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William Pratt
Attorney at Law

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is Hugh Roff of Meridian

The County Clerk is
S. G. Myers
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EXCELSIOR DIARY

1871

PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES.

NAMES.	When Born.	Inaugurated.	Continuance in Office.	Died.	Native of.
George Washington.	Feb. 22, 1732..	April 3, 1789.....	8 years.....	Dec. 14, 1799.	Virginia.
John Adams	Oct. 30, 1735..	March 4, 1797.....	4 "	July 4, 1826.	Mass.
Thomas Jefferson....	Apl. 2, 1743..	" 4, 1801.....	8 "	July 4, 1826.	Virginia.
James Madison.....	Mch. 16, 1751..	" 4, 1809.....	8 "	June 28, 1836.	Virginia.
James Monroe.....	Apl. 2, 1759..	" 4, 1817.....	8 "	July 4, 1831.	Virginia.
John Quincy Adams.	July 11, 1767..	" 4, 1825.....	4 "	Feb. 23, 1848.	Mass.
Andrew Jackson, ...	Mch. 15, 1767..	" 4, 1829.....	8 "	June 8, 1845.	S. Carolina
Martin Van Buren...	Dec. 5, 1782..	" 4, 1837.....	4 "	Dec. 27, 1862.	New York.
William H. Harrison.	Feb. 9, 1773..	" 4, 1841.....	1 month	April 4, 1841.	Virginia.
John Tyler	Mch. 29, 1790..	Succeeded to office of President.....	3 years and 11 months.	Jan. 17, 1862.	Virginia.
James K. Polk	Nov. 2, 1795..	March 4, 1845.....	4 years.....	June 15, 1849.	N. Carolina
Zachary Taylor.....	Nov. 24, 1790..	" 4, 1849.....	1 yr. 4 mos..	July 9, 1850.	Virginia.
Millard Fillmore....	May 7 1800..	Succeeded to office of President.....	2 years and 8 months.	.....	New York.
Franklin Pierce.....	Nov. 23, 1804..	March 4, 1853.....	4 years	Oct. 8, 1869.	N. Hamp.
James Buchanan....	Apl. 23, 1791..	" 4, 1857.....	4 "	June 1, 1868.	Penn.
Abraham Lincoln....	Feb. 12, 1809..	" 4, 1861.....	4 " 40 days	April 15, 1865.	Kentucky.
Andrew Johnson.....	Dec. 29, 1808..	April 15, 1865.....	3 " 11 mos..	.....	N. Carolina
Ulysses S. Grant....	Apl. 27, 1822 .	March 4, 1869			Ohio.

SUNDAY, 1

Attend Methodist Meeting and hear Mr Fellow preach a very fine sermon. Spent the evening at home reading Tom Brown's Tour in Canada. Mr & Mrs Lee, Mr & Mrs Hoagland & Miss Hoagland & Miss Lee & Mr Hoagland & Lewis & Mr Hoagland & Lewis & Mr Hoagland & Lewis

JANUARY TUESDAY, 3 1871.

Today Mr Foster took dinner with us & wishes to do so for a while. Cool & Clear. Many of the Citizens down on the Ice Skating on the Big blue.

Brooks took an Inventory of the lumber, thinks he will turn it over to me.

WEDNESDAY, 4

Time still moves us onward we are only living with a rapid flight. The moments are precious, but our thoughts are wandering.

Business is dull, Money scarce, & times hard is the saying rung.

Nothing of note to mention Expect that Gen Prim of Spain is Assassinated

JANUARY THURSDAY, 5 1871.

Still in the Lumber yard, but little or nothing doing. Hamilton Starter leave today at noon. Gave him Cash & articles $84.35.

Wind Strong from the North, & clouds of dust flying. No rain for about 2 Months Winter so far Mild, except about one week Quite cold, Health very good.

FRIDAY, 6

Today Mild, Cool, & clear, but little business in the yard, Brooks putting up partition in his room.

I price him all up to the 1st of Jany 1871, not deducting for expenses, or Commission he has taken Stock, thinks there is near $2000 worth of Lumber in the Yard.

Methodist Meeting still goes on

I gave Richard Roddy $50, to buy lumber with for me, Morgan by starts for Salt City. Grover starts west to the his land.
This has been a busy day, my Commissionership to about 4 P.M. Worked all day without gloves and was quite comfortable. The weather beautiful.

SUNDAY, 8

Remained at home to enjoy the quiet of a peaceful holiday. Rested refreshing, and enjoyed the sweet little smiles of prattle daughter Mary.

Took stock today in the lumber yard, found on hand about the value of $1550, in all lumber, shingles, lath, wood, sash &c, sold the bales of hair drawing away on a wheelbarrow round to Salt City.
Weather quite pleasant and health good.
A quiet conscience comes from a pure heart

TUESDAY, 10

This morning a little haze around hanging down around us but clear & pleasant in the afternoon.
Henry started for Free Church. I paid Dr Remsen $10, for a vest & pair of pants. In the evening attended a meeting for the installation of the officers of Odd Fellows, a very pleasant gathering, a season; but oh! what a nonsense.

Weather changed during the night, wind from the North and a mist freezing as it falls
No business done today, every body seemed willing to stay indoors if they could.
The French must soon save or starve cats & dogs are high in their meat Markets.
Oh my soul what a state of Affairs

Rail fatterns against the windows this morning but fair follows, and a Terrible Storm during the day still the mercury was below zero.
Wrote a letter to Mr. Gibson
Received one from Julia Rhodes
Where shall I find me be found?
Where is the place of understanding?
Man knoweth not the price thereof.
Neither is it found in the land of the living. Job XXVIII, 12-13.

Still cold this morning and snow drifts so as not to pass
Mercury about at zero.
Z Wagner with Buffalo hunters start out for the Republican

Damascus is the oldest city in the world, having been built before the time of Abraham
Remarkable discoveries in the pacific ocean

Moderated a little this morning snows & I came pretty near to a bargain about the lumber, Harvey came from Elwoods with a load of Corn 26 bushels
The times are dull, Money scarce and men in business becoming panicky, all over the land
The relenting & merciless Prussians are still slaughtering the French without any sort of justification for it.

JANUARY SUNDAY, 15 1871.

At home, enjoying the rest the day provides. The day bright, calm & cool, all well. And here we are in the middle of the first month of the year, The winter will soon be gone and the time for the singing of birds will be here. Still God grant us peace & prosperity in our new home of the far west.

MONDAY, 16,

Thawed a little. Augustine commenced getting in ice, William Bodley came in with 1000 ft of flooring & 2 sideboards. Signs expired for the Blade. Mailed a letter to Vannessa Fisher. Placed in the hands of Treasurer & Clerk List of Taxable Lands,

JANUARY TUESDAY, 17 1871.

This day closed the bargain with Herman Sergoff for the lumber, gave him my Notes for $1775 viz $1400, due on the 1st of May next $375 due on the 16th of May do, Cash for lumber today nary a cent, too cold for a customer to come in the yard

WEDNESDAY, 18

But little business doing today, weather quite cold yet. Wind strong from the South.

Sold Lumber to the value of $14.60, The snow still remains on the ground piled up in drifts.

Mailed a letter to Wm Linsabau Lumber Merchant Nth City Pa

JANUARY THURSDAY, 19 1871.

Milder this morning.
Presson popped in this
morning to Mr Peers,
and commenced blowing
when I dared him to meet
an opponent to debate the
question of baptism and
he backed square down,
he brayed himself and ass
in a very few minutes

FRIDAY, 20

Slippy underfoot and
unpleasant to get around
The Snow gone away
after a Cold week or so,
Wrote a Letter to
D. R. Duncan
Lumber Sales dull
for to day
Subscribed for the Tribune for one month

JANUARY SATURDAY, 21 1871.

Painting the dining room
Harvey tends the yard,
The day very fine, but
Slippy under foot.
Wrote filled in his Icehouse
with Saw dust,
Uncle Sammy Kilpatrick
called on me about paying
the balance of his Note,
Dr Towle offers to sell his Store,

SUNDAY, 22

Beautiful weather today,
Called up to Augustines
and took dinner
Little Mary is growing
finely
a Letter from Mary
Yesterday, all well.

In the Gazette today.
A fair business doing
Cash Receipts about $61,00

Weather pretty cool.

Subscribed for the
daily Tribune one Pap
$1,25 for a month

At Mr. B. F. Stone's on Yankee
Creek, this morning. A Cold
Nor-east Storm, blowing hard,
Rain & Sleet. and leave for
Stage Station about 2,
O'clock. At 5 O'clock the
Stage arrives. Fare $2, to
Bloomington, reach home
about 7 O'clock.

Start for the City today,
with James Eldridge.
Terrible Cold ride to
Yankee Creek.
Took dinner at Mr
Ellis's out on the divide
Reach B. F. Stone's in the
evening. a cold dreary
looking place. house only
half finished, and dirty
as a Stable at that.
Sam left this afternoon.

In the Lumber yard today.
Weather moderated, still cool.
News today of Sad reverses
in the French forces,
Many killed & taken prisoners.
Riots in Appanoose Co, Iowa
on a Rail Road.

Another Earthquake
Reported in New Jersey

The Monotony of dull times was hardly broken today.
Very little business doing in the lumber trade.
Wrote 3 letters, viz. to Wm. C. Hill, E. Belden, Ely — and L. J. Eads, paid $5.36 Tax, for Mr Ely and sent him the receipt. Filed also a bill of Tax on Eads land, amounting to $620.55.

SATURDAY, 28

No Cash taken today for lumber.
Total length of R. Roads in the U. S. is 93.979 miles
Cost of construction total $2,573,526,107.
No. of Soldiers reported interred in the various Cemeteries throughout the U. S. 315,555.
The Cemeteries have cost the Government of the U. S. $3,226,370
Thirteen Vessels entered the port of N. Y. in two days from foreign ports.
Last week rather extraordinary

Time is but a scrole, on which to record our deeds and thoughts; and when recorded, they pass on, never to be revised or erased. Soon, the record is completed, the pen drops, the work is sealed, and passes over to Him who gave us the blank on which to write. What then should engage our thoughts and industry, is the one not that which is pure, high & holy.

MONDAY, 30

No lumber sold this forenoon. Groceries trades in the afternoon and I was sick with a cold. Read the Christian Times and Intelligencer. Holiness to the Lord, seems to be the aim of its Editors.
This day is cold & stormy wind from the North, ground white with snow.

JANUARY TUESDAY, 31 1871.

Cold and windy

Rumors of Paris capitulating, on their last legs at all events, Poor bleeding suffering Parisians, why dont you cry enough & stop the carnage

Humanity shudders at the thought of your condition

FEBRUARY WEDNESDAY, 1

News of the surrender of Paris great excitement in London

The poor French are bled terribly & while ~~with~~ be too down down by the Prussians perhaps they deserve it.

Cold weather today

Sick with a cold

Got some medicen of Doc Davis paid $1 for it

This is Candlemas day

FEBRUARY THURSDAY, 2 1871.

Early this morning Cor. Joe Brokaw came from the Skinnys as if undecided which way to go, but a South wind springs up and decides the question. Little Sarie left today we trust letting folks know where he was going.

A smokepipe, & shoes of a Steamboat passed through, westward today but little trading done today in the lumber yard, Mr McReid called this evening.

Hamilton today, Come from Elsworth

FRIDAY, 3

This is a lovely morning, frost but little last night, at noon today as warm as early in Autumn, Treat the good Charley Comes quickes on this coast

I Protest R Pat

Lumber Merchant

St Jo, Mo

Had Oysters for Supper last evening, & the evening before I'll well today

In the Lumber Yard today, a fair business done $37.50 in cash, taking for lumber old Winter has laid his iron arm around us, tho the sun shines brightly most of the time, and in the whole, the winters of Nebraska are rather mild & easy

At home reading and contemplating

Paris has capitulated! the seat of Infidelity has fallen.

King William or the Emperor of Germany is returning to Berlin, and great rejoicing will probably dictate Europe for a time,

Start for Lincoln today in company with Hamilton for Lumber, rather a tedious ride over the Prairie, reach Saltillo, in the evening a distance of 32 miles from Beatrice, put up at the house of Norfolk a poor to do farmer, living on Salt Creek, 8 miles from Lincoln well, but very weary & worn.

Reach Lincoln this forenoon about 10 o'clock bought of

Bought of Morrell & Lashley $87, worth of Ceiling, siding, sash, doors &c. at figures too high to sell in Beatrice at a fair profit.

Return in the evening to Mr Walkers,

Weather today, delightful, but clouds omen difficulty tomorrow

FEBRUARY WEDNESDAY, 8 1871.

