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Considerations whatever. After tea we went over home and staid until church time. Bro. Loomis was there to tea. He sang a long time with us. After the Prayer Meeting at the church he staid and sang with Mr Woodford and Abel Fox is a beautifull singer. was formerly a christer before he commenced preaching.

Monday Aug 27th 1860

The day has been pleasant. I have worked hard all day on No 27 Painter Pecunia Colored Hats, & of heavy. — We have had a little excitement in the shop today with James G. Heagan who refused to come to order when called by the Churman, and further more he called the shop himself. He was fined fifty cents, and refused to pay it. We had determined to take off our Aprons when we had got up our work but before we did Fred^k Bradley paid the fine for him unsolicited.

I went to market in the eve, and paid to Andrew Knox \$7.00 which I borrowed of him before I went away to Hartford to visiting

Tuesday Aug 28th

I have worked hard all day in the shop. am very tired. We had had much money spent in the shop this forenoon. The fine of fifty cents which Fred^k Bradley paid for James Heagan yesterday, was voted back again to Frederick today by the shop.

It was 12 o'clock last night when I retired I have been to market this eve.

Wednesday Aug 29th

Cool nights & pleasant days. David Lanning was shipped at our shop today, to Iron Mt.

The trial of the Irish man for the murder of the German on River St the 26th of June last

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came off this P.M. Four of them were convicted. the will be sentenced tomorrow.

I finished picking my Crab Apples before tea.

I went to market in the eve. & borrowed 1 doz Large Blacking of Mr Woodford.

I wrote a letter to Edmund Palmer in the eve ordering more Blacking.

Trust lay in 30th

I commenced to mow out door yard & bore breakfast and finished it when I came on the shop at night. I got down a work a little before night. there being no more hats faced.

Geo went home from his spe's sick about 4 o'clock. Mother stopped on her way to evening meeting and told us she saw it act like the *Opelera* woods.

Friday Aug 31st

I carried the grass which I mowed on my yard yesterday to the compost heap this morning before breakfast. I have not felt very well today, but have worked hard nevertheless. I came home to his feeling very tired. Lucie went into the street with me in the eve for some jelly dishes

She returned home and I went to ~~Phill~~ Mr Hunt the man who contracted to ~~dig the~~ dig the ^{ditch} for the water works. left town last night in debt to his men. there has been considerable excitement about it today.

The weather has been quite varied today. Cloudy - Sunshine and Rain.

Saturday Sept 1st 1860

Pleasant. — I took a walk up some before breakfast and carried some Crab apples to Mother. I also carried some to the shop for Mr Benjamin. Lucie went with me to market in the eve. I brought a Water Melon home with me.

With a public. He was engaged to the shop for the purpose of the trial of the Irish man for the murder of the German on River St the 26th of June last

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Sunday Sept 2nd 1860

Gessie did not feel very well in the morning and so did not attend church until noon when she came to S. school. Bro Pegg preached for us. He preached for the Sabbath school in the morning from Isaiah 32 and the first clause of the 20th verse. In the P.M.

from 1st Cor 1-18 both sermons were excellent. Another Griswold came in while we were drinking tea. And Father Pardy just after. He staid a while and helped us eat the remainder of the Water Melon I bought last night.

John Boughton and Frank came in also just before church time - we all attended.

Monday Sept 3rd

I bought water before breakfast from the Bogot for Gessie to wash with. I have worked hard all day in the shop. I drew \$7.00 for last weeks work a larger weeks work than usual. Eddie Palmer came from Kitzfield this morning and started for Stamford in the afternoon train. He called on me at the shop before he went. He spent the eve over home.

Tuesday Sept 4th

I commenced to dig my potatoes in the garden before breakfast. I got a letter from the P.O. this morning from Edmund Palmer with a Bill in for 1 gross of large & 2 doz small boxes of Blacking. I must sit as long as I could. I was in with me at the shop. Gessie went to market with me in the eve. I mailed a letter to Edmund Palmer I paid a tax laid by the Teachers Association for the benefit of Widow of Ebenezer G. Bailey lately deceased by accidental poison.

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Wednesday Sept 5th

A little warmer than it has been for several days. Father Griswold made us a present of a Water Melon one of his own raising. After tea we ate a part of it. It rained a little in the eve I being very tired did not attend class.

Thursday 6th

It thundered a little in the morning and had the appearance of a wet day. I dug potatoes until breakfast was ready. There being no work for a few days I have had to take Bk or none. I am thankful for that but good work is the best I can earn more money and earn it easier.

Gessie went into the street with me in the eve. I called at Mr Thompsons and found that my Blacking had come. Not having any way to get it home I left it there until tomorrow if I can make it convenient get it away then.

It has only sprinkled a little occasionally and the day has been very warm & sunny.

