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Diaries of Lucinda Lenore Merriss Cornell-Flyleaves 1866

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Description: Measurements are 2 1/2"wide x 4"high x 1/4"deep, black leatherette bound with multicolored edged pages, brief entries written in pencil, Title: Pocket Diary for 1866 Published annually for the Trade 1866.

Contents: Calendar for 1866, distances and time by railroad from New York to various cities, rates of postage

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Cupcake 3 cups flour, 3 eggs, two cups sugar, 1 cup butter, 1 cup sweet milk, 1 1/2 teaspoon of cream of tartar, 1 teaspoon of soda

Bread Pudding

1/2 pt buttermilk, 1 teaspoon saleratus [baking soda], 1 egg

Soak bread crumbs in the milk a few hours dip for pudding

1 pt water, 1 teacup of sugar, 1 spoonful flour, a piece of butter size of an egg, and nutmeg and rosewater as you like

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Baby wardrobe

3 shirts, flannel; 1 nice white tucked skirt marinzook [sic]; 2 little foot pining [sic] skirts; 3 blankets, 1 nice one; two white dresses; 2 morning wrappers; seven night gowns; 6 belly bands; 6 shirts; 2 pairs mockisins [sic]; 29 diapers - 8 linen ones

Alice gave boy the first present from her when 6 months old a little pair of scarlet woolen stockings and his grandma C gave at same time a piece of eleat [sic] black calico 2 yds for boys shoes.

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for salt		cts per lb
sold	5 1/4 lbs butter	35 cts
for sugar	6 1/4 lbs at	27 1/2 cts
for a churn	5 3/4 lbs at	25 cts
for sugar	11 3/4 lbs at	25 cts
money	5 1/2 lbs	25 cts
money	6 lbs	25 cts
money	2 lbs	25 cts
money	2 lbs	25 cts
money	1 lb	25 cts
money	2 lbs	25 cts
money	1 lb	25 cts

money	1/2 lb	15 cts
money	1 1/2 lb	25 cts
not paid 2		25 cts

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	1	25 cts
not paid	2	
	1	25 cts
	1	25 cts
Sugar	7 3/4	25 cts

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money		
money	2 lbs	25 cts
money	2 lbs	25 cts
money	2 lbs	25 cts
money	3 lbs	25 cts
money	2 lbs	25 cts
August	1 lb	25 cts
	2 lbs	25 cts
	1 lb	25 cts
	2 lbs	
Friday	2 lbs	25 cts
Saturday	1 lb	30 cts
Saturday	7 1/2 lbs	30 cts
Tuesday	1 lb	30 cts
	1 lb	30 cts
September	9 1/4 lbs	30 cts
	2 lbs	30 cts
	2 1/2 lbs	30 cts
	5 lbs	30 cts
	5 3/4 lbs	30 cts
	10 3/4 lbs	30 cts

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October	lbs	
	2	30 cts
	1	25 cts
	7 1/4	30 cts
	8	30 cts

page five

Lemon pie two teaspoonfuls of starch stirred like sturdy for mush making 1 teacupful, a lump of butter size of an egg put into starch to melt one egg, add next, then 2/3 teacup sugar, peel then slice lemon. This makes 1 pie and 5 or 6 tart shells by adding a little more starch and butter 2 pies may be made

this way

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A word to Harry [who was born March 13, 1866 and died March 1867]

An infant - thou art now

So soon a man will be

Twill soon be said here below

There goes Master Harry \_\_\_\_

Mantie

Sponge Cake

Six eggs beat - sugar and yolks together, beat whites then add them to the sugar and yolks, the amount of sugar is 1 cup to 1 cup of flour, flavor to taste quite good

Mantie

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Dee the 24 - 16E

It rains dreadfully

L.L.M. Cornell

Westerville Ohio

When bitten by mosquitoes

Or [sic] by the flea

When plagued by bed bugs rub

Think of me

L.F.S.

Mrs. John Cornell

JANUARY, 1866

- 1 At home, W--- made preparations for Masons supper held in Odd Fellows Hall which was a nice affair, Retta Bishop, Mother C--, Alice John & I went had good time & supper
- 2 At home--W--did out a large washing with Johns help, he got dinner--Jim Lawson & wife, Uncle Bill Westervelt & wife spent eve with Mother C--she had good supper 200 days
- 3 At home, W--Ironed John & his mother to town in new wagon, I began my nice baby skirt, got supper, made 6 bands & run stocking heels
- 4 At home, W-- housework as usual, churned & packed butter & hemmed & ran 5 little tucks in baby shirt, Alice & Rett gone party to Sammis
- 5 At home, W-- did my housework as usual & ran 13 little tucks in baby best white skirt, mended old calico dress & a shirt for John Rett & Alice gone to donation party
- 6 At home, W-- quarterly meeting day John & girls at church p.m. & evening, I at my housework & finished running tucks in baby shirt ran 13 today
- 7 At home, W-- All to church but me, Jamison preached at quarterly meeting & he Elder, All to church again eve, I read inArthurs Magazine
- 8 At home, We put waist on fine baby's skirt & made shirt of striped naneook? dress. Rett finished a pair of white mittens for me, I made cushion for John's chair eve, he up to lodge
- 9 At home, W-- made sleeves to little bared nanock dress, took ride p.m. called Jo Ingalls, returned Parie came 5 o'clock we spent eve so pleasantly
- 10 At home, W-- Parie here we had oysters he brought us for dinner, Rett Alice & her mother eat with us, Parie & I spent day & eve together good time
- 11 At home, W-- it is sleaty & damp, Parie went home 11 oclock, oh how I hate to see him go tho I'm feeling pretty well for me, finishe binding neck of little dress & churned p.m.

12 At home, W--sewing ruffling on little skirt & doing my housework as usual, Retta in occasionally

13 At home, W-- finished priton? ruffle on little white skirt, sewed crosha edging on chemise, Ritt here, the weather pleasant

14 At home, W-- such a pretty day! so much like spring! O how I'd like to go home today! All off to church but myself, I got dinner, John & Rett church evening

15 At home we began embroidering very nice nainzook infant dress I like the pattern made it myself, finished 3 scallops tis worth \$2 per yd, Rett & Alice went Cerl Westevelts visiting wanted me to go but I did not, it stormed

16 At home W--, John & I washed, got dinner, I embroidered on dress p.m.

17 At home, W--ironed & baked 4 pies a.m. Alice & Her Ma gone visiting at Parks, I embroidering little dress skirt

18 At home (9 months) We churned & did housework as usual & worked four scallops on fine infant dress Oh it is so hard to work John up street eve

19 At home, W-- baked 10 pies, about 100 crackers & 3 loaves of bread--Ritt here, I embroidered p.m. on dress for baby, its so warm for time of year

20 At home W-- did housework as usual & embroidered on fine infant dress--its quite cold again. I looked some for Mantie on hack--John to Lodge eve

21 At home W-- (31 weeks) Alice & Ritt to church, John staid with me, we took a wash & read some I got dinner & read p.m. & eve while all went church