At Mr Walkers, Saltillo.
a terrible snow storm
from the North. Concluded
to lay over today.
Snow falls about 6 inches
2 small stores & a old ranch
constitute what is called
Saltillo. A good farm but
a dreary place to be waste
bound. Hamilton left
me

THURSDAY, 9

Start this morning from Mr
Walkers, at Saltillo, & rides
south of Lincoln. by an 6 inches
snow, comes into Strain 20
miles north of Beatrice.
Hamilton & Frank Lillian stay
for dinner, & then drive home
to Beatrice, reached home
about 9 o'clock, found a letter
from Barnett Sister. with kind
& favorable news from him

FEBRUARY FRIDAY, 10 1871.

Cold & dreary. Wind from the
East. Spite of snow & cold, my
Receives a letter with money
from Friends, Johnston of
Rockford, Ill.
Paid Servoss $60, on Sunday
Note.
Mail did not come in
from Nebraska City today, too Cold.
How can an intelligent being
be content, to live an alien from
God.

SATURDAY, 11

Still wintry, cold & disagree
able weather. Called to Salem
as a Juror, but the case was
dismissed. Mail come in
about noon, brought a
letter from George Dyson of Ohio,
Lumber Dealer,
Amidst the cares of life. It is
still a duty to bear in mind our
obligations to Him, who gives us
life & breath, & all things
that we have, & enjoy,

at home reading resting and writing home, God has wisely set apart one day in 7 for rest, & Religious devotions.

Elections are going on in France, and all talk their discord within & fighting without they are trying to form a Government.

Louis Napoleon had issued to them a proclamation, and, an absurd thing it is. He had better stay out of Paris.

915 for Coin, I've come in today from Bills $28 and Dueling $9, total $34,62

Much uneasiness is felt at Washington over the supposed fate of the Tennessee, carrying the Commissioners to Sanfoming, two days out,

Hamilton brought $14,52 of pay from Mr Holt today. A Law suit in Brooklyn with Soule & one of his Creditors Soule beats him.

Mathews mild Spring like,

Terrible disaster on the Hudson River R.R. near Poughkeepsie. over 20 lives lost most of them burn up alive,

February Thursday, 16 1871.

Soft, under foot today, Sun shines like spring time. Set in a Jury in a Suit between Campbell & Seale. Campbell gains the Suit. Hamilton filled the pig today. Weather turns cloudy in the afternoon. The Tennessee is still at sea, her whereabouts unknown, conjectures are the order of the times.

Friday, 17

Weather changed last night, with Thunder in the distance, and Lightning. Cold as Greenland today. Wind blows a Gale. Lt Dutchman team runs away, upsetting the Wagon and spilling the "Corn Juice". The French Deputies have been Elected & Assembled and Peace is now quite probable with a restoration of Monarchy in some form.

February Saturday, 18 1871.

Are the Lumber Yard today. Cash taken for Lumber $4,15.

Health pretty much as usual. Rec'd a letter from Mr Cooke Bruce. He appears anxious to see us but says we must come to his place or we shall probably never see each other again in this life.

God is long suffering & kind.

Sunday, 19

This is the Lords day, and it is right & lovely. How much better it is to believe the Reported Truths of the Bible, than to doubt their authenticity. There is pleasure in receiving them as true. There is a painful uncertainty in doubting their Divine Author ship. Will God pity the unbelieving

In the Indian Territory this morning
Arranged with Wm Roist the
Treasurer of Sp County for
The School Lots five for $375,
paid 1 year's interest in advance
$37,80 of which $25,50 is on
Wifes, 40, Ter, S½ of SW¼ 36
3, 3, & SE¼ 66 on Pine Ter
on the S½ of the S.½ of the
S½ of 36 3.3, Interest to
be paid annually for 3 years
The day was fine

Rain at Kilpatricks, but
night, This morning a
cold rain and is blowing
reach home at 10, o'clock
found Harvey sick with
a cold Mr Stone Hudson
& James Eldridge took
supper & stay all night,
This afternoon & evening
very pleasant The
Steamer Tennessee still
Missing

This morning misty &
cold wind South East
but the afternoon calm
and sunny, A dance
is in vogue for this
Evening in Beatrice
Took Dinner at Bro
Hinkles. This is
Washingtons Birthday

Warm today, in the afternoon
a hard shower with hail,
A Span of horses runaway,
Sold $110 worth of lumber
Much interest begins to be
manifested about the doings
of the Literary Society,
The Conundrums of last week
were rather personal,
After all, wisdom is still
justified of her Children

February Friday, 24 1871.

Letters received from Sinsabaugh & Parkin and Sundorff, Canton Ill, both favourable Prospects for business are brightening a little. Roads muddy & weather mild, and the season seems like spring. Wild geese are flying south

Saturday, 25

The boys got playing Ball, News of a suicide, a Dutch man poisoned himself with strychnine, in a Hardware store. The Hilton Journal come to hand, A border, & most primitive looking sheet. Cool today, wind from the North. Rec'd some $160, for Lumber sold.

February Sunday, 26 1871.

A letter from D. R. Duncan. Containing a card setting forth a proposition to build a College in South Nebraska. Delegates from the Churches meet in Tecumseh on the 15th of March next.

This is a sunny spring's day. bright & beautiful.

Monday, 27

Quite busily engaged in the Lumber Yard today. Sam Black working at Harron Hamilton sowing Rankin Creek for Corn worth $9 in Cash. Rec'd a letter from George Ryan & Son, Lumber Dealers St Jo, weather very fine. Business reviving somewhat. Literary Society meet this evening

FEBRUARY TUESDAY, 28 1871.

Another beautiful day; weather like April in Ill.
Wrote a letter to Parkin & Orndorff Canton Ill, & one to Mrs E. Hill, Nebo Ill
up to 4 o'clock took in $25,85
Gave August Meyer a order for Lumber to pay $12 for the in $1,10 for Latching.
Lent Freeman Stroop $3,
Rec pay $3,00

MARCH WEDNESDAY, 1

Hamilton & George Wyman start this morning to Nb. City
Also Dick Boddy: for Lumber
Mr Alexander Pd to lecture on Temperance this Evening.
The day is cool & a Storm seems threatening.
Advanced Cash $4 to Dick Boddy, & George Wyman and $8 to Hamilton.

MARCH THURSDAY, 2 1871.

Rather windy & rather cool,
A few friends were invited in to dinner today & it happened that it is the 35th Anniversary of our Marriage
Mr & Mrs Drake Mr & Mrs Place, Mr & Mrs Hinkle & Aunt Lottie were here
The time was pleasantly spent and the occasion deemed to be enjoyed by all
Sent as Partner to J. J. Eads, with

FRIDAY, 3

Receipts for Land tax, amounting to $46,11. Rec'd a letter from John Eagels with a draft for $10, to pay his taxes, this not being enough I wrote to Treasurer & will attend to it when the reply comes
Received a letter from Daughter Mary All are well
But little business doing in the Lumber yard today

March Saturday, 4 1871.

The poor French are being trampled under foot by brutish Prussians. A most humiliating Treaty has been forced upon the fallen & bleeding French.
A bile of 2 loads of lumber from Mill come today. Sam & I made 6 window frames today. Weather charming for Spring. All well as usual

March Monday, 6 1871.

Today the time passed away pleasantly enough until Evening at the Literary Society Gathering, Cap. Ashby read an essay which was an essay to establish a false theory or vain Philosophy instead of a faith in Revelation. Will Anderson commenced work 8/22 per mo.

Sunday, 5

Heard Mr Hara, a Presbyterian Minister today in the School room.
Hamilton & James Eldridge come from the City about noon today. Fine weather. Still hear the Prussian army passing through Paris, as an act of triumph.

Tuesday, 7

The Essay of last evening was a forcible demonstration of the saying in the Sacred Volume that the Men here became wiser in their generation than the Children of light. But after all it is that wisdom of men which is probably foolishness with God. So I regard it at best. Weather Beautiful

Yesterday I said weather Beautiful, but today Oh! Oh!! wind from the north blowing & snowing a perfect blinder, still Hamilton came 32 miles for the part of a load of Lumber probably 3 inches of snow has fallen. For a week past we have had beautiful weather

Sloppy under foot & a cool wind; Butchers brisk today, The Prussians have ended the war, and are leaving France, Their passage through Parris was a poor triumph, over their dan-Licked enemies. Rumours of more Earth Quakes in California, Governor Butler is up for an Impeachment.

This was a Dull business day Put little doing in the Yard Hamilton took 84 to buy corn and went to Freemesh, or that way. James Eldridge come last evening to board a few days. The Great National Commission to settle acts between U. S. & England, are now in session at Washington

Will Anderson & Geo. Weyman Returned with the loads of Lumber from the City today. Hamilton returned from Yauke Creek with 20 bu Corn paid $.30, oto prbe. Sold but little lumber today, done some painting Weather pleasant.

March Sunday, 12 1871.

Wrote a Letter to Ophia Pagel & one to Osborne Chance
Called up to Augustines and visited little Mary a sweet child Part Mothing her first efforts to stand alone,

Time is bringing us away to our Eternal Home,
The Lord's day is a blessed provision for Rest & Worship

Monday, 13

Attending Lumber yard, and the usual routine,
Felt pretty busy in attending to Customers, Took in Cash $180,

Nature seems to be gradually yielding to the effects of Age, Time sets its boundaries, and its claims cannot be denied
When the Mission of life is done,
how it is to have it well done,
good

March Tuesday, 14 1871.

There is much Political bluster about the dismissal of Sumner from the Chair of the Committee on Foreign relations.
William Anderson Started again to day for Mo City, North Dakota & Sundry.

Wild geese have been flying North, indicating the approach of Summer,

Wednesday, 15

Cold and Wintry to day but little business in the Lumber Yard. Citizens hugging around the Stoves, Terrible Contrast with yesterday. News of Riots in South Carolina, Kuklux & Negroes fighting to kill, Hurricanes & tornadoes reported in St Louis. Ke Ruk, South Dak Indiana, & other places.

This morning was frosty and quite cold, but during the day it became warm and spring like.
We got a letter this morning from Daughter Mary. She talks of visiting us this Summer
Laflin came in with 1000 ft of Fencing today from Hills yard. A Brown Bedfordshire here last night

This Morning Bright & cool. To day the grass begins to show a little Green; Many of the farmers have Sown Wheat and the season so far has been pleasant. Mr Lumber yard is becoming bare ON load come in Yesterday and ten more are on the way
The Sandomingo Commission are soon to return.

Three loads of Lumber come in from the City all right
John Fogels arrived here from the Pittsman Valley, Ill, Quite sick.
News from Monroe & Dillon Quite favorable Some Excitement in Town over the Dorsey movement in Sad titles

Cold and windy today The ground is becoming Dry. Called up to Augustines today, and had a pleasant time with little Mary. She is past 5 months old, and becoming Quite interesting.
Our Heavenly Father, to whom shall we look, for protection, for sustenance, for Consolation in distress? but to Thee,

MARCH MONDAY, 20 1871.

The French have got rid of the Prussian Soldiers and now they are killing one another. A Party called the Nationals have driven the Government out of Paris and kill Citizens without a trial. These Nationals are Revolutionists without knowing what they want.

TUESDAY, 21

In the Lumber Yard today but little doing in Cash sales. Mr Bates called on Saturday last to see me about Lumber. He wishes to furnish me with stock from his yard in Marysville Kan.
I am favourably impressed with his appearance and will go tomorrow to see his Stock

MARCH WEDNESDAY, 22 1871.

Start this morning for Marysville Kansas. Pass through Blue Springs, Indian Village, reach Marysville at nights, put up at the American House kept by an old Shark. Marysville is the Western terminus of the St Jo & Denver R.R. a thriving little Town, but rude & rough citizens. as many of the Western Towns contain

THURSDAY, 23

At the Lumber Yard of C. A. Bates & Co Marysville, Early this morning. & Arranged to get Lumber of him. Start with a load at ½ past 10, & reach the Indian Agency at Sundown, Met with a cold repulse by the Whites, but kind expressions by the Indians, Major Beem, as the Agent is called, is a conceited upstart and destitute of the principal assigned to his Sect the Quakers.

March Friday, 24. 1871.

Started this morning from the Indian Agency house. Took breakfast at Cache Creek 3 miles from there, an Indian comes to us and turned down. We reached home about 3 O'clock. The day fine for traveling, wind S. E. The Indian Agent, may be true & faithful to the Indians, but seems destitute of hospitality to white men. I regard him as a humbug.

March Sunday, 26 1871.

If I had the ability and confidence equal to the work, I would be proclaiming the precious truths of Revelation to sinners and ignorant professors of Religion. Methodism is spoiling the public mind in Brother for the reception of the truth but still it seems adapted to the genius of this community.

Saturday, 25

But little sales in the yard today, finished yard fence again opening Mr Shaper's lot & mine. Seven teams came in from Marysville this afternoon with lumber. Mr Bates paying freight 8 D. ¢ pr M for lumber, & 8 D. ¢ for 8 M Lath. The lath should have been brought for the same as a thousand of boards.

