurelia and Susan Mallory
up to their school - John and David cutting
wood at the door. Mother knitting - after
I got my chamberwork done I sat down

to sewing - I went down to the post office
immediately after breakfast did not get
anything for any of us - I was not gone

long - sewed since dinner and took a
nap on the sofa - as I was awake a good

deal last night keeping up the fire to
prevent my plants from freezing - Mary
was ironing since she got her work done

up - Aurelia called here this morning -

Mr Rask and Mr B. B. Horton came

in and spent the Evening with us then

Father and William got home between
two and three o'clock -

Thursday Feb 18th 1858

Monday this
March 30th 1858

The Morning dull and cloudy
and cold - the wind does not blow
as hard as it did yesterday -

Father gone to Mill and to do
some Surveying for Dea Ellis
William Laying Wall - the Men
assisting him and doing the chores

Mother did the work up after breakfast
as Mary was not well and did not get up
until after breakfast. I got up and got
breakfast, did my Chamber work and sat
down to writing have written Mrs R. A. Rattin-
ger Ottawa Illinois - A. C. Blanding M. L.
Lyons Iowa - sent a letter to Miss L. H.
Blanding Saunter Mass and a Circular
to Emma M. Birce North West Mass.

Mary feels quite well now she is up -
Mr Horton has the oven this afternoon -
William has gone to the Post Office - father
got home just after dinner -

Eve Carpenter made me a call this
afternoon - was very glad to see her - her father
is very feeble sits up but little - William
and myself with Amelia went down to the
meeting this Eve not many present - Mr
Doe did not get out -

Friday Feb 19th 1858

A pleasant Morning, but cold.
Soon after breakfast David dressed
and left for Pawtucket, and John
started with the oxen to get them
shod.

Our L Church observes this day as a
fast and Mother and William have gone
to L Church - Father, Mary, and myself at
home all day. They did not get home from
meeting until after four o'clock. We did
not have supper and dinner till after
sunset - after it was over I went into
Mrs. C. M. Pierce's a few minutes. Lissie
came home this evening.

Fannie called here a few minutes
on her way from school.

Mother says they had an excellent meeting
today. Mr Doe returns tonight.
It is cloudy and looks much like having
a snow storm.

Saturday Feb 20th 1858.

Monday
Mercury this
A dull stormy morning, the
snow falling thick and fast -
Father about home all day William
about home all the morning, and
after dinner he went ~~to~~ mile to get
the grist father carries up Thursday -
John cutting wood and doing chores &c.
David has not returned as yet -
Mother did her sweeping and then did
the baking and after she sat down she read
a while - After I got my chamberwork
done made the pie for Mother, then
read a while and took a nap on the
sofa, David not do much on anything
in the evening - Mary busy scrubbing
and doing the work in the kitchen -
Edward Pierce had one of the sleighs
to go into the City for his father he got
part way when the horse took fright and
and turned and men for home, so he
came and did not conclude to go to
after his father - The storm is still
severe and the wind blows hard which
will bank the snow I fear -

Sabbath Feb 21st 1858.

A dear pleasant Morning
after the storm of yesterday -
the snow is fairly some, but
not enough to prevent getting
along quite well -

O. M. Blanding
M. C. McKay

W. H. Blanding at
Church all day - Father and Mother
at home to keep house - For the Morn-
ing we went to meeting in a sleigh,
but found it such bad sleighing that
William came home at noon and
got the waggon - Mr R. Pierce came
out with Mr Doe - Mr Doe gave us
two most excellent sermons today -
but few out to hear them - It was so
pleasant I should have thought there
would have been more out - Mr Doe
brought out word of the death of Miss
Greenlow King, who died yesterday in
a fit - funeral tomorrow - Mr Doe called
here awhile, when on his way home had
a very pleasant call from him - we do
not go down to meeting this Evening -
Mr Pierce, Lurelia and Lissie made us
a call this Evening -

Monday Feb'y 2nd 1858 -

Another clear pleasant Morning,
and it does not seem very cold
although there is snow on the ground.

