Written Aug 15th 66

Arrived here safe & while I am writing for the train west to join this—
he found it—best to wait till four o'clock all had a warm dinner & Pathe paid till a.m.—I aoe what a good dinner we had but I think she didn’t eat one chawam
worth she is now comming her self to the petrov tittle boat one soon to go west
Michigan Aug 16th

Last night we crossed the profession bridge at midnight, a really being in the evening. We began not to sailing it. This morning we saw Lake making

view at the crossing over at Toledo on a ferry. We were 15 minutes going over. Maybe at or very close. Took out to the oil motor to control the water was a little green color.
Aug 17 47

Had a pleasant time rowing Lake Michigan after midnight. Got on the stage to Chicago in the evening took a sleeping car and found it nice at camp. Parked a good night rest and fell asleep much rested. Took our own breakfast and stayed in the same car till noon.
Aug. 18

We came on board the steam boat Denver this afternoon, and it has been very warm but now the sun is down and it is delightful. The moon is shining and all is quiet. We went up on the busy cabin deck and could not help thinking of all of my friends and wishing they could all be there for a short time.
Missouri River
August 19th

This is the Sabbath
day but I don’t seem like it. There is quite
a number of passing
ro on board & the
cabin & state rooms
are so warm they
are on deck & there
is no comfortable place
to be at home & we are
obliged to hear all kind
of talk more of their
seem religions. O dear
Papa is 8 years old.
August 20th

We arrived to day at 11 A.M. o'clock in Nebraska city. There is some fine building here, and business seems to be very brisk. I am now in my room up three flights of stairs. I have a good view of the place from the other side of the house. The mission is on a plain sight, many of the buildings are of brick. I like it here.
Web city-
August 21 27
I have a bad cold and am still about sick. I came home sick. The sight of so many others returning emigrated has made much to do with the latter pickings, then t here been a stranger in a strange place to am cautious to once more be in my own home
Neb city--Seymon
August 22 1879

It is just one week since we left home & it seems to me a month instead. To wake up this morning it was raining hard & I fear we shall not get a way unless it stops, it is chilly & with any cold to feel it very much. Patie is not feeling well & I fear she will be sick. Mail me a letter to Ann today.
We left August 29th.

Four miles out of the city we left there yesterday to come here to wait for a thing that is going to Montana last night. We slept in our wagons or rather on what felt so much at first to sleep, although we were close by a house still we were in the road it was very warm to sit but nothing disturbed us we held the same kind of protector there.
August 24th

We are still in this place. Katie is still sick with diarrhea and I feel very sorry about her. It is well we had to wait—

for she could not have stood the ride. I have been washing some of my things. I found it very disagreeable and tiring. Katie is some better. I am very tired but—well
August 25th

We left Nebraska at 7 this morning and now I am writing while the men hitch up the teams. We did not have any wood. We took a cold dinner but hung it in a good pan as mine rusted. I was nothing but bread and butter raw tomatoes and cold tea. Pate is quite like her self but sick of the waggon the first half day.
August 26th 14
93° Strike out
This is the Sabbath
but washing here
makes it seem to. We would then
over and the com-
pany go so we
would be left a long
a while I think of the B-
sabbath school as
they are now essen-
tial for speaking to
praise my heart is
there if it can not.
It has been cold to
and hope gone on which
shall at the morning
August 27th 18--5 1/2 miles out this is a very pleasant day, we have had a long morning the past by a miserable looking dog but just right enough for a man to stand up in. I have been here now for the first time in my life. The air is not well yet but drives the horses some. She enjoys that. I am still in love with any of this country no wood
August 28th

Wabasso Creek
We are waiting for a cattle train to get over the bridge. This is quite a pleasant place. There are a few trees here. Last night we had not been in Park but a few moments when some Indians came where they wanted some things to eat. Then they were going to stay down by our baggage and tell them what we did not want them.
August 29th

This has been a very windy day. The dust blew very much but the most of the time it blew at our side. At noon we had four more lumbermen to see us. They wanted Ed dinner. It matched. So one of them was a pignaw. One of the men wanted Patie for his pignaw. He bid no good by when he left. This is a
Tentle might -
I feel hide & sick
of such journey
I fail to see any
thing desirable
in such traveling.
It is hurry up at
the morning & get
a hasty breakfast
& have a cold lunch
for dinner & etc.

might get supper
& bake bread &
not get through
Till G. am. I linger
Hail if I do come
later some time.
August 30th

An other day is you & we are one
the nearer to our home, it has been
pleasant but this afternoon a part of
the time we feared the wind & the dust
from the other teams was terrible.
This morning we met a train coming
from California there was 7 wagons & some
50 horses. The children looked dirty & ragged
but seemed happy
enjoy them selves they were running a long a mong the
leaves this after
noon and a big
ox train some 3
hundred at such
a cloud of cloud-
I never was in before
we are parked to
night beside the
Pleat river now
we shall have plenty
of water. So only
watching the stock
until 12 when he will
be released. It then
-20 it requires a little
August 31st

Nothing of importance happened today, but it has been the same dull, tiresome traveling. It was too late to make any bread for another day, so I have no other choice but to make do with whatever I have. Now there is fire in all, it has been ever since we left to travel but sincerely yours.
Sept 1st 66

Saturday night we are within 3 miles of Fort Kearny got here at around 11 went up to the post office but there was no letters for us I felt very much disappointed we are waiting for more men. Last night it rained very hard but we didn’t get wet. It has been a little sunshiny this day it is quite cool to night.
Sept 2 one
This has been the
most terrible month
we have ever been in
the move for the
cold would have
been more grueling
we have been obliged
to hear all sorts of
TALK & swear
to keep cool & name
this morning but
has been very warm
this afternoon & plenty
of mosquitoes to night
as usual
Sept. 3rd

Monday we started again at noon
for our onward m-
arch. I made two
batches of bread &
roasted coffee this
forenoon.

I mailed a letter to
Lucie at the army
Village 2 miles a.
love the God, did not
got any letter to day.

for thunder & lightens
very hard it is only
garded again to night
it made my head
ache to write so mu
Sept 4th 18__

It rained very hard last night. It was very cold this morning. I wore my shawl and gloves all the forenoon. It was very warm this afternoon and sunny.
I never saw such lightning as we had last night. Nor such a glorious rain. The Platte was a mile wide there. There is some handsome island in this river I ever saw.
Sept. 5th

This has been a cold day & I have worn my shawl & had a warm blanket over me, in the afternoon.

It rained, we went out without any breakfast & rode till 1 o'clock stopping till 3 that is our capt'ins way but we do not like it. It was almost dark when we parked & it rained for quite a while & we took it in the waggon
Sept 6th

This was a cool summer day, I leked down a speed for a while when we stopped for our breakfast and dinner in one meal this morning. We kept 4 or 5 trains going west and left what two miles behind us. We met the stage going east. This little child was looking out. His face was all sunburnt. But he will get browned before 300 miles more are...
We have not been but 10 miles this day one of the men broke down & the train had to wait—The rest of the day, I got a long very swell when we were moving on as fast as we can but now nothing to do & no complaining. I feel very lonesome & all most home sick yesterday & to day I met some of his of his 61st men & it seemed pleasant for him to meet old friends but all are strangers to me.
Sept 8th

We left camp a little after day light & pedaled though cottonwood. I was disappointed in not getting a letter.

