

1902 DIARY OF NELLIE (HELEN) CONVERSE CARR, 1878-1968. Age: 23,24
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Notes and Comments: During this period, Gramma was teaching in the area in two schools, one ending in spring and one starting in the fall. Perhaps Guilford, Oxford or Addison. She attended the Teacher's Institute (Sept 12) in Oxford. Like her, I became a teacher first as an elementary music teacher and then at the University. When I taught in the Teacher Education Department at New Jersey City University I showed students the Rules for Teachers and mentioned my grandmother. Teachers in the elementary schools were usually unmarried women--had to quit when they married. During the week Gramma lived with a family in the community and went home weekends. I believe her family lived in Gilbertsville not too far from Cope's Corners. They moved to Norwich for a while (Mar 7, Nov 1) but later it seems they moved back again toward Leonard's farm on the southeast side of Butternut Creek. I was surprised by the facility of the train system in the area. Trains were described by Number or by the exact time they left. Now many of us hike and walk on the old "rail trails." The Unadilla Valley Train passing through Mt Upton was running 1895-1960 according to wikipedia.

When I was 16, I would hang my rollerskates over my shoulders and catch the 7:15 train from Unadilla to go rollerskate in Sidney, returning with workers on the 11 shift from the Scintilla. One evening I was late and was running to catch the train. It started to leave and then stopped. I rushed the last yards, got on and the conductor greeted me saying, "I stopped the train for you this time, but I won't do it again." Imagine a train doing that today!!

Reading her journal, I saw the vibrance of the community and the closeness of our extended family. It gave me joy. At first I was overwhelmed by the number of Aunts and Uncles and then I looked at the Carr Ancestry to see their names. Reading these diaries has sent me to google and to other sources to find connections and clear up phrases I didn't understand. It's like a course in our family history and life in Upstate New York during these periods.

She wrote of "sugaring off" (Jan 4) and it reminded me of when I went to gather sap with my Uncle Richmond, riding up the snowy hillside on the horse drawn sleigh. Also it reminded me of one of my mother's favorite memories of her childhood which was the last night of "sugaring off" when they slept outside in the woods as Gramma Carr and Grampa tended the fires to cook the sap just the right amount of time.

Reading that Frank played on his gramophone (Jan 10) reminded me of times my sister were young and I would wind up the old gramophone in the upstairs attic at Gramma's house. I still remember one of the tunes we would hum as it played.

Gramma went to get arbutus (April 18) and hepaticus (April 20) which reminded me of May 1st when I was growing up in Unadilla. We made May Baskets out of wallpaper advertising books

and filled them with flowers, candy and popcorn. Then put them at the door of someone special. That someone was to come out and catch us and kiss us. Some of the flowers were arbutus. Now most of those flowers are either on endangered lists or no longer exist in the woods as they did then.

Dandelion greens (April 22) are an important food in our family. I remember my mother getting dandelion greens and pigs weed and another wild plant in early spring. In later diaries, Gramma writes that she canned dandelion greens. Then in the 50s she is freezing them. I earned my first money when I was 7 by digging dandelion greens, washing them and selling them to neighbor's in Unadilla. I earned enough money to give my mother pansies for Mother's Day. Now my children love dandelions too. And we buy them in the grocery stores all year long.

Wintergreen. They went after flowering wintergreen (May 1). My sister and I used to get wintergreen from the fields at Gramma's. It was a treat as I never saw them growing in other places.

Several times in May they took the children for walks in the woods. These were the "field trips" easily accessible for children at that time.

The milk train. (July 3). Milk trains were important and numerous as milk was being shipped to New York City. This reminded me that 3 friends and I took the milk train from Sidney to Oneida to visit one of the girl's aunt's for the weekend.

It was 1944 or 45. We were about 15 years old, dressed in stockings and high heels and thinking we were sophisticated. We were trying out smoking as well. But I, not enjoying smoke, puffed and made a face as I pushed the smoke away. The leader of our group was adamant, "Alicia, if you can't smoke any better than that, then stop smoking. People will think we're just kids." And who were these people? Just the old conductor on this milk train probably laughing to see us and our attempt to look older than we were.

Yaleville (18 Aug). Gramma was looking for a teaching job near there. I didn't know the town so looked it up on the map. Another time when this diary has sent me off to get more information. A learning project, for sure!!

Teachers. (2 Sept). Gramma was teaching near Guilford and had "11 scholars" the first day. Carrie was teaching near Norwich. It helps me understand the family activities when I know what their geographical location is from time to time.

Also, they did a lot of things with family members and there were a lot of aunts and uncles. I'm just learning more about them from reading these dairies. It's interesting to meet them in 1889 and now again in 1902 and later in the next diaries.

Hand written front page: Christmas 1901, Addison, N.Y. Hand written on back page: (not certain if it was in 1902 or 1941). She kept a lot of sayings like this: "Do you want to enter what people call the higher life? Then go a step lower down." Murray

1 Jan Wed. Carrie and I are on our way to Otsego so we started from Addison last night. We started at 2:50 for Norwich. Linnie met us at the depot. We had to wait about an hour and a half at Binghamton

2 Jan Thu. Linnie, Carrie and I went down street this forenoon. We called at Arthur's on our way back. We started for Guilford at 6:45 p.m. Emma North met us at the station. We received letters from Cora and Emma Halbert and Katherine Mills.

3 Jan Fri. It has been a cold, blustering day, so we did not get out at all. Jennie is not at home, but is down to Uncle Harvey's. Fanny Darling's little girl was buried yesterday. We expected to go to Aunt Flora's tonight but she did not get our letter and so did not come for us. I wrote to mamma to night.

4 Jan. Sat. Emma took us over to Aunt Flo's this morning. It is very cold. Cella did not intend to come home this week but they sent her word that we were here so she came up on the train this p.m. We sugared off to night. Jessie & Carrie went down to the P.O. to night.

5 Jan Sun It is not as cold to day. We all went to church but Aunt Flo & Hazel and saw quite a few of our friends.

6 Jan Mon. Uncle Charley took us over to Mr. Woodruff's this morning. In the afternoon Bertha and Ethel came down and we all went down to school. The girls stayed to Mr. Woodruff's to supper. We all went up to Mr. Stead's. Anna & Leatis Hutchinson, Mr & Mrs. Howard H, Liggie McPherson and Miss Humphrey were there too. We had a very pleasant time. Bertha & I called at Rial Stead's on our way up from school. We stayed all night at Mr. Stead's

7 Jan Tue. We went over to Elsie Hunt's to dinner and came back to Mr. Stead's to supper. In this evening Mr & Mrs Rial Stead, Alvin, Ethel, Bertha, Liggie Mc., Carrie & I went to Guilford.. Carrie & I took the train & went to Mt Upton. The others went to church. Walter met us at Mt. Upton.

8 Jan Wed. It has snowed quite a good deal today and is getting warmer. Belle invited Mrs. Cone up to dinner to day. In the evening Carrie, Walter, Belle & I went to church at Gilbertsville. After services we went to Mr. Wickes to see Cora Halbert a few minutes. A letter came from mamma this evening.