Monday, 27

Cool & quiet this morning but turned to be a beautiful day. Quite busy in the lumber yard. Paid got a bill for an addition. Went to the Post Office. George Tewbert's letter says Clay dead, died with croup, Charley Paid is still quite feeble. Commenced putting up addition to Mary house. George Wyman starts for lumber to Marysville Hands.

March Tuesday, 28 1871.

This was a dull day for sales of Lumber but little doing. Little George Halbert was buried, a large funeral procession took to the grave. Under all the circumstances who would not say that it is well with the Child? he has escaped a life of probable sin, and he of that age who are blessed of the Saviour.

Wednesday, 29

This day was a fair business day, took in about $25, saw. Finished the Cook kitchen for Ashby's house he built it in 2½ days. This day has been cool and threatened rain.

George Norman returned from Marysville with 600 ft of Shedding & 3m Shingles

March Thursday, 30 1871.

Contradictory reports from France. The Revolutionists are in Paris. Thiers & the Deputies are in Versailles and each in turn are said to be gaining on the other party.

The weather is dry and warm for the season.

Hamilton Come this evening from his homestead

Friday, 31

To day at noon Hamilton Started for corn to Secunseth took $7, to buy corn, price about 35cts

This has been a dull season for business, not much lumber sellin

April Saturday, 1 1871.

Today the news came that Mr Christ, a willdegger was buried alive, near Beatrice. Quite an excitement followed and many citizens turned out to aid in rescueing the body, and the work soon began in earnest. The well was about 70 feet deep when the cave took place.

Sunday, 2

All night the citizens toiled upon the top of poor Christ, but loose sand continued sliding and but little progress was made. Today the place is thronged with anxious lookers and visitors striving to remove the sand but as it caves continually, but little headway is made. Night has come & the work has stopped for the night.

April Monday, 3 1871.

Today the work of exhuming the body, buried in Drawing Well, is again resumed and night comes without success. The has been reached several times and again covered with the sliding sand.

It is a fearful place for those who dare and to dig the sand, Horrors within and dangers all around, and above, the head and shoulders were bare in the evening.

Tuesday, 4

To day about noon, the body of Christ was taken out of the well. He must have been killed suddenly, as the broken curb and sand was packed close around him.

The weather has been dry for a long time to day it hot as tumper, and but little sound makes it oppressive.

April Wednesday, 5 1871.

Still hot and Quiet, Mercury up to 75. no rain for 3 or 4 months, and not much snow during winter, Everything in the line of business, is dull, The Groceries in Beatrice have been closed, no licenses granted for selling liquor This indicates an improvement in moral sentiment

Thursday, 6

This morning I was down by the river, helping a little at the slaughter house Byron in the yard
This afternoon the wind is high and prospects for rain are fair
An Ever Kind Providence will send us rain by & by, Will we then be thankful,

April Friday, 7 1871.

Wind, high wind today Clouds of dust sweeping through Town all day. Helped a little at making wheel for Byron. not much lumber selling today a Boy died at Dowdes nearly from Iowa, Emigrants are coming,

Saturday, 8

This is a cold windy day a severe change since yesterday, last night a Woman died in a wagon near the River, of consumption. came from Peru Neb, Today a boy from Iowa was buried took sick on the road and died in a few days after reaching Beatrice Business and weather today bad but not bitter.
a letter from Hathaway Rockfell

April Sunday, 9 1871.

Cold & Sawry today
Quite a frost last night
Called up to Augustine
awhile, Thunder & lightning
and rain in the afternoon
Byron & Augustine
arranged their Slaughter
house for hoisting Easter
day. A letter from Yates & Co

Monday, 10

Rained nearly all last night
this Morning Cold & windy
Some snow fell during the day
This evening the Sky is overcast
with dark Land & Tumbling
Clouds. Cold & Freezing
Another Earth Quake
Reported in California
but no damage done.
Strange Phenomena and
remarkable events are frequent
ly occuring

April Tuesday, 11 1871.

A Serious Revolution is being
attempted in Paris. the Rebels
are more disorganizers, they
will be put down soon.
The discouraging and tyrannical
Exactions of the Prussians,
in the terms of peace with France,
has driven the Citizens to
desperation France will
Make an awful effort to
avenge herself before another
decade.

Wednesday, 12

This is another pleasant
day, a little cool but pleasant,
Byron & Kerney go to Lincoln
to bring Marg, Coats are
thrown off again, at midday
the Sun shines out like Summer
but little Business is doing
in the Lumber Yard,
George Nyman come in
with lumber from Hill,

April Thursday, 13 1871.

Today was another lovely day. Still but little business doing. It is now 8 o'clock in the evening & Byron & Mary have not come yet. Probably will not tonight. The season is quite in advance of some seasons in Illinois. The pasture is quite green, and the gardens are commencing finely. Onions, lettuce, peas &c are up.

Friday, 14

In the yard this morning, about Eleven o'clock Byron came with Mary and the dear little stranger Byron Jr. Mary looks very well and fair. The little boy Byron is like sweet innocence itself. The High Commission are still in session at Washington

April Saturday, 15 1871.

Time moves on and brings its course of events according to its usual rounds. The past year however has afforded remarkable occurrences, events memorable and like the fulfilment of sacred prophecy. President Grant's popularity is on the wane.

Sunday, 16

Called up to Augustines and spent a part of the day. Weather fine. Took dinner daughter Mary with us. Two sweet little grand children, Byron & Mary. How good it would be if we could combine the sweet innocence of the child with the intelligence of mature age.

April Monday, 17 1871.

Weather cool but rather pleasant to-day.
The Lunatic Asylum at Lincoln burned down, and ten prisoners escape from the Penitentiary about the same time.
The Court House is almost complete for Gage Co. & is a fine looking Structure.

April Wednesday, 19 1871.

Blowing a gale from the N.W. today. Little houses toppled over all around Town.
Mr Place returned home from Chicago this evening. Paid $120.97 taxes on land in Jefferson Co. for Sylf & Me. Heavy Betweetimes. A remarkable Phenomena in the Sky reported in the Tribune. All well.

Tuesday, 18

Wind pretty strong during the night veered to N.W. & finger stiff. A large Snake killed in the street before Joe Cowles Store.
The Revolutionists in Paris are holding their own pretty well. What will be the fate of that unhappy country. The Demons seem to be at work among them to destroy one another.

Thursday, 20

Still blowing from the N.W. Snowed flurries during the day. Wind cold & piercing.
Received a letter from C. V. Bates & Co Lumber Dealers thru offer flooring @ $35 to 38, Siding @ 20 to $28. Scantling & Joist @ $32. and a good A Shingle for $5.
Considerably in the yard dull. Another R. R. finished to Omaha about this time from the City.

Weather Moderating today
Wind falling home, New Moon
to night, first visible.
Put up Circulars for Clark
Braders Lectures. He will be
here on Saturday (tomorrow) eve,
and Lecture on Education
Business Matters are dull
in nearly all branches, this
Spring, Money seems scarce,

Saturday, 22

This morning is pleasant
& mild Coats off today,
Elwood Bolds come forth
a load from Monroe & Dillon,
Bro Braden come in the afte
noon from Pawnee City,
and lectured in the Evening,
his lecture was a talk of good
sense that was all,
not a large Audience.
Oh how slow we move toward
perfection, in the knowledge and
love of the truth,

Bro Clark Braden Preached
in the Court House today Text,
Try the spirits, Every spirit & all
systems are to be tried by the only
true & correct Standard, the Bible.
Bro Braden is a fair reasoner,
but not an eloquent Proclaimer.
The wind was blowing a gale,
and prevented us hearing distinctly
There was only a small, but quite
respectable Audience,

Monday, 24

This morning the sun was
veiled pretty nearly soon after
rising the Today cool & lowering till
afternoon when the rain began
and we had a delightful rain
during the afternoon.
Geo Hougey took order for two
loads of Lumber from Mary & Dillon
they are poor fellows, and we
have any number of them in
Nebraska I might now
and it raining Moderately,

April Tuesday, 25 1871.

This morning dawns upon us without any thing new to Note. I do the Lumber Yard as usual. Time flies away, away! and onward we move down its rapidly running stream, The Gulf will be reached by and by.

Wednesday, 26

The French Rebellion is still raging with un-abating fury. They seem bent on certain self destruction. The Rebels are fighting to secure to themselves a state of anarchy, Barbarism, Atheism & Demonism generally, health as usual. Nothing unusual to Note.

April Thursday, 27 1871.

The same general routine has been gone over today, in the line of business. The present term of School is about closing for a recess and Harvey will go to Sheridan County, I am to make some window frames for Charly Gardnier at $1.50. ea

Friday, 28

In the Lumber Yard doing what little I can business dull, Money scarce not any paying the thing as well as could be desired too many poor too many shiftless and low fellows in Gage County, not much regret ever be done which a better class buy them out and we get rid of them

Lanning & I dig foundat
ion for Cook house this
afternoon got a dozen
stone from Mr Shaw for
pillars.
Daughter Mary is here on
a visit her perfect little bon
ny is nearly a year old
but entering life with all its
windings yet to come.

Sunday, 30

No where to go to hear the
Gospel preached after the
Apostolic example!
Man-made systems have
supplanted the Truth,
And the Word of God is
handled, either deceitfully
or ignorantly.
God have pity on the
professing as well as the
non professing of the day.

This day my Note for Lumber
due Hill & Co fell due,
I paid on it $450 and
paid balance due Hill
$147.30 on a/c to date

Lanning builds frame for S. F.
Timmons for $4. Made 4
more sash frames for 75 cts ea

Tuesday, 2

This day the Teachers of
Nebraska or a part of them
met in the School house
in Beatrice, only about
15 in attendance.
The day rainy & cold.

Hervey Slated for Hebron
with the young horse
team he made a cold ride
Uncle Sammy Kilpatrick
paid $100, Balance me

May Wednesday, 3 1871.

Mud & wet this morning rained last night some clouds & threatening for more rain but little business doing in the yard One of the Firm of Richardson Clark & Co. of Marysville Kansas called on me

Thursday, 4

This day was cold & windy The Teachers convention in session here. This evening McKenzie the State Superintendent lectured in the Methodist Church he dont amount to much on gas, he is in a position for which he is not qualified

May Friday, 5 1871.

This morning the sun shines brightly but the wind is cool from the North Professor Braden & Br Phelps start home for Pawnee City Business yesterday & today look in $65,86, for lumber sales & sales

got a new Firms price list today from Marysville better terms or prices offered

Saturday, 6

Sent by this morning's post, to C. A. Bates & Co $130, on acct of lumber

This day I am 59 years old A little nearer home! Soon the sands of life will be run out, soon the veil will be removed, and the (now) unseen world will be entered, and its important mysteries revealed. Hope, that anchor to the soul, gives a pleasable assurance, that the change will be "well".

May Sunday, 7 1871.

Today I attended the service of the Episcopal Minister at the Court house, and in the afternoon a Funeral of Joe Reynolds Child, which died of Measles, Mother Nil attend to services at the Funeral made some good remarks 16 Carriages went to the grave in procession.

Monday, 8

Windy this forenoon, Rain in the evening. Sam Pleak finish up Cook House to day. Business in the yard low, The season so far quite favourable for crops. A Wizzard has advertised to do wonders this evening No Wizzard after all: nothing but a cunning sleight of hand performance,

May Tuesday, 9 1871.

High land 29 gin today Cold from the N.E. Cowell is up for selling liquor without licence. Court adjourned until tomorrow. Mary painted floor of Kitchen. J. Austin has just come in from Marysville, with load of Lumber, I due him now for hauling $12,07

Wednesday, 10

The case of Cowell was again adjourned for three weeks, Quite an interest is manifested by both parties on the License Question, There seems an unsettled feeling among some of the Temperance men, They lack stamina, firmness, or principle The County Commissioners have refused the use of the Court house, for Religious worship, Shame Shame on such Poltroons

This is a warm Summer day, A Social Tea party at Mr Pliers Residence A pleasant intervieu by all seemed to enjoy it, My business for the last three days has been but moderate; Mr Barnes Called this Morning & Paid his account $35 37 cents of course I thanked him.

To day Sam Black & I make up, Shelf Boxes for Sampkin & Kinney 27 of them for $7, The Sun shining like mid Summer

Quite a number of Emigrant Wagons passed through Town, westward; George White & his Cousin Cousin Smith, Called this Evening. Just come down from Lincoln, they had a sick Mare,

Sam & I finished Boxes to day for Sampkin & Kinney, another warm & sunny day, Mr L. T. Rudd Called on me this Morning he is going to Hebron, He says the R. R. & Short Hearing Road is going on strong, and if so we may look for lively times

To day the Sun shines with clouds rising & Rolling up occasionally covering its face;
Byron has been laying with a sprick in his Back for a Couple of days,
God is still King in his Providence, the Season so far has been remarkably favourable.
Time flies

May Monday, 15 1871.