I feel all swept down by my friends.

The wind has blown a gale the dirt flew like snow & was very obnoxious to face. We took our dinner on the meadow on account of the storm. The cliffs on our left are of granite eight but there is nothing on them but grass that in faded.
Sept. 9th

This is the Sabbath we are traveling it is much quieter for me but very different from former Sabbaths. The wind blew all night—a perfect gale and made me long for the morning, but the wind and sand are terrible to endure. It seemed to me my eyes would be fretted out. When I was getting our dinner my head was well peppered with grit—there is in this big ship
we met a governore at train & also a mule train there was 200 in all of them we did not park till nearly dark & it flew a gale & rain ed & cooked my meat & tea with Emerson & we eat it in the waggon it was too turn to go on guard but his rheumatism would not admit of it he offered Emerson one dollar to go in his place he went but refused any pay
Sept 10th

This was a cold rainy morning but it didn't affect me now that we don't have but two meals a day it cleared up before we packed for our first meal which was at 9 AM I had a nice time making bread and washing any dishes and a few towels.

It has been warm this afternoon and I met a Californian woman...
Dear John,

I hope this letter finds you well. I have been thinking about you a lot lately and I wanted to write to you to let you know that I am truly grateful for your friendship. You have always been there for me, through thick and thin, and your support has been invaluable.

I have heard that you have been going through a lot recently, and I just wanted to let you know that I am here for you, no matter what. If there is anything you need, please let me know.

I also wanted to tell you that I have been doing some thinking about our future, and I have come to the conclusion that we should perhaps consider spending more time together. I believe that we have a lot to learn from each other and that our friendship could be even stronger with more time spent together.

Please let me know what you think about this idea. I would be honored to spend more time with you and I am grateful for your friendship.

With much love,

[Signature]
Sept 11 44
This has been a pleasant day, we have very cool nights & mornings. There has nothing new taken place this day but has been the same dull routine of training & meeting returning trains, at noon spoke 200 this day, but there is but little satisfaction in seeing dirty, ragged men & hearing them cry "there big whips over the poor oxen brake like great ridges raise up!" There has
been cactuses or prickly pears all a long the road to day the burks on which are good to eat & some make pies of them they are a fruit the size of a butter nut & have pleasant from last I have just been startled by the sound of a pistol & a call for help it proved to be men trying to steal horses they got a way without being injured or getting any of our horses or bullets
Sept 12th
This has been a very warm day last night. The horses tried hard to get some of our stock the guard fired on them. They left we reached Petersburg first out sight as we passed a short distance from the town. It is a small place. There is not more than a dozen houses and three churches. A railroad passes through it. They are all new it was burned by the Indians two years ago.
Go it is just about the division between Nebraska and Colorado. The town is in the former place. We met a train of Rocky mountain people there going east. There was several families, including a small child. We are now 450 miles out. I wrote a letter to Grace to.O
Sept 18

Another fine day
this morning.
We went past Fort Lea
grvic 7 miles from
Quilchua it is much
larger than the latter
place. The buildings
are all government
property. I never
saw so much green
as there was in briefs
out door covered
with canvas. Besides
there were long barns full
of some of the buildings
one built of wood
and some of them are
cloey or with plaster.
The wind commenced blowing a bit S
doing this morning & it was so strong it could not go near the fire & the flames spread out as far as I could see. I was stranger of getting on fire & fried the meat for breakfast. We hiked hard and traveled roads for 2 or 3 days. We are now traveling where there is no trees but it is not so dreary to me as it was in Nebraska. The
We commenced a road to the south. We crossed the field, and then walked through the woods. I noticed a large log lying on the ground. The trees were quite large and beautiful in summer.

We made camp for the night. The next morning, we continued our journey through the woods. I was impressed by the beauty of the trees and the variety of wildlife we encountered.
Sept 15th 64

This morning we met a train of 18 wagons; they were drawn by six mules to a wagon box. They were loaded with shingles and wood which came from the mountains. They were going to fieldsburg this year. The letter brought $125.00 for a cord only. I think of much at a price for one cord of pine wood. It was a twice train; the mules were all for the wagons and harness. 
new, I made some cakes for our dinner then went to the river & done some washing - we have had & drink wash to day one place of half a mile the school was rode on it was a nice road to the first house we came to at noon came out - took one dollar for every wagon, he will soon have to build another house to hold his money at that rate.
Sept 16th
Georgina station Sabbath evening we have been travelling today & I hope it is the last Sunday we shall be out. It has been a quiet day considering all things this morning. Theteams had to double to get up on sand hill all but no value & I walked up the wind has been cold & not very comfortable to ride, this is my 32nd birthday day we
passed by just at midnight—the graves of eleven men that were killed by the Indians two or three years or so. We are now following the south fork of the Platte River, we have been cheered all the way by the sight of telegraph poles and every day we are getting nearer to returning people going to the skates this afternoon.
Sept. 17

Two miles from Ft. Morgan we have camped here for the night. The wind is cold and it makes one long for a better shelter. There is some pleasure in such a trip, but the hardships and inconveniences are so great they more than double the former I have and, as yet, seen only the hunting of the chesnut-trees; I have seen no rattlesnake.
drew with J. settled out his trail that made him as many years old Emerson killed him I killed one some days a go with two & a button I am not feeling well to night & a good deal blue as if intends to leave the train in the morning & go a shorter route if he can get a pass from so at present if Indians can not bear the go
Sept 18th

28 miles west of H.-Morison we left the train at 7 o'clock this morning & have been trekking on alone & nothing has hammed me but I have suffered very much from fear, we have not passed but two houses since we left the train & the road has been a very lonely one, many places we could not see far on account of the high bushes, one especially called
Brennon's orchard
they are very high &
but a narrow strip of
land between them &
the river, there is now
some dozen cottonwood
trees standing in the
place & it is an awful
place in case of an
attack from Indians
or any one, the road
has been near or what
is called the river road
but some times it
goes over the bluffs then
it is sandy & blase &
paw dogs & prairie dogs.
ground owls this afternoon. They & rattlesnakes all live in the same holes together.

This is a terrible night to me. We are out all alone & I'm reins. So guarding his horses close to the wagon we slept a bit of cream & a California one this morning. The 14th had several families a long way they will have some 3000 miles by the time they reach the states by wagon.
Sept 19 14
It commenced to rain last night just after we camped it was a very wet night & it was out all night. Gunading the throns we started on our journey at 10. AM it kept raining all the time but out throns were very cold & we could not make a fire every thing was so wet we never 10 miles from a house we had not gone far when the rain
tumed to know it kept it up near by all day when we got to the first house the stables were so poor we drove on 12 miles further and it was a cold section time for us all we lost heart but very little to eat and that was cold so we bought our supper and had our team fast in the barn and fed hay but slept in our wagon and had to pay $300 for it they
offered in the bedroom
What there was no
floor pin it its leaked
at that we thought
out wagon or better place
if it was some well
I saw 2 prairie wolves
this morning it a
Birch rabbit they are
a curious little animal
we met just one
wagon this day
She have not suffered any
from fear to day the
storm has taken any
mind from that. This is
24 days since we have been
in a house & it is not much
Sept 20th

We had ice very well last night it froze quite hard we saw the mountains this morning for the first time they were covered with snow & in one it was a grand sight we rode 7 miles then we stopped to a house & I went in & made some biscuit & got our breakfast & hard to pay 60 cts for the privilege. We crossed the Platte or buckskin had me trouble the water came in our wagon some it was a great relief to
me to be safely over but I could not. Look out it made me so dizzy.