9 Jan Thur. Frank Halbert came down for us this morning and we spent the day at Aunt Laura's. We rode back to Mr. Copes with Chalmers. Emma Bassett came this afternoon. It has been quite warm to day. Has thawed some.

10 Jan Fri. Howard came down for us this morning about ten 'clock. Papa came to Aunt Laura's last night and went to meet the train this a.m. We are to spend the day and stay all night up here. Frank played on his gramophone this evening.

11 Jan Sat. We rode back down to Mr. Coke's this morning with John H on a load of logs. This afternoon Walter took us up to Mabel's to spend the afternoon & evening. Walter came up and spent the evening. It is very cold to day. It has snowed quite hard to day.

12 Jan Sun. We all went to church this morning except Belle & Helen. Just as we were about to start, Papa came in to say that Aunt Lina is buried to day, funeral at 2 o'clock. So we did not

stay to S.S. And as soon as we had dinner Frank Halbert took Papa, Carrie, and I to the funeral. It is quite cold to day. Sun. Nothing special

13 Jan Mon. This afternoon Carrie & I rode up to Gilbertsville with Walter and called to see Cora H at Mr. Nicks, also at Mrs. Chalmers Myrtle Thompson's and Mrs. Brewer's. In the evening Belle had invited a little company. Mr. & Mrs Peabody, Mr & Mrs J. Morris, Mr & Mrs Frank Green, Mr & Mrs Allen Coke. Mr & Mrs Chalmer's Coke. Cora, Frank & John Halbert. We had a very pleasant time; it was about one o'clock when the party broke up. Papa was here to dinner.

14 Jan Tue. It is a bright, pleasant day for a change. This afternoon Walter took us down to Mrs. Cone's and we called there also at Allen Coke's. Mrs. Miller's, Dibbles & Coles. We walked all the way back. In the evening Walter, Carrie, John H, Cora & I were at Chalmer's. We had a very nice time.

15 Jan Wed. This morning we went up to Aunt Laura's and spent the day. Papa is there with a lame back. We came down to Belle's to supper.

16 Jan Thu. We started for Elmira to day. Walter took us to the depot to take the 11:56 train. Ethel went down too. We did not have to wait long in Sidney or Binghamton. Anna met us at the depot in Elmira. We got there at 4:13 and expect to stay til tomorrow p.m. There was a letter from Mama there for us.

17 Jan Fri. This morning we went down street to do some trading. Then we went to Ed Morgan's and made a short call. We got back in time for dinner. Anna's friend Miss Hamilton came home to dinner with her. We went on No 1 this afternoon. Anna and Miss H. Went up to the depot with us. Aunt Anna went to a funeral this p.m and came round to the depot too. Miss Morris was in this evening.

18 Jan Sat. I did some washing and ironing to day. It is quite warm and is thawing this afternoon. Miss Morris called this evening.

19 Jan Sun. Carrie went to church this morning and she & I went this evening.

20 Jan Mon. My school began this morning. Mr. Johnson's boy took me up to Mr. Park's. It is a very cold morning.

21 Jan Tue. It has stormed hard nearly all day. Is quite warm to night and thawing.

22 Jan Wed. It has stormed nearly all day. It has been rainy most of the time. I took my dinner to-day it was such bad walking.

23 Jan Thu. It grew colder in the night and has been quite cold to day. I took my dinner again to day. As Mrs. Park was away. I wrote to Bertha Stead to night.

24 Jan Fre. Geo. Johnson came up for me to night. Mrs. Griffiths had invited her class to her house. It was the regular meeting of the Sunshine Club. Those who could not go in the afternoon went to tea and all spent the evening. Carrie & I went as soon as I got home.

25 Jan Sat. Papa came this afternoon on No. 1. Carrie & I went down to mail a postal card and take a little walk to night.

26 Jan Sun. We all went to church both morning & evening.

27 Jan Mon. Geo. Johnson brought me up this morning. It stormed this morning but turned out to be quite a pleasant day.

28 Jan Tue. It is a very cold day to day.

29 Jan Wed. It is a little warmer to day and has snowed some. I went up to Mr. McCaig's to night a few minutes after school

30 Jan Thu. It has been warmer and quite pleasant to day. Mrs. Youngs & Della came down and spent the day today.

31 Jan Fri. Mrs. Park went to Addison to day so I took my dinner. Mr Park took me down home to night. It snowed very hard this evening. May Sackett called this evening.

1 Feb Sat. It has been rather warm and thawed some to day. Miss Morris came in a while this afternoon. A letter came from Cousin Emily to night.

2 Feb Sun. We all went to church this morning and evening. It was very stormy all the fore noon and finally nearly turned to rain.

3 Feb Mon. The Teacher's Institute is held this week at Corning. I went down on the train that should leave here at 11:05 but owing to storms yesterday did not leave till one o'clock. I waited at the depot nearly all the time. Came home once during the time and stayed a few minutes. Miss Sackette & I (...) to go together and come home every night. We got to the school building a little before two o'clock.

4 Feb Tue. It is very cold this morning and we all got up early as I have to take the train which goes at 6:55. The Institute Conductor(Mr. Shaver) was not able to get here yesterday on account of the snow but he's here this morning. We went to the hotel and waited till the stores were open. Then went to the school house and waited the rest of the time.

5 Feb Wed. Cold again to day. Papa went to Chenango Co to be gone a few days. A noon we went down town for a walk. There are about 301 teachers registered now.

6 Feb Thur. We thought some of staying own this evening as there is to be a reception for the teachers and Chas. R. Skinner will also lecture this evening, but finally decided we would not. Mama rec'd a letter from Aunt Alice to day and she spoke of the death of Mary Searles.

7 Feb Fri. The Institute closed at 12:30 with no afternoon session. We had to wait till the monitor at 3:47. After dinner we walked down to Mrs. Gordon's, a friend of Miss Sackett's. Carrie & I went back to Mrs. Griffiths to a meeting this evening

Papa came tonight on 11.

8 Feb. Sat. Another cold day. Miss Sackett called this afternoon. I cut out and mounted some pictures to take up to school this afternoon.

9 Feb Sun. Carrie and I went to church this morning and we all went this evening.

10 Feb Mon. Carrie went up this morning with me and drove Harry's horse-back. It is not quite as cold this morning, but grows colder during the day.

11 Feb Tue. It is very cold and windy to day. I intended to go home with Edith Brown a while after school but it is so cold I will wait to some other time.

12 Feb Wed. Not quite as cold to day. It is Lincoln's birthday and a holiday. I am not going home. I wrote to Addie to-day.

13 Feb Thur. To-night after school I went home with Edith Brown a while.

14 Feb Fri. I did not go home to-night. I wrote to Lenna Toby to-night.

15 Feb Sat. Mr. Park went down to Addison this morning and I went with him. Carrie Sackett called this p.m.

16 Feb Sun. We all went to church this morning and evening. I rec'd a letter from Bertha Stead to-day. Harry came down this p.m. And I rode back up with him. I wrote to Myrtle to-night. It has been quite warm to-day.