22 At home, W-- housework as usual & fried & packed a two gallon crock of sausage, Mr. Bull called--I did my patching p.m. Alice had a party eve for Ritt, I did not go, Ceil Westevelt here

23 At home, W--it is snowing & has the appearance of good sleighing--marked off last width of fine white dress for embroidery-- a.m. sewed up fine flannel shirt & put in the waist p.m. & knit eve

24 At home (Ritts birthday 28 years) W-- it rains & I fear will spoil the sleighing--John Alice & Retta went Worthington bow in sleigh--it rains I made a nice little necktie bow for Parie out of a piece of his vest

25 At home, W-- churned took dinner all of us at Bonebrakes saw Ed Hinman went home with him in sleigh they just returned from Cleveland I staid til night then all in sleight spent eve at Jo Ingalls

26 At home, W-- Mrs. Lawson & Julia also Mrs. Dolson are visiting Mother C today I took dinner with Lib King good time Mrs. Hinman & baby also Ritt Bishop & Julia Lawson, Mrs. Hedington took tea at Aunt Sallie Westevelts

27 At home didnt sleep any of any account last night am feeling so badly trying to embroider some on infant dress some scollops--John to the Lodge

28 At home, W Retta & Alice & John gone away about 6 miles on Yankee Street to funeral a man buried in masonic order Alices birth day 31 years

29 At home embroidering on infant dress Jo Ingalls folks spent day here Ritt still here Cecil Westevelt here too-- Uncle Jo sat the clock running--John up street eve

30 At home, Alice Rett & Ceil, visiting at Hedingtons Mrs. Shurm & Elle called I lent Ella my bird--I am still embroidering an infant dress all of(f) church eve--protracted meeting

31 At home, W-- Alice Retta & Mother C gone to Jo Ingalls John & girls went a.m. to Lewis Center--I embroidered on infant dress alone today

## FEBRUARY

1 At home, W-- embroidering all day excepting when at housework finished the wreaths of scollops eve but intend adding some

2 At home W-- finished embroidering skirt bottom of infant dress & mended old gaiters ran tucks in a pair of old pillow cases & knit some eving John up street as usual

3 At home, W-- ran one tuck in infant fine dress & attempted to do more at it but my eyes hurt me & I could not see well enough to proceed--Ritt still here

4 At home, W-- All to church but myself as usual--I got dinner washed dishes took nap while I read--he to church eve I quite alone & lonesome

5 At home, W-- Ritt still here Alice had company Ann Price, Rebecca Lawson & Jane Hedington, Uncle & Aunt Bishop from Worthington staid night Emma Hinman & baby spent day with me, Ed came for them

6 At home, W-- All off visiting as usual but myself & John we done out a three weeks washing in 3 hours time--dinner made sponge --took nap

7 At home, W--Ironed & baked bread & did my meal getting as usual --all gone visiting at Uncle Pete Westevelts--Mrs. Pyle called I trying to run tucks in my fine infant dress

8 At home, W-- baked six pies & a crock of crackers made two baby blankets out of my skirt & washed & ironed then mended old dress ran heels in stockings John up street

9 At home, W-- I spent day at Hinmans Libbie King & Mollie, Lizzie Spayd & Elsie Bull were there also we had nice visit & I was pleased & happy--John for me we home, he gruff & sullen makes me miserable

10 At home, feeling very unhappy John pouting at me does not treat me as his wife & Oh how miserable & homesick it makes me feel I think he dont love me or how could he treat me with such indeference (34 weeks)

11 At home, W-- it rains--Alice Retta & Mother C spent day at Bonebrakes John staid at home all day with me (a wonder) we read in Repositorys Mr. & Mrs. Sammis called eve

12 At home-W-- tucking infant dress went up street in spring wagon called Em Hinman & Westervelts--home eve--ran more tucks

13 At home, W-- John & Alice took Retta to town she started to the west--John got bolt of diaper \$3.75- edging 1 yd 6¢ line thread I ran 7 tucks in infant dress--John saw Parrie & Mantie in town

14 At home W-- began embroidering insertion on infant dress-- & made me a pair of slipper tops evening John up street

15 At home All my plants froze again last night it so very cold & windy. I working infant dress insertion--John soled a slipper for me done nicely (new moon)

16 At home--working all day at infant dress at insertion-- am feeling pretty well--it is quite cold

17 At home00embroidering on infant dress a.m. finished first width of insertion & marked out the other ready for Mondays work cut out partly made pink calico gown for infant eve

18 At home W-- (8 months--35 weeks) all to church but me-- I got dinner invited Johns mother to eat with us but she declined, will not ask her again soon--read in Arthurs Magazine John to Church eve

19 At home W-- marked both edges of eyelets in 1 width of fine infant dress making two ydds--a big days work--John & Alice to Church eve

20 At home W-- worked flowers in ½ a breadth of insertion & got dinner for Emma Hinman had a good visit--John & Alice went WorthingP.m. got sugar & coffee

21 At home Johns Mother & Sister gone visiting McClintocks-- I finished inserting on infant dress & am so glad I got it done, hemed two coarse towels & am sewing on little sack gowns, pink, eve

22 At home, W--Ingalls & family Hester Bonebrakes & two children spent day here, a very pleasant day I ran 16 tucks in infant dress--John to revival meeting eve

23 At home W--ran 10 tucks in infant fine dress finished skirt (hard days work) it has 43 tucks-- John & Alice to revival meeting eve

24 At home cut out another little pink gown baked pies & cakes marked off pattern & cut out fine infant dress sleeves, sewed at infant gown eve John to Lodge--Alice church

25 At home-- arranged my underclothing in little bureau, took a wash--John & family church I got dinner all to old Mrs. Counts funeral p.m. (me alone)

26 At home, W-- worked hard all day embroidering little fine dress sleeves which I finished, at 6 evening--went up street with John calld at Stericks & Emma Hinman, Slice & Ma at Church

27 At home, W-- embroidered steadily all day (excepting when at my housework) at little fine dress sleeves finished it eve--Alice & her Mother at revival meeting, John staid home with me

28 At home, W--, Emma Hinman here all day & baby, she sewed for me finished nice baby dress & trimmed sleeves of striped dress--I finished the little gowns eve making 4 garments finished today, John & Alice to revival meeting

#### MARCH

1 At home W-- got 3 meals & washed dishes John I done out 3 weeks washing--p.m. I made a pin cushion for power box cut out news basket run heels to a pair of socks eve & hemed table speak sprinkled clothes

2 At home W-- Ironed & done up my best baby dress & regulated baby clothing some got dinner, made a news basket John & Alice to revival meeting p.m. I mended stockings eve

3 At home, W-- got 3 meals baked 7 pies & r pans of cakes-- swept made me two whie linsey skirts out of my old one--sat in order my infant wardrobe. John to Lodge Alice to Church me alone excepting Johns mother in the other room (37 weeks)