The usual routine with but little to Note. Except the business of the Court here Byron obtain a just and legal separation from that woman Jelie. She was as poison to his flesh, and Rumpler to his bones.
The Evidence fully satisfied the Court and everybody else,

Tuesday, 16

But Little business done today. I paid up a Note of $25.75, to Irvoss for Hill, this evening
Irvoss packed up today to move to the City.
Harvey & Hamilton come all the way through from Hebron today reached Here in good time
The Court closed this evening

May Wednesday, 17 1871.

Today Irvoss left Beatrice for the City, and I moved Lumber on Emery's Lot.
The wind blowing a gale & the dust flying in clouds. blackening my clothes and faces Hamilton & Harvey helping me move lumber

Thursday, 18

Finished moving the lumber today the grink & tile blowing strong. George White has been with for a week or so, Albert Smith with him a part of the time
Nature has now put on her fashionable dressing gown. The leaves are out, the Prairies are covered, & clothed in her brightest green garb, delightful to the eye.

Rainy a little bad up Hammy helped move the window sash and other small things today prepared to start home tomorrow Mr Monroe of Nebo City called and handed me his card, He is here to file a lein on our Court House for a Bill of Lumber against Binns. I cannot say that I am prepossessed with his appearance,

Saturday, 20

Hammy started home this morning and had rain to travel in. Elias Jinkins & Brother brought in two loads of lumber from Mangis to day, paid him Cash $8 10, We had pleasant showers during the day

The Gardens are coming on nicely George White started to Jinkins Mills this morning,

The Presbyterian Meeting house dedicated today Dr Cottrell of Council Bluff preached an appropriate sermon, About $600 was subscribed to pay the Church debt Mr McKil has laboured perseveringly to accomplish a worthy enterprise, But the love of the simple truths of the Gospel are little practiced

Monday, 22

This is one of Nature's finest displays, a charming lovely day; No State of the Union can equal the interest of Nebraska with such weather

Twenty teams passed through town westward this morning

The French Rebbels are making their last desperate struggles in Paris.
They cannot fight longer, and dare not surrender.
When Men turn Devils they can outdo his Majesty in deeds of horror, Satan has no power to do, what the Communists of Paris have been fighting to accomplish, in this fiendish, struggle a general disorganization

WEDNESDAY, 24

It appears that neither England nor Canada, are satisfied with the proposed treaty of the High Commission at Washington. The English Commissioners have yielded, and granted too much. and demanded too little.
The Policy of England, has, of late been essentially a Peace policy, it is better to give too much, than ask too much, and then fight for it.

Ziegenmeyer the supposed murderer of Gumbleton has fast been brought in to Chicago from Germany to which Country he fled with Gumbletons Money some $15, or $1000, after killing him as will probably be proven altho he denies the murder.

FRIDAY, 26

Quite unwell today having taken a severe Cold Harvey started this Morning for a Load of Lumber at Marysville, Kansas. The Judge & Billy Mellen with him
Threatens rain during the forenoon but afternoon pleasant
The Insurgent French in Paris, are whipped and battered like frightened sheep.

Confined closely to the house to day with a Cold
Byron finishes the yard
Sold to Capt Thurston
on C N Emerys a/c $75,
dollars worth of Lumber
Harvey returned from
Marysville with a load
of lumber. The Civil war,
in France, is at an end;

Sunday, 28

The Lords day has again
come. Somewhat cloudy
but still a pleasant day
but I am too feeble to enjoy
it. To day the Presbyterian
Sunday School was organ-
ized.

The Revolutionists of
Paris, first went "Mad",
and then probably went to
Purgatory.

My health is quite feeble
but still trying to attend
to business.

Awful news from Paris
The last desperate throes
of the Rebel Party are being
made. The slaughter is
terrible sixty thousand
lives are said to have been
sacrificed, during the struggle

Tuesday, 30

The abominable Communists of Paris have been
overcome at last, They
have murdered three Archbishops, and 62 of their Priests,
Thousands of their desperate
Women, and many Children
were found dead in various
parts of the City, and some
of them were killed while
found in the act of setting
fire to the City. Such women!

MAY WEDNESDAY, 31 1871.

feeling quite unwell today
weather cool and unhealthy
to me. Nerves preparing
for the Sunday School
Pic, nic. Our letters come
bringing news of the death
of Sister Sarah Thompson
in Canada. The Chill
fever probably wore her
entirely down. Sad event
for her family.

JUNE THURSDAY, 1

Summer has fully come
A Sunday School festival
out on Cobb Creek, today,
and a most lovely day for it,
a little shower before breakfast,
a very serene sunshine
but not sultry. Or hot
Some Indians in town
today. My health improving

JUNE FRIDAY, 2 1871.

Today is one of those bright
sunny, beautiful days, seldom
found anywhere, like
they are in Nebraska.
Nothing special to note
except of the R.R. Meeting
at the Emmerson house.
Resolutions were passed
to encourage the Omaha B
on the return to come here
within the next six months
"doubtful".

SATURDAY, 3

from one thing to another,
I was pretty busy today
painted the old wagon
with all.
The day warm and
sunny, three loads of lumber
come in from Marysville
by Wilson & Pethouse.
Charly Gardnier got some
lumber & sash that was
entered on his bill but not
correctly on book

JUNE SUNDAY, 4 1871.

Mary has just started for Lincoln on her way home. The dear little pet, Byron, has left his last sweet kiss, for, perhaps a long time; Hope his Ma & Sis may reach home in safety.

There is no use of shedding tears but they would come any Time. Mr Reeds child, about a year old, is dead.

MONDAY, 5

The French Military Authorities are shooting their Women who were caught setting fire to buildings in the City of Paris. 26 Men, & 75 Women, were all shot in one squad. Thus the wages of Sin is death,, poor infatuated demoralized mortals!

JUNE TUESDAY, 6 1871.

R. R. delegates have gone to Lincoln to confer with the Omaha R. R. Men on the Question of building a Road from Lincoln to Beatrice.

Such an enterprise, if accomplished would add greatly to the general interest of the Beatrice Precinct

WEDNESDAY, 7

A number of Guests called the Plimouth Colony come in Town to day some Preachers among them.

Jeff Davis has been making Seditious Speeches in the South, giving us proof that he deserved to be hung as an Arch Rebel,, A R R Meeting tonight

JUNE THURSDAY, 8 1871.

This has been a beautiful Summer day every thing grows finely in the Garden.
Last evening we had another Meeting in the interest of the R.R. Same enthusiasm felt on the subject. The Delegates gave a favorable report of their visit to Omaha and interview with the Omaha Men. Brother Bracket is to add $50,000 in Bonds

FRIDAY, 9

This is the day of evil omens, Enterprises have said to fail, if begun on Friday.
Murderers are hung on Friday and tradition, holds it as a day Consecrated to the Venus of the North.
It is the sixth day of the week, I Hamilton come from Hebron. The weather is delightful tho my health is not very good.

JUNE SATURDAY, 10 1871.

The usual routine today, But little Number Solo.
There is a special interest felt just now in the prospect R.R. from Omaha by way of Lincoln to Beatrice hope it may come soon

SUNDAY, 11

Attend meeting at the Presbyterian Church forenoon & Evening.
Mr McNeil seems pleased with the result of his Effort in Building.
But I fear the interest will fail under Mr McNeil

JUNE MONDAY, 12 1871.

Harvey Started this morning to Marysville took north ship for Richardson & Clark $150 in Currency.

A very dull day day for Selling Lumber Made a turn for the Market wagon.

TUESDAY, 13

Mr Ross Turn this morning & sight $40,70 worth of Lumber

Harvey started for home this afternoon took $13, & with him, paid 50 for a pr of Traces, 80 for chuse paid him $1 for the Deed he Made. no. of the Hebron Lots

JUNE WEDNESDAY, 14 1871.

Rained last night, and this Morning, Throw out in the rain, But under a Tent, Oh how thankful we should be for such Rains, they go a th thousands to Nebraska.

Harvey come home this evening in good spirits brought 1400 ft of boards, he made about $4,

THURSDAY, 15

Made a bird house today, There has been a rush for the Land Office to secure Returned Land.

Many have Made applications to secure home steads,

Harvey Started again for Marysville

This Morning we have had a beautiful day

June Friday, 16 1871.

Have you an ambition to accomplish an unnecessary object. Remember that the road that way is too narrow for friendship, too crooked for love, too rough for honesty, & too dark to be appreciated. The true Ambition is to excel others in Purity, & in goodness & freedom from faults.

Saturday, 17

A calm, very warm & bright day; Hervey returned this morning from Marysville, with tidings of Young Augustus Gate.
Received a letter from Mary, she reports Little Byron has Croup & Crying, Rosanna in bed sick, has been for three or four days. The Corn, & other truck is growing rapidly a good Season for Crops, so far,

June Sunday, 18 1871.

God seems this day to smile upon the Earth. Weather Genial. Sun bright & balmy; Vegetation promising an abundant harvest. Flowers shedding a sweet fragrance, a gentle breeze from the South. Birds singing sweetly. and Citizens wending their way to Sunday School or Meeting to worship that God who is God over all. Blessed forever.

Monday, 19

Farmer started to Marysville for lumber, offered to bring roofing for $7, The day Cloudy but no rain. Immigrants still come & go on west. Several R.R. Teams passed through town.

June Tuesday, 20 1871.

Weather fine today,
The Harvest of winter wheat & Rye has been flattering prospects of a good Crop this season.
Mrs. Quite feeble and most of the time confined to her bed, Complaint of much head ache & slight fever. Hervey started to Marysville,

Wednesday, 21

Sun shines Quite hot today but the gentle breeze affords relief; Our R. R. prospects are not encouraging for the present.
Very little lumber sold today
The small pox has made its appearance near Town. One person died with it.
The French Party, under Thiers, have treated their fallen foe, most barbarously,

June Thursday, 22 1871.

Cool & breezy this morning. Wind S. W. Not able to be at the table has been sick about eight days, It is noon and Hervey has not yet come from Marysville, 1 o'clock Hervey is here all right with his load amounting to $7,25, Hess committed an assault & battery on Mr Robinson

Friday, 23

This is a Calm & hazy morning, but clears up warm, Hervey & Seth Dodge start again for Marysville,
Wagner came in this evening with 1371 feet on Buck Run in Lumber,
Sent a letter this morning to Mary. He learns much who studies other men, He also learns more who studies himself.

A pleasant warm day all thro
a little rain fall in the eve-
ning, a moderate business in
selling Sundries, Jenner came
in with his load from Marys
Mill, 240 feet short, everything
in the sight of the times indicates
poverty in the future of Mt
Our R R prospects are
not very promising just
now

Attend Sunday School at
McNeils Church, he seems
intent on running it after
his own taste
A sunny day, a quiet
moving about the Citizens,
and general good order,
for a Western or border
Town, we have reason
to Congratulate ourselves

Warm this morning but
little relief from ~~[illegible]~~ any
moving breeze. Have sent
a package of goods for
Joe Saunders & Co, valued at
$50. Coming from Mt Aryseville
He started today in search
of it. Jacob Cone in this
Evening, with a load of lumber
Exceedingly warm during
the day.

The Package of goods lost
by Harvey Cone in today,
a Surprise brought that
in. A Boyish negligence
in Harvey not returning to
find them. But he was
pleased to meet the finder
on the road going down
for them, Pleasant this
morning but very warm in
the afternoon

JUNE WEDNESDAY, 28 1871.

News of a frightful
earthquake on Long Island
near N.Y. produced
frightful oscillations, &
other strange phenomena
upon Eastern Canal,
The ground sink away
and drained the Canal
supposed to be the destroying
of Lime Stone beneath.

THURSDAY, 29

Attending the Lumber
yard as usual today
nothing special to note.
visited the Court house
and chatted a while
with Mr Carter, the new
Lawyer, he seems
gentlemanly, Quite necess
sary alterations have been
made since I was there before
some of the Officers are occupie

JUNE FRIDAY, 30 1871.

Rode out with Mr Berry
to Swan City today and
was a real treat, over
fruit growing in the way of
crops are growing finely
Swan City is a little
place hardly intitled to
the name City, A fine
Farming Country on either
side of the Blue between
here and there

JULY SATURDAY, 1

Early Cucumbers on hand,
A hard rain last night,
and a heavy cloud hangs
over at the north, now
about noon.
The Sherriff and others who
were out last night in
pursuit of thieves, have
returned without finding
their game, four men in a
wagon came to Brainerd to
steal and have escaped.
the above is meant to be funny

JULY SUNDAY, 2 1871.

This is Saturdays record

Lumber was taken from the Yard for seats on the ground for the 4th of July Celebration, 4 loads 2 sets 18 Inch bds

Very warm in the afternoon, Two Thieves stole money and Clothing from the Sherman House to day, and got away safely

MONDAY, 3

Rain this Morning, Set a few Cabbage Plants, Sent 2 letters among, 1 to Sra Mother & 1 to Mr Neele,
Some Stir in Town preparing to Celebrate on the 4th,
paid $1,10cts for a roast for tomorrows table,

The ground is now thoroughly Water soked from the recent heavy rains

JULY TUESDAY, 4 1871.