17 Feb Mon. It is colder to-day.

18 Feb Tue. It has been quite cold and blustering to-day.

19 Feb Wed. It is still colder to-day. Several of the children are sick and I had only 6 pupils to-day.

20 Feb Thu. It is warm and pleasant to-day.

21 Feb Fri. Mr Park went down after Harry to night after school and I rode down with him. Aunt Anna has been to our house since Tuesday. There was quite a snow storm this a.m.

22 Feb Sat. Aunt Anna went home to night and Papa went home with her to stay till Monday. Mamma had a letter from Aunt Flo to-day.

23 Feb Sun. We all went to church this morning and Carrie & I this evening. Mama had a postal from Emma North that her father died yesterday morning. She did not write any particulars about it.

24 Feb Mon. I drove Harry's horse up this morning. It has been thawing to-day. The sleighing is very fine in some places.

25 Feb Tue. It is still warm and thawing to-night.

26 Feb Wed. It still continues to thaw and rained a little this morning. Robina Brown came up a while this p.m.

27 Feb Thu. The snow is still melting as fast as (..). I took my dinner to-day as Mrs. Park is away.

28 Feb Fri. It has been a very rainy day. I took my dinner again to-day. It rained hard to-night and I didn't get home. The water is very high. This after-noon the ice went out of the river.

1 Mar Sat. This morning Mr. Park started for Addison and I went with him but the water would have come up into the Buffy down in the narrows so we came back. It is a lovely day. The sun shines out so warm. This afternoon Mrs. Park and I walked down to the river to see the high water.

2 Mar Sun. it is a very rainy day. I wrote to Elsie Hunt to-day.

3 Mar Mon. It is colder to-day and very windy. The water ha gone down some, but still deep in the road down toward Addison.

4 Mar Tue. It has even quite pleasant to-day. Has thawed a little.

5 Mar. Wed. It has snowed hard all day and is still snowing to night. I rec'd a letter from Carrie to night.

6 Mar Thu. It has been thawing to-day so quite a good deal a of the snow has gone. I took my dinner to-day. The walking was so bad.

7 Mar Fri. Mr. Park went down this evening and I rode down with him. Papa has been to Norwich and rented a house. They expect to move there about the 1st of April.

8 Mar. Sat. Mamma had my blue waist ready to fit and she has been at work on that to day. In the afternoon Carrie & I went down town and I selected some embroidery for it. I also got a new black skirt, or rather cloth for it.

9 Mar Sun. We all went to church both morning and evening.

10 mar. Mon. I drove Harry's horse back this morning. It is getting very muddy but is pleasant to-day.

11 Mar Tue. It has been quite warm and pleasant nearly all day but looks like rain to night.

12 Mar Wed. It has been very warm to day.

13 Mar Thu. It has been quite like an April day to day. I took my dinner to day as Mrs P expected to go away.

14 Mar Fri. Carrie drove Harry's horse back this morning and stayed all day. I went down to night with her. There was a "y" social held at Mrs. Griffiths. Carrie & I both went and had quite a pleasant time. Rec'd a letter from Addie to day.

15 Mar Sat. We have all been quite busy to day as the folks are going so soon and there are so many things to do. Mamma is sewing on my new skirt. Rec'd a letter from Cora to day. Mrs. Park called this p.m.

16 Mar Sun. We all went to church this morning. It rained hard all the afternoon.

17 Mar Mon. Mr. Park ace down for me this morning as Harry went to Woodhull and did not get back. Mrs. Park's hired girl came to day. Linda Miles from Rathbone.

18 Mar Tue. It is very much colder to day and has stormed some.

19 Mar Wed. It has been quite cold and windy to day. I had only six pupils to-day.

20 Mar Thurs. It has been warmer to day. Mr & Mrs Park went away to day. Lida came over to school a while this afternoon

21 Mar Fri. I drove the horse down for Harry to night. Miss Morris was in a while this afternoon. I went to church with her.

22 Mar Sat. We washed and ironed and did a little of most everything to day. Among other things I packed my trunk as our folks expect to leave for Norwich next week and I have 8 weeks more of school. Mamma had a letter from Aunt Laura.

23 Mar Sun. We all went to church both morning and evening. It has been a beautiful day. Mamma, Carrie and I took a walk this p.m.

24 Mar Mon. Harry came down for me this morning. The Champlin's are moving away so we will have less pupils for a while anyway.

25 Mar Tue. It's another warm, pleasant day. Mrs. Young is down opening the day.

26 Mar Wed. Another warm day. The pleasantest day yet, I think. Mrs Park & Lida went up to Mr. Newcomb's this am.

27 Mar Thu. It is warmer and pleasant to day, and to night. I thought I would walk down a way with Edith and finally went on down home. They had nearly all the goods packed in the car and Mamma and Carrie went down to Elmira on 12.

Papa will finish packing and loading and will go tomorrow. Mr. Park came down in the evening and I went back with him and took up my trunk too.

28 Mar Fri. It has been a rainy day to-day. I have been so tired all day I could hardly move.

29 Mar Sat. It has been fairly pleasant to-day but the wind has blown so that I did not get out of doors any.

30 Mar Sun. It is Easter Sunday to-day. I did not go to church. In the afternoon Mr. & Mr. Park, Harry and I went down the river and across up on the hill. Soon after we got there it began to rain so we came back but had to wait down to one of the cottages for it to stop raining.

31 Mar Mon. It has not been very pleasant to-day. I received a letter from Carrie in Elmira also the Journal to-night.

1 Apr, Tue. The ground is white with snow this morning. It has been quite cold and blustering all day.

2 apr Wed. It has been cold and blustering again to-day.

3 Apr Thu. Another cold wintry day.

4 Apr Fri. Not quite as cold to day but not very pleasant.

5 Apr Sat. It is quite nice to-day. I received a letter from Carrie to-day. This afternoon Lida and I took a walk in the woods. We found buds of arbutis, but no blossoms. I took Mrs. Park up to Rathbone this p.m.

6 Apr Sun. This morning Harry & I went up to Rathbone and Mrs. Park & I went to church. It rained all the afternoon. I wrote to Carrie, Blanche P and Anna H this p.m.

7 Apr Mon. It has been cloudy but not very cold. To-day.

8 Apr Tue. It has rained hard all day. I took my dinner to-day.

9 Apr Wed. Another rainy day. I received a letter from Anna Halbert to night. I wrote to Cora H. To night and sent her a little (slick) protector that I have been making.

10 Apr Thu. It has not rained much but has been cloudy all day. I received a letter from Carrie to-night and one enclosed from Myrtle Thompson.

11 Apr Fri. It has been pleasant most of the day but rained hard when school was out. I was going to look for arbutus to-night but could not of course.

12 Apr Sat. It has been a genuine April day. Pleasant by spells, rainy, windy, etc. This forenoon I went up in the woods and found some arbutus. Mrs. Park & I went up to Rathbone this p.m. A little while.

13 Apr Sun. EASTER. I did not go to church to day. The weather has been much like yesterday. This afternoon Harry, Livi, Mrs. P. And I went out in the woods for arbutus and found quite a lot. I wrote to Carrie and Addie to-day. Robin a Brown came up a while this fore-noon. I went home part way with her.