4 At home W-- Alice & her Ma to Church a.m. John staid home with me we took a wash dressed read some & got dinner, he then went church 3 oclock but staid home with me evening

5 At home, W-- mended some, got 3 meals & washed dishes took a long nap p.m. & got up read in Mrs. Samis's book--John to lodge \* went up to Emma Hinmans with him had a pleasant time--home

6 At home We cut carpet rags read some, John to Columbus got a table \$6, a piece of swan down 25¢ sugar \$1, silk hkf \$1 piece of pink ribbon 10¢ whiskey 50¢ lemons 59¢ I hemmed hkf eve John to church eve, Jennie Cornell came

7 At home W--made my powder puff as John got me a nice piece of down yesterday called Hinmans spent p.m. at Uncle Jo Ingalls goo visit Aunt Libbie gave me an old shirt

8 At home, W--did housework as usual made sponge & made my bread a.m. & ripped up waist of gingham dress, Alice her Ma & Jennie Cornell off visiting

9 At home, W--it anows John went campbells sale saw Dr. Andrus there I baked bread & a nice large jelly cake 12 layers high John helped me & a yeast cake made me an apron & covered Johns chair cushion knit eve--John read

10 At home, W-- baked 3 lemon pies & 2 custard pies & did the balance of my housework as usual, & made 5 diapers of shirt Aunt Libe Ingalls gave me I have 20 now 29 in all sat awhile eve in the other room with Alice & Ma C & other company

11 At home,W--all to church but John & I he got sick headache Emma Hinman called p.m. I went little way with her found nice jet breast pin

12 At home, W-- it rains John & I washed, put up cloathes p.m. am crothing edging for nightcaps-- John & I rode up to Emma Hinmans at 3 p.m. returned, supper, retired 9 was taken sick at 11 night

13 Am still sick suffered all day our baby born at 7 p.m. Dr. Andrus tended me, Mrs. Hedington Mrs. Brinkerhoff & Aunt Hester here O how I suffered, baby weighs 7½ lbs

14 At home-W--Emma Hinman came & staid all day & waited on me, O how good she is to me how I love her, Im real comfortable getting along well I suppose

15 At home, W--getting along finely it rains Dr. Andrus called left me some powder to make me sleep better John paid him \$6 for his services Jennie Cornell still visiting here--new moon

16 At home W-- pleasant day Mrs. Hanam doing my washing I am getting along finely & baby also-- Mrs. Hedington & Georgiana called--Jennie Cornell still here

17 At home, W-- feeling smart as usual--Mrs. H-- is doing my ironing--Emma Hinman came & done so much for me I don't know how Ill ever repay her

18 At home, W-- (9 months) getting along nicely--girls to church Emma Hinman came & helped me so much she is so kind to me & I do love her, Parie & Sheldon Barbee came 3 oclock O I'm so glad to see them they had not seen or heard of my boy

19 At home W-- Parie & Sheldon went home at 9 via Columbus-- I am still gaining & doing finely & my boy grows nicely—Mrs. Hedington called also with Lib & Jo Ingalls

20 At home, W-- baby & myself getting along finely, Hester Bonebrake & Mrs. Shrum called, some expected Emma Hinman but it rained

21 At home, W-- Mrs. Hinman doing my washing--she also did my ironing p.m. all for 75¢ clothes look nicely--I sat up & dressed my babe for first time he's real good

22 At home, W-- getting along finely boy is good & growing nicely a beautiful day--I looked & looked for Mantie & Parie but was sadly disappointed--they didn't come

23 At home--W--, baby only 10 days old, John & his ma had some words & she came in & gave me a regular blowing up I never said one word my baby 10 days old

24 At home, W-- John got the meals I washed dishes & took all the care of my baby this the 11th day Mrs. Shrum called, I read in Gazette--am still gaining rapidly--expected Mant but was disappointed (40 weeks)

25 At home, W-- quarterly meeting Alice & her Ma went church John staid home all day with me & baby, I am getting along well, sat up all day baby only 12 days old, Nelly Parks & Cary Allen called

26 AT home, W-- made sponge for light bread took some cold, not feeling so well, Mrs. Stoner & Georgiana Hedington called, looked for Matnie on hack but no Mant came

27 At home, W-- a beautiful day--I baked bread, 6 pies & a cake, Emma Hinman & baby spent p.m. here I helped John get supper for her--nice visit--my boy has a severe cold

28 At home, W-- it is rainy & sleeting--my boy grows finely but O I am so troubled we live so unhappily here with Mother C-- who finds nothing but faults in me

29 At home--W--Mrs. Hinman came & did my washing & part of my ironing--I helping at housework--Emma Hanwalt & Mrs. Hedington called

30 At home W-- sewed edging on two night caps, Georgiana Hedington Ceil Westervelt & Sarah Nutt called also Ella Shrom I gave her two little daisies & a rose bud for Ella Hainy who is sick

31 At home W- made 7 diapers have 36 in all Mr Pyle Ed Hinman & Mrs. Sammis called I mended stockings did housework & tended my baby. Mrs. Hedington & Georgiana called got my Lady Washington

#### APRIL

1 At home, W-- John to church, I got dinner expected Em. Hin. but no one came all day--I took care of baby he sick eve, we read in Repositorys

2 At home, W-- doing my housework & tending baby a beautiful day--baby had had spell of colic eve

3 At home, W-- Mrs. Hedington & Mrs. Carie Conklin (her daughter) called also Mrs. Pyle O what a pretty day--I baked bread pies & cake

4 At home W-- fixing over black all wool delain dress Mr. McClintock & wife called also Frank Powell eve-- a beautiful day I think some of our folks might come over to see me

5 At home W--, Johns Ma gone to Cleveland--Emma Hinmands Ma & Sister Lizzie Stephens came to see her eve from Cleveland Em called here eve p.m. Ruth & Frank Powell staid night

6 At home Ruth & Frank went Hinmans after breakfast then home-- I did housework & took care of baby tho' I'm weak & need help all the time

7 At home, W-- doing my housework & taking care of my boy sewed some took a nape John up street

8 At home, W-- John & \* & boy took a wash John to church at 11. I got dinner he to church at 3-- Hester Bonebrake & boys called-- I read in Repositorys

9 At home W-- beautiful day woman did my washing & ironing--Alice up street Ma C at Cleveland - aid for washing & ironing \$1--John to Lodge

10 At home W--baby 4 weeks old dressed him in his nice suit & paid Emma Hinman a visit John took us up--saw Ems Ma & sister for first her brother came John & I went to store got 2 yds wool delain blue for baby cloak home eve

11 At home, W-- did my housework & care of boy--& made his little delain cloak--Alice up street her Ma gone to Cleveland

12 At home W-- baked & took care of baby

13 At home W-- dressed baby a.m. & called Hendingtons for first time then John baby & I rode out east to look at building spot

14 At home, W-- looked strongly for some of our folks over but was disappointed again as usual-- Alice had company

15 At home W-- staid home all day John to church Lib Ingalls & Pearl called--I think some of our folks might have come over today