This is the bold day of America. Noise & bluster. Beef, Beef & Brandy, Powder & Gas. Verry little regard to the usual Quiet, and regular order of things.
Thousands of dollars are wasted in exceeding demonstrations That might be made a blessing to the poor & needy.
But the Mania, is National and is likely to be perpetuated

WEDNESDAY, 5

The Rag muffins of yesterday were out in full regalia, & every thing passed off without a Sixent.
About 1000 were on the ground to Celebrate, nearly half of them went away hungry, only about half the amount of provisions need were furnished
A horrible Murder Reported

JULY THURSDAY, 6 1871.

Rain last night, the ground thoroughly soaked this morning, and today it is hot, sultry hot. Women shot dead, on the road to Fair Berry, suspicion rests on the Utes, they having just returned from their western hunt,

FRIDAY, 7

Warm, Sunshine today but relieved by a fresh breeze I painted the chamber windows, Elias Tinkham came in with a load of lumber & shingles.

Had a long talk on the theme of Religion last night with Mr McNeil

The Jesuits threaten vengeance on the Prussians as soon as they feel able for them

JULY SATURDAY, 8 1871.

Another warm morning wind blew strong during the night Planted a number of seeds this morning, Bro John Truax came to enjoy our hospitality this evening, he is the Corresponding secretary of State Missionary Society, and Brother in law of poor Walter who was recently murdered in Jefferson County.

SUNDAY, 9

This is a quiet warm day Bro Truax went to the Scene of the murder of Mr Walter, The Indians are suspected of the foul deed, if the charge is proven, woe to the Red skins. The Adventists are again predicting the speedy coming of our Lord, It would be well for us all, if we could rejoice in the hope of that event,

JULY MONDAY, 10 1871.

A Pleasant Summers day but a sad incident occurred at the Stage Office last night. Some driver, having the, so Tremens Cut his own throat and came near bleeding to death. Dr Buffum sewed up the wound & he will likely recover. Bro John Tuttle returned this evening from Fair Berry.

TUESDAY, 11

Strong suspicion rests now on the Indians for killing Walters. The Interpreter having threatened at Fair Berry that he would do so if they would kill a white man before he reached home. This savage brute, probably murdered these two unoffending men. Life is like a Bank Note, and your virtues are the figures on it.

JULY WEDNESDAY, 12 1871.

Working at a house for Stanley fitting up doors & windows.

A valuable mine of lead ore has recently been found in Southern Illinois in Harding Co. Report says it will be a source of immense wealth. An honest reputation is within our reach, if we desire it. Rain last night.

Early Corn in the market

THURSDAY, 13

To day at noon finished Manly's room. Weather very warm. The present French Leader, Thiers, is out for a hereditary President, or a limited Monarchy like that of England. He thinks it superior to the R. Government. Poor France. What kind of a Government, is there, that would make her happy & contented

July Friday, 14 1871.

Today Sheriff Alexander of Jefferson Co. went to take the Indian Whitewater, prisoner, but he dodged & ran like a guilty dog: giving evidence of his having done the deed.
He is not large, and it is likely will escape.
Herrow went to Maysville this afternoon for goods & took $150, to G. H. Yates & Co lumber dealers

Saturday, 15

Sultry this morning, but quite fair Storing.
Life is divided into three terms:
That which was, which is, & which will be. Let us learn from the past to profit by the present, and from the present to live better for the future.
Knowledge can be gained by reading. Virtues by reflection & self culture, & obedience to the divine will.

How to be Beautiful when Old.

July Sunday, 16 1871.

How to be beautiful, when old;
I can tell you Maiden fair,—
Not by stains, dyes and pigments;
Not by washes for your hair.
While you're young, be pure & gentle
Keep your passions well controlled;
In life's pathway do your duty,
You'll be handsome when you're old.

Snow white locks are fair as golden
Gray as lovely as the brown,

Monday, 17

And the smiles of age more pleasant
Than a youthful beauty's frown.
'Tis the soul that shapes the features,
Fires the eye & tunes the voice;
Sweet Sixteen, bethink your Maiden
When you're sixty, feel & rejoice.

Sooner than prosper in evil,
let us suffer in doing good,
If we work righteously,
we shall have a righteous reward;

JULY TUESDAY, 18 1871.

This Morning the Mortgage was Mailed to Israel Letter. To day the Stoe Indians brought one of their number as a prisoner for examination, for the murder of two men on the 4th July on the road to Fairbury about 25 Indians come as a guard

WEDNESDAY, 19.

This Morning I had an opportunity of seeing the Black brute who is charged with killing Pasco & Walters, He was taken before Berry from here, for examination, of Guilty, he should be hung by the neck till he is dead. Preparations for a festival at the Presbyterial Church

JULY THURSDAY, 20 1871.

Cool & pleasant today wind from the east. Every thing unusually quiet. Harvey drawing stone for his flat house.

Last received a letter from Brad. Carrell, of Hebron. Last evening, I've attended a Festivale at the Presbyterian Church

FRIDAY, 21.

Sermons are being preached throughout the Cities of the east on the Catholic riot of the 12th July. Public sentiment should be called to the British & persecuting disposition of Popery in Ireland. N.Y. Cities very much ruled by the Catholics at the present time, they take advantage of the liberal institutions of the United States

Order, without liberty, is gloomy despotism; liberty without order is Chaotic Anarchy. But the principles of Christianity, produces Order, Liberty & Morality, as its legitimate fruits. And National Greatness as its results. A Beautiful day this.

SUNDAY, 23

Heard Mr Little preach in the Presbyterian Church today. After the organization of a Sunday School for persons outside of his Mission, I must say it was a novel proceeding to me. The rights of the Church were entirely ignored or lost sight of: Selah.

Paint fence in front of the house, & window frames. The day very pleasant. The Orts & Rioters are holding indignation meetings & threatening the life of Gov. Hoffman, While the Pope is wailing over the condition in which he finds himself. He says, all is lost, hopelessly lost! & only a miracle can save us.

TUESDAY, 25

A Shocking Earthquake in Boston & through the New England States. Church & Parlor bells were rung and general alarm produced, at about 1 o'clock at night. A Man Killer is at liberty, in the streets of Gratiot, his name is Robinson the Pill, Cakes or Picks, as he was called

JULY WEDNESDAY, 26 1871.

A Letter from Mary, brings us a very new about little Brown we fear the will lose him

Whitewater the supposed murderer of Pascoe Walters is in Pawnee County Jail, awaiting his trial next fall,

THURSDAY, 27

Harvey & Reed Started today for Lumber to Marysville Kansas,

Another Earth Quake at the Phillipine Island 200 lives lost and the Island deserted, This Island lays north of Australia near the Island of Borneo in the North Pacific ocean, but near the Equator,

JULY FRIDAY, 28 1871.

The usual Quiet in the business. Received a letter from Soper Brainard & Co. No 69 Beach St Chicago their prices for lumber are outrageous, villanous, They must imagine I am not posted, and would therefore take advantage

Hamilton come this evening, all well

SATURDAY, 29

Harvey & Read returned from Marysville this evening with Lumber. Quite Satisfactory. Charles Geo. Dorsey paid me $52 for Lumber this evening,

The Irish are catching what they most richly deserve, the execrations of all Native Americans for their brutish conduct. The Pope is in mourning! so let it be.

JULY SUNDAY, 30 1871.

Attend Bible Class & take charge of it, at Presbyterian Meeting house Jobson & Chap. Matthew had rather an interesting interview, Class turned rolling to investigate and learn.
The day quiet warm and rather pleasant. Quite a good number in attendance.

MONDAY, 31

Another horrible murder at Pawnee City two young Roughs kill a man, because Whites Rev & the Devil were in them, But the manner of killing was too horrible to relate. but this Story of murder, is so often repeated that it almost ceases to surprise any one,

AUGUST TUESDAY, 1 1871.

Plenty of Apples fresh & green in Town, selling at $1.50 to 2.50 per bushel, Come mostly from Missouri Plenty of green corn & new potatoes, Butt 15 to 20 cts Wheat 40 cts & a promise of an extra corn crop.
Health good as usual

WEDNESDAY, 2

Was out in the hay ground a while this afternoon It seemed like old times The hay field in a pleasant day is a desirable place for me Augustine drove in two loads for himself and Nainton raked up some for us. Everything in the gardens seems growing fresh and green

August Thursday, 3 1871.

Hamilton & Yerver brought in 4 loads of hay and I stacked it, beautiful hay weather but little lumber selling today. A Rail Road Meeting in Crete, Ex governor Thomas & Attorn Briggs spoke & promised us a R.R. by June if we would raise 10 cents for 7 years

Friday, 4

Terrible thunder & lightning last night, Augusts house was struck and door casings splintered up, but more hurt, the shocks of thunder were terrible & the rain came down flooding our well filling in the pump four feet of sand. Exposures of great frauds by the City Officials of N.Y. are now being made. They are a set of unconscionable rascals

August Saturday, 5 1871.

Selling Odds & Ends of lumber a little more than usual. Finished a stack of hay in the afternoon.
5 persons have been killed since the 4th of July, in Southern Neb. weather very warm
A Terrible Explosion of shells & cartridges in Fourmow near Paris. 800 supposed to be killed

Sunday, 6

Attend Sunday School our class read Read 5 C Mat part of Christ's Sermon on the mount, then stepped in & heard Preston Preach much as usual. and afterward witness an immersion performed by Preston, and saw it done in an awkward manner Cora Flack was Baptized

August Monday, 7 1871.

Harvey went out to mow this morning 8 Ham & I put fence round the hay stack Jones Murphey came in at noon with 8 hughes lumber the day warm but gentle winds to refreshe. More farmers in from the Country than usual

Tuesday, 8

The boys make hay and as usual I attend to the lumber sales,

Four or five women are now under the gallows in the U. S. They are gradually securing their rights, Taken the right to murder, they have a right to be hung as well as any one,

August Wednesday, 9 1871.

Hamilton Returned from the hay field Cold and sun struck this evening was very sick for several hours, Had Cramps & spots of fevers,

Many are engaged in getting up hay, and the weather is fine for it just now

Lumber trade slow took a run today on Mulberts hands

Thursday, 10

High wind from the south this morning but veered round in a moment about 10 o'clock, and was cool the remainder part of the day I got of Geo Black $100, & Sent to Brown in a letter $200

The Fenians have a great riot in Dublin Ireland, some of the Royal family from London were there at the time Took a run on Mulberts hands last evening

August Friday, 11 1871.

Exceedingly pleasant this morning, Quiet clear and cool; Nothing to note differing from the usual routine. all well as usual Hamylton improving Lumber business dull but few sales of any amount and very little coming in on accounts, must stir them up soon,

Saturday, 12

Saturday produces a different feeling from any other day of the week there seems to be a sort of closing up for the week a general shut day, and the approaching day of rest, give a kind of anticipated relief to the working wayworn Man.

August Sunday, 13 1871.

Attended Sunday School to day rather dragging work there seems an absence of interest in searching after truth.

If teaching is not in the usual Sectarian fashion, it seems not to be relished, hardly tolerated, The Opinions & traditions of Men, please, rather than plain Scriptural Truths

Monday, 14

In our Quiet little Town of Beatrice, things are moving along much as usual more interest than common in the R. R. movement, hopes of its reality are growing stronger. Engineers & Surveying Party are moving about, augur us success to the enterprise speedily

August Tuesday, 15 1871.

The Middle of August has come, and soon the Summer will end. Autumn is approaching & already discernable. Time speeds away! away!! and the signs of the times are ominous. Famines in the east, earthquakes in several places, and pestilences approaching us.

Wednesday, 16

To day was a lovely day weather cool and fair. R R Road Surveyors busily engaged in running the line through Beatrice.

A Spot is now said to be covering a large space on the sun.

Rumors of a coming war between Russia & Prussia. Terrible would be the results

August Thursday, 17 1871.

The R R Surveyors come early this morning for Stake lumber sold them 1000 ft for $4.25

This morning is cool & pleasant. Mr Neil Presbyterian Col porteur took dinner with us he says he is from Philadelphia. He seems like a good meaning man.

Friday, 18

Arrivals of strangers from the East almost every day and trains are comin loaded with Apples & peaches apples are now sell'ng at $1.50

The season is gradually & perceptibly changing that dreadful scourge the Cholera is slowly advancing from Asia & Eastern Europe producing some Alarm in large Cities, like N.Y. & Chicago

August Saturday, 19 1871.

The weather is becoming dry and the grass is drying up, Many of the Citizens are engaged making hay.