14 Apr Mon. It has been a little pleasanter this p.m. I have 3 new pupils to-day making fifteen in all.

15 Apr Tue. It has been a lovely day to day. After school Harry, Lida and I went after arbutus and found quite a little.

16 Apr Wed. it has been rather warm and pleasant to-day. I went up in the woods a little way to night and found a few flowers. I rec'd a letter from Lenna Toby to day.

17 Apr Thurs. It is pleasant again to-day. I rec'd a letter from Carrie to-night. I went up in the woods again to-night and found a fe flowers.

18 Apr Fri. Another pleasant day. To-night after school Minnie & Burton McCaig went with me after flowers. We went a long way ad found quite a little arbutus.

19 Apr Sat. This afternoon Mrs Park, Harry and I went down to Addison. We took some arbutus down to the cemetery. I had some errands to the stores, etc. Harry took us up to Mrs. Youngs to stay till to-morrow.

20 Apr Sun. Mrs Park, Mrs. Young and I went to church this morning. Harry came up for us this p.m. We stopped along and picked hepaticas on our way down. It is warm and lovely to-day I wrote to Carrie this p.m.

21 Apr Mon. It has been very warm and pleasant to-day. I sent some arbutus to Carrie this morning.

22 Apr Tue. It is still warmer to-day. Mrs. Park and I went down by the track to-night and got some dandelions for "greens."

23 Apr Wed. It has been warm to-day but very windy too. I received a letter from Mamma and Carrie to-day.

24 Apr Thu. It has been colder to-day and very windy too.

25 Apr Fri. it has been rather cold and not very pleasant to-day. It rained some in the night.

26 Apr Sat. It is rather warm to-day but very windy. I have stayed in the house all day to-day.

27 Apr Sun. It has been quite windy to-day, but not as bad as yesterday. Mrs. Park, Harry and I went after arbutus this p.m. Across the river. We got a lovely lot of it and also got very tired.

28 Apr Mon. To-night after school I went up the road. Called a while at McCaig's and went over and got some "mountain pinks." I rode back with Mrs. Park who had been to Rathbone. When we got back Miss Cami & Mary Sackett and Miss Prince had been here and we're in the woods after flowers. They came in and called a while.

29 Apr Tues. It has been colder to-day and has rained some.

30 Apr Wed. It has been warmer and pleasanter to-day.

1 May Thurs. It has been pleasant to-day. to-night after school work all the children and I went up the road after flowers, laurel, etc. to trim school house as to-morrow is Arbor Day.

2 May Fri. It is Arbor Day to-day. We had school to-day the same as usual until Reese's in the afternoon. Then we had some recitations, took a long walk in the woods. Minnie and Martha McCaig were down and went with us too. We had a lovely walk.

3 May, Sat. It is quite warmer and pleasant to-day. This afternoon I went down to Mr. Brown's a while and called at Mr. Reynolds on my way back. Mrs. Park went home to-night to stay till to-morrow and Dell came down here to-night.

4 May Sun. This morning it was cold, windy and rainy. this afternoon it was pleasant but there was a thunder shower just at night. I wrote to Carrie and Anna H to-day.

5 May Mon. It looked very dark and like rain this morning but has not rained finally. I received a letter from Cora Halbert to-day. We went out again after greens to-night.

6 May Tue. It was quite cold this morning, but grew warmer this p.m and rained some toward night.

7 May Wed. It has been quite warm to-day. To-night I went up in the woods and got a large bunch of flowering wintergreen. I received a letter from Elsie Hunt to-night.

8 May Thur. It has been nice to-day. Lida came over to school a while this afternoon and after school she and I walked up and met Mrs. Park who was coming down from Newcomb's. Lida and I took a little walk down by Mr. Osborne's to see the peach trees this evening. They are all in blossom and are very pretty.

9 May Fri. It is quite cold and windy to-day. I received a letter from Carrie to-night.

10 May Sat. There was a hard frost last night and it was very cold to-day. This afternoon Mrs. Park and I went down to Addison. I called at Miss Morris's and at the Sackett's. Also did some errands.

11 May Sun. It is very cold again to-day. But not quite as cold as yesterday. I wrote to Carrie and Catherine Mills to-day. Mrs. Park and I went up after Lida to-night

12 May Mon. It has been warmer to-day. I went up to Mr. McCaig's a while after school.

13 May Tue. It has been cloudy and looked like rain nearly all day. Winnie and Martha McCaig, Lida, part of the children & I went up in the woods for flowers to night.

14 May Wed. It has been quite warm and pleasant. I walked down with the children to-night after school and called at Mr Brown's a while. I received a letter from Addie to-night.

15 May Thu. I walked down with the children to-night and called on Mr. Barker a while. Lida and I went up to Mrs. Newcomb's this evening. We stopped at Mr. McCaigs a while. I received a letter from Carrie to-night.

16 May Fri. It was my last day of school here. We had a few exercises. Lida, Winnie and Martha McCaig were there. After school Winnie, Martha, Ruth, Burton, Lida and I went boat riding. We had a lovely time.

17 May Sat. I have been quite busy finishing out my register and packing some. this afternoon I went down to Mr. Osborne's but he was not at home, so Lida, her sister and I went down again this evening. He is the district clerk. We also went way up in the woods a long ways and had a nice walk.

18 May Sun. I went to Rathbone to church this morning. This afternoon Harry, Mrs Park, Delia Mills and I took a boat ride and went up on the roll-way. We got awfully tired. This evening Winnie and Burton came down and I took a boat ride with them. It was a lovely evening.

19 May Mon. Harry took me down to Addison where he went to school. I went up and stayed with Miss Morris till No 2 then went down to Elmira. Maude, Anna and I went down street this p.m. Aunt Anna and I went to a horticultural meeting this evening. It rained some this morning There was a letter and mileage here waiting for me from Carrie.

20 May Tue. I went up this morning and had your trunk sent over to the other depot. This afternoon Anna and I went down to Ed Morgan's and stayed still evening. It rained in the night and this forenoon. It has gotten cooler since the rain.

21 May Wed. Maude and I went up to the D & L depot this morning and I had my trunk checked to Norwich. I mailed the check to Carrie. This afternoon I went to school with Anna and she and I went down street after school. After supper Anna and I went up to Ed's and stayed all night.

22 May Thu. We came back down this morning in time for Anna to get to school. It is very hot to-day and rained some in the night. Aunt Anna and I intended to go up to Ed's and to an entertainment but we're so tired we did not.

23 May Fri. It is awfully hot to-day again. I started for Norwich at 12:00. Had an hour and forty minutes wait in Binghamton. Carrie and I went up to Aunt Alice's a few minutes this evening. There was a thunder shower soon after I reached her.

24 May Sat. Mamma and I went down town this morning. I took my hat to be trimmed. Linnie was down a while this morning. Mamma and I went up Aunt Alice's this p.m. Carrie and I went down town this evening. There was a hard thunder shower just at dark.

25 May Sun. Carrie and papa went to church this morning. It is rainy by spells to-day. I wrote to Mrs. Park this afternoon. Linnie came down to-night and we went to the Union Memorial Service at the M.E. Church. It rained quite hard during church to-night.