Friday 7th

Very warm and sultry again today. Prince caught another chicken this morning over to Father Griswold I whipped him severely for it. Abel has been at our shop today building a screen in front of the place to break off the nest.

On my way home from the shop I borrowed Noah Houghtons to go up to Mr Thompsons for 12 dozen Blacking which he brought from Ex York for me from Edmund Palmer. Father Griswold gave me the best Citron Melon I have tasted of this summer. We ate it for tea.

I went to drill in the eve. On my return I went over home and staid the remainder of the evening.

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Saturday Sept 8th 1860

I finished digging my South American Potatoes this morning before breakfast. I had a little more than a Bushel, and that is enough of that kind for I do not like them much.

I carried 1 dozen of Blushing with me to the shop to sell as I may have occasion. I had a feast at the shop at noon I carried Tomatoes - Plants an Apple & a Citron Melon (one of Father Griswold's production) beside my regular dinner.

I have earned over \$1.00 this week - I went to Market in the eve and called Dr Bulkeley for Mother Griswold who is sick having a touch of the dysentery. Gussie went with me down to Chary of Hoops. He went over home a while after our return.

Sunday Sept 9th

Rain last night and bitter this morning Cool and cruelly and the prospect of a wet day. But it cleared away about noon. It has been so cold as to be uncomfortable at church. There ought to have been a little fire.

Bro Peck preached good as usual. Text in the Morning John 4 - 32. S. School Prayer Meeting at noon as usual on Communion day and the Sacrament in the P. M. Mr Pike our colored neighbor had his Baby Baptized After tea I took a nap and then Gussie went with me over to her Father's Melon patch and picked 4 Citron Melons for her Mother after which we went into Adels a short time. Learning Brighton & wife were there.

Preaching in the eve. we attended. Subject the Divine Carpenter (Christ) a good sermon. A Prayer Meeting after. the first Prayer Meeting after speak which we have had this season.

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Monday Sept 10th

Cool - a frost last night in the low lands. Her crop commenced today to use Checks instead of a Book account for the Finishers. I drew \$6.36 today. I worked in the shop as long as I could see. I ordered a new pair of pants at Stevens & Hoyle in the eve \$3.50.

Tuesday 11th

I dug Potatoes again this morning before breakfast. I worked as long as day light would let me again today. Geo Dennis was off this afternoon to go at Mr's Heating over to Sturdevants. I took tea over to Mother Griswold's. Mother had been there in the afternoon and staid to tea but went home before I came from my work. I went to Market in the eve and got caught in a shower.

Wednesday 12th

Cold - Windy and rain all day. Mother Griswold was quite poorly this morning. I went for the doctor on my way to the shop. I entered had all day in the shop. was taken with a headache in the P. M. and when I came home I felt badly. I staid at home in the evening.

Thursday 13th

Clear and cool. My head pained me so that I could not sleep as much as usual last night. My head felt much this morning but everything considered I felt very well and have done a good days work. Gussie was obliged to go to the store in the evening and I accompanied her. We went to the P. M. office and returned home. went over to Mother Griswold's a short time and then came home and relaxed.

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Friday Sept 14th 1860

Pleasant. I worked hard all day in the shop. Josephene Dore from E. Island has been here to see Mother Griswold and Gussie today. She went away before I came home.

I attended drills in the evening. Geo R. Berans one of our old expelled members (from the M. S. Gunny was thousand bought the cap & eye (which belonged to our Co and formerly used by Geo M. Eddy deceased) and intends to act as Pioneer in the Bridgeport Washington Guards of which he is a member. he paid us \$18.00 for it.

Saturday Sept 15th

Pleasant. I have earned \$3.00 ever day this week. We went to Market in the eve. Gussie has been up home this afternoon.

Sunday 16th

Pleasant & warmer today. — The safety valve to Thredgill's Boilers accidentally raised this morning (or so it was said) at all events the result was that the whistle began to blow and continued to do so for a long time. The Bell rang ^{and} an alarm of fire was raised. No engine came up West-st as far as William ^{and} how much farther I know not, but hearing what was the matter they soon returned again to their house.

We attended church all day. Bro Pegg preached in the morning from Proverbs 29th the first clause of the 2nd verse. "The fear of man bringeth a snare."

The funeral sermon of Mrs. Tanton the proprietor of the shirt factory in Mosler-st was preached in the afternoon Text Colossians 3=3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. — The corpse was seen in the path as the congregation passed from the church to the gate. I saw Josephene Dore in the yard as I came out. After tea we went up home and

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carried half of a water Melon left from our tea it was grown in Father's vine to it. Mother came down with us to church. The meetings are getting to be quite interesting. I think we are just on the verge of a powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The church generally and many revived and sinners we hope will soon be converted in our midst.