16 At home, W-- washed for first time since babys birth--ironed p.m. Hester Bonebrake called at eve Lucy Clark & her cousin called, John to Lodge

17 At home, W--baked pies & put up a can of peach butter, & took care of my boy called with Alice & Jennie Stoner to see Mrs. Sammis who is very sick with lung complaint Johns Ma came home

18 At home W--called Bonebrakes, went Hinmans got white wadding returned began quilting a white all wool delain bonnet for my boy, Mrs. McClintock called

19 At home, W-- finished quilting my boys little white all wool delain hood p, m. did my housework as usual it is quite warm

20 At home, W-- finished boys little white hood its pretty-- went Emma Hinmans eve gave her dahlia roots left boy with Mother C

21 At home, W-- Emma Hinman called got plants, I fixing to go home, started at 2 p.m. had pleasant ride found folks well, tolerably a pleased to see my boy for first time he is nearly six weeks old

22 At home Mothers Mantie, Parie, Mother John, baby & I all went to Abbies a pretty day--I weigh 138 had pleasant visit they pleased with my boy Abbie gave him dress John & I called Jerromes night mothers

23 At home--Mothers Joun had to go home, W-- through the rain & cold O how sorry I am for him he kissed our Harry & started I began making dress Abbie gave boy

24 At home Mothers--Mantie to town with Abbie--I alone with Parie & mother & boy--finished his dress

25 At home, Mothers Sallie Smiley & children called fixing over my gingham dress

26 At home Mothers--Mantie went for Abbies in buggy, she, Ma & Ellwood came also Maq Belle & Jon supper with us--good--visit all together but Jerrome

27 At home Mothers Mother washed Parie & Mant we over for whiskey at north Columbus--I with my boy took dinner with Sallie & David Smiley, had good time

28 At home Mothers finished fixing over my gingham dress- Mantie & Mother took care of Harry Parrie made me a prest of the Life of Lincoln

29 At home, Mothers--Old Mother Gray (Rachel Gray) was buried Mantie went funeral--I took nap Will Walton here p.m. Sallie David & children called--Parie better

30 At home, Mothers Mother & Mantie washed Parie took me & boy to Abbies she washing we called on Mrs. Wms & Mrs. Nedro & had such a nice time together I slept with her

## MAY

- 1 At Abbies, made May's doll body & shoes--Prie came for me took supper with Maggie went their house Mother, Parie also then home with Parie
- 2 At home, Mothers--sewed on Mags dress skirt & took care of my boy--Parie Mantie & I spent p.m. at Mattie Crums, Rev. Middleton took tea with us had nice visit
- 3 At home Mothers Parie & I to Abbies he went with the little boys fishing--Mrs. Woolard & mother Rogers took supper with us I finished Magys dress skirt & came home
- 4 At home, Mothers helped her wash out my boys cloathing washed his nice dresses & skirt Parie Mantie & I went Berries for few minutes, returned, ironed--Sallie Smiley & children called
- 5 At home, Mothers--regulated my things some John came for me & staid all night I called Sallies p.m.
- 6 At home, mothers--Little Kate Davis & Hattie Brown came also, Abbie, Martin & children & Bell, Mant there too Abbie & I called Sallies John & I & Harry came home at sunset
- 7 At home W-- regulating things took up two old dresses in carpet rags & did housework Emma Himan & Ned her baby called also Mrs. Allen eve
- 8 At home W-- baked bread pies & a cake & did some mending & repairing p.m.
- 9 At home W did large washing John got 5 yds muslin of peddler 30¢ per yd
- 10 At home W-- washing out clothes a.m. went p.m. with Johns mother to Jo Inalls carried dahlias roots to Pearly
- 11 At home, W-- moved stone out, did a large ironing & my housework & care of boy as usual, Mrs. & Miss Pyle spent p.m. with Alice & her Mother & John & I took tea with them I milked 2 cows eve
- 12 At home W-- did my housework as usual called with Mother C to see Mrs. Sammis who is verry low of consumption

13 At home W-- All to church but Harry & I --dinner ready when John returned--read some in magazine Pearl Ingalls here p.m.

14 At home W-- churned & taking care of milk & my boy--am pretty tired Emma Hinman called p.m. John planting corn--Mrs. Cooper died

15 At home W-- regulating house some, folks went Mrs. Cooper's funeral

16 At home, W--Washed took up carpet mopped floor & washed woodwork got 3 meals & took care of boy & ironed some eve made sponge

17 At home, W-- Ironed & did my housework as usual & went with Alice to Worthington carried boy--called on Mrs. Skeels & Hattie & John We got our hats Mrs. Wiley did over 75¢

18 At home--W-- doing housework as usual doing housework as usual washed windows finished putting down carpet washed windows churned--washed & regulated cupboard am so tired

19 At home W-- baked pies, tended milk & regulated house-- cleaned bed room John & I--am so tired

20 At home, W-- All to church but baby & I read some John baby & I took a ride p.m. across the creek

21 At home, W-- up at 4 tended milk, churned, washed cooked 3 meals, tended boy baked cake, made light bread, cook a chicken & put it to press. Ironed evening & took care of boy

22 At home, W-- expected Emma Hinman & her Ma here visiting but was disappointed her baby being sick I had ever thing prepared nice for tea, John to town got churn, oil cloth, beef, keeler? &c

23 At home W—All up stree to Association I & boy went to see Mrs. Sammis whos very low of consumption

24 At home W sewing some at pillow ticks & doing housework as usual & tending boy Emma Hinman called

25 At home, W-- made lounge tick finished & filled pillow ticks & made tick for babys crib & did my work & tended Harry

26 At home, I-- up at 4 churned, baked 4 pies made sponge & baked bread tended milk & baby did my work as usual & called p.m. at Hinmans

27 At home, W-- John staid home & took care of boy while I wrote 4 letters one to Parie--Abbie Burnett--Indian-& Zidana

28 At home got my meals as usual--churned, tended milk & butter & washed clothes thro one side & laid on grass Emma Hinman called she & I called to see Mrs.Sammis who is sick John to Lodge

29 At home W-- at housework as usual, made 3 pies & tended milk a.m. washed boiled & rinsed up my cloathes & hung them up Haniwalts girls called evening I sent Mrs. Sammis a glass of currant jelly--retired early tired

30 At home, W-- at my work & tending boy ironed p.m. sewed carpet rags p.m. & read some

31 At home, W-- cut out & sewed some on a fine shirt for John besides doing my housework & tending boy

#### JUNE, 1866

1 At homeW-- churned did housework a.m. sewed some p.m. called Hedingtons with boy eve returned read some in Repository

2 At home madebread pies cakes & crackers & cooked for two hands dropping corn & took care of cross babe Gib & Molly Mr. McWhirk & lady called

3 At home-- John staid home with me he took a nap I & boy to Hedingtons read some had a nice shower, some expected Parie

4 AT home, W-- tended milk, curned & washed & ironed & took care of my boy a.m. so tired John to lodge eve I lonesome & afraid