We passed the Enchlap as usual in the afternoon and formed the water deeper in that than in the Platte but not so wide. We are now within 7 miles of our home but it is run down. The team is broke. We are on Mr. Silsbee's farm and close to his house. Had a cold biscuit and nothing more for our supper at half 9 o'clock.
Sept 21st-

This morning Mr. Whitney came out & invited us to breakfast. I found Mrs. Whitney very pleasant woman. We had a nice meal they gave us two large squashes & two nice green beans & a box of little kittens. We left there feeling very kindly toward them. We arrived at our place about 11 o'clock PM & found every thing looking very bad one window every light was broken out & the lower part broken & spoiled in the other
The family got their things out in two hours. I did not get out of the wagon till they left the house. I worked in such a sight it pained me, but every thing but the floor down broke as I imagined it would before I was ready. We found Jones loaded happily with potatoes but there I can't sow must clean & work all ways be over run with bugs & dirt at neighbor b'ston got some cabbage to give
Sept 22 out

We all camped down
on the floor & slept
some.  We were up early
this morning on pack-
ny.  Some of my dishes
were broken.  We have all
worked hard & has
been repairing the win-
dows.  Katie has been a
great deal of help
but she has made
me feel very many
times by asking for
such things as I could
not give her.  I find it
very hard to go to work
after my journey.  I need
as much rest after for me
Sept. 23rd

This is the Sabbath and our first one I have not kept it as strictly as I ought but necessity has forced me to work some. I went to the office this morning and came back with no letter of appointment but two of our Evangelists say one is given to get them but it was solely disagreeable in not yet getting any news from home. I have looked at my obligations but none of them speak to me at all only aggravate me.
I have written a letter to Sarah to-day to let them know of our safe arrival at this place.

Frances front is helping to cut some hay as well as a spear of it. It was cut, much of it has been fed off. The first has injured it but the horses must have something in stony weather. Every thing is in a poor condition, the corn all destroyed by cattle, not a stalk.
Sept 27 18
I have been wasting
today and am very
tired but—had some
thing very agreeable
before I got through
in the shape of a
letter from sister L
and—I don me so mu-
ch good to hear from
home once more.
I was not long in
finding out—its content
agreeably surprised
me—find I cannot bring
August’s picture in
the letter if the chil
not speak its fine to
come look at them
Sept 30th

An other Sabbath day & we are all well. Thind Meredithville called here this morn

Ving. & he brought me sister Ann's first letter. I feared it should not get it. How good to hear agin

so soon. Just w

ight. Miss Sherwood called on me she said I nearly pity you in carrying this
it was a comfort to feel I had the love

patheg of even a stranger.
Oct 6th

My work has kept me from writing & I have been too low spirited to make any effort till to day.

It has been you all day to the mountains & I have been very lonely, just at night Herbert & I friend of his came to spend the night with me & got me a letter from his sister Grace her first one to write into me.
Oct 9 th

our company left a boat--11 A.M. & I wrote a long letter home & spent a portion of my time in searching for a pen on my jacket. A book it was good but some how I could not get into the spirit of words help I felt a longing to sit down with the good people of B--- & join with them in praise & prayer.
Oct 8th

I have been washing today. I went to the mountains after logs to log up the cellar. I'll see if it will be a great relief to me when it is finished.

The house is not safe as it is. Some things wish I had you in to the cellar before he ever saw it. When he came home he might be brought a quarter of beef and had lost the letter I wrote yesterday or my partner was killed. Well, that...
Oct. 9th

I have been baking bread, boiling meat, + ironing while I was at the latter an Indian came in + wanted a drink of water. He had a spade + a long rope on him. He had one end of it in his hand all of the time although the door was shut — he looked all around the room + a good deal at me. Then he left — I was not sorry. My letter was finished. I am a man + he picked me up.
Oct 14th

Sabbath day. I have enjoyed this one better than any since I left home. I have been very much interested in my Bible dictionary & shall derive much knowledge from it. In the future George is 37 years old. This day we thought we would have a treat for dinner. It was inside apple pie, a slice of bread & ginger cake for dessert.
Oct 15th
It rained a little last night for the first time since I came here. This morning the ground was white with snow, the grass ends of our horse are not flattened & the snow blew in so much I thought it would stop the horses up. It took cold in my teeth & they ache very much. It has taken one of our good boxes to day & made me a small basket for my dishes but there is
Oct 19

I have had the tooth ache every day this week till this, now they are very sore. Mrs. Hathorn came & spent the afternoon found her social but some how I fell more homesick after she went a way then I did before she came, she laughed at me for being homesick & said I had better go sound & see my neighbors how they lived & I would come
Home satisfactory. It is no comfort to me to be told I have things as good as good as any one around me & I wish I could feel contented. I can not tell any one how I feel if some times fear my health will fail if I do not soon feel better I feel the want of sympathy very much.
Oct 27th

Sabbath day I have been writing to Sisters Ann & Grace. I received letters from them last Friday night & how it carried me back to get them & how I made me long for an interview with them. They say think my letters are gloomy, but I put the best side out & if I had told them just how it felt they too would have been sad
Oct-23 14
I have done a lot two
weeks washing to-
day and am very tired
and got through
early enough to clean
the stove. My hands
are cracked and chafe
yesterday I went
to the mountains
Mother and some one
very lonely when he
is you all day and
I shall be glad
when he gets all of
his dogs down
Oct 24th
I have cleaned my floor & ironed my clothes, a bout room
Two Squaws came
I went to the door
Just as they came
up, I thought I won't have them come in & said to them
what do you want, they smiled & said "rise."
I stepped back & they came in & stood sound
half an hour. It was amusing to see them
at heart their low talk
it is relief to have them go
away. I did not ask them
Oct 27th

I have been helping to fill the cellar for the two last days. I have not had any time or anything to write.