Soon after breakfast Father and
William made ready to start for
the City - Father is one of the bearers

at Miss Rodney's funeral which takes place
today at ten o'clock - John and David
cutting wood at the door - Mother ass-

sisting in the kitchen while Mary is
busy at the wash tub - this afternoon

Mother has been reading and knitting -
after I got my chamberwork done I made
ready to sit down and then I read while

they cut out my work, and after
dinner took a short nap in my chair

have sewed some since and have
been writing some for Father - they
did not get home until after two
o'clock -

Mother says
this

Tuesday Feb 23rd 1858 -

Mercury this
Morn.

April

Thursday 1st 1858

A bright clear Morning, and
it seems as if Spring was really
here. Father and William busy
about the house and barn just

before noon William went up to Perryville
to get a harrow made. James Peate com-
menced working here today for the season
also James Bagan. David Ramsey left
this Morning after breakfast. Poppy finished
work here yesterday.

Mother sewing and Mary busy in the
Kitchen. After I combed my hair I went over
and invited Miss Sally Allen & Mrs Ware
Lam to ride down to meeting with us this
afternoon. They both accepted the invitation.

Father

Mother

W. W. Blanding

L. P. Blanding at Church this

afternoon. I rode and drove for Mrs E. M. Pierce
had an excellent discourse. By Rev Mr Tertton
of Boston. we came home and after supper started
and walked down to the Evening meeting with
Mrs Pierce, L. Wash & our Mary. William took down
Mrs Pierce, Lissie & Mary. Allen had an excellent
discourse by the same as the afternoon and it
was fully attended. we rode home with
William as Lissie & Mrs Allen rode with Mrs
Horton. A letter from L. P. Blanding Berkley
Mass this Evening - all in usual health.

Friday April 2nd 1858 -

Another clear & pleasant morning
the birds sound very sweetly singing
their morning songs -

Father felt quite smart this morning
and is busy doing odd jobs -

William has commenced ploughing this
morning for the first time this season -
he had the horses and the two Camesses
one using the open drawing out compass
or hauling corn bails - in the afternoon
William dressed a calf for Mrs. Allen
Edward Pierce had to go to the City
with his horse to get a load of Compost
and Mother and myself had Buggy & Buggy
to go to meeting - quite a full house - Had
an interesting meeting but some parts of it
I did not like very much - Mr. Moulton
made a confession to the Church and he
was taken back again - the meetings close
to day - they have been very interesting -
we did not get home until supper time we
brought Lizzie Pierce home from meeting -
This morning I wrote a letter to Mr. J. J.
Kattiger, Ottawa Ill for brother William
Mother read &c - Mary busy in the kitchen
and this afternoon has dressed a calves head
for market - spent the evening in
knitting - it looks very much like a storm -

Saturday. April 3rd 1858.

A clear pleasant morning, the appearance of a storm has passed away.

Soon after breakfast father started for the City with parsnips, beets &c.

William fixing the rhubarb pie and doing odd jobs - father took some rhubarb plants along to Mr R. Perkins - the men have been hauling Compost onto the garden and to the field, and bringing up corn butter. Mother did her sweeping and then did the baking with what Mary assisted which was not much, as she was busy in the kitchen. I did a little out in the front yard this morning and then did my sweeping.

William King and daughter called here awhile this morning - William has colored his whiskers since they left - he has gone down this afternoon to the graveyard to assist in interring Capt Daniel Wilmarth - father was to have gone if he had got home in season - but he has not yet come.

Mary is expecting her cousin to come out with him - it has been the warmest day we have had this season I think - Mercury 81° P.M. 66° - Mary and her cousin Sarah have gone over to call on Mrs Wareham -

Sabbath April 4th 1858

A clear pleasant Morning, got
all the Mornings work done up
quite early, and then made ready for
Church.