The Lumber business is dull. Jane & I put up a part of the frame of the new house, Reports of fresh & Mature Murders are reported daily in the papers, horrible state of affairs

Sunday, 20

Heard Mr Ormsby preach this Morning a very Good discourse; Mr Cattil a traveling Colporteur preached in the Evening, but he failed to satisfy many of his hearers, his discourse was odd for a Presbyterian

Run little Mary around for an hour in her little Cab

She is feeble now, teething,

August Monday, 21 1871.

Hamilton & Harvey start this morning for Marysville for lumber I helped Sam putting up frame of house the gay Barn

Mr Ormsby, Presbyterian Minister called and chatted pleasantly for an hour or so In the evening I attended a little gathering of the Trustees with Mr McNeil of the Presbyterian Church, hard state of affairs.

Tuesday, 22

Lavery this Morning wind from the north and snow 2 o'clock it raining & blowing from N. E.

L. D. Conte took dinner with us he seem anxious to accumulate riches.

George Dorsey & Charly Emry both lost their patience and used their fists,

Their piety has about run out;

A Circus in Town today

August Wednesday, 23 1871.

The Sun rose under a dense Cloud this morning hanging down to the ground, a light breeze from the N.E. rather cool. Ground quite wet from yesterdays rain.
A Russian Catholic paper threatens to destroy all the Governments of Europe if they dont restore the Pope to his temporal power in Rome

Thursday, 24

Today I paid W. E. Hill on a Note $190,00
Yesterday Byron & I attended Jury between Dr McGregor & Scipitor, The verdict did not please either of them
The Doctor especially who paid the costs was highly outraged so thought he.
He is a man entirely without humility. and offensively self sufficient

August Friday, 25 1871.

Rained hard last night Quite wet this morning
Hamilton & Kerr prepare for Hebron and start about 2 O'clock, count off in good spirits, gave Hamilton $5, cash and goods provisions & to the value of about $10, pair of boots $5,00. overalls &c
It rained near night and it looks Lowery & Cloudy

Saturday, 26

To day it threatens rain but it passes off in clouds. I took a Trip to Rev B. F. McKilvhouse for a boat $100, Paid $1.50 for registering this & Hulbert's Trip, Received a Letter from Br Thomas he is doing well in his new situation he reports great changes in his old Neighborhood by deaths & removals, but his old Neighbours will miss his useful example as a practical Christian

August Sunday, 27 1871.

Attend Sunday School at the Presbyterian church. Mc Neil teacher in the Bible class rather an animated exchange of sentiment on Christs Sermon on the Mount Mat 5. 43-48 How is possible for a man to love his Enemy, and to do good to them that hate us. Mean by my view is, to hope, pray for his reformation & that he becomes good man, so that the Christian can return

Monday, 28

Rained yesterday and the Ground is wet & muddy this morning. Wind from the N.W. & weather cool, all quite well, Jenny washing, Byron pasting books, Augustine Carting little Mary around, and myself here and there, (2 times time) The afternoon passed off quietly and nothing of note to note.

August Tuesday, 29 1871.

On the 26 Just a frightful R.R. Collission took place at Revere 7 Miles from Boston. 24 persons were killed, & twice that number severely injured, & 27th on the Philadelphia & Erie R.R. another Collision killing 7 & seriously injuring several others. These accidents are said have happened through criminal carelessness on the part of Conductors and Engineers.

Wednesday, 30

Reports of more Storms, and of Steam Boat disasters, and of shooting affrays, reckless indifference to the security of life is every where now apparent in our Country & Terrible disasters having within a few days past been reported.

Ben Butler, of Massachusetts, is having a Quarrel with the citizens of his State

A beautiful Morning!
The sunrises in more than
usual splendor, a cool
and bracing breeze, making
making one feel anxious to be
doing something.
Latting & filling in Rosenk
house for Sam & Will Brown,
Putting on corner Will And
erson helped me this forenoon

Worried around today, and done
but little, too. Rev Coles & wife
& Byron Reynolds & Wife, took tea with us
Augustine & Father also here.
Beatrice at present.
Claims the palm for steady
habits & good order among
all the Western towns, &
yet there is great room for
improvement. Great is the
work assigned, & let his voice be heard.

Latting & filling in the new
house for Seth Reed, helping me
paid him 75 cts. Augustine
brought up 175 lb of wing from
Hagers Bin this morning.
Finished filling in top of
The last census of Nebraska
gives us a population of
122000, What numbers of
these have God recently
in their thoughts?

To day I took charge of Bible
class. Our class seemed
animated in discussing
the Teachings of Christ's sermon
on the Mount, Mat 6th & 7th 11
We will continue the
examination next Lord's day
should we meet. What is
called the Lord's Prayer
will be our special theme.
Does the Saviour yet require it
to pray for that, which has been
nullified?

SEPTEMBER MONDAY, 4 1871.

Remarkable Scientific prognostications are now being made at Astronomical & Observatories in the U. S. about Storms, Cyclones, & Weather changes generally. A recent Tornado on the Coast of South Carolina, was forewarned 3 days before it came, the time and indications was surprisingly correct.

TUESDAY, 5

Austria & Prussia are now looking an Alliance, in case war they unite their forces, and would make a formidable foe for an enemy to meet in Battle. and other European Nations are looking around with anxious anxiety. Over 2000 Murders have been committed in the U. S. during the past year.

SEPTEMBER WEDNESDAY, 6 1871.

Attending the Yard and framing Studs for Shop. Augustine came in with a load of Lumber this morning (Wed) the trip in two days. Mr & Mrs Skinner are here staying with us for a short time looking a home in this Country. He is an Attorney.

THURSDAY, 7

Mr S. B. Skinner & Wife and Rosamah, start this afternoon for Hebron, with the Clear & Miss Mr Skinner takes an offer to the County Commissioners of 85 ths of my Town Plat, if they will put up, or otherwise establish the County side on it. Mr Smith died from swelling of the throat and was buried today

Quite windy today, Moe got up frame for shop, Weather warm, Superintend drawing the Lumber around, Some Strangers coming in on new of the R.R. prospects, Beatrice will take new life, as soon as the Cars Roll in among us, Kind Providence has favored us with a good Season the past Summer,

Saturday, 9

Worked at the Shop this forenoon. Commenced raining at noon and kept up during the afternoon, late in the Evening Mr Read Come with a load of Lumber. The immense frauds by the Tammany Ring N.Y. are being investigated. $125 million is said to be the debt of the City.

A dull drizzly day. Attend Sunday School but few there. Then visited little Jennie child, Mary, she was quite sick in the Morning had taken cold but got better towards noon. This is a lonely day. Ma, Hannah & Jennie away, I found a Couple of Shafts that I had forgotten in Mr Wolcott, amounting to about $19.75. Antidote for the blues, wasent it.

Monday, 11

Sarpy County votes today on giving $75,000 Bonds to the Omaha & N. Western R.R. Prospects are fair for the Bonds, I voted for have the pressure of the times hereby the I of Jones creek, but little business doing in the Lumber yard. The Cholera is in Paris, on its way to America. The Pope is out with another letter to his Bishops & Prelates

SEPTEMBER TUESDAY, 12 1871.

News came today of Old Lysse Zimmerman killing his wife in Rockford. The Miserable wretch then tried to poison himself but failed to die. I think I predicted ten years ago, that he would come to the Gallows. The R. R. bonds are voted and we now expect a R R soon

WEDNESDAY, 13

Rained most of the day, today, I was engaged taking figures for the Shop, Received a letter from A. E. Gates, of Hebron, Wrote one to B. F. Stone, An Alliance is said to be formed between Prussia, Austria & Italy! France & Prussia are not getting along smoothly and trouble seems brewing ere long.

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engaged with men building a Shop for Jacob Shaw in Boston. Weather rainy and unfavorable.

FRIDAY, 15

SEPTEMBER SATURDAY, 16 1871.

Worked at Mr Thomas Bids today, finished it about the evening. He seems pleased with it.
It requires a manly and superior self denial to do right, under all circumstances, in the midst of surrounding evil, and wrong doing, among the masses.

SUNDAY, 17

Visited Augustines today little Mary feeble & little unwell.
Heard Mr Bossan in the evening deliver a good discourse on the Freedomers of the Mission of Christ, Important Question.
This discourse closed nicely

SEPTEMBER MONDAY, 18 1871.

Quite unwell to day, from Court order. I bought Mr Perkins Cow for $42, Still another R.R. disaster 8 or 6 killed & wounded that number seriously hurt. A Reckless & Criminal Negligence seems to prevade among R.R. & Steam Boat Men!
The weather has become fine. The Equinoctial Storm is probably past.

TUESDAY, 19

Today we voted in the New Constitution for Nebraska Except the Article of Womens Suffrage, which was rejected.
The Contest for Delegates to the Nominational Convention was warm and strong. Two Republican Tickets were run and the Conservative one beat. Doc Reynolds at the head of the list for Patrick
Mai returned today from Nebraska

To day the Sun reaches the Equatorial line, tomorrow it will cross, and the days will gradually diminish in Length for the next three months, Wind from the S. E. today rather cool, but a bright Shining Sun. This is the Third day of Adjourning our District Court, for want of a Judge. Mason does not appear

THURSDAY, 21

The Court commences this Morning. Mr Richardson is here & he & I take Stock in the Lumber yard, and will join from this date in partnership in the Lumber Trade under the firm of Richardson Clark & Co Article of an Agreement Made and left with Weston & Dean. time of Partnership to continue two years,

The Article of Agreement between Richardson & Clark & my self is dated this day. & our connection in business is to commence from this date I am to have pay from them at the rate of one dollar per day for my services, and the profit or loss is to divided equally or borne the same as the case may be

SATURDAY, 23

Mr & Mrs G. W. Skinner here since Tuesday last will leave this morning for Yam's homestead. Augustine & Harvey are away to Marysville for Lumber prospects of a better trade are somewhat promising The weather is warm today

MONDAY, 25

Commenced to shift the lumber on my lot today, weather Quite Cool Mostly Commenced painting today, is to do the outside two coats for R.G.

WEDNESDAY, 27

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FRIDAY, 29

SEPTEMBER SATURDAY, 30 1871.

Hamilton & I moved some posts & threadding from Emmys lot to my yard for greater safety. Four loads of Lumber come in during the day & one in the evening. About 20 thousand feet has come in during the week.

OCTOBER SUNDAY, 1

Attended Sunday School today at the Presbyterian Church. Our lesson Mat 7th p. & 25 vs, inclusive. The interest was quiet & earnest. The study of the Saviours teaching in his Sermon on the Mount is of high import. and comprehends all our duties to God, & to one another in our various relations of life.

Hamilton Started home

Matters are moving on as usual. I was agreeably surprised to day when Charley Sattler brought me $15,25 cts to pay Pete I but little expected to get, same petty thefts have been going on in Town lately a crazy Dutchman is the thief

Tuesday, 3

The weather has become warm as summer, it's sultry hot today.
Mr Abell paid me $12 Rent for Mas house for last Month, and today Mr Avy commenced plastering the New house

Warm & dusty today, Men are moving Brought with dusty looking faces.
Avy is plastering the new house.
A poor man came in with his leg broken, Mogan run over it.
I signed a bond to deed Wm of the Town site of Hillsdale to the County of Thayer on condition that the County buildings are located at Hebron & Mabel it to P. P. Kenner, Hebron.

Thursday, 5

We have had two or three days very warm previous to today, but this morning the wind is from the North and a cold drizzling rain until noon.
Mr Ashby predicted yesterday that this change would come

October Friday, 6 1871.

This morning is cold & clear, wind around in the E. E. Brigham Jun is reported to be under arrest for Adultery & Murder, a young Farnham in Auction Jun. I hope Judge Nelson & the Jury will give him fits. The Tammany Ring of N.Y. are also coming to Chaughment before an outraged City. Fires are raging South on the Prairies

Saturday, 7

Was in the Wood pretty close today, Sold nearly $1500 worth of lumber.
The Rail Road from Crete to Peotriver is now progressing rapidly. Fires are doing considerable damage out on the Prairies. Large Quantities of hay & other property is being burned. Early frosts have brought on these unusual fires sooner than common

October Sunday, 8 1871.

The lesson in the Bible Class today was, Mat 8 ch 1-4, Christ Cleansing the Leper, & he did it out of sympathy on the individual.
It is a Marvel to me how destitute of true Scripture Knowledge, the Masonic professors are, it is in defiance of the Ignorance of the Clergy & Priests of the popular religions

Monday, 9

Preparations are being made for the Elections & County Officers, to take place tomorrow, and Considerable Interest is being manifested, rumors of losses by the fires, in forests in Michigan & in Mining Districts, as well as in our own State. Some have burned out entirely house hay and all

OCTOBER TUESDAY, 10 1871.

This is the day of Election of County Officers. I am informed that I am a Candidate for County Treasurer; Mr Webb however will without doubt be elected.