I have gone over on Con Johnny's creek after potatoes some 15 miles from here. This afternoon I got a great red firehew came in he was in Sandy it was very grand of him and Polly looked as though she would kill the spotted the door and came in and fell out his hand and paid us all of them do how I shook hands.
As I told him she said how in return, then he began to look around the room and said me if she did not know what he meant. He then took up my best butchered knife and that was what he wanted to say to cent spare it, but he asked me twice more for it. But when asked did not get it, he looked at poke and said it was not. I told him yes she.
was my purpose he laughed & shook his head & said no. I insisted that he was & every time he paid out, then he stopped close to me & patted one under my chin & began to think one thing had come, he then, paw Petie downhill in the cradle & paid papoose & took it up & felt of it all over, then laid it down & went off & we were glad to see his back I assure you.
Oct 28th

An other lords day & all is well. I felt as though I could not stay at home from church & I told G-I-B this he would reach while I do my necessary work for I had an other home no fit. He laughed at me but took the evangelist & read a loud. She stay is nearer you & 6 cm one (the nearer my home) & did not
got home last night
bought 11-120 bushels of potatoes
for 75 cents per bushel. &
they are large nice
big things one but not
nearly big enough. we had
a bowl that was
raised on our place
the man had dug
the crowdest of them &
potatoe before we got home
& had to dig the
rest Some sold. This farm
ings this year has been
$400 colthens out of pocket
he paid, & every thing has
gone to racket & such
Oct 29 44

This morning I went to the mountain after wood. When it was 10 A.M. I saw a team over on the Bluff running a ways. I fired at it--was big--while I watched them a man on a horse came after them. It was half an hour before they got near enough to tell who it was. It proved to be our team. Mr. Shepherd had caught them.
they had taken the ad\u2019vantage when go\u201f
fired his revolver at a Badger to come off & leave him, he 
lost his game & had the pleasure of walking 6 miles before he met 
Mr L who took his horse & went to meet him. The lines were 
broken & it took him the rest of the day to fix them & get 
mended up. This is the beauty of living so far from wood
Oct 30th

I have been for wood again to day & didn't get home till 8 in the evening & didn't get more than half of a cord that he had to throw several times over to get it down where his wagon was, so have been washing the attic & the only thing I have felt a bolt by has in form needed me up far to day. I must have some thing all the time to disturb me.
Oct. 31st

I have had a feast to-day it consisted of news from home of letters from my dear sisters Ann, Lydia, and Sarah. I sat down and answered Lydia's while I was writing on some note to go with two Antelope on the pony. I called one out to see them. They were pretty fellows and I pitied the pony to carry them and his master on his back.
Nov 2 1917

This has been a fine day just 6 weeks since we got here. Patie and I have called on Mrs Sherwood this afternoon. We had a pleasant time.

This evening I made a little shelf and put up our clock. I started this old wall room tool a little more cheerful at home like a now I can tell the time of day any where in the room.
Nov 7

We are having beautiful weather but— it is not— like any fall I ever saw. There is no beautiful trees all covered with gray leaves.

A government camped just below one house this after noon & will spend the night there. There is nothing of interest— except the two rabbits this morning & we had them for dinner. Patric said poor fellows they were so happy.
Nov 8th

We did not allow one person to sleep more than six hours last night. Planning some of the train would take something, but nothing was disturbed with me. But some one took some animals and one horse from them. They had to go to a railway and they started out all that I saw. They went in search of the lost men, but could not get any trace of them.
She has been to the office this evening and got a letter from her. She sent some flowers and some of Mother's feathers, and all must have made her homesick.

I have baked five pumpkin pies to-day.

They were the first ones I have made since I left. I — I — had been three months and I had all most — forgotten how the milk was given to me by Mrs. Ranger Jones.
Sabbath day & a lovely one it seems a great pity to be kept at home when one wants to go to church to bed some one has set the prairie on fire & the smoke is plentiful this afternoon, we are not in any danger as it is & crops the stream I went to the Post last night & some one took his mice large
Buffalow note that his pride is 18-18-00 for last winter, but the pars the beauty of it is he knowed who stole it, they hitched their horses to his wagon, he went out of the store & he tied the horses & suppose they knew his team & wouldn't disturb it or any thing & went back in few moments to find he buffalo taken & they went out out of sight.
Nov 13th

I went to the mountains yesterday after

snow. Soon after he

left home it kept

up all day. He
did not get home

till after dark. He
called on the ones

that took his buffalo

robe. They were quite

surprised but gave

it up however.

There is a trouble

staying here to night-

6 had been putting in

stops casing to the win-

dows to close it so cold.
Nov 18 14

Sabbath after Rabbot

roles sound each one bringing us all near

-er to that never

ending one of rest

at the close

of this day as it beke

the beauty of the sky

t-think what muh

it be "in between a

love where all is love"

I am such a great

dinner I am most

worth to even see

the glories of this

world or the wonderful

things God has made
Nov 20th

I had four men to help him on his log stable & they were here to dinner. I got roast beef boiled potatoes & a current dumpling with a pancake to eat on it bread butter cold balls & kue, they all seemed to relish their meal. They got through at half past 2 P.M. & soon after two Indians & a squaw paid me a visit they stayed till after six. Then they called for supper.
+ I began to tell them we had nothing for them & they had better go to be killed & I suggested in their language they left something but not our room as I wished for I don't like to have my floor made a spittoon. Oh if I had the wings of a bird I would this moon light night fly a way from this place to the red men I suffer very much from fear & there is no hope for any thing good today
Nov 24

I have been in visiting this afternoon down at Mrs. Arthur's. It was nine weeks yesterday since we landed here.

I went to call on her, but she could not make it agreeable but after all there was not much of a chance in it. We went with me and we walked down but so came after me, we had an invitation to a party when we had been here 8 weeks.
Nov 25th

Sabbath evening how I longed to meet with those people in B to-night that have-arrived-few prayers I have so many things to say to me. I am not patient I can endure my every trial & to hope my christian friends all at home will remember me that I am shut on your way from all their religious privileges. I have read one of spurgeon's sermons this evening. We merely sing
Nov 29th

I have been doing some very hard washing, and I'm very tired. So was everyone else so I had to bring my water and the wind blew so strong it would take out a good deal from the well. I was so tired I could hardly eat my supper and thatched house. I couldn't even put butter on my bread. I would have been a feast to me, and a good easy chair a great help. I was just about to throw myself down on the floor.
Nov 29th
This has been Thanksgiving day. We invited Mr. Shant to spend it with us but he did not get here till very late. I felt quite unwell but got him some water & made two beds on the floor. This morning I found a rabbit in the cellar & he killed him. Some day we will eat him. We went down on the bend of the river & got some old rose bolls to fill her base. We wanted to
him up because it was Thanksgiving and the real idea I did act to the books of our dining room while she was gone she found a place where some corn had been spilled by a train that came past there she went back and fetched up over a quart. She wanted very much to go to church and then meet with my friends at home. John ended my first Thanksgiving in the west.
Nov 30th

This has been a fine
day & friends (my & now
been) putting up his log
house Y. is a mild
from here. I wonder if
I shall ever see Ella
coming over here from
there. If she does
come I hope some
good woman will
have been a stout
pick to dry & so has
Vatiche. she started over
it was near snowday was
too much for me &
I have not been well
since unable to do
other workin this week.
Dec 6 14,

I had a letter from Lydia to day, just after we had been to dinner at Frank's, came here & got him some dinner. Then be & I went to look after his oxen. They got home after dark but had not found them. It makes a great deal of work when the whole prairie is a pasture & our fence is around & rivers to be fenced, but that is the way every one does let their stock run.
Dec 7th

This has been such a funny day I must tell you all "how it is." The sun rose till it was clear and the weather was warm. At 10 A.M. the wind commenced blowing, but I never saw the snow fly, only once there were a blizzard till noon there I began to snow, and kept it up till nearly 2 P.M. when it cleared off. The sun was gone at 5 P.M. and it was calm at 5:30 P.M. it began
to know or gain all this weather we have in summer & at one day where it is not at changeable as it is in Bloomville well all this is nothing if one can be content that I call it good but it can just right enough to remind the rest when they do not notice it that all of the changeable weather is not in B - 5 has been you all day & it is now P.M. & he has just got home
Dec 9th

This Sabbath lesson was very interesting to-day. She did not seem to want you to know what it is or how it is easy to interesting but she don't feel the life of the school as much as I wish she did, but she has more taste for reading as long as I can put good books & papers in her reach I think she will not forget all her early influences.
Dec 16

Well I have something good to tell this time, I have finished our bed stead to day & we are to sleep in it to night for 16 weeks I have had to put my bed down every night & take it up every morning & it has been a very hard thing to do. Then it adds so much to the looks of the room so costly furniture ever looked as well to me as my homely bed.
with a good bed on it, I on the outside sister Ann coveted.