5 At home, W-- done my housework as usual & called p.m. to see Mrs. Sammis who is very sick called Hinmans got delain for baby sack at Beals

6 At home, I--doing my housework as usual & taking care of boy

7 At home made boy a little buff sack doing my housework

8 At home W-- went to Sammis' Mrs. Selah Sammis died at 12 o'clock of consumption John & I cleaned some at kitchen rode out eve

9 At home baked 4 pies & mopped churned tended milk & boy Mrs. Sammis laying a corpse John his Mother boy & I rode at east eve John at Lodge eve

10 At home W-- Willie Sammis called eve gave him white roses for wreaths John & I went to Sammis, saw the corpse how beautiful! All of(f) to funeral but little Harry & I we lonesome Vananda took supper here

11 At home W<sup>1/2</sup>- tended milk churned got breakfast washed tended boy dinner with Clie Delta Bishop Lib Ingalls there I got supper for Lib Pearl & Mrs. Reding Alice & her Ma

12 At home W-- iroend Mr. & Mrs. Stoner called also Mr. & Mrs. Hinman

13 Boy "3 months old weighs 15 lbs" At home W-- at my housework as usual & tending my boy-- made bread & pies & tended commencement Alice took care of Harry

14 At home, W-- Em & Ed Hinman, Mrs. Stephens & Lizzie Ennis sister & Mother spent p.m. with me ,Alice helped me get supper she & her Ma ate with us

15 At home,W-- washed again & ironed got 3 meals as usual & tended boy Emma & Ed Hinman called again

16 At home, W-- made pies--churned--& got 3 meals as usual & took care of boy, he & I called Hedingtons few minutes, Nelly Park & her sister Mrs. Bishop Johns aunt from Iowa called

17 At home W-- raining John staid home & read & slept & we tended & played with boy

18 At home, W-- it rained & was cool all day John cut his foot I did my work & finished a fine shirt & began making little bonnet of my old white one

19 At home, W-- am real sick vomiting & diarrhea but did my work, sewed baked churned &c called Hedingtons p.m.

20 At home, W-- John & his Ma went Columbus John got high chair for boy & a nice feather brush & my parisol mended--I made my bonnet of old white one

21 At home, W-- John & I took dinner with his Ma Belle Bishop from Illis & Bonebrakes here, they supper with me Abbie & Mag came O how glad I am to see them

22 At home W-- visiting with little Mag & Abbie Aunt Mary & Mary Jane came evening they staid night

23 At home did Saturdays baking--Aunt Mag Abbie & I went in buggy out east eve then up street called at Hinmans supper with Alice

24 At home, W-- John Alice & Ma to Church--Aunt May Abbie Mag & I & boy took walk to creek awful warm returned did all my work & visited with them Hinmans called--Alice & John to church eve & talking with Abbie

25 At home Abbie, Mag, Aunt Mary & Minnie went home on hack morning--I regulated home & dishes took care of milk busy all time

26 At home W0- Done out very large washing extra Alice & Ma took care of Harry--John got 4 cans we put 2 of cherries boy not well

27 At home, Harry not well--I ironed part of the cloathes & caned some cherries--baked custard & fixed over sleeves of gingham dress

28 At home, ironed a few clothes baked a cake & pies got up at 4 & churned--took a long nap p.m.

29 At home W finished ironing & did my housework & took care of boy Emma Hinman & her baby here to supper

30 AT home churned & did housework & care of boy--went riding out east John & I, then went to Jo Ingalls staid supper sold potatoes for coffee

JULY, 1866

1 At home W-- All to church but boy & I we called see Mrs. Hedington who is sick got dinner took nap

2 At home, W--churned--sewed some took care of my boy

3 At home, W--began making little white wool delain cap for Harry sewed hard on Alice's dress eve John up street

4 At home, W finishes boys cap-- went celebration took Harry for first time he real good--Ingalls came home with us for dinner--John, boy & I called Shrons & Bonebrakes & Hinmans

5 At home, W-- washed, took dinner at Hester Bonebrakes with John Alice & her Ma & Johns Aunt Belle Bishop from Iowa--returned ironed skimmed milk called Hedingtons eve Bell B. here eve

6 At home, W-- washed boys fine cloathes & ironed them Belle Bishop & her little Sarah went home to Mrs. Parks I baked some p.m.

7 At home W-- baked some John & I fried & packed ham & shoulder-- book a ride out east to water stock caned a can of cherries John to lodge eve

8 At home--W--Alice & John to Church boy & I called Mrs. Hedingtons home again got dinner took nap rode out east to water stock--it rained nicely--read some

9 At home, W-- churned, baked pies called Hedington--got 3 meals tended milk & tended boy, read some mended & knit some

10 At home, W-- made tops to a pair of shoes for me--& did my housework & care of boy

11 At horn, W-- churned washed calico cloathes & ironed them called with boy to Bonebrakes & Hinmans Emmas mother sick

12 At home W-- washed scoured tin ware & ironed tended boy called Em Hinmans--eve at Bonebrakes John Alice & Ma gone to the M.E. supper

13 At home, W-- Aunt Sally & Uncle Bill Westervelt & Mrs. Hedington spent the day here--I called Emma Hinman eve she didn't treat me well

14 At home, W-- went town got baby carriage \$10, sold wool \$11, got tea & sugar went John boy & I to Abbies staid all night

15 At Abbies, John boy & I we went up to Mothers after breakfast found Parie better but poorly enough yet--we had good visit & started home at 2½ p.m. got home sunset

16 At home, churned baked some--& regulating some

17 At home W--washed & ironed part the cloathes & helped cook for hay harvest called eve Hedingtons

18 At home W--- finished ironing & helped cook for hay harvesters it rained p.m. I patched pants & made a little pair of pillows for Harry

19 At home, W--churned Emma Sible spent p.m. with Alice she that was formerly E. Goodspeed--Carrie Concklin & Georgia Hedington called eve

20 At home, W-- making little mat for baby carriage finished it--Parie came at 3 p.m. Brought his violin

21 At home, W--Parie here I churned baked bread pies & cake & took care of boy Ed Hinman here to supper with Parie I called Hedingtons eve

22 At home W-- Parie here he & John & Alice & Ma to Church I home with boy got dinner--Em & Ed & boy Hinman called eve

23 At home W-- Parie here-- washed ironed part the cloathes Parie, boy & I took a ride John to lodge eve, Parie & I had long talk together

24 At home, W-- Parie went home at 8 a.m. I churned & did my work as usual & took care of Harry--called Hedingtons p.m. it rained

25 At home, W-- ironed home, Alice John & Ma went blackberrying got enough for 20 cans apiece

26 At home W--I milked all the cows 6 of them while they were blackberrying they got a few I put up 1 can & worked some

27 At home, W-- Alice & then Ma to Columbus I got dinner for Brinkerhoof I sent by Alice, she got me chambra dress for Harry some muslin &c

28 At home W-- did up Saturdays work & all went p.m. blackberrying I put up 4 cans Alice 2--John to lodge eve I read in Life of Lincoln by William H. Thayer--retired 10½ p.m.