H. M. Blanding

M. C. McKeag

C. McKeag

W. W. Blanding at Church

all day - Father and Mother at home to
keep the house - Mr Doe gave us an excellent
discourse this Morning, and this afternoon
he read a piece delivered by H. W. Beecher
at the Burton Theatre a few days before -
it was very good - Mr Bosworth assisted
Mr Doe & we had a full house all day, and
a very interesting Sabbath School lesson -
after dinner Father took Mary and her
cousin to the bridge where they left Sarah
to go out to the Asylum - and they came
home - William and myself walked down
to the Evening service of Purcelliana Lieders
Mr Thatcher led the prayer meeting and
Mr Bosworth preached - his discourse was
quite good but not like Mr Does
James Peats had Sam and the buggy to go to
Swansey to be at a baptizing -

We got a letter today from J. E. Nattering to
J. Blanding saying Nancy and baby was
doing nicely -

Monday April 5th 1858

Another delightful Morning, it seems as tho Spring had indeed got here, it is the warmest Morning we have had as yet I think

Soon after breakfast, and my work done, I went out into the yard to plant out some things I had sent me Saturday. I found several in flower - had been out but a short time when Mr. Phelps drove into the yard but Mr. Plimpton and Elisabeth was very glad to see them - they went out into the yard with me and worked most of the Morning - Mr. Plimpton transplanted some things for me &c - Elisabeth carried some over to Mrs C. M. Pierces that I did not want - Mother preparing dinner - Mary busy at the wash tub - Father busy about the farm - William ploughing with the horses in the lot over towards Mr. M. Pierces - the James's are hauling up corn bats - this afternoon father and William have gone to Town meeting and Society meeting - did not get home until after tea - we ladies have sewed, knit and tatced - Mrs Henry Allen and Mrs Lucinda Allen have made us a call this afternoon -

Mr. De. made us a short call on his way out to preach at the Baptist Church this Evening - none of well attend - I felt as tho I took cold to day out in the yard - My throat is sore and feel lame all over - Silas Plimpton came out this Eve to see his father on business - it lightning this Eve - cloudy and / 999 -

Tuesday April 6th 1858

The early Morning was dull and foggy and rain was predicted by some but after the sun had been up a while the clouds dispersed and we have had a fine day - soon after breakfast

Mr. Plimpton and Elisabeth started for the City - and after I got my Morning work done up I dressed myself and with father started for Pawtucket to attend Probate Court - William started before we did as he went with W. A. King and went through Providence - our business was done soon after the Court was opened and William and myself made a call at Mr. J. W. Ellis to leave some cards - and then we came home got home just after dinner - father came with W. A. King - Mother sitting in the dining - Mary busy in the kitchen -

My cold makes me feel about sick - my throat is very sore and I was soon on the sofa - and there I laid till I got up to put my feet into hot water, had my feet warmed and off to bed - Mary Allen called just after we got home to see about having the beam to do some work - John Malloy at work on the grass walks - the men ploughing in the young orchard - Annie Pierce came in to see if I was going to walk down to meeting this Evening - Mr. Hatch is to preach - James Peets went down - William did not go - he killed a calf for Mr. Johnson just at night.