I have looked at it ever so many times.

It—always reminds one of her, it

nearly looks so good to terms, I have a

Runt over bring a against the wall

all around it, my mat in front of a gray wolf skin it will be soft & warm to our feet this winter
Dec 14 '45

This has been an eventful day. I have been trying toallow
A 일본car come here & we sold him five
dozen of eggs for as many dollars. Took
our pay in bready
coffee & soda & an
apron for my self
but the worst of it
was he called for a
dish to chop the coffee
& I lent my new joint
bowl & he carried it
off. He was formerly from
エンゲン in May
Dec 19 th

He was going down to Mr. Arthur's on business & he asked me to ride down there for a call.

Mrs. A was getting supper & old sufeet was to stay as she had some fresh pork.

Paddy was anxious to stay & Mr. A began to insist he keep so we did not get a very bill of fare & that is the first time I have been out in the evening.
Dec 22 nd

I have not had a letter in over two weeks until to day. I got one from A & one from L. There was good news from home but some how I have felt very low. Spiritual every since that old homesick feeling comes back to me. an other side is you & O. How cold the wind pounds & might 5 & 7 1/2 are all asleep & I am a lone.
Dec 23th
This is the Lord's day.
I am out on Sabbath bell time.
It's me to church. At some times fear it shall become weaned from such paired things, but now one knows the help to feel now tail those that have had the same experience. I have good books to read. They are measure I'll fit into being said, but I think I'll for something more. I have written this day.
Dec 25th

And this is my Christmas to all. Santa-Claws didn't drop by as a visit last night. His eight tiny reindeer drew over to oblige for such a long journey. He wisely started at way, I have spent any time as usual only got an extra good dinner. Chicken & mackerel pie, potatoes, beef & coffee with bread but no cream butter, in the after noon G-paddled "Hale" & let Rebecca hare
a ride she enjoyed
it very much & did
not seem afraid
he then came in &
insisted on my going
out & trying. Walter
not wanted but to
please him & Katie
went, but — my how
afraid to was & it & I'd
not get over it — in
two hours & thus
ended my first attempt
at these back
riding & my first Christmas in the far west —
Dec 29 43

Yesterday I went to the mountains and did not get home till that noon. Patie & I went here last night--all in love with our kitten by an old cat. We kept one of them was better 4 weeks ago & we kept him till now thinking he would get over it but as the wound healed it closed up the water passage & it suffered so much I had to kill him. It was Patie's favorite kitten.
Dec 31st

The last day of 1866

a cold & stormy day

 commenced snowing last

night. we have now 4
or 6 inches of snow for

a windlass sheet. to the
dying year. it also

reminds me of the
flite of time and the
certainty of death.

I has been mending
his tools & then he bided

them & while he was
drying it - till the dish

& mocked it off the
stove & made a green
spot that will last-
one year & am a
fever. I have been
covering a box for a
chair or stool we now
have two old camp chair
one board chair & this
new stool. Pat has
got her lessons & com-
ed her self by spelling
out words with the
big letters Grace sent
her.
Jan 13th 1867

My friends are all wishing me a happy new year. I confess I don't see any thing very flattering in the future on this first day of the year I am desirably howspired one cause is we have been since found the bottom of our punch but a very little in our larder as it was of enough to cast one down we are told to take no thought for the morrow and I wish
could rest-it-there & feel that he who provided in '66 would give us everything needed in '67. At times I do feel thus, but how many more times I am pleading some way of my own & not saying give us this day our daily bread, some times I doubt if I am a child of Christ as often murmured out—my lot in this life.

The weather is very cold to-day & sharp frost is covering every thing with his white mantle.
Jan 4th

Yesterday it began to snow about 2 P.M. It didn't stop till in the evening. I thought he would make a new table out of an old one, but did not get it done till 3 P.M. to-day. We took our breakfast on the top-harth this morning, and then fasted till the table was finished. Our folks would think it only fit for a sink room, but I have to put up with it if there is no better or paint-able.
Jan 5th 14

This is a very cold day & the first because one has had since we came here. He went down to Mr. Ashman a horse back & Billy rather strong out on the prairie so he just left him at the door & started for home but was 3 hours coming when he got here I just think in the stable on puzzled him. I had a 4 mile walk home rather more of a good thing though he wanted
Jan 6 47

This is the first sunday in the year I have been away from home as much as I have been away from home for some time. I saw a sled today pass by here drawn by two horses the first one I have seen in the country. I went up to the men who came here & wanted to stay all night. I kept them & their two horses & a pair of oxen to sell one oxen some time at the price of a goat.
Jan 9 44

Mrs. Arthur & Mrs. Davis & her little boy came here when I was getting dinner & started all today. I popped some corn for them & it was the first they had seen in 4 years & they enjoyed it very much. I had never seen Mrs. D. before. She is young & very much company for me. I feel the need of good society very much.
Jan 10th

He has gone to the mountains this day to commence a job of drawing logs to a mill fifteen miles from the mountains on his wagon if the snow is not to deep he will not be home until Saturday night.

I was very much opposed to this doing it a immense call could we against it but he must do something to keep the wolf from the door and nothing else presents to keep his power...
Jan 12 14

Geo came home this evening & had been gone 3 days & two nights & had not
ploughed but one small
field to the mill.
The snow was to
depth for his wagon
& he spent most
of his time in mak-
ing a sled, I felt
so discouraged about
it he had expended
13 dollars on his wag-
on besides a weeks
work, I felt that
I was not part.
for my trouble
it is most pleasant to stay there
day & night with not one but Patie
the first night I had to take the
lantam & go out after nine o'clock & drive the cattle
as way from our
hay It was a friend to go but there was
no other way for me
Patie was to sleep & I was all alone
Geo. went to the mountains yesterday morning to be gone all the week. He did not feel very well and after the black you gave went to my feelings in a flood of tears. It may seem foolish to those that have neighbors and friends around them, I get a long very well through the day but the long evenings and nights...
are invisible & cannot
not tell any one

my feelings. The

mind commenced to

blow after the sun

gone down, I have

looked out several tim-
es to see if our boy &

buildings were stolen.

my or if they had

blown or such, it is hap-
past 9. 10 o'clock I have just

been out - I drove some

25 horses away from

here, if this is not a

life of privation & hard-

ship, I am mistaken

in the meaning of that
Jan 19th

Saturday night has at last come & so has 4 his weeks work has not been a paying one I feel low seem to feel the most of the time these are dark days such as I imagined should shrink from undertaking when I feel it was not necessary to bear it with profit grace, the only way now is to trust in our heavenly father & he will open some way for us to supply our daily wants
Jan 20 th

Sabbath morning we found it—snowing hard when we got up. A big ox train passed by here in the storm. It has not—stopped snowing this day. That reminds me of Boonville & of the church & Sabbath school, they do not—miss me there but how much I feel the need of their teachings here.
from 24 \(\frac{3}{4}\)

We have a foot of snow & the weather is very cold. George went to the mountains this morning & left me to take care of two horses instead of one. One died & one has been sick & is not well enough to work & has been sick for some time. Mr Drunken stopped to wash & had never seen him before & did not know who he was for some time.
Jun 26th

He came home in the night without his overcoat - he got him ordered up so didn't go to the cabin after it. He was very cold.