Monday 17th

Cloudy the rest of the day and a very little rain. Work is plenty and good yet. We were paid as usual. I drew \$19.00

I have earned \$3.75 today. Father Griswold came home on the freight train. Gussie went with me to market in the eve. I received a letter from Edmund Palmer acknowledging the receipt of \$7.75 for Blacking and sending back the Bill receipted.

Tuesday 18th

Pleasant and warm. I had no work in the P.M. so I went up town and sold some Blacking. I sold Mr. Dyer at 10 cents. I have commenced with this lot to sell for that price. Sarah Boughton and Harriet Wheeler and Frank Doughton spent the P.M. with Gussie. Abel & John came to tea. John went with me to Market in the eve Frank staid with Gussie while we were down town.

Wednesday 19th

I intended to take the car this morning and go to Bethel to sell Blacking but was too late for them and had to walk down. I sold out nearly before I got to the Depot when the train came along and I took it and came home. I brought my relatives from Father Griswold's cellar ~~over to mine~~. After dinner I ~~came~~ took more Blacking and went back to Bethel and sold during the day 44 dozen at 10^{cts} per dozen.

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I took tea at Cousin Herman Taylor's and came home on the train.

Thursday Sept 20th 1860

The Equinoctial storm is upon us. It has been stormy all day with the exception of two or three times when the sun shone for a few minutes at a time. It has been very warm and oppressive in the shop. Thunder & lightning in the eve. with considerable rain.

Friday 21st

I arose and found it raining. I wore Rubber Boots and took an umbrella to the shop and made calculations for a stormy day again. But it came off pleasant about noon and the result was a beautiful afternoon & evening but rather cool. When I came from the shop I found the house locked up & Susie having gone up home to visit with Bro & Sister Pezz and Father Griswold and Fanny. It was too late for me to go up so I took tea later with Mother Griswold. I went to drill in the eve. I stopped on the way at Benedict & Erichols and got 4 lb of mustard for Susie which she has waited nearly two weeks for as they have been expecting it for about that time.

Saturday 22nd

Pleasant. I worked as usual in the shop. After tea Susie and myself went to see the Wide Awakes in a torch light procession. Frank Shepard addressed the Republicans at Concert Hall. I carried our Rubber Bot down to A. B. Hall to have our winter Rubber put down, & ordered 25 lbs.

Sunday 23rd

Pleasant. Sir Isaac Williams, a missionary to Africa from ~~Madagascar~~ Reading (preached for us all day. Text in the morning Isaiah 9. last part of verse The Prince of Peace. In the P.M. John 1. 1-11)

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Service of the 7th Verse. The Blood of Jesus Christ has done cleanness us from all sin. Both sermons were excellent. Mass Lane was at church in the P.M.

I run a splinter under my finger nail below church this morning. I cut open the nail to get it out but am afraid I did not get it all. I am afraid that I shall have a bad finger.

Father called on us after tea, Mother Griswold came in while we were eating. She is quite today.

Before church we went over to Father Griswold's Melon patch and found two ripe ones. We called at Horace Croffut's on our way back and gave both of them to ^{him} ~~him~~.

We attended Prayer meeting in the eve. The meeting was a good one. One of the Shirt-factory girls was converted in the young people's prayer meeting before the public service.

Bro Pezz was with us in the eve. He stated in the meeting that a Mrs. Hayward was dying.

Sunday 24th

Clouds in the morning but they blew over after a while and the day was pleasant.

The tent on the Fair Grounds was raised today. I drew \$12.00 for my last weeks work. I sent a letter to Ferdinand Foster (Freeman at Erin Benedict's Make Shop Bethel) with a Dollar Bill enclosed which I took from him for blanching last week. There was 25 Per Cent discount on it. He went over to Abels to tea. Marvin Boughton & wife was there. I went to Market, and Susie to Mary J. Hoyt's in the eve.

Tuesday 25th

The day has been showery some very hard showers too. The last shower was in the P.M. and blew down the Fair Tent after which it came off.

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Pleasant. Mr Wheeler and myself stopped work between 4 & 5 o'clock he harnessed his horse and went home with me and took a Bushel of Prince Albert Potatoes for Father Griswold a Bedspread for Mother G. and a Picture for Harry to the Fair. I bought a Family ticket for them and entered them for Premiums. I bought one for myself also. Gessie and myself attended in the eve. The opening address was delivered by Nelson L. White. The Band was in attendance. also the Bethel Glee Club. I stopped on my way home and bought a Cider Barrel of Avery Raymond \$1.37.

Wednesday 26th

Cool but pleasant. I have worked all day in the shop in the afternoon a fellow walked a rope from the Bellry of Concert Hall across across to the roof of Chad Halls store. Gessie attended the Fair this afternoon and came home very tired after supper I went to market and bought some scallops for the first time this fall.