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Wednesday April 9th 1858-

A clear, pleasant Morning

but much cooler than yesterday -

Father gone to Widow Peter Carpenter

late residence to meet two other Men

to try to settle a difficulty that exists

between some of the heirs - hope he will

succeed - William ploughing over towards

Mr. A. Pierce and below the barn - the Men

hauling out Manure onto the young orchard -

William went up to Perryville after his harrow

just at Night - Mother busy waiting up on

me and sewing - Mary busy in the kitchen

I did not feel very well and laid in bed until

after dinner and then laid on the sofa the most

of the afternoon - Lissie Pierce brought me a

letter this Morning from Mr. S. G. Katterger -

saying Nancy and baby were very nicely doing

finely & Sylvia had made little Whittier, Maria

the first present, consisting of a glass powdercup

though I don't want to see them -

Aurelia and Lissie made us a call just

at Evening, while I was taking supper, my

throat is still very sore - the girls do not

go to meeting this Evening - it is so far to the

Baptist Church - Mr. Collins is to preach

this Evening - William and James Peate

have gone they walk home - George Carpenter

has gone to do some surveying for father - he

took tea here, when on his way home -

Mary
Lissie
Aurelia

Thursday April 8th 1858

Mary
William

Another clear, pleasant Morning
soon after breakfast father and William
made ready and started for County
to attend an Agricultural meeting -
they got home before tea - they saw Sister
Sophie and Lydia, they were quite well
Mr. Burt is quite unwell - the Men hauling
compost - after supper father and William
burnt over the stoves and
Mother busy sewing after she got the
Morning work done - Mary busy in the
kitchen - Edie not rise very early but, during
the day I wrote a Letter to Mrs. M. C. Rattinizer
Miss Julia B. Horton made me a call this
afternoon - while Mother had gone to call
on Mrs. Wilmarth and Mrs. Pierce - Aurelia
and Lissie have been to the City today -
after I finished my Letter and had Father
read it took my Letter over for the girls to
take to the office if they were going to
meeting found they were and sat a while
after they left - Mary went with them -
James Beato has gone too - Mr. Basworth
is to preach at our Church this Eve -
it is clouding up some - they did not
get home from meeting until about ten
o'clock - some fires seen this Evening
Mr. Horton has been burning some of the
pastures over - It began to rain just as
they got home from meeting -

Friday April 9th 1858 -

A dull, rainy, Morning, not as cold as yesterday Morning -

Father and William doing odd jobs about the house and barn -

William goes to Mill - the Men cut the wood at the door - It has rained

considerable this forenoon -

Mother sewing &c - Mary busy in the kitchen preparing dinner - I made some pies during the Morning &c - this afternoon have been writing after taking a short nap - Mother busy looking over drawers this afternoon - father gone over to Mrs. Allens -

The men began today to divide the real Estate at Mrs. Wilmonds -

one of my Lactuses in bloom -

Just before Night Lissie Pierce came in and offered to take me to Church but Father would not consent to my going out this Evening although I had nearly cleared off - although I did not go as it came up cloudy & foggy in the Evening and was very damp - Mr. Conklin is expected out to preach this Evening -

Saturday April 10th 1858.

Mom
Museum
A pleasant morning and every
thing seems refreshed by the
rain that fell yesterday.
Father off to Market with parsnips
turnips, eggs &c. William doing
odd jobs. He assisted me in setting
some shrubs in the yard. The Men
hauling out Compost. Mother did her
sweeping and then the baking with Mary's
assistance. Mary busy in the kitchen.
After breakfast I did my sweeping and
worked in the yard a little and after
dinner took a few shrubs over to Mrs C. M.
Pierces then home and dressed for the
Evening. Mr. A. Peck of Barrington came
to sell a yoke of oxen to William, I reckon
he will not trade for them.
Mrs. Allen and Mary had Tom and the
baggage & phaeton to go to the City with,
did not get home until in the Evening,
father got home before Night.
William gone to the village this Evening
he got a letter from J. G. Mattinger postmarked
Albany saying he would be in New York
the last of the week. - also one from C. B. Plimpton
both to C. M. Blanding.

Sabbath, April 11th 1858.

Another clear pleasant morning
The wind is rather chilly -

Father
Mother

H. M. Blanding

W. W. Blanding

J. L. Peate at Church all

day - Mary staid at home to keep the house
James Langan about the house a part of
the time - Mr Doe gave us two excellent
discourses today - The house was well
filled - William, James, and myself went
down to the Evening meeting - I rode with
Auntia & Lissie - had an excellent meeting.

Mrs Bowen told me today of her sister Ellen's
death, she died last Tuesday and her
remains were brought on last Saturday
or arrived in Wrentham, yesterday.

Miss A. C. Pease at Church all day and Eve-
ning with her little beau -

Monday April 12th 1858-

It is still pleasant,

Morning
Evening
I rose early this morning and did my morning work and put up a small box of ships of Lector for Mrs. A. A. Watteringer, then dressed myself and went into the City with Mr. A. Pierce to stop a day or two with Mrs. C. B. Plimpton and do a little sewing for Nancy that we are to put into a package to send on to New York for Mr. Watteringer to take home with him.

Father busy about home doing odd jobs &c. William getting in his cats traps he will get them in today. The hauling Locomotive. Mother busy in the kitchen assisting about the work, while Mary is busy at the wash tub.

Amelia Blanding called here this afternoon. made a short call.

It looks like rain this evening.

Cousin Maria called at Charles's today had a fine call.

Mrs. Dr. Mason called, also John Vernon.