The horses were white with frost. I went out with the lantern & helped him. I have found it very cold doing the chores & chopping water holes.

Friday morning the air was full of frost & every bush & tree was crystallized & in the sunlight they were splendid.
Jan 27th

Sabbath day our usual quiet was somewhat disturbed as day by day we had mon calls in the morning a young man called in search of work. We had mon for him just as my supper was ready to take up two teens drove up it was Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Mr. and Mrs. Hodge in the 21st St. Melba. Mrs. Home Mrs. Biddle the latter lives 6 miles from us the other at the post (5 miles). They stayed one hour I had been to dinner and we went for till then heard on a fort eating our
Jan 3d 19

I have been very busy getting set ready to go to Denver City. He went to the mountains Monday morning. It was gone two days if this morning early he started for Ut. I have been very busy all day regular tire I have most hard time to be lonesome but evening is now come and it is not so easy to keep cheerful I shall spend the most of it reading in the Sunday School Times.
Feb 3rd.

Sabbath day, it has been a very windy day & snowy squalls in the mountains, but Price & I enjoyed it never the less. I read a sermon to her out of the S.S. Times it pleased her very much, at noon she wanted to say her S.S. lesson & sing as we used to in B- in a short time she came to me & said it did not seem like a S.S. School because I did not pray so this evening we had only a little prayer meeting of only two.
Feb 5 44.

I came home from D. this evening all safe but with a very bad cold. He brought back 1744 lbs of fruit for Mason & Allen which amounted to $43.60 but the worst of it is he has to let it all go as the saying is for a dead horse. But I am thankful for the opportunity of doing even that. I sometime do hope we shall be in better circumstances if it ever was for hope what shorter I do
Feb 9 47

I took a bad cold last Thursday sitting by the fire. The wind blew very hard all day & I did not go out of the house nor could not keep warm in it & I have been about sick. Ever since the is getting better of his but has been a bout home all the week & this morning he finished our privy. I have not been in to one since the 22nd of last August. I can't tell you how pleased I feel with it if it is built of logs & hers a chest to the head. Good & 25 to the door.
Feb 10th

Sabbath day & c warm pleasant— one stand at home as usual just as to get our supper on the table a stranger called in he said to rest but to think he smell my victuals & made them an excuse, G. ask him to come to the table & he very willingly accept so said while eating he wanted to get awake had no money, his meal rested him & he took his leaf as all beggars do (eat & run)
Feb 11th

I went to the woods this morning to begin all the work & feel very lonely again. I have been coloring some stockings with red & baking bread & it is very nice. Katie is now eating a piece & she seems to relish it - if there is no butter or any thing on it hunger is all the sauce we have - that is an excellent kind for poor folks if they have a plenty of plain food as we have so fear hunger will be pote
Feb 16th

There has not been any thing during the week with smoking down nothing but my daily cares in door & out, my horse must be fed & groomed & her stable kept in order & my hens fed twice each day. I don't get but two meals a day when I is a why he did not get home till mine PM brought a load of poles for fencing
Feb 18th
I wrote a letter this afternoon to SisterLychee then I helped to come & at 8 PM he started for the mountains & we are again a lone

Feb 19th
This morning there was a dense fog & I suppose there will be a frost in June to pay for it. I expected he would not be home till Saturday night but just at dusk he came home
Herbert Gleason
with him & he brought a load of logs for firewood. A peddler called after the pine was down & wanted to stay all night. I halted to tell him no but he wouldn't keep him when I was on lone. Soon after 3. H. came & he had supper to get for them & they don't justice as they.
Feb 20th

This has been a cold disagreeable day & has snowed some. After dinner I had bread to start & before I had finished it I came in & ask me if I would get dinner for two men that came a long & to stay at high while I was waiting for it to finish his chores & going out called to ask if we wanted to keep him over night for nothing he was dirty & very sagged & paid not & he left.
This morning Herbert went—a way & started for Denver a tone on business for him self & two other men he had checks for them to the amount of 13 hundred dollars & to feel very uncomfortable about him & very lonely now we care a tone as gain he has got with two hundred & to have the others to take care of & it is quite a task
Feb 22 and

The wind has been very strong from the west— all day & I never saw the snow melt away as fast— the ground is covered with water. Mrs. Stone has a dancing party this night— & we had our invitation but should not have gone if I had been at home— he says he has no five dollars to spare & I have no desire to go & could not honor my promise at a ball.
Feb 23rd

We had a change in the weather last night; it snowed a little & bl owed a good deal & I had to work one hour or half to clear the snow out of the chamber. It drove under the things & every thing was covered with it & not a very warm job out an empty stomach the wind blows very cold to night.
Feb 24 44

I have not enjoyed this Sabbath very well to read in Spurgeon's gems till my teeth ached so that I had to lie down for one hour this evening & am feeling some better & Potie has read a number of pages from the Scinde book to night How long it seems since I have been to church or any meeting
Feb 27 44

This has been a very
nec day & have been
Ironing & the room
was too warm I had
the door open nearly
all day. How different
from 12 years ago
since then wedding
day I have thong-
shed much of her all
day. She came home
but night from Denver
all Safe I do
not feel at all
pleased in the
way he has marram
he was gone 7 days.
March 1st

I do believe I am a friend & shall get to be a very bad woman. I have so many things to try me & so little patience to bear them last night two men stood here one of them was a sort of a peddler I did not know it till he came to pay his bill I took a paper of onionseed & paid the trifling sum of two dollars I suspected me to think he don't but it don't good & now &
have the house to
clean of mud from
top to bottom, & my
shoe to cleans from
tobacco spid-
G went a way this
morning & will not
be home to night.
I have the 4 horses
to care for & it was
every thing but nice.
The smell & water
cause deep between
the house & stable &
had to change my
clothes when at golf.

Through, aint this a
time account, for one day
Dear [Name],

I got up this morning and found it snowing hard but the horses must be fed & watered for all that I did not get home until late in the afternoon. I have been cutting out a pair of tuck pants for H. W. Gleeson. They last a long time & are worn very much in these parts by white men as well as by Indians.
Mar 10th.

This has been a cold, wet, misty day. It snowed a little. We had hard work to keep warm. At last, put a shawl around one, which the wind blows from the north west. It is difficult to keep fire enough to swim so long a room. I have enjoyed the day however reading Mr. Wragg's "General Explanations" and "Patria".
Mar 14th

This has been a nice day but-cold, it has been very cold for several days last Monday I don my washing but it was late & I did not hang out any white clothes & they have been in the tub till this morning I had to put several quarts of boiling water to show them out.