29 At home W-- All to church but Harry & I--Mr. & Mrs. Hedington called p.m. I read small volume through of Life of Lincoln by Thayer

30 At home--W-- cut out buff shambra dress for Harry-- churned & sold the butter, went up stree with Harry in his little carriage made few calls returned Pyles called

31 At home W--baked some & took care of Harry sewedsome caned to cans of blackberries

#### AUGUST, 1866

1 At home, W-- Washed & ironed scoured the cupboard-- made yeast & 1 gal of blackberry jam milked cows eve & took care of boy

2 At home W-- churned & patched & did housework cos /sic/ as usual--John & Alice went eve to Mite Society at McClintocks

3 At home W-- put up 2 cans of blackberries took dinner at Hedingtons, Earnie & Ev there Georgianas birth day 14 years

4 At home W--Jack Walton & Parrie came they took dinner with us & supper also then started home at 6 oclock eve

5 At home W-- John Harry & I went Worthington took dinner with Mrs. Sam'l Skeels then called on John & Hattie she has a young boy babe 2 weeks old

6 At home W-- washed baked, mopped & ironed--milked 3 cows took care of my boy John to Masons lodge eve Alice read to us

7 At home W-- called Hedingtons few minutes then to Mrs. Parks for shoe soles--Parrie came over with Ed Hinman came here at dark

8 At home W-- Parrie here he went up street p.m. he read life of Lincoln thro, by Thayer he staid night, he is looking badly & coughs a good deal

9 At home W-- Parrie went home on the hack I hated to see him go, he is so poorly I got shoe soles of Parks & made slippers --& some blackberry preserves

10 At home W—churned & did my work & care of boy as usual, sewed some for him Jennie Cornell came, up cholera in town

11 At home, W-- baked, mopped & care of boy got some things of peddler sewed some knit eve John to lodge Alice read for us

12 At home, W--home all day--family to church Hester & Willie called I lent Alice Lincoln Book Jennie Cornell here-- I read some in Repository

13 At home, Harey 5 months old, churned & tended milk, got 3 meals washed & ironed took care of Harry & put up a can of blackberries & I have 12 cans

14 At home, W--Jennie Cornell Alice John his mother, Harry & I all went Jo Ingalls visiting I sewing on boys little buff dress home at 5

15 At home--W-- at my housework, drying apples put up 2 cans sweet ones, Mother C & Alice & Jennie Conrell took supper with us, Mrs. H called

16 At home W--Alice & I made preparations & received Shroms folks & Aunt Hester Bonebrake here for supper, Jennie Cornell still here, they all to Mite Society evening

17 At home W-- Alice Jennie & Mother C to Worthington I sewing on boys buff dress took supper with Mrs. Hedington, Alice got boys first red gingham apron

18 At home W-- did my baking for Sab--Emma H & boy came to visit me but they went home again as I was ready to go & take supper at Mrs. Shroms we all went had nice time I made boy an apron

19 At home W--rainy Jennie Cornell still here I read some took nap got dinner John boy & I went Mr. Parks & Pyles p.m. for a walk

20 At home, W-- John & I cleaned cellar--Mrs. Stephens (Em Hinmans ma) spent p.m. here I sewed some on Harrys apron

21 At home, W--washed & ironed baked cakes & pies did up boys nice suit --John & girls rode up street saw (girls) saw Taft Res

22 At home W--dabbled out some more cloathes & ironed them, Jennie Alice John his mother Harry & I took supper at Bonebrakes had fresh fish saw Tafts

23 At home, W-- alone nearly all day sewing on boys buff dress

24 At home W-- Hester here p.m. a while, we took supper with Alice Jennie & Ma C I finished boys dress Phelpsboy died of cholera 10 years

25 At home made Harry 2 pairs of shoes pink & lilac, John to Lodge eve--Jennie Cornell still here

26 At home W--all to church but Ma C boy & I--I got dinner for all of us--Jennie, John, Harry & I rode over to Almalthea p.m.

27 At home, W-- Hemming ruffling for boys skirt Libbie Ingalls spent p.m. here Jennie Cornell still here

28 At home W--baked bread & pies & churned sewing on white skirt for boy Mrs. Stephens Em Hinmans mohter went home Cleveland

29 At home, W-- sewing on skirt for boy, went out east in carriage boy & I with John then up street called Hinmans knit eve a letter from Retta Bishop & ribbon for boys sleeves

30 At home W--baked pies custard & cake washed some sewed seems to waist of black silk dress went Mite Society at Godspeeds took Harry

31 At home W--sewing at skirt for my boy the first skirt white one

#### SEPTEMBER

1 At home W-- baked pies mopped & washed windows swept & regulated finished .Harrys white skirt made 3 little white stockings run tucks round a pair of pillow cases, knit eve John to ledge

2 At home, W-- for first time went to church by myself John didn't know it & since boy born left boy with Emma Hinman, Abbie Mart Ellwood Mr. & Mrs. Wms. came to dinner had nice visit whey home at 4½

3 At home W--Parie went wanted so much to go to Mothers to see Parie before he left for the west but was awfully or willfully disappointed it rained churned washed & ironed

4 At home baked suppose Parie starts west today hoping to benefit his health--O how sad I feel with no one to pity or sympathize--they are so hard hearted

5 At home W-- John I & boy went up street I got new calico dress 11¼ yds 25¢ per yd & a lined apron for Alice John got sugar--three girls Jen Alice & I went SabS concert eve--nice

6 At home W--baked went Emma Hinmans she & I called Lib Kings Emma & I went Aid Society eve at Mr. Budds an ice cream supper am thinking of Parie all time

7 At home W--John pouting cold & surly all the time I only wish I was at home with Mother again I can never be happy here

At home W--baked, finished second white skirt short for Harry--John, his mother to the still house got whiskey

9 At home W-- all to church but John & I got dinner aor all went barn boy & I read some Em Hinman called

10 At home W-- (101) mended blue pants ripped up an old vest, cut out, made my new calico dress skirt & did housework

11 At home sewing at my dress tending boy & doing housework I made most of the waist (Gariboldi)

12 At home W--did my housework called Hinmans & heard from Parrie by Emma--made sleeves of dress eve

13 At home baked bread pies & cake & sewed eve on my dress & tended boy

14 AT home at housework as usual--caned 10 of peaches & regulated things generally

15 AT home W-- made up \$1 worth of white sugar into grape jelly--finished dress am so tired

16 At home W-- All to church but boy & I--got dinner called Hedingtons p.m. John to church eve. O where & how is my Parie

17 At home W--made 1 gal of peach preserves did my housework & tended boy as usual. Mrs. Headington & Georgiana called & put washing on grass

18 At home sewing for boy it rains churned, sold butter to young Green John got me a pair of shoes coarse \$2.75

19 At home, W-- sewing for boy went to creek it is very high, it rains all the while, footed little white stocking how is Parie