26 May Mon. Mamma and I did a very large washing to-day. Linnie was down this afternoon. I went home with her to get some eggs. Carrie and I went up to Aunt Alice's this evening.

27 May Tue. We ironed all the forenoon. This afternoon Linnie came down and we went down town to get my hat but it was not done. I received a letter from Katherine Mills to-day. She told about George Robinson's death. He was buried last Wednesday.

28 May Wed. It has been a cold wintry day. Has snowed quite a good deal. Linnie came down a while this p.m.

29 May Thu. It is cold but pleasant to-day. Aunt Alice and Linn came down this forenoon a while. I went up there a few minutes this a.m. I went with Linnie to a "tea" at Dr. Brown's to-night. Linnie and I went down to hear the band play a little while to-night. Aunt Alice was down this evening.

30 May Fri. Linnie came down this p.m. Carrie did not have to work this afternoon.

31 May Sat. It is a lovely day to-day but I was sick in bed all day.

1 Jun Sun. Carrie nor I did not go to church to-day. Linnie was up in the afternoon. Uncle Henry was here too for a while. It is quite pleasant to-day.

2 Jun Mon. Mamma washed this forenoon, Papa went to Worcester this morning to see about buying some potatoes.

3 Jun Tue. Linnie came down this forenoon and she and I went down street to do some errands. We ironed to-day. I rec'd a letter from Mrs. Park this morning.

4 Jun Wed. Aunt Flow. Uncle Charlie and Hazel came over to-day. They went to Aunt Alice's and stayed to dinner, then came down here to supper and stayed all night. Aunt Alice came down to supper. Arthur, Carrie and Linnie were here in the evening.

5 Jun Thu. The folks all went up to Aunt Alice's to dinner but we girls. I went up in the afternoon, and after they had gone Linnie and I went after greens down by the river. We found a nice lot. Aunt Alice, Linnie and Pearl Musson were here in the evening.

6 Jun Fri. Uncle Chas. Bought a carriage over here. Papa took it over to-day and Mamma and I went too. Mamma stayed and is going to make a visit of two weeks or so. We left her at Aunt Sarah Norths.

7 Jun Sat. I did quite a lot of baking etc. this morning. Walter came this afternoon. Linnie was down this forenoon.

8 Jun Sun. All went to church but me. I was sick. It has been a cold windy rainy day. I wrote to Mamma to-night.

9 Jun Mon. I felt better to-day but not well enough to wash. I wrote to Addie this afternoon. I went up to Aunt Alice's this afternoon a while. Linnie came down this evening.

10 Jun Tue. I went up to Aunt Alice's this forenoon a while. I wrote to Robina Brown this morning and Bertha Stead this afternoon. We went up to Aunt Alice's this evening.

11 Jun Wed. I washed to day. Linnie came down this p.m. And I went home with her a while. I wrote to Mrs. Park this afternoon. It has been rainy this afternoon.

12 Jun Thu. I ironed and did some banking this morning. Linnie and Linn came down this afternoon and I went home with them a while. It is quite pleasant to-day.

13 Jun Fri. Papa went to Utica this morning. I went down town this afternoon. And up to Aunt Alice's a while. I wrote to Minnie McCaig this afternoon.

14 Jun Sat. Received a letter from Mamma to-day and sent one to her. Carrie and I went down town this morning and up to Aunt Alice's a few minutes.

15 Jun Sun. We went to church this morning. Mr. Bolt called this p.m. We went up to Aunt Alice's to lunch to night, then went with Linnie to church.

16 Jun. Mon. I washed to-day. Went up to Aunt A this p.m. Rec'd a letter from Robina brown. Linnie came down this evening and we went down street then up to Aunt Alice's to roast some peanuts.

17 Jun Tue. I ironed to day. Wrote to Anna Halbert. I went up to Aunt Alice's this afternoon. Linnie and I took a walk this afternoon. Papa came home from Utica this afternoon. It is quite cold to day. Jessie Race and Emma Bloom called this evening.

18 Jun Wed. Papa went to Mt Upton this forenoon. I rec'd a letter from Addie to-day. Linnie came up this afternoon and stayed to supper. Aunt Alice was up in the evening.

19 Jun Thu. It rained quite hard this morning so Carrie took her dinner. I went up to Aunt Alice's to dinner. Linnie and I went down town this p.m. Mamma and Papa came this p.m. Linnie was down in the evening.

20 Jun Fri. Bertha Stead and her mother were in town to-day, and came in and made quite a stay. Miss Holden called this evening. Also Mrs. Hubbell and Mrs. Bloom. Mamma went up to Aunt Alice's this evening.

21 Jun Sat. Carrie and I went down town this evening to do some trading. aunt Alice, Mrs. Musson and Linnie were down in the evening.

22 Jun Sun. Carrie and I went to church with Linnie this morning. It was children's day at the Cal Baptist Church. This evening we went to the Episcopal church Union service. The baccalaureate sermon preached by Mr. Benton. This p.m. Carrie, Linnie and I went for a walk out in the country across the Rexford St bridge.

23 Jun Mon. We washed some to-day but it rained quite a good deal. I wrote to Bertha Stead to-day. Carrie & I went down street this morning.

24 Jun Tue. Rec'd a letter from Mrs. Park. Linnie and I went down street this a.m. It rained quite hard this afternoon and part of the evening. Carrie & I attended the commencement exercises this evening.

25 Jun Wed. It is very pleasant to-day. We ironed to-day. I received a letter from Bertha Stead to-day. It rained this evening.

26 Jun Thu. Linnie and I went down town this p.m. I received a letter from Mr. Smith and wrote to Mr. Crawford about the school work. Mr. Houghton tuned the piano this afternoon. Mamma and I went up to Aunt Alice's this evening. Carrie finished her work at the Pharmacy to-day.

27 Jun Fri. Carrie and I took quite a long walk this afternoon. Aunt Alice & Linnie were down this evening.

28 Jun Sat. Carrie and I went up to Aunt Alice's this p.m. To help make candy.

29 Jun Sun. It rained hard all day. Carrie & I went up to Aunt A this p.m. We went to church both morning and evening. I wrote to Linna Toby to-day.

30 Jun Mon. We washed to-day. It rained this afternoon. Carrie & I went down street this evening. Papa went to my Upton this morning.

1 Jul Tue. Papa came home to-day. Aunt Alice & Linnie were down this morning. Carrie and I went for a walk this evening and called at Arthur's on our way. Had a postal from Bertha that she and Addie were coming Thursday to spend a few days.

2 Jul Wed. Papa went over to Chas. Manwaring's to spend a few days and help in haying. Aunt Alice was down this afternoon and stayed to supper. She and Mamma went down to Mrs. Bloom's to call this evening. Carrie and I went for a walk on S. Broad St. This evening. It has been pleasant and nice to-day.

3 Jul Thu. Addie and Bertha came this afternoon on the milk train. We went down to meet them. We went up to Aunt Alice's this evening and later down street.

4 Jul. Fri. We went for a picnic to-day on West hill. Linnie went with us. It is nice and pleasant to-day.

5 Jul Sat. This afternoon Mrs. Bennet came down and we all went up to the *condensary*. It rained this afternoon. Aunt Alice, Uncle H. And Linnie were down this evening.