It has been such weather as I like to burn all of the dry wood I can instead of that our wood has been scarce & not very dry. To day is fine.
anniversary of sister's marriage I how much
I have thought of one
year a go how very
different this day has
been with one from
that one when I look
back I think of all
that has transpired
in that time it seems
many years instead of
one I presume I thinks
it both long 
when there are 12 nine
years added up there is
to my married life one year
will not look so long
after all
Mar 15th

I went to the mountain

This morning after wood

I will not get back till
tomorrow, it is very cold

at about 8 PM Mr. Dunker
came along with a
drove of cattle & wanted

to stay over night his

own home was 2 miles

further on & his cattle

was tired to go any furt

er, I told him being he

was a neighbor he could

stay if then got supper

for him & his men

they had there own hay

Pike & I slept up, there on

the floor & gave them
Mar 16 44
I got home a bout 3 PM & his eyes were in a bad state he was snow blind & could not see but a very little. Mr. Duncan left a bout 8 this morning he offered to pay me for his 24 weeks but I would not take any thing.

Mar 17 44
This is a very bright sunny day & we have all the curtains down on account of G's eyes.
for supper & how much I thought of her while eating it— it will be a long time before I have any more buckwheat.

Mar 18th

This morning Mr. Duncan called & presented me with 3 lbs of butter, he was determined to pay me, & the butter was very acceptable, as I had none.

Mar 22nd

To day G. has bought—two cows & paid $100.00 for them. They are very thin, & I think will not be worth much this summer.
Mar 25 1861

It has been after rain to day ours is all gone it is now selling for 817 a ton the snow still stays on the ground

Mar 26 1861

I have been washing & when I was cleaning my floor a soldier from Capt Sanders 80 miles north of us called on me & wanted some dinner & asked him to the point he going price for it one dollar & went on down to South Carolina
Mar 28 14
Frances was here to dinner & just before it was ready that soldier came a long on his way back. He came in & wanted dinner but this time he had no money. Poor fellow he did not know how to use it—well I paid it out for that which don him no good.
I have been to Collins this afternoon but did not get any letter.
Apr 1 st
This is all fools day
& bi got the start of
me in the morning
& then told me what-
day it was, it seems like spring to
hear the birds sing so
smoothly.

Apr 2 nd

Mrs Sherwood & Jessie
came here for a chill
this afternoon & stood
two hours but didn't
take off their things
they came with sleigh
or rather a substitute
for a sleigh.
April 6 24

The weather continues fine and the return of spring is driving the winter from my heart.

Yesterday 3 of the Engineers company called here and wanted a climer of bread & milk. I got it for them & put-on butter & a pumpkin pie. The seemed to enjoy their dinner especially the pie they paid me three dollars for their meals.

I would not object getting them a dinner every day at that price.
Apr 7 th
This is a pleasant-
sabbath but the roads
are very wet & much
the snow goes off slowly
by the sun. how much
my thoughts have
wandered to day & to
have been in mind of
and in person at church
I think of those that-
This day sit or sound
our Lord's table. to be
rejoice that he is not-
confined to places but
is even in the dark
corners of the earth &
can hear as well from
a cabin as from church
Apr. 8 14
To day I have been making Kathy's dolll a new Quilt and I have been well pleased. She is so pleased and Dolly looks so nice in her blue silk dress and aigner white waist.

Apr. 9 14
I have been washing and churning, had 6 lbs of 6 one and I did seem good to churn once more and after cleaning this big floor I feel very tired.
Apr 10 th

The ice broke up in the stream this morning & once more it swotes on free from it — by bonds & the wild geese & ducks are returning in to it this afternoon I was invited to Mrs Sherwood had a very pleasant visit & came up to tea.

Apr 12 th

This evening we had our first — Arp shower & received more than it has any time since I have been here.
Apr 13 44

It has been getting out-
some young cottonwood
trees round the house
he has not done any
thing that has looked
so well & if they live
will answer this four-foot
shade in summer &
keep off the wind in
the winter. It has
been sunny all day &
we have had a few
showers still but very
little water has fallen.
I have been cleaning
baking & dress-ing-
chicken to day.
April 14 46

Sabbath day & it has been very pleasant to read till 6 was very dull & sleepy & we all walked out on top of the bluff one mile in front of our house & the mountains seemed just as far from there as they do from here we had been back a bout 15 minutes when a man brought us a letter from Sarah & one paper not read much it made me feel bad & I shall not dare to try it again
Apr 16 th
This afternoon Patie had company for the first time Jessie Sherwood and her brother. Patie and I sang "There's something in her for chil to do," helping she would try and learn it. E ask if she would try as she did not. Ask her again to try on the Echo. When we got to it Patie looked at her to let her know we were ready and she began to try. It was nearly an hour before she composed herself. She is bashful.
Apr 17th
This has been a nice day, first of night we had a few sprinkles of rain & the first of the season.

Apr 19th
Went down to Mrs. Arthurs this morning on the key back & stayed all day walked home at night. Mrs. A. gave me some lettuce & pea seeds.

Apr 20th
Have been to the moor - rain to day it was a grand sight & a solemn place to me. The weather was fine & warm.
April 21st

Sabbath day & the wind blows very hard one pane of glass has come out of the window & broken it will take 50 cents to replace it.

April 22nd

I have churned made 1 half a yeast & a kettle of soup besides getting 3 meals & doing other work I am a little tired out.

April 23rd

I have been washing & ironed & put away white clothes a second time the others up the line for the first time.
Apr 25th
This is the anniversary of our marriage 13 years have passed and we have been plowing and have sown the seed. The weather has been pleasant.

Apr 26th
This forenoon it was raining but cleared up a little and mooned and flowed the rest of the day.

Apr 27th
This is the last Sunday in the month and a very wintry one it seems as if nothing could stand it. The sun shines warm down here but...
Apr 30th

This has been a fine day I have been baking and ironing G. & Patie went to Mr. Arthur's for hay & Mrs A. sent me 2 nice cabbages & some radish seeds.

May 1st

I helped G. wash his wheel. This afternoon it was quite a job we spread it on the wagon sheet to dry & when I had them to wash or rather rinse out it is a very heavy thing when it is wet.
May 4

I have been very busy all of the week yesterday got the milk in to the cellar & to day have been sowing some of our kitchen with new paper to stop out some of bugs.

May 5

This has been a very windy day it was difficult to hear one a mother talk. First at night it was feeding our horses some salt & one of them bit my thimble finger a little but it is now
May 7 18...
I've been papering
the boys' up stairs &
I was very hot work
& I am feeling very
tired.

May 8 18
A peddler came a long
to play & to sell him
6 1/2 dozen eggs for 45 cts.
per dozen & bought 2 pair
some every day shoes for
2 dollars 75 for them

May 9 18
Have been planting
garden seeds, the river
is very high the banks
are full & the water is
pouring into our cellar.
May 10th

We have 26 little chickens now Katie has had company this afternoon & they brought her some flowers that grew on the prairie.

May 12th

Sabbath day & Monday how often they come around 6th if it can go to church & write school how much good it would do me.