20 At home W-- put out my washing & fixing dress for boy where & how is my dear brother Parie he occupies my thoughts

21 At home washed & began fixing red Merino dress for boy that Abbie gave him ironed eve--John up street

22 At home W-- At housework as usual & finished fixing over little red Merino dress Abbie gave Harry (that was Elwoods)

23 At home regulated some all to church but Harry & I--after dinner took a ride--went Hinmans at  
4--John & Alice at singing--we had a pleasant time returned read some

24 At home picked dressed & cooked a chicken--am sewing at little shirts for Harry

25 At home W-- Baked pies cakes & bread--churned tended milk called eve at Headingtons got  
parer we pared apples eve fro applebutter sold hogs

26 At home helping at applebutter made about 6 gals for each family of us--Fitch Hart, Johns  
cousin came of hack--staid night I got supper for all

27 At home John Alice & his mother to town I regulated & washed windows mopped care of boy

28 At home W-- John Alice & their Ma to Columbus, they staid

I tending their milk John home 6 eve got me a check shawl hoops & and an every day dressJohn  
out east I and boy to Hesters eve

29 At home We did two churnings, ours & theirs & I baked & tended boy & had every thing  
imagineable to do. Emma Hinman & boy & her sister Lizzie took tea with me also Hester  
Bonebrake & two boys

30 At home W-- John to church Alice & her Ma to Columbus, I took nap got dinner Mr. & Mrs.  
Hedington called eve John & I milked then went out east & got the horses

#### OCTOBER, 1866

1 At home W--I tending their & ours milk & put out a two weeks washing Franky Bonebrake staid  
with me all day, John to town brought his Ma & Alice home

2 At home @-- Ironed & churned did housework tended boy & tried to sew some Oscar Philips  
(Johns cousin) here to tea, Johns Mother came home from Columbus

3 At home W-- sewing on calico dress & doing housework--Emma Hinman & baby called I gave her  
some sewing John up street

4 At home W-- Went to Hinmans, p.m. had nice visit sewing calico dress--Emma making dress for Harry--home eve, sewed til 10

5 At home W-- Baked made boy white apron p.m. & eve, Emma Hinman called with boys dress--I sewed til 10--thinking of going to see Mother

6 At home W--did up my work started at 10 got to Worthington 12 called Ritta, Dr. Davis there got to Mothers at 2 p.m. ate dinner called Smileys Sallie came up & boys, Mantie home from town (staid)

7 At home Mothers O how lonely it is here no Father brother or sister, we went Abbies Mantie & Mother with us--left Abbies at 3 got Westerville dark--O how lonely

8 At home W-- did my housework Mrs. Pyle here see Alice I called Headingtons fixed old skirt & apron, John up street, Harry & I alone

9 At home W--at housework as usual & care of boy it rains I ripped up old rep dress

10 At home W--made an under waist & baked some & care of boy, pared apples for sauce all hands eve

11 At home W--Lib Spring visited here for first I saw her we'd a nice pot pie together for dinner--made 4 gals apple sauce of sorghum I sewing at dress

12 At home W--baked some, churned finished a ices dress, OUr folks gathering apples I care of my pet Harry boy

13 At home W--did up work & took care of Harry he is cross we've both got bad colds--John to lodge eve--I read some --boy 6 months old

14 At home W--All to Quarterly meeting but Harry & I--we both nearly sick with colds got dinner read some thinking of Parie-- John church eve

15 At home W -- washed mopped cooked ironed--& tended boy--am tired have such a cold--John to Lodge

16 At home--W--at my housework as usual--& tending boy mended old pants for John

17 At home W--Ceil W, Anna Wiley & Her mother visited Alice also Jane Headington & helped Alice--& sewed some at fixing over boys red dress

18 At home W-- at my work as usual but Oh how & where is our beloved brother Parie how I'd love to press him to me

19 At home W-- went up street took butter to store paid for hoops \$1.40 got flannel shirt for boy called Emmas picking apples p.m. for cider

20 At home W--did up work & fixed over Ellwood old red sack for Harry it looks real nice--All to Hesters eve John to Lodge

21 At home W--boy not well, he got such a bad hurt--Georgiana Headington and I went to the creek got sand for flowers Emma Hinman called.

22 At home W-- Washed & ironed & did the other work boy not well John cross & ugly to me I'm feeling so badly where Oh where & how is Dear Parie

23 At home W--baked pies drying apples taking care of boy--churned

24 At home W-- ripped up & fixing over old black silk Garibaldi waist--John to Lodge eve I sewing

25 At home--W-- Mrs. Price called I worked at my waist all day finished it & spent eve with Alice John & their Ma at Headingtons Bonebrakes there too

26 At home Baked churned tended boy repotted & fixed up plants got 3 meals tended boy & patched eve--My dearest Parie where & how is he:

27 At home W--did up work dressed boy & I & all went visiting up to Old Uncle & Aunt Sallie Westervelts Hes Bonebrake Rev. McClintock & wife and Mrs. Budd were there nice time

28 At home W-- All to church as usual but Harry & I took a ride p.m. saw Johns cousins Philip called Jo Ingalls home again Emma & Clayton called

29 At home W--cleaned house & moved stove in took up carpet mopped & washed woodwork & windows took all day rainy & bad am so tired

30 At home W--trying to fix up & regulate house some but have so little room to fix in I don't know what to do--packed butter for first

31 At home W--washed & regulated & took care of cross baby--Miss Thurber came in hack--I ironed some eve

#### NOVEMBER, 1866

1 At home W--made my boy a cap or hat of blue & white velvet of my wedding bonnet. Miss Thurber called in eve

2 At home W-- made shoe for boy--too large--trimmed up old felt hat Emma & Clayton called--I cut out apron & gown eve for boy while he sleeps & John up street--Miss Thurber still here

3 At home W-- John boy & I went to Columbus got boy dress & aprons calico--some muslin & an umbrella shoes for self & boy--came Abbes

4 At Abbies--John went home after dinner & boy & I went with Mart up to Mothers staid few minutes

5 At Abbies sewing boys cloathes on the machine made 3 pieces-- & helped Abbie some & care of boy

6 At Abbies--sewing on machine--made 3 pieces--& helped at work some & care of boy

7 At Abbies made 3 pieces more on machine Parie came to Mothers from the west he is some better we've not seen him yet

8 At Abbies--Abbie & I worked hard all a.m. made pies dressed chickens made cake Parie Mother & Mart came were here to dinner Magg called left children to go to town

9 At Abbies sewing on machine & helping Abbie at work & care of boy

10 At Abbies Dr. Hood & wife called we had not seen them for 10 years John came for me it rains we called Mothers from Abbies--Parie & Mart there home W at 7 eve