Tuesday April 13th 1858 -

A dull rainy morning and look
like having a rainy day -

Father at home all day - the men
assisted in dressing some poultry
this forenoon - William dressed a
calf for himself this afternoon -

Mother assisted about dressing the poultry
am sorry I was not at home so I could have
done it instead of Mother's being obliged to
do it - Mary also assisted -

I had a pleasant time at sister Elisabeth's
sewing for little Mary and talking &c -
the package was sent off this afternoon -
Henry Peck's funeral was attended today -

Mr Dymington lives in a very pretty place
now much more so than the one they
moved from - Marie was not at home
until this morning -

Still dull and a mist falling - I did not
go out to meeting this evening, Elisabeth
had a severe headache and did not go out
the others of the family went -

Wednesday April 14th 1868.

Another dull, rainy morning.

It quit raining about eight or nine o'clock, and father started for the City with Deak, poultry, and passengers for Mr Gay.

William picking stones and fixing the ground below the Hoys pen and in the afternoon furrowed & tinned the young orchard the men spreading compost in the young orchard and picking stones and digging around the rocks in the lot toward Mr A. Pierce.

Mother after doing her morning work, sewed. Mary busied in the kitchen. I did not get home from Providence until nearly night. I started out with father, and soon Mr. T. overtook us and when we got to Mr. Jackson he offered to take me in his buggy, as father was heavily loaded, and so I accepted the invitation, and had a very pleasant ride. He took tea at Mrs. C. M. Pierce's. - Sarah and Lizzie gone to Seekonk to be at the Singing School this evening. - I can't go to meeting this eve. I am sorry. - James Peate went, did not get anything at the office.

Mercury this
Morn

Thursday April 15th 1868

A clear, pleasant morning, but
rain is predicted soon
it is fast day in our good State
today and kneeling most of the day

Father
Mother
Mr. C. McKay
W. W. Blanding

J. L. Peats & Co. Church, they
did not get home until after two o'clock
I staid at home to keep house. James
Lang an was at work over towards Mr. R. Pierce.
I went over to Mrs. Allen this morning to take
some shrub over to Mary - had a little chat
with Mr. Hunt, tried to make him promise to
go to meeting next Sunday, but did not succeed.
William dressed a calf for Mrs. Wilmarth, and
then went with father up to Mr. Newells to see
about buying a yoke of oxen, but he did not
get them, as another man would pay more.
Mother and myself after tea went and
called at Mr. Hunt, had a pleasant call
while there, Mrs. C. M. Pierce, Mrs. Horton and
Mrs. Brown came to call, all but Mrs. Brown
came with us and called to see Mrs. Allen -
Amy Bosworth is quite unwell.

Friday April 16th 1868

Mother

Morning this

The Morning quite clear and pleasant

Father about home during the early Morning and then went down to

Mr Coverts on business for William William ploughing the garden this forenoon - I helped him a little at first - James Peate has gone to the City with a load of Hay, will bring out a load of Compost - James Langran digging around the rock, and picking stone in the lot William has sowed to Cato

Mother after she got her Mornings work done set down to sewing - after I got my Morning work ^{done} was busy about odd jobs, till dinner time, then dressed and father took me to pass the afternoon with Miss Delight R. Carpenter but she was absent and so I walked over to cousin Abby Carpenters and spent the afternoon. William came after me in the Evening Sarah is still in Foxboro - father came home by the post office but no letters - William went to Mr Joseph L. Coffe after his Cato this afternoon - Mary busy ironing, and preparing dinner

James Smith called here just before noon - William dressed a calf for Mr B. B. Horton this afternoon

Saturday April 17th 1858.

A bright, clear Morning, the clouds
all passed away.

Father about home this Morning
has been down to see Mr Mc Cormick
about that William talks of buying

William and James Peats at York Ploughing
at the other farms for bats John Malloy is
at work here today helping James Langan
plant some potatoes, the first William has
had planted this season.

Mother did her sweeping and then did
the baking with what Mary could assist her.