6 Jul Sun We all went to church to-day. We went to the Congregational this evening. We girls went for a walk down to the cemetery this afternoon. It has been cloudy to-day but has not rained at all.

7 Jul Mon. We washed to day. This afternoon we walked down to the fair grounds. Addie and Bertha went home this evening. Carrie and I went up to Aunt Alice's this evening.

8 Jul Tue. Carrie and I started for Mt Upton on the milk train at 11:45. Walter met us at the depot. Uncle Hobert and Aunt Anna came to Mrs. Cope's and stayed till evening. We attended the Alumni Reunion at G-ville held in the school building. We had a very pleasant evening. There were only 24 present. It was a beautiful evening..

9 Jul Wed. Belle, the children, Carrie and I went up to Aunt Laura's this forenoon and Carrie and I stayed till night. Walter, Carrie and I went up to prayer meeting this evening. It rained quite hard while we were there but stopped while we were coming home

10 Jul Thu. It was rainy this morning but cleared up and was pleasant this afternoon. We stayed at Mr. Cope's to-day. Went up to Aunt Laura's this evening to stay a day or two. I wrote to Mamma this afternoon.

11 Jul Fri. It is very pleasant to-day. This afternoon Anna, Minnie, Carrie & I went up to Mabel's and spent the afternoon. Mabel and Earl brought us back in the evening.

12 Jul Sat. Another pleasant a day This p.m. Anna, Carrie and I walked over to Mr. Peabody's and called. We went back to Mr. Cope's to-night Anna went down with us to spend the evening. Chalmers and Ethel stopped in a while and we had a "sing". Carrie received a letter from Katherine Mills to day that she would meet us in Gilbertsville to-morrow.

13 Jul Sun It is a beautiful day again. We went to church to-day. It was Children's Day to-day. Walter, Carrie & I went over to the school-house to meeting. Then to Gilbertsville where Katherine Mills met us and we went home with her. In the evening we went down to the school-house to meeting.

14 Jul Mon. This afternoon Katherine, Carrie and I went up to "Whitfords Glen" about two miles from Mr. Mills. It was very pretty there and we had a pleasant time. In the evening we all went fishing. Miss Lavina Nearing, Katherine's cousin went with us.

15 Jul Tue. Edna Johnson came to dinner to-day. it is quite rainy to-day. This afternoon we went down to Miss Nearings to tea and spent the evening.

16 July Wed. Katherine brought us home to-day. We started quite early and stopped in Morris's a few minutes to see Georgia Strait. Carrie went down to Mrs. Willey's to-night to tell her we were going to her house to-morrow, also up to Aunt Laura's to get the mail. We rec'd three letters from mamma to-night. I rec-d one from Mrs. Park also. She sent the school money at last.

17 Jul Thu. I wrote to Mrs. Park this morning. We went down to Mrs. Cone's and Allen Cope's to call, then stopped at Mrs. Willey's to dinner. On our way back we called at Mrs. Dibble's. Anna Halbert came down to Mrs. Wiley's also. It was quite rainy this morning. Cora, Anna, John and Frank Halbert, Walter, Carrie & I were invited to spend the evening at John Morris'. Which we did, and had a very pleasant time.

18 Jul Fri. Mr. Cope took Carrie and I to Gilbertsville this morning. We called at Mrs. Kinne's and Mrs. Dexter's this morning, then spent the day at Myrtle's. This after noon we called at Mrs. Browns. Thee was a reception held in the Presbyterian church parlor for Mr. Young (a surprise for him). We attended. Cora Halbert went with us. We had a very pleasant time but I got very tired. Did not get home till nearly twelve. Had a postal from mamma that we had better come home soon.

19 Jul Sat. It rained during the night and has been quite a rainy day. We rode up to Aunt Laura's with Chalmer this forenoon and stayed all day. Walter came up for us to night. We were invited to spend the evening at Chalmer's. Also John, Anna & Frank Halbert, Allen Cope and wife were there.

20 Jul Sun. It is rainy again this morning. Belle, Francis, Carrie & Walter went to church. It rained very hard this afternoon and the water rose very high. Cope's Brook over flowed and ran all over the flats, washing the roads and crops out and doing much damage.

21 Jul Mon. Walter took us to the depot this morning but no train ran till 7:00 the p.m. On account of washouts North of Mt Upton so we went back to Mr. Cope's. This afternoon Belle, the children, Carrie and I went up to Aunt Laura's. Carrie & I stayed till evening then we all went down to ssee the high water. It rained very hard this afternoon. Mrs. D.S. Bassett came this afternoon.

22 Jul Tue. We started for home again to-day. The trains are running all night. We started at 8:25 and reached home about 9:50. Aunt Ada and Maude are here spending a few days. It is rainy by spells to-day. We went up to Aunt Alice's a while this p.m. Papa came home from Manwaring's this p.m.

23 jul Wed. It is quite pleasant to day. We washed to-day. We all went up to Aunt Alice's this forenoon and had ice-cream. Aunt Ada & Maude went home this p.m. Mr. Cable from Guilford called to-day to see if Carrie would work for him a few weeks this summer.

24 Jul Thu. We ironed to-day. Papa started for Lyons this afternoon. It has rained some to-day.

Jul 25 Fri. We all went up to Aunt Alice's this evening. Carrie and I went down for a walk this evening.

26 Jul Sat. Aunt Alice and Linnie came down this evening. A fire on S Broad St. Broke out about 2 o'clock. We all went down to see it and stayed about two hours. It destroyed two buildings and burned two others some.

27 Jul Sun. It is very rainy this morning. We all went to church but mamma. This evening we all went. Linnie came down this afternoon a while.

28 Jul Mon. arrive took the 6:20 train for Guilford to Mr. Cable's to stay a few weeks. We washed to-day. I wrote Addie this afternoon. Linnie & I went down to Mrs. Foster's to call this evening. Papa & Mamma attended a Temperance Meeting this evening.

29 Jul Tue. We ironed to day. It is quite warm to-day. mamma & I went up to Aunt Alice's this afternoon. I went down to the P.O. This evening.

30 Jul Wed. It is quite warm to-day. I wrote to Carrie this p.m. We all went up to Aunt Alice's to have some lemon sherbert this after noon. I sent our certificates to Com. Bolton this afternoon. I went down to the P.O. This evening.

31 Jul Thu. It is very warm to-day. I went down street this morning to do some errands. Mamma & I went to Aunt Alice's this p.m. Linnie & I went down street again. Aunt Alice, Linnie, & arrive were down this evening.

1 Aug Fri. It is warm again to-day, with showers in the afternoon. There was a band concert this evening and Linnie & I went down. Aunt Alice was down this evening. Our certificates came from Mr. Bolton to-day.

2 Aug. Sat. Not quite as warm this morning but getting warmer at night. We went down to corner of Silver & E. Main St. to see the street parade of Sawtilli's circus. It wasn't much of a sight. I went down street this afternoon to get some lace for my waist. Mamma & I went down to the P.U. this evening. Uncle Henry & Linnie were down this evening.

3 Aug Sun. We all went to church both morning and evening. It is a lovely day to-day. There were showers around this after noon but it did not rain here.