11 At home W-- baked some as did not yesterday John to Church I regulating things & care of my boy

12 At home W-- still getting my things in order--sewing on buttons working button holes & finishing corners &c

13 At home @--wa-shed churned & baked bread & began Marts mitten called Headingtons few minutes eve--boy 7 months old

14 At home W-- Ironed & mended & care of my baby

15 At home W--it rains I moved dahlia roots

16 At home W fixing over old rep dress

17 At home W--worked hard--called Headingtons boy & I with Georgia, Parie came on hack had upset with him

18 At home W-- Parie & John to church returned ate dinner Parie John baby & I to Hinmans p.m. All to sing but Emma & I

19 At home W-- Parie intended to go on back with Lawson but he didn't go so he staid it rains I am enjoying his company alone as John to Lodge

20 At home W-- Parie went home by way of Columbus--I doing work & care of baby & knitting Marts mittens--baked bread & churned

21 At home W-- housework as usual & care of boy--Parie, Mantie, Sack Walton came eve--All to concert Sab S very good company staid me night (Only time Harry in M.E. church May 1st 69)

22 At home W --Parie & Sock Walton went home Red Hinman with them-- Mantie Harry & I spent the day pleasantly at Hinmans home eve knitting Marts mittens

23 At home W--Mantie finished fixing over my old rep dress & knit for me eve--I knitting Frank Rogers mittens & doing my work

24 At home W-- John Alice & Miss Thurber to Columbus Mantie & I baked & knit & sewed & tended Harry John dark

25 At home W-- All to church but Mantie & I & boy--after dinner Mantie & I went down to the creek & to the graveyard--then home Mant went up to Hinmands

26 At home W--Mantie & I washed & churned & ironed & care of our boy--pleasant day

27 At home W--knitting on Franks mittens at spare times

28 At home W--fixing for company tomorrow--pickedturkey & made mince pies & a nice cake Mantie helping me--John done the inviting

29 At home W-- Mr. & Mrs. Hinmand Mr. & Mrs. Bonebrake Mr. & Mrs. Ingalls & children also Lizzie Stephens & Miss E. Thurber & Mantie Merriss Alice & her Ma took a thanksgiving dinner with us

30 At home W-- baked pies churned & packed butter put up 6 cans of apples & 1 of pumpkin Matnie helping me we took dinner with Alice & Ma C--she had company fried a crock of cakes

#### DECEMBER

1 At home @--Mant still here--John & I Alice & Ma C went up to Ed Philips spent p.m. there good visit Mantie home alone she & Miss Thurber I finished Franks mitten

2 At home @--Mantie still here John & I to church Mantie stayed home & kept Harry & got dinner Sarah Nutt called Mantie went to church in eve--John too

3 At home W--I took my bonnet to Miss Stephens to get fixed Mantie with me--we called at Hinmans--we to see Libbie King and took dinner with her

4 AT home W--We killed hogs three for us & two for Mother C--Mantie helping me with my housework & care of boy

- 5 At home W--We made our sausage cleaned head & feet Mantie still here she helps me some--I begin a pair of mittens for Charlie Rogers
- 6 At home W--It rains We cooked the hogs heads & feet & made souse- Mantie went up street & got my bonnet she to Hinmans--boy well & hearty & grows pretty
- 7 At home W-- looked for Emma Hinman but she didn't come-- finished Frankies mitten--having knit 3 pairs--Matnie still here
- 8 At home W--Matnie & I put out a large washing I baked some Mantie ironed--& finished a pair of white stockings for me-- John up street
- 9 At home W-- John & Alice to church--Mantie & I home with Harry--got dinner Mant called Hinmans brought Lizzie with her to dinner-- I read p.m. in Belle of Washington
- 10 At home W--began fixing Abbies glass box & read some in Belle of Washington its good book
- 11 At home W--did up all the work while Mant read churned p.m. read eve in Belle of Washington & knit
- 12 At home W--at housework as usual Alice has company Mantie up to Hinmands
- 13 At home W i months old Alice & Ma C has company again the preacher & family Uncle Bill Westervelts & Mr. & Mrs. Budd Miss Thurber & Mantie Merriss here I assisted Alice
- 14 At home W--baked 16 mince pies & 3 loaves of bread--& care of boy Mantie helping me--a letter from Parie
- 15 At home W-- made 5 apple pies Mantie still here I called Hinmans to see about Sack Waltons bead pin cushion gave her two dollars Sack sent--called Headingtons eve--home knitting
- 16 At home W-- rainy & sleety John Alice Miss Thurber to Church-- Mantie & I reading Mantie & all went sing p.m. & returned eve I home all day with my boy
- 17 At home W-- fixing for company--Mrs. Headington came took dinner with me--Mantie still here--John to lodge eve Mant & I knitting eve care of Harry

18 At home W-- ruffled a little shirt for Harry went up street called Hinmans & to Mary Westervelts to see about coloring--John sat up with corpse

19 At home W-- John got home at 8 a.m. having been at Mrs. Matoons all night husband deceased (he a Mason) Mantie & I dinner at Uncle Bill Westervelts home 3 p.m. supper for John been to funeral

20 At home W-- Mantie & I washed & ironed Lizzie Stephens here for tea John Miss Thurber & Alice to Literary Society eve Mantie & I knitting & care of boy

21 At home W-- swept & cleaned generally baked pies 6 & made up light bread Mantie went out east & to Hinmans p.m.

22 At home W--done our baking for Christmas John to Town--Mantie to see Sarah Nutt--Mant & I finished my stocking that I was footing John up st eve--I rec'd letter from Zidana

23 At home W rained all day Mantie still here We got dinner read some. Wrote letter to Zidana & played with Harry boy

24 At home W-- colored scarlet with cochioneel for boys stockings--made taffa & candy balls for Christmas Alice Mantie Miss Thurber & I

25 At home W-- John his Ma Miss Thurber Alice Mantie Harry & I all in big wagon to Jo Ingalls to dinner nice time returned Alice Mantie & John to Sab S supper eve I & boy alone

26 At home W-- Mantie to Hinmans I doing housework & care of boy Miss Hattie Shrum visited Alice with Amanda Shrum

27 At home W-- Mr. & Mrs. Stoner took dinner with Alice & all supper with me Mantie & Alice helped me

28 At home W--John took Mantie to Columbus she went home to my mothers with Mr. Berrys Alice John & I attended choir supper left Harry home

29 At home w-- cutting carpet rags all day--mended Johns mittens eve--John up street--got letter from Sheldon B--I knit some for boy eve

30 At home-W-- John Alice & I to church, called at Hinmans few minutes boy not well--read some--John to church eve

31 At home W-- washed out a two weeks washing--got dinner for visited with Lizzie Stephens care of Harry & done most all my ironing eve--John up st as usual--Miss Thurber boarding with Mother Cornell--she & Alice have good times--Harry 9½ months old

NB Recipes for cup cake and bread pudding Lists baby's wardrobe Mentions that Alice gave first present to baby when 6 months old--little pair of scarlet woolen stockings and Grandma C a piece of black calico

Recipe for lemon pie and sponge cake

Poem by Mantie: A word to Harry

An infant thou art now

So soon a man to be

T'will soon be said here below

There goes Master Harry