This is the first day of the first County Fair held in Gage Co Nebraska, and here I begin about all that will be done

WEDNESDAY, 11

This is the 2nd day of the Gage Co fair I have had no time to attend it, The regular Ticket nominated by the Convention is said to be elected, The Lumber Trade is improving a little. The R. R. from Crete, is pushing on to Red Beatrice Rapidly, but I think they are Short of three pennyweights,

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OCTOBER THURSDAY, 12 1871.

This is the last day of our (Gage Co) fair, I attended in the afternoon, and pronounced it pretty good for a beginning, Reported News of the burning of Chicago comes in, One hundred thousand Citizen are said to be burned out and turned in the Streets without a shelter or food!! 150 Millions worth of property destroyed

FRIDAY, 13

Cold & Chilly winds from the North wit a little rain during the day, Still I was frequently called in the yard Mr Cadle called to have us sign away the right to back water over our Timber land near Fairbury, he was a little too fast, will not give that right without pay for damages; Word comes of the death of old Mrs Sedgwick

October Saturday, 14 1871.

Rained a little last night, and today a cold N. W. rain is falling fast about noon. Harvey Woodbury is away on his Buffalo hunt. He and his companions will look anxiously homeward on such a day. A general gloom hangs over this western country on account of the burning of Chicago. Snow is falling fast 12 o'clock

Sunday, 15

Attend Bible class then Sabbath, Spiritualists met at Manning's Hall. I with my family attended Sunday School with me & thence to Methodist meeting. Our lesson was Mat 18-7-14 on the offences of Christ. The roads were muddy and but few were out.

October Monday, 16 1871.

This was a good day for trade. Took in $111, in cash, sold a bill of $210 to John Kellogg & paid on it $100. The weather is becoming pleasant again. Since the burning of Chicago the usual amount of news is cut off, and we hardly know what is going on in the world anymore.

Tuesday, 17

I laid foundation for office today. Patten made door & window frames.
The Rail Road from Crete is moving on toward Beatrice rapidly, 18 miles of it. Denver is going with a bounce of fair berry. Times are getting better, money is more plenty, and the lumber trade is improving with other branches of business.

Mr Patten & I put up frame of my office today, wind blows rather hard, News comes of the rise in the price of [illegible] $5 per Hg at Chicago. Chicago, where we hope in [illegible] building up again at the terrible fire.

Gurney & his party got back safely from their trouble, but the children of Harvey killed the fatted one,

Thursday, 19

A warm summers day, too hot to be comfortable. Patten & I work at the office, two loads of Lumber come in, $57 worth sold, The Sioux & Denver R R Co advertise for tenders to build R R from Big Sandy, to Fort Kearny. It will probably go up the Platte and Hebron will mourn its loss. To day's mail took a letter to Mary with a P. O. order for $10, to pay for Bible,

Patten & I stick at the Lumber Office. It goes slow, Patten goes around heedlessly, and growls most of the time, at the siding, Terrible fires at Manistee in Michigan hundreds of lives are said to be lost.

No year of my life has ~~been~~ given so many Terrible events, as Water, Wind, fire, & Earthquakes & Thunder & Lightning, as the year 1871

Saturday, 21

Frequent calls in the lumber yard to day but not a large amount sold.

The day was pleasant but some windy.

Meeting & Mailing in the Nebraska District of Wisconsin ~~Conf~~ Nebraska conference

Special favors by Kind Providence this season

Oh, how grateful we should feel.

Attend Bible Class at Presbyterian Church Lesson Matt 9 chapter Miracles of Christ, Every Miracle not intended as an act to produce faith some of them acts of kindness & sympathy

Will Anderson & I Shingle my office today, weather again as summer
Strangers keep coming to Beatrice and the prospects for the growth of our Town are encouraging.
Receive a telegram to Mary Ville for Lumber this Morning, as usual attend lumber sales & helped at shingling the office

Will Anderson helped last the day at the Office, Fire Insurance Adjusted & business fair sold to Jno a bill for $31, 89 cts
Terrible accounts of Burning in Wisconsin, 1500 citizens said to have perished in the flames
Chicago has commenced rebuilding

Chicago is actively preparing for Rebuilding, and will cover business houses with slate or iron
Nelson Returned from Marysville with lumber, The Chicago lumber market is excited, and has an upward tendency. Vast quantities having been burned in Chicago & in the Pineries of Michigan & Wisconsin

This Morning Harvey Hartsel again for Maysville
Mr Bickely got a piece of Bill of Lumber. I was kept Quite busily engaged most of the day, filling lumber
Paid $1,50 for printing Notices of the meeting of Lecture on Saturday evening next.

Mr Baker called on me at the house or Office today
Sold him a large door
Circulated this evening the Notices of the Lecture
Most of the day dealing out lumber. Sold in bills $16, worth
Mr Pierce called on us from Mendota, Illinois

Sold lumber & Collected on accounts amounting to $166,88
a pretty good day's business
The Chicago Tribune is out again but Quite inferior to its former character.
Fires continue in the lumber of Wisconsin & Michigan & lumber has risen from $4 to $6, in Lincoln & Elsewhere
Young returned from Maysville

Last evening Elder J Johnson lectured on the Beginning & Creation, done Quite well Reconciling Geology with the Bible.
Attended Bible Class today Quite an animated talk on the setting up of the kingdom of Christ, some intelligent thoughts in the class.
In the Pm Johnson preached in the Methodist Church.

Not much business in the yard today, the weather Cold and Wintry $36,
Taken in, on Sales & accts,
Harvey unwell with a cold,
News of another rise in Lumber
I am now selling Joists Finishing & Studding at an advance of $4,
Flooring advanced $3, Cam In 4,
finishing $4, Shingles 25
Laths 20,

Repair preparations are being made for Rebuilding Office
Finished up office today,
and putting a Stove, cost $17,
Weather still cold,
My health got good today,
Taken a slight cold,
Got much Lumber Sold today
The rise in lumber affects
the trade some,
Rec'd a Letter & Note from R&C
to sign & Return

Harvey & Elias Dunkham start
to Asbury's ville this morning
Harvey took $400, to Richardson &
Co for a car of Lumber.
Harvey's health not very good
but he seemed anxious to go
to be in company with Elias.

Harvey is away for Lumber to Marysville, in Company with Mr Jas Duncan.
Getting rather pleasant.
This afternoon I was summoned on the appraisal Commission on the R.R. Track. Mr Fielder John Pettinger, Mr Quinn, Mr McMenus & James A Duncan

Weather cool but not disagreable today.
Harvey is away to Marysville for Lumber. He came home just dark Quite sick.
Mrs Duncan put out his Team
No Event of more Grief to me so much grief as the letting of him go for this load of Lumber. Oh My Dear Dear Son. I ought to have prevented this unnecessary trip to Marysville.

High disagreable winds this morning. Eyes filled with dust. Could not attend Sunday School.
Heard a Baptist Minister preach this evening. He made an effort to be fine & flowery.
Harvey lays sick on the Lounge and takes the Parlour bed in the evening. His last trip to Marysville was too much for him to bear.

Harvey sat up in the bed this morning, and eat breakfast & had a Pan Egg. He is Quite feble and during the day had fever and restlessness, I Bulletin did not think of what was surely coming. He did not complain of pain nor repine at his confinement. He bore his sickness so far without a murmer.
Dr Mobb Called to see Harvey today

November Tuesday, 7 1871.

The Chicago Tribune is out again with its old Caption of head dress, accounts are reported of relief from England and a strong sympathy is felt from that Country.
Dr. Mc. was called out to attend a crying child which is quite ill. Mr. Continually expresses a cold and uneasiness Labour, O my soul is filled with grief

Wednesday, 8

In the Lumber yard today weather unsettled, sold some $30 worth of Lumber. And gave attention to our sick son Harvey; now prostrate with the fever. How frail the human body when disease gets control of it. Our strength is in Him who can create or destroy, let his Name be praised.

November Thursday, 9 1871.

A Cold and Mr. Rain Storm today. No business doing. Harvey lies low with a fever; Dr. Noble attends him. His disease seems obstinate, for 5 days he had taken nothing in the ordinary way of food; twice today we tried to restore perspiration by the foot Packs. He bears his sickness with patience.

Friday, 10

This Morning is calm cool & clear. Sun comes out brightly, and the weather promises to be fine. Doctors Noble & Sprague both in to see Harvey. I did not undress last night. My sick child kept me wakeful. Harvey was flighty in his mind and seemed to think he was away from home. He takes his medicine without a murmur. Has no relish for food but drinks cold water frequently.

November Saturday, 11 1871.

Our dear Boy Grover has lain 5 days without eating, and without a passage in his bowels. Fever! Typhoid fever, has become seated, and we have only to pray that serious results may attend it. Doctors Pillsbury & Sprague have counsiled and done what they could, his mind is flighty.

Sunday, 12

We watched with anxious care over Grover to day. This disease is making fearful work with him.
Medicines seem of no use to him. Oh what would we give to have him restored to health & activity again. His days seem fading swiftly by. as he pass to sing with a little boy.

November Monday, 13 1871.

Another restless night for our suffering son & Grover. I am feeling very much concerned about his recovery. He shows us no feeling of irritation. Nor have we seen him smile, since his sickness began, ten days ago. He seems to appreciate the reality, to leave us to mourn in silence. Oh my God, must it be so.

Tuesday, 14

This day we held council & to the doctors in Beatrice, and our suffering son was concerned about the great bill. I would dare to say, I am of the impression that we had too many doctors, Grover too much Medicine. Had we let the doctors alone, and nursed our dear child in our own way, he might still be with us, But let us be resigned.

This Morning the Sunrose, the South East wind blowing gently. Harvey lays quietly in his wandering Delirium. The fever has left him quite weak and looseness in his bowels seem to threaten serious consequences. No cheering smile has greeted us, since he was taken down to his bed. Must we loose our Beloved Son?

Thursday, 16

Harvey seemed to rest a little easier last night. This morning he is a little more rational, and the day passes with a slight hope of his recovery; he has a little fever, is watched with anxious care, but death has only delayed a little to make more sure of his victim.

Oh the anxious solicitude, that wakes up every emotion of the heart, Must our Harvey go? Must he die?

This Morning Harvey shews signs quite discouraging: nervous & delerious: O his is death? and must he leave us? can we give him up? Dear Child: if blinding scalding tears could save him, he might live! Spread, half past six in the evening! The worst has come!! I kneeled by his side in earnest prayer to God to take him among the blest. He sleeps Jesus, in Peace. He is dead!!!

Saturday, 18

Oh this was the saddest morning of my life. How can I bear the stroke? Do I deserve this affliction? perhaps so, and will God give it to my benefit? Yes. He to be resigned.

Harvey lays on a cole board, awaiting the Coffin. his look is sweet. and I hope, and trust, this soul is at rest, and that he will have a glorious resurrection to Immortality & eternal life

I awoke about midnight with a burning feeling at my heart, to rend the partial relief to the agonies of a deep seated sorrow. Harvey, Oh my Son Harvey!! Why did I not go in stead of you? Why did I not take more care of you? and prevent that useless trip to Marysville today. My dear Child was laid in the cold, cold grave.

Monday, 20

I arose with my dear departed Harvey in painful remembrance; trying to suppress the uprising grief is of no use, and the tears flow, and the heart's fond wishes and cries as if tears was no relief. Oh why should that manly form be cut down when just reposing into maturity, has he gone to escape the corruptions of life? may be.

I got out of bed weeping this morning. My beloved Harvey is again in my thoughts; all the little interests he took in the general movements about home, are uppermost in my memory, and then comes the chiding of me self for letting him go on that much lamented trip to Marysville, but we cannot recall the errors of the past.

Wednesday, 22

Cold and severe winter weather, a driving northwest wind last night. Set little Sis today. No Cash rec'd for lumber. Paid Phelps & Sundrus $2, each for digging grave, they worked at it during a driving S. E. storm. How little seems left to live for now that Harvey is gone. Oh the painful thoughts, forever gone. but its unwise to weep. The parental feeling compels it

This morning the Snow lay 3 inches deep on the ground and the weather looked wintry in earnest. The season of fall, has given us the appearance of Winter, much earlier than usual. Paid $8 a cord for green Elm wood this morning the 27th Jones. This afternoon is bright and pleasant.

FRIDAY, 24

Will Anderson drew a cord of wood for him self to day with the Mules. Weighing Quite Good.
Took in over a hundred dollars for Lumber & old accts.
Our traces on mount Vernon, I see by my dear departed Fanny, brim on a burning sensation of the heart. Oh! Can it be real? is it gone? forever gone? Yes too painfully true. Merciful God, help me bear it with prudence

To day the weather Mild, but the weather Prophets have given warning of a Storm now coming, that will extend from the Gulf of the N. to the Gulf of Mexico.
Wonderful is the accurance with which these Prophets can tell of an approaching storm.
Oh! how my heart burns & fills with anguish, when my dear lost Fanny, is brought to view. Memory weeps!!