Mary busy preparing dinner, & scrubbing &c.
After breakfast I did my Saturdays Sweeping
and then went into the yard and worked
until dinner time. After dinner, I took

a nap while my flats were heating to press
my shawl, and while I was pressing it, the
chimney took fire, and fire heated us very
much as the wind blew quite hard and so
much cinder came out of the top of the chimney.

Mother cleaned her clothes closet today. Mary
gone over to Massellens since then.

William ploughing the garden by the barn
since he got home from the other farm.

A heavy smoke to be seen in the South
East - hope it is not building - Anna came
in this Morning of an errand.

From
Bessie M. W.

Sabbath April 18th 1858 -
A clear, pleasant Morning -
quite warm -

W. W. Blending
G. W. Blending

Mr. F. McVay at Church

all day - Father, Mother, and James
Peets left home this Morning - James
went to meeting this afternoon, James
Langan gone to the City today - we
had a full house today - Mr. Doe gave us
two excellent discourses - Mrs. Doe was
out today for the first time for several weeks
she looks very delicate - was very glad to
see her out & we walked to Church today
and let the horses rest - James, William
and myself walked down to the Evening
meeting also, Lucia and Bessie - had
a very good meeting - Dea Carpenter lead
the meeting - Mr. Cameron Horton spoke
for the first time this Evening - Mr. Doe
preached in the school house by Mr. George
Bissess -

Monday April 19th 1858-

The Morning quite pleasant
and mild.

Father spent the most of the Morn-
ing in Sowing Oats and hay seed
for Mrs. Allen John Malloy is getting
them in for her, he has run over to work.
Father was over there for awhile this afternoon
and came home very tired - William and
the two James are at work ~~at the~~
~~about the~~ ~~the~~ ~~xxx~~ they are getting in
Oats at the other farm - William came home
in season to dress a calf for Market -

Mother did up the work this morning and then went to cleaning out the back closet - I did my morning work then got dinner and did up the work and this afternoon have written a letter to Mr Katteringer and begun one to Sister Nancy - Mary hung at the wash tub and after she got through she cleaned the stove & the ice - after supper Mary Ellen called and I went with her to call at Mr. Horton and Mrs. Pierce's - Sarah and Lissie have gone to the City to make a visit -

Thursday April 26th 1848

Mon
Morn

The Morning cloudy, wind North East, and looks like a storm -
Father off to Market with beer -
William fixing the garden - the Men
hauling out Cornport - it hailed
and rained some before noon - Mother
cleaning or overhauling up in the attic.

Mary begins the Kitchen, preparing for
dinner &c - I did my morning work and
then sat down to ~~work~~ writing, have written
A. O. Blanding M. D. Lynn, Iowa - L. H. Bland-
ing Taunton Mass and finished my letter
to R. A. Rattenger Ottawa Ill - and since
dinner William has taken them down
to the office - it rained quite hard
a while this afternoon - William is at work
in the cellar fix ing it to let the milk in -
Mother and Mary ironing -

I was intending to have made some call
this afternoon with Miss Lucy Park but
the rain has prevented it - no one goes
to meeting this Evening -
I went over to Mrs Allen for an errand
after tea and before I left William came
in and I staid longer than I meant to -
I got a little cotton cloth to make up - it
rained when we came home -

Wednesday April 21st 1858-

The morning dull and cloudy and rather cool - it did not rain much during the forenoon and this afternoon it has looked more like breaking away -

Father about home all day, busy in getting the garden seeds ready for planting - William and James Peels ploughing for oats on the old field - John Malloy at work here today, helping James Langan plant potatoes -

Mother sewing after she got her morning work done - I made a call at Mrs E. Mr. Pierces, after I got my work done, and then home to sewing - Mary busy in the kitchen preparing dinner &c -

Just before dinner was ready (Mr & Mrs Plimpton came, spent the rest of the day and night with us - Mr Dal called just as we got through tea and so I got tea for him - James Peels is the only one down to meeting this Evening - William bought some fish this Evening and are cleaning them - A beggar woman gave us a call this afternoon - Mary churned today for the first time this Spring -