May 13th

Come breezes are all here bring out, but one or some day will make a nice grove every thing is
May 14th

I could not wash last week on account of my fringes & to day have done all the wash. After we had do been a snow come & wanted to stay all night & I have him to wait upon & no sooner but the preacher one feels after doing what they can for the heroes of the war he had lost one eye in the service.

May 15th

It has been snowing in the mountains all day & it rained & snowed part of the time down here.
May 16th
I have nothing to write of importance. A brig by stevec went past here but on the other side of the river from me.

May 18th
I have baked bread & cleaned my floor & put my things in order for the coming Sabbath & wish I could go to church in B & to SS school.

May 19th
This has been a stormy day snowing & raining by turns & we have had a good fire all day.
May 21th

Mrs. Astin came here this morning & stayed till 3 P.M. I had only horse drove home this morning she took cold last fall when the team ran a way & has had the cough all winter & not been able to work but a very little since then. Besides this she & the other one (Bettie Blake) both met with an other misfortune caused by there run & a great loss to us, we are not getting eggs.

RICH
May 22
6:30---receipt home this morning. I drove the
team several times across
the land while to feed
the plow it had never
been plowed before

May 23
I have been washing
it began to reign about
8 A.M. I never stoped till
night my white clothes
are in the tub

May 24
It was fair weather this
morning & I aired my
clothes we had a few
sprinkles of rain this
afternoon
May 25th

It has rained very hard all day & I could not do much else but stand with my mop in hand to wipe up the water. I had to move nearly everything on the East side & north end. It also went through or between the logs. It is now 10 P.M. & raining just as hard as ever.

May 26th

It rained all night & till 9 A.M. when it stopped to snow & has snowed as hard as I ever saw it in.
The winter, there is a foot of water in our cellar & we have got everything out & piled in its own kitchen, we look as if we had got ready to move & came in & ask one when I was going to start. The river overflows its banks now & everything is for flood there. There has been so much rain I have not been out of the house but twice in two days, it is a rough time for our little chickens & everything else. I have the whole care of every thing.
May 27th

The storm still rages. Sometimes it snows and then it rains but does not beat in. The house I have been all day regulating and put up some shelves in the south east corner. We have hung up a blanket and that will be our milk room this summer.

May 8th

Nothing but rain and no work ahead. A green pine to fiore a way in the stove.
May 31 18-

To day the sun shone
it's felce for the first-
time in 8 days.

June 1st

Mrs. Thomson called
on us this afternoon
to see how we got a
long through the long
pomme

June 2nd

This has been a nice
warm day. I could
not find our cows
at night, having
the whole prairie for
a pasture is not always
convenient.
June 3rd

I found the cows at 9 AM or close to the river.
A dog drove them over yesterday.

June 4th

I have been washing and had two weeks washing just as I got my white clothes on the line there came up a gale of wind and lifted the middle post out of the ground and my clothes all came down in to the dirt. and there was not one speck of grass for them to fall
on & by the time to get them off the line they were as black as the ground it's self & then put them in the tub & subject them to the bronce & then put them or poke till an other day by this time I felt very tired & I thought of those black hand gras clothes yarder.

June 5 th

I have been sweeping the chamber & every time I wish it over the last time it is so hard.
to sweep both sides of it. In a couple of weeks it will need it again.

June 6th

I have been ironing & chewing off cattle & hear my patience severely tried in the latter. We had a fine shower in the afternoon. The river is higher to day than it has been any time this spring.

June 7th

Received a call from Dr. Smith - he was passing by it. It has been showery all day & cold enough to shiver.
June 13th

I had just nicely got to washing when Mrs. Jones & her girl & Jessie S. came. Mrs. J. only made a call. The girls stayed till after dinner, in the afternoon Mrs. Wygal called on me for the first time, but thought Monday not a very good time to receive so many calls, but I got through it after a while.
June 18th

I have had so much other writing & there has not been any thing of importance I have neglected this June 13th.

This has been a rainy day Mrs. Sherwood sent me a nice piece of fresh beef this morning.

June 22nd

I finished cleaning house to-day & baked my window & Herb I came to night.
June 23rd

Henry Gleason came down a few moments this afternoon & Mrs. Sherwood joined at night. The river is very high.

June 30th

This has not seemed like Sunday there has been so many trains passing, every Sunday in this month we have had 2 or 3 hours of hard since filling our house with dust & dirt.
July 1st
The days are very warm but the nights cool & nice to sleep in if we could feel that our crop was secure but in stead of that it is a constant care day & night.

July 3rd
This morning 2 of my chickens were blind before night 10 more could not see, & have been weeding & potting out plants in the garden.
July 4th
We stayed at home in the afternoon had a call from Mr. & Mrs. Arthur & Mr. & Mrs. Eaton I had never seen the last named before I liked them very well for the first time.

July 5th
This afternoon I visited Mrs. Lewis for the first time I went in western style that is on horse back
stand with her father
July 6th
I went up to Collins this afternoon calling on some of the people & took tea with Mrs. Stranton. I went with Mr. & Mrs. Nathan, had a pleasant time.

July 7th
This is a lovely pabbet [pocket?] how I would like to go to church we have sung our selves hoarse.

July 8th
I had so much work to do not wash & go very tired after 6 pm.
Mr. & Mrs. Drake came here after tomato plants. They live 10 miles a way. I got here for them. They plan till after sun down then I had to milk for 6

* wash my dishes

July 9th
I have been washing all day. I went out to milk

One of the cows is a fraid of me. I have milked her several times but to night she might the wind blew very hard & she was so fraid of my chaps it blew out just as I

had commenced milking she kicked me over &
that my leg ast could hardly get to the house & look at big hole in my
dress & drawers, she broke the skin & started blood

July 10th

My leg pained me all night & is as black as
and be & is very poor &
troublesome. Still I have
been ironing & standing
on it, the most of the
time as day.
July 12th

We had bee- green for dinner out of our own garden, it is very warm.

July 13th

I went down to Mrs. Ash to this morning on horseback & stayed all day, she had company when I got there.

July 14th

Another Sabbath reminds me of the flight of time & if my days be spiritual instruction.

The sky is clear, the sun is warm but there is plenty of air. We had peaches.
July 31st

This is a long jump
but I have had but
one thing to write in
all of this time. I have
not picked berries in
the last two weeks
nor have I been pulling
sunflowers out of the
wheat. Every minute I could get
for the last 12 or more days
I now must. Leave
the rest of this to
close up my year
with
Sept. 21 4th 1867

One year this day I entered upon my new duties & while I look back over the past I have no wish to live another such a year, still in comfort the mercies I find they are many & I think I never felt more thankful than I have in the past year, but at the same time I have complained very much of my hand lot.
I could not duly call
ed me here I could be
reconciled to give up
all my former privileges
and society of friends.
Now to have set one down
with the belief that
here I shall ever any
days & the sooner I
make it home the better.
My prospects look
brighter to day than
they did one year a
yr, we have raised
enough for our own
rice & some besides.
very slowly we are
gaining a little of this
world's goods.
This little book may
seem full of trifling
troubles to you, but
at the time they were
great to me. I more
than I knew how to
bear, you may thin
me very foolish to
complain so much
so it was so now
farewell little boat
you shall not carry
our more complaints
to my friends at home
Jan 2 1868

I wish you all a happy new year.

We are all well but...

Anne"