SUNDAY, 26

The wind changed last night from S. to N. and the weather became intensely Cold. To day no human being could face the wind for an hour, without freezing.
Father, Pat and myself met at Doctor Reynolds' house, and held within a Consultation about holding Meetings for worship, and next Lords day we meet at the Doctors to Break Bread. Will God favor our feeble efforts.

At 6 o'clock today the whole town turned out to save the Pacific Hotel. The upper part of Mathews Block was all on fire under the roof, but by great exertions it was put out; damage some two or three hundred dollars. The wind was light from the North; weather cold. The men worked well and became praise; probably saved me about $200.

TUESDAY, 28

Last night about 6 o'clock, By the Grace of God Carle Emery on the head in Holliday's Billiard Saloon, & about 4 o'clock this Morning he died from the effects of the blow. Today I sat upon the Coroners Jury, we rendered a Verdict that his death was caused by a blow from a stick in the hands of Jack in Holliday's Billiard Saloon in Nebraska City. This we have another instance of killing unintentionally in a violent passion

This morning is calm but heavy cloudy weather. Carle Emery was buried to day. poor Creature. will be missed only by a few. He was of no great account. Mr Presson preached his general discourse and gave liquor dealers a fair ventilating and Saloon keeping their right of definition of Character. he done them no injustice.

THURSDAY, 30

Quietly in the office most of the day.

Strangers are coming into Nebraska Continually and in a few years we shall have an important trading Center. Medill of the Chicago Tribune has been Elected Mayor. He given up his Connection with the Paper Herself for his name at Governing Chicago in an improved Scale.

DECEMBER FRIDAY, 1 1871.

This Morning Hamilton Reed & Mat started for Sunder to Marysville Kansas. Formed that Mild, Pleasing a little but little business done in the yard.
The Missouri River is frozen over so that the ferry cannot cross at Platts Mouth, causing a temporary suspension of the Rail Road Crossing into Nebraska.

SATURDAY, 2

This Morning Mr Richardson Come and taken me and I looked over our accounts Cash Receipts have been about $2000, Charges on book about $1000 Office $150 amount paid for pts 650 $3,800
Amount of Stock brought in since Copartnership about $25,00
Sundry for Office say 750
This shows a profit of about $750, on sales for 2½ months, leaver Cash to Mr Richards $1100,

DECEMBER SUNDAY, 3 1871.

This day a little number of us went to Dr Reynolds' house for Religious devotions. Father Pratt took the lead, Read the Bible, 2nd Cor and 8th Chap and gave appropriate remarks. He partook of the Bread & Wine as emblems of the Body & Blood of Jesus our Savior. This is an humble beginning of what I hope may be a success in the future. May God bless us and strengthen our hands and help us by Faith to overcome all difficulties.

MONDAY, 4

Was summoned as a Juror to sit on the Case of Dr McGregor against Jas Paine. The suit was for $400 to recover $100, The Jury gave him $50, but Jas Paine appeals the Case. Whether he will do any better or not, we will see, when the time comes.
Dr McGregor plead his own Case and done it in very Lawyer like Manner.

A Pleasant Customer ~~[illegible]~~ purchases $21,60 cts worth of Lumber today. The weather rendered cold, but is moderating some. Fred & Matt go to saving & go to morrow after lumber.

A ridiculous fuss is being made in Newspapers, over the Russian Prince Alexis. Many seem to think that they do honor to themselves, if they can only get sight of him, Bah!

Soft & cloudy, muddy & unpleasant getting around. Matt this morning hands Dr Mellom paid his Bill $7 for last month, heartless, greedy extortioner. Bought a Map of Chicago price 50 showing the burned district.

No Lute meeting this evening. Lottie spent the afternoon here. I bought a little Rocking chair for my little grand daughter Mary, paid $1,60. It pleased her very much.

Wind from the North & the morning cold & frosty with the warm sun. Mr Miller pays me his a/c $20 for Mr Nil. Settle also with the Roper & Material. Rec cash $18,65, Dr. Mobel called to see Ma, Hamilton & Charlie came yesterday in good spirits. He is about getting married & will return soon with his Wife.

This is a bright & clear morning & cold from the west. I bought of Lumbers 10 pc 8+10 cash for $14,50 Rec'd a letter from Lathrop, furnishes a list of taxable chattels to be returned to him.

DECEMBER SATURDAY, 9 1871.

Edward Pastbill here today for Rebecca Business in the yard Quite Moderate weather Mild.
Went up to the Court house with Eds letter
Poor Ma, is mourning the loss of our Beloved Child, our Sister Hannah also could wish him back away if I would pick it out but I must not, Yours will be done

SUNDAY, 10

About twelve o'clock met at Dr Reynolds, place to pray for Reading the Scriptures, and prayers, by Brother Cread in remembrance of Jesus, our Lord. All seemed to enjoy the occasion. Bro Past closed the talking. These gatherings are but the begining of a successful future, and I earnestly pray & hope, May the Blessing of God attend our efforts for good.

DECEMBER MONDAY, 11 1871.

This was a mild day, but muddy, unpleasant getting around, a moderate business in the yard. Ma takes a ride with a Brewing-latter driver. Her health is on a decline since the death of Harry. Wrote a letter to Mary, and one to Bro Rendall. The N.Y. Tammany swindlers are coming to grief. The whole clamm, from Mayor Hall down are disappearing from Office

TUESDAY, 12

This Morning, The wind in the N.W. Quite high during the day, received a letter from Mary. News of the death of James Ransom, and a good man in Mendota, which unfortunately breaks up the disciples Meeting in Mendota. Very sorry on Mary's account.
A notorious advocate (Mrs Woodhull) Lectured in N.Y. in favor of unmarried Prostitution.
Shame! Shame!! Shame!!!

DECEMBER WEDNESDAY, 13 1871.

Hamilton arrived here today with Rebecca Rhodes. She came in in the evening I was rather pleased with her appearance. If she becomes his wife I think she will be a great advantage to him. I walked up in the evening to Mr Frye's place, where a consultation was to be held about a Christmas Tree, but on account of my poor suffering wife I left before anything was done.

THURSDAY, 14

Today Rebecca Rhodes took her homestead for $200, and this evening Hamilton & her were married. We had a supper prepared, and a pleasant little company sprung under the table. The most cheery one in the room was little Grandaughter Mary. She seemed really to appreciate the situation. I mailed a letter to Laura and settled with Aunt Louisa.

DECEMBER FRIDAY, 15 1871.

This was the dullest day for business. Not a cent taken in for lumber, wet & disagreeable in port. The sound of the engine which is heard within three miles of Town, and the much desired incoming of the cars is now upon us! But with all our high hopes and expectations in regard to our rising interests, an overwhelming change is probably just upon us.

SATURDAY, 16

Today the weather is pleasant. I put George Hulbert afoot in pursuit of prosecution with Hartness & Beam. Business in the yard fair. Hamilton & Rebecca are here & appear to be happy. Edward Walter is here with them.

The Winter so far has been unusually severe. Several persons in Nebraska & Kansas have frozen to death.

A few of us gathered at Dr Reynolds house for Religious worship. Mr Fast taking the lead. We had reading the Scriptures, singing, prayer. Breaking the Bread of Consolation & good cheer & happy influences. May the Blessings of God attend our feeble efforts to set forth the truth. My soul repeat His praise whose mercies are great. Whose anger is so slow to raise. Scarcely to abate.

MONDAY, 18

Snowed yesterday nearly all day, and to-day for the first winter weather. Tommy & Mike are here. Ma is a little more like herself again. The memory of our Dear Pa occurs, again & again. The Mother he is made forgotten. So much of, only to think of the interesting words, and the unmurmuring loss may have sustained, but we must bear in mind that God has so dealt with him, that he has taken him home, from the evils to come.

This morning Sundogs again appeared with the rising sun, and to-day the N.W. wind is drifting the snow very thick and weather very cold still, a few teams are moving about. Ma called in to the office and the town is quite full.

The R. R. train reached Indian Creek, within the Corporation limits of Beatrice this morning.

Got a letter from daughter Mary.

WEDNESDAY, 20

This was a quiet cold morning thaws a little where the sun shines on the south side of Buildings. Rumors of the death of the Prince of Wales & Prince Albert, the prospective King of England. The Citizens of N.Y. have acted like more like fools than wise men, in the reception of Prince Alexis of Russia. They were more ready to do homage, to a Man than they are to honour God properly

Very cold. Sleighs are running. Christine & I walked down to the Cars. A Rough Track is laid now to Bathurst. No demonstration in favour of the Road Bills yet proposed by the Ministry of Bathurst, who seem to preserve a Marked indifference, or silence. Hamilton & I rode out to Whitby in the afternoon. Word again comes that Prince Albert is getting well. "God is Love, Let the whole Earth adore Him."

FRIDAY, 22

Snow Snow this Morning. A Sweet Dream this Morning. Our Dear departed Harvey seemed to return to the room where he died, Sat smilingly on a Chair, holding in his hand a tract which he said was a Sermon that had been preached in this When I looked earnestly at him to identify him, he thanked me the Sermon, and then putting his arms about my neck kissed me Affectionately

A letter from Thos Thomas & one from Pearington, on Arrons & Tambur. Sam & Hamilton are Making a Sleigh today. Friends are Sleighriding around Town.

Read this we may Several passages of Scripture showing that angels are Ministers of God, are near us, ready to do any good office that he may direct for our protection or benefit. Ascribe to his name.

SUNDAY, 24

This is the Lord's Day, one day in Seven he spent in Divine rest from the usual pursuits of Industry or home. This rose from the Lord on the Day of the Week. The Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles on this day. The Disciples of Christ met to break bread on the first day of the week. and thus an example is given us for regarding this day as a day of rest & Worship.

This is Christmas day, supposed to be 1872 years since the birth of Christ.
A Christmas Tree was raised in the Methodist Church, and many presents were given away. I received a Novelty Desk, a very neat little invention, to hold pens, ink, paper, envelopes, &c., a nice little traveling case. Byron was the giver.

TUESDAY, 26

The weather is cold, still the R.R. Co. are driving away at their station in Beatrice. Mr. Hulbert called to see if I would take something else than money for the amount he owes me.
Exchanged accounts with Dewey and Reynolds, as usual found it larger than I expected. With regard to business, I think, is everything memory, nothing.

Business dull. Cash sales $2.90. Weather cold. Health as usual. But O! in the deep seated, heart rending grief, that drags us down to death! Can we ever rally, and wish to live again? Will our loss ever be repaired? Not till we reach that place. Where there is no sorrow nor sighing. Where no tears are shed, No sickness or pain, Where we shall meet our Dear One, never to part again.

THURSDAY, 28

Now we are nearing the close of the year, let us review our course for the past 365 days. Have we watched & prayed, have we alleviated the wants of the poor and needy? Have we read & pondered the Word of God, because we love his Laws, and desire to learn our duty to him & to all the world. It is good to grow in the knowledge of the Truth, and in the favour of God.

Working at our Books trying to get a general Settlement for the year & the Year. Got a letter from Edwin Ely, containing $10, to pay his taxes,

Saturday, 30

To day we were invited to dinner to Byron Reynolds had a pleasant interview with them. The Doctor & Wife were there, Augustus & Lottie, Byron scattered the Turkey around some, while carving it. His Wife was dull. Social gatherings with the Good of the earth May have a good result. A Car of Lumber came from Burlington this evening

11 o'clock forenoon
Attended Meeting at Presbyterian Church a Baptist Minister Preached. At 2 o'clock a few of us Met at Dr Reynolds house where we Broke Break in commoration of the Lord's and his dying love.
Such Meetings I enjoy. All I wish to be assured of, is, that Jesus looks approvingly upon our feeble efforts to Meet his Will

1871 CASH ACCOUNT, JANUARY.

Date.		Received.	Paid.
	Suit against J. M. Talbert		
	Judgment of the Court		$131,42
	Interest to date of		15,70
	Costs of the Court		3,50
			200,62

CASH ACCOUNT, JANUARY.

Date.		Received.	Paid.

October, Bills Receivable.

Date.	Name.	Amount.
	November.	
	December.	

169
25
12
206
103
307

Cash on Sales 18,45
Paid Will Boddy 5
$18,45
2nd Lot of Lawn
August
John Tuay
Grant.
Neb

to be date April 9th
Cr Cash Nov 18 1899

Apr 7th	25
Nov 8	$10
" 15	50
19	50
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188 per car load from Chicago
Thomas Bracts
P. O. Box
York Ontario
Canada

1899

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	65	
	$79	
	40	cts
	$39,	50

B. F. Stone, Crab Orchard
Johnson Co Neb

Beatrice Sep. 12/70

To the Hebron Town Association greeting, this is to certify that I this day tender my resignation as a member of your body, and all right and title to any share I may have in said Town of Hebron, hereby assigning the same to E. J. Rhoads in consideration that he pay to E. J. Hare the same, as they I took the proportion allotted to me; in witness hereof I subscribe my signature.

W. H. Bratt