Thursday April 2nd 1868-

The sun did not rise clear this morning, but the clouds soon passed away and the sun came out very pleasant, and we have had a delightful day - Father at home during

the morning, but took a short ride after dinner - He is busy over the seeds - William harrowing where he plowed yesterday - James at work on the other farm - Mr Hathaway at work painting the blinds - Mother putting out things to air, Mr Pimpton helping her - Mary busy in the kitchen, preparing dinner with my assistance - Elizabeth knitting, and visiting at the same time -

Mr Hathaway and baby made us a call just before noon - Mr Hathaway boards at home - Edward Pierce is picking the strawberries - Mr Pimpton and wife started for home immediately after dinner - and I dressed and father took me to spend the afternoon with Miss Delight K Carpenter - Had a very pleasant time, met Mr Doe there - He took dinner and tea there - a Mr Smith called in the afternoon and took tea - William came and spent the evening with us - got home between ten and eleven - We have had a very pleasant day - Mr Doe took Mr Northum out to ride - Many men called just at evening -

Friday
~~Wednesday~~ April 23rd 1858

Mrs. M
The morning dull and cloudy
and looks very much like rain -
Father decided to go to Boston and
immediately after breakfast made
himself ready and William took
him to the depot. Before the cars came
it commenced raining and father concluded
not to go and so returned with William -
William cleaning out the milk room and
has been sitting with Mr. Hathaway and
since dinner has been down to the village
to get some time to white wash the milk room
the same cutting wood and this afternoon
I have been sitting knives - Mother looking
over boxes in the clothes room - Mary busy
in the kitchen and I have sewed very
steadily since I got my morning work done -
We had quite a heavy thunder shower just
before noon -

William gone into Mr. Pierce's this Eve -
David Ramsey called to see William -
Mrs. Calvin Peck called to see me this Eve -
and about having my sonnet

1858 Saturday April 24th 1858.

The morning somewhat cloudy, but soon cleared and the sun came out. It rained a good deal last night.

Father started for the City between nine and ten o'clock - William busy in the Milkcellar - James Peets gone into the City after a load of Compost, James Langan heaping up Compost in the lane - Mr Hathaway painting blinds - Mother did her sweeping and then the taking with Mary assistance - Mary busy scrubbing and preparing dinner - William went to the office this morning and got me two letters one from Mrs. R. A. Ratteng. Ottawa, Ill and the other from Miss L. H. Blanding Berkley, Mass. - Nancy was getting along nicely, Toby grows finely - Hephew not very well - Got my sweeping done just as dinner was ready - In the afternoon William has been sowing hay seed - and I have been out to make some calls - found some away from home and so did not do all I intended to - A man came along and put in the crystal to Williams watch this afternoon - Mr Bicknell came out today - James Peets gone to the young mens prayer meeting - Mrs Wancham called this afternoon -

Sabbath April 25th 1858 -
A bright clear morning, but
rather cool.

Father
Mother
O. M. Blanding
W. W. Blanding

James Peets at Church

Mary Staid at home to keep the house
James Langan about the house a part
of the day - Mr Doe preached two good
discourses today and he had a full
house all day - Mr Doe came and took
dinner with us and then took me up to
the school house to meeting. he took
Mary Allen up and carried her part
way - it began to rain before we got there
the house was full and we had a very
good meeting - Mr Scholes was there
to hear him, and after he got through
Mr Scholes wished to make some
remarks, but Mr Doe did not think it
best for him to and so did not give him
permission - some did not like it much
it rained before meeting closed but we got
home very nicely - it commenced snowing
before nine o'clock, and the ground
is white -

Monday 26th

Monday April 26th 1858-

A clear pleasant Morning
after the snow storm, it looks
some dreary to see the ground
white with snow, but believe it
will not last long, as it has begun
to melt now the sun is up.