Thursday 27th

I went to the shop in the morning and worked until nearly 11 o'clock when I went to the Fair. I came home about 10 o'clock and Gessie went with me to see a man walk the rope again across the street from Concert Hall and then we went up to the Fair Ground. After tea I went up again to see about getting our things away tomorrow.

Friday Sept 28th

The Fair broke up today. I got Noah Boyls horse and went up. His Clerk Chas Mason went with me to the Fair tent after Mother Griswolds things. I dug up the Grape Vines and took away the frame south of my house before dinner.

Chas Mason and Noah Boyls
the Eve I went to market

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After dinner we went to see the man walk the rope again and Mons Eugene Reynard go up with his Baloon from the Fair Ground. But both were a failure. It was too windy for the rope walker and the Baloon was so old and rotten that the wind bore it so badly that it was impossible for it to ascend. He let it descend to see if it would go alone but it only just cleared the ground and the wind shattered it in pieces. (So the people said for I did not go with it) as we were going we met the folks coming from the ground saying that it was a failure and the Fair was dismissed some wheeled and returned home. I picked my traps and got in my Unions in the P.M. There was no drill in the eve on account of there being a keep in the Hall.

Saturday 29th

We heavy frost last night. I picked my traps this morning. The funeral of Mrs. Maynard was attended this afternoon at 2 o'clock. There was another public exhibition of rope walking at 4 o'clock. The Bethel Glee Club came up and joined ours in a torch light procession in the eve. I saw Cousin Roxanna Keall with Aunt Louisa's folks at Noah Boyls store this eve on their way home they called on us.

Sunday 30th

Pleasant but cool. Rev. W. Williams from ~~the~~ preached for us all day he is soliciting aid to erect a Methodist institution ~~at~~ a Seminary or College in that State. He presented it to the congregation in the morning and received over \$120.00 the morning service was so prolonged on (Jefferson City Missouri)

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account of it that the session of the S. School was omitted. His Text in the morning was Acts 2nd - 1, 2, 3, 4th — In the P.M. Rev G^o - 9, 9, 10th both sermons were excellent.

Cousin Roxanna Hall & Aunt Louisa came home with us from church and took tea with us. We attended church in the eve. The design was to have a prayer meeting but Dr Williams preached ^{not the 7th 11th} again after which we had a prayer meeting 3 persons were forward for prayers and one was converted (a lady) Horace Crofut was forward, the only man

Monday Oct 1st 1868

A heavy frost last night. I commenced raining about 10 o'clock and continued stormy all day. I have worked all day in the shop as usual. My trade is good just now. We are very much hurried. Father Griswold returned this eve from a 9 days tour on his district. (The N. Haven) of which he is Presiding Elder.

Our Society meeting was held this eve at the church. I did not attend.

Tuesday 2nd

Cloudy most of the time during the day, a hard shower just at night about dusk. And for about half an hour I never saw it rain harder it poured down in torrents. After tea I put on some old clothes with my Rubber Boots and attended Heaters meeting under Concert Hall.

Wednesday 3rd

Pleasant. Our Co of Wide Awakes went to N. York today for a grand National Torch Light Procession this eve. In the evening I took Bro Mc Donalds horse and carried Bro Pegg over to the Great Plain School House to preach. His Text was Matthew 11th chap and the last of 27 verses

+ But a few being present. The selecting all was adjourned

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I received a letter from G. F. Taylor Bethel with a dollar enclose to replace the one he gave me for Blacking which was not good.

Thursday 4th

Cloudy & foggy in the morning, a little sun shine during the forenoon and rainy in the P.M. I have worked hard all day. I rode some with Jacob Fry and then lent him an umbrella to go home with. Cassie attended a lecture with Abel & Harriet in the eve on Physiology Anatomy &c by John Collett M.D. I was too tired to go myself and enjoy it so I went to Market and home again. After which I helped Father Griswold put up his kitchen store.

Friday Oct 5th

Cloudy and some rain during the day. It cleared off early in the evening. Father & Mother Griswold, Abel & Harriet all started for Hartford this afternoon. I attended drill in the eve. Susan Watson came in the eve after Cassie had gone to the Physiological Lecture at Concert Hall by Dr Collett. When we came home she had taken possession of our house.

Saturday 6th

Clear & fine. We repaired our breakfast over home and ate it with Miss Watson & Fanny. They both came over at took tea with us. Cassie attended the Lecture in the eve while I did some marketing. I called a short time in singing school and then went over to the Lecture to go home with Cassie. We carried our house plants in the parlor this morning. Before I went to bed I went over and helped Fanny take in her plants.