4 Aug Mon. We washed to-day. Mamma & I went up to Aunt Alice's this afternoon. Rec'd two letters from Carrie to-night. Jennie North wants me to help her for a few weeks. A letter from Addie also.

5 Aug Tue. We ironed to-day. I have been busy all day getting ready to go to Guilford. A letter from Mrs. Park this morning. Carrie came on mail to night. We are going out to see about schools to-morrow. Carrie & I went down street this afternoon.

6 Aug Wed. We hired a horse for the day and went in several directions to see about schools. I had word by telephone from Mrs. Woodruff that I might have their school so didn't look further. Carrie did not get one for certain. Carrie and papa went over as far as Guilford. Carrie stayed over. I went on the evening train to Guilford to help Jennie a while.

7 Aug Thu. Carrie drove up to Mr. Wacksford's this afternoon and I rode up with her. She had a letter from a trustee south of Norwich saying that she might have the school. Jennie has nine boarders now and expects more in a few days.

8 Aug Fri. It has been a queer day to-day. Pleasant and rainy by spells. Carrie came over and met me this p.m. In the boat and I went over a while. I wrote to Addie this evening.

9 Aug Sat. It has been a beautiful day. Jennie, Miss Dawley and Miss Clayton went to Sidney to-day to camp-meeting. Carrie came over a while this evening, then she and I went across the lake to Guilford.

10 Aug Sun. It has been a cold, rainy day. No one went to church from here. Carrie came up a while this p.m. I wrote to Mrs Park to-day.

11 Aug Mon. We washed some to-day, but it rained this afternoon and hindered us some.

12 Aug Tue. We finished washing and got the clothes dried to-day. It is quite pleasant to-day but windy and cool. Charlie North and C. Came up this p.m. To stay a few days. I wrote to Mamma this afternoon.

13 Aug Wed. Charlie went home this morning and Eunice went down to camp-meeting to spend the day. Miss Dawly and Clayton went to Chenango Lake to-day. Carrie came up this afternoon a while and we went out in the woods for a walk. Mr. Thom came home to-night from New York quite sick.

14 Aug Thur. Another pleasant day. Aunt Sarah came home from Sidney camp-meeting to day where she has been spending a week or so.

15 Aug Fri. It is warm and pleasant to-day. Miss Clayton and I intended to go for a drive this afternoon but she was sick so we could not go. I went down to Guilford with Miss Dawly this afternoon. Mailed a letter and package to Addison.

16 Aug Sat. Lizzie North, and Mr and Mrs. Brown spent the day here to-day. This afternoon I went down to Mr. Cable's a while. Emma & I went down to Guilford to a play this evening. I enjoyed it very much. Mr. & Mrs. Craig's will come to-day.

17 Aug Sun. It is very pleasant to-day but I didn't go to church. This afternoon Carrie came up with Mr. Cable's horse and we went over to Aunt Flora's a little while. Had a very pleasant ride. Rec'd a letter from Mrs. Park to-day.

18 Aug Mon. This afternoon Miss Layton and I went over to Roots' Corners and back through Yaleville. We stopped in at Mr. Woodruff's a while to see about school. I am to begin the 2nd of September. I rec'd a letter from Mamma to-day. Uncle Harry came up to-day. Aunt Sarah went home with him.

19 Aug Tue. We washed some to-day. Carrie came up this afternoon a while. It has been rainy today.

20 Aug Wed. Carrie came up this afternoon while Libbie went home. Miss Dawley, Clayton Nettie Murray, Emma & I went down to the lake as it was illuminated to night. It was very pretty. We called at Mr. Woodcock's on our way. Home.

21 Aug Thur. I went down to see Carrie a while this afternoon. Miss Moore went home to-day.

22 Aug Fri. Carrie came over a while this evening.

23 Aug Sat. It is rather cold and rainy to-day. L birthday.

24 Aug Sun. Carrie drove Mr. Cable's horse down to-day so I went with her o church. It is pleasant to-day.

25 Aug Mon. We washed some to-day. Mr. Thom came down for the first to-day.

26 Aug Tue. Fannie Darling bro't Aunt Sarah home to-day. Emma went to Guilford to day. Carrie came up a while this afternoon.

27 Aug Wed. Jennie went to a Ladies Aid at Guilford this afternoon. Carrie and I went home to-night on the evening train. Libbie took us down. We called at Charlie Genson's a while before train time.

28 Aug Thu. We washed to day. Walter came in unexpected about noon. Papa Walter, Carrie & I went for a ride this afternoon. Carrie & I stopped and did some errands down town.

29 Aug Fri. Carrie & Walter went to Chenango Lake to-day. Papa went up to Mr. Stanbro's to work. I went down to Dr. Dunn's and had my teeth cleaned and one taken out this afternoon. Walter went home this afternoon.

30 Aug Sat. I went this morning and had three teeth filled. Aunt Alice went with me and had one pulled. Mamma, Linnie Carrie & I went down to Carrie's school house and drove over to see the wreck on the D & L. In the evening we went down and did some errands. I have been trying to pack up some for school next week.

31 Aug Sun. We all went to church but Mamma. It is very hot today. We all went this evening to the First Baptist Church (Union Service). Aunt Alice and Linnie were here when we came back.

1 Sept Mon. It is Labor Day and Norwich is celebrating. We went up to Aunt Alice's to see the parade this a.m. I have been packing up my things for school tomorrow. I went down to Guilford on the evening train to night. Mr. Woodruff met me at the depot.

2 Sept Tue. I began school to day. Had eleven scholars. We got pretty well organized for the first day. Carrie begins her school too, near Norwich.

3 Sept Wed. It is very pleasant to day. Some of the children attending Norwich fair so had only eight pupils this p.m.

4 Sept Thu. It is rainy this morning. Misses Clayton and Dawly, Mrs. Gilbert and Mrs. Swift called this morning at the school house a few minutes.

5 Sept Fri. Tonight after school I went over to Mr. Toby's a few minutes. It is very cold to day.

6 Sept Sat. There was quite a frost last night. I have not done much of anything to day. It is very cold but is warming up toward night and seems some like rain.

7 Sept Sun. It rained last night but cleared up and is quite pleasant. All went to church but me to day. I rec'd a letter from Carrie to-day. I wrote to Mrs. Park and Mamma this afternoon.

8 Sept Mon. it is very warm and pleasant to-day. Bertha was down a while this evening and Addie and I went home with her a while. Mr. Woodruff went to Syracuse to attend the State Fair to day. There were four new pupils to-day making 17 in all now.

9 Sept Tue. It has been rainy more or less to day. There was a very hard shower this afternoon.

10 Sept Wed. It is quite pleasant to day. I stopped at Mr. Mc Pherson's a while to night. The folks all went to Bainbridge to day.

11 Sept Thu. It is quite cool to day but pleasant. I rec'd a letter from Carrie to night. Mr. Woodruff came home to night.

12 Sept Fri. Nothing out of the usual line to-day that I think of.

13 Sept Sat. It is quite cool to day. I stayed here all day. It rained this forenoon quite hard. Bertha was down this evening quite a while.