Father has been down to the graveyard
this forenoon to assist in interring Miss
Greelove King - he has been at home
this afternoon William doing odd job
about the house this Morning - this
afternoon has planted some garden seeds
and since dressed a calf. The Varnes
have taken a load of Compost up to the
other place, and are to bring home a load
of Hay - this afternoon they are ploughing.
Mother assisting in the kitchen this
Morning and sewing this afternoon -
Mary busy at the wash tub and since
she finished has dressed a Calves head &c.
After I got my Morning work done, I give
various jobs of sewing - this afternoon have
been making edging -
Mrs. C. M. Pierce and Anna came in and
sat until near tea time - Miss Mary Allen
and her Mother called a few minutes - they
have the horse and wagon to go to Mr
G. C. Goff - the snow left us before noon -
the Mercury this Evening 42° -

Mercury this
Morning 30°

Tuesday April 27th 1858 -

A dull Drowsy Morning with appearance of a storm looks like snow -

Father started for the City a little before nine this Morning and it commenced snowing soon after he left and the storm has increased and has snowed all day furiously - if it had not melted any where should have had a deep snow on the ground by night - Father has had a very tedious time - he took in coal to Mr Gay - James Peets has gone in with a load of hay - William is fixing the Milk room - has done it very nicely & has laid a very good floor to it - James Langan cutting wood and doing odd jobs -

Mother sewing and reading - after I got my Morning work done up I sat the flats to the fire and soon commenced ironing which I completed soon after dinner then I took a little nap - Mary busy in the Kitchen preparing dinner & Father got home about four o'clock wet and very cold - was afraid it would make him sick but hope he will not take cold - James Peets came soon after without any load - he spent the Evening at Mr Rappes I expect - The Evening closes in dull and stormy -

Mother 30
Morning 30

Wednesday April 28th 1858.

Barometer this
Morning 30°
The Morning was dull and
cloudy but the Sun dispersed
the clouds and we had a fine
day or the most of one the snow
disappeared very rapidly and the
ground dried fast.

Father about home all the Morning but
went to the City in the afternoon to get things
he did not get yesterday on account of the
storm. William finishing the cellar.
The men have gone for a load of litter
up beyond. Mr & Thomas Carpenters they
did not get home until late after two
o'clock. Mother sewing &c. Mary busy
in the kitchen after got my Mornings
work done I sat down and wrote a letter
to Mr. R. C. Kattinger Ottawa Ill.
which Father took into the City to office.
after dinner I went to Mrs. Allen and bought
some cotton cloth for myself then home and
did a little sewing for Mary after tea
Mary and myself walked down to the
Lep. Church to attend meeting, Mrs. Allen went
with us. the young men from the City are
to come out this Evening to make the meeting
interesting. Aurelia and Lizzie came
home from the City today.

Thursday April 29th 1858 -

A bright clear morning and but
little snow visible on the North
side of the buildings -

Father about home all day busy
about the house and farm - William
fishing in his Oats at the old field -

The men ploughing in the young orchard -

Mr. Catbaway painting Hinds, Edward
Spence hoeing out the strawberries.

Mother busy sewing &c. - Man busy in

the kitchen preparing dinner &c. - after I

got my morning work ^{done} I did some
cooking for tea this afternoon, - after tea I

dressed and walked over and spent the
afternoon with Jane Carpenter, she is

quite unwell - Mrs Carpenter is better than

when I saw her last - Had an excellent visit

going over I saw a fish hawk and her nest

it is very large - Lincoln Hunt and his

friends have been out hunting this afternoon

and have got some eggs of the fish hawk -

He had Williams gun and came to return

it - he did not make any stop -

Mrs Calain Peck called to bring home my

bonnet which she has had for a few days -

it looks like a storm again -

Friday April 30th 1858.

Again we have a rainy morning with a prospect of a rainy day. But we were greatly disappointed in that respect as the sun came out and we have had a pleasant afternoon.

Father and William at home all day during the morning they dictated to me business letters to W. G. Kattinger Esq. Ottawa Ill. in the afternoon William helped me in the front yard in trimming shrubbery &c. Father reading &c. the men cut wood in the morning and ploughed in the afternoon. James Langan worked for John Melloy this afternoon and Edward Pierce worked in his place. Mother sewing &c. I wrote most of the morning and after dinner worked in the yard, just at evening went into Mrs. E. M. Pires - did not go down to meeting today, am ashamed I forgot it until I had my arrangements otherwise. Mary Lucy in the kitchen. Mother gone over to Mrs. Allen since tea. James Dick and James Langan absent this evening. William took a letter to the office since dinner. Mary Locke and her brother called to see father on business this afternoon.

Mother
William