14 Sept Sun. We all went to church except Addie who was not well enough to go. It was very cold this morning. Bertha was down this evening. I wrote to Mary Comell and Carrie to-day.

15 Sept Mon. There was a hard frost last night. It has been quite cool to-day. All day I rec'd a letter from Mamma to-day. Addie is feeling quite badly to-day.

16 Sept Tue. It has been quite warm and pleasant to-day.

17 Sept Wed. Another warm day. I stopped at Mr. Stead's a few minutes to-night. Bertha was down this evening and I went home with her a few minutes.

18 Sept Thu. It is pleasant to-day. I stopped at Mrs. Stead's this morning a while.

19 Sept Fri. I stayed all night with Bertha Stead last night. Mr. Woodruff took me to Guilford to-night. The ladies of the M.E.church served ice-cream to-night. I stayed at the church a while and had some cream. Took the evening train to Norwich. Carrie met me at the depot. Belle Cope and her children are here visiting for a few days.

20 Sept Sat. This p.m. Bell, the children, Carrie & I went down town to do some errands. Carrie & I each bought a new fall hat. This evening Aunt Alice and Linnie came in a while, also Mr. & Mrs. Bennett, Mr. & Mrs. Race.

21 Sept Sun. All but Papa went to church to-day. He has been watching a case of possible small pox for the last two nights. Carrie & I went to church this evening.

22 Sept. Mon. Chalmers and Ethel Pope are visiting in town and called this morning. I went to Oxford at 12:53 to attend Teacher's Institute this week. Belle and the children expect to go home to-morrow. There was only a half day session of Institute to-day. This evening a reception which I attended. Had a very pleasant time. I am boarding at Mrs. Baker's. There are six others there.

23 Sept Tue. It is very warm and pleasant to-day. This evening I attended an illustrated lecture on "London" given by Com. Smith. It was very good.

24 Sept Wed. It is rainy to-day. An illustrated lecture on volcanoes by Dr. Red way. It was very good.

25 Sept Thu. Rained again to-day. Dan forth Ainsworth gave a lecture to-night which I attended. After that we went up to the Opera House and watched the dancing a while.

26 Sept Fri. Institute closed at 22:30 to-day. I could not get home till 4:28 p.m. So waited there at Mrs. Baker's. Aunt Alice and Linnie came down this evening a while.

27 Sept Sat. We washed a little to-day and did a little of most everything. Carrie & I went down street this evening and afternoon. Aunt Alice and Linnie were in this evening.

28 Sept Sun. I went home on the milk-train to-day. Mr. Woodruff met me at the depot. It is rainy to-day. Addie is sick yet. She has bilim's fever.

29 Sept Mon. It is rainy to-day. I thought about going over to Elsie's to-night but it is so dark and rainy I did not.

30 Sept Tue. Rainy again to-day. I went over to Elsie's to-night after school. Am going to stay with her the rest of the week while her father is away. Mr. Hayne's was taken sick to-day.

1 Oct Wed. It is still rainy. I went over to see Julia Bloom a while after school. She is sick.

2 Oct Thu. Rec'd a letter from Mrs. Park to-day.

3 Oct Fri. I went up to Mr. Stead's this morning to have Alvin write his name. It is still rainy and muddy.

4 Oct Sat. I went over to Mr. Woodruff's this morning and stayed all day helped Mrs. Woodruff. Rec'd letters from Bertha Stead and Carrie.

5 Oct Sun. Elsie went to church to day. I went over to Mr. Woodruff's. Wrote a letter to Carrie. I went back over to Mr. Hunts this afternoon.

6 Oct Mon. I rode down to the school house with Mr. Hunt this morning. I went back to Mr. Woodruff stop stay to-night. We had a new pupil to-day. Ward Randall.

7 Oct Tue. It is quite cold and rainy to-day.

8 Oct Wed. I went up to Mr Stead's to-night to do an errand for Mrs. Woodruff.

9 Oct Thu. It is very rain this morning but cleared off.

10 Oct Fri. There was a very hard frost last night. It has been cold all day. I went up to Mr. Stead's this evening. Bertha came home from Utica to stay a few day's, to night.

11 Oct Sat. It has looked like rain all day but has been quite warm and rather pleasant. Bertha was down a while this morning.

12 Oct Sun. It is a very pleasant day to-day. I did not attend church. I wrote to Myrtle Thompson and to Carrie to-day. Mrs. Stead and Bertha were down a while this p.m. And I went with them down to Rial Steads.

13 Oct Mon. I went up to Mr. Steads this evening. Mrs. Stead and Ethel have been to Norwich to-day and went to our house and got some things for me. It has been very windy to-day. Rec'd a letter from home to-day.

14 Oct Tue. It has been quite cold and windy to-day. I went up to Mr. Steads to take some letters to have mailed this morning.

15 Oct Wed. It was real cold this morning but looks like rain to-night and is warmer.

16 Oct Thu. Mrs. Stead and Ethel came down this evening. There was a total eclipse of the moon to-night. Ethel stayed down till the eclipse. We stayed up to 12:30. Then I went part way home with Ethel.

17 Oct Fri. It has been quite cold to-day.

18 Oct Sat. I have been helping Mrs. Woodruff to-day. She has a sore eye so she cannot work very well. Ethel was down this p.m for a while. Rec'd a letter from Carrie to-night.

19 Oct Sun. It is a lovely day to-day but ended with a thunder shower to night. I wrote t Mrs. Park to-day and to Mamma. I did not go to church to-day.

20 Oct Mon. It is colder this morning and has been very windy to-day. Had a short letter from Carrie to-day.

21 Oct Tue. It is quite cold to-day and very cold to-night.

22 Oct Wed. It froze very hard last night but has been getting warmer to-day. Addie came out in the kitchen for the first this morning (to eat). I talked with Jennie North on the phone this morning.

23 Oct Thu. I wrote to Miss Sackett to-night. Miss Yale is here doing some sewing for Miss Woodruff.

24 Oct Fri. It has been very windy to-day and rained just at night..

25 Oct Sat. It is quite pleasant to-day. I went over to Elsie's a lLittle while this p.m. Mrs. Stead came down this afternoon. I rec'd a letter from Carrie this p.m.

26 Oct Sun. I went up and went to church with Mr. Stead's people to-day. it is very windy and cold to-day. I wrote to Bertha Stead and Carrie this p.m.

27 Oct Mon. It is rainy to-day.

28 Oct Tue. Another rainy day. Rec'd a letter from mamma to-night.

29 Oct Wed. It is quite cold and has snowed some to-day.

30 Oct Thu. It is cold this morning and is frozen hard. Aunt Flo came over to Mr. Stead's this p.m. And Jessie & Hazel came down to school and stayed a while. I stopped at Mrs. Stead's a while on my way home from school

31 Oct Fri. It is a little pleasanter to-day.

1 Nov Sat. I went to Norwich on the 9:25 this morning. Mr. Haynes took me over. Our folks were just moving the last load of goods to a place across the river about a mile from Norwich. We put down the carpets this p.m. And got settled quite a bit. Papa has taken a wood job a mile or two from here.

2 Nov Sun. None of us went to church to day. It is a lovely day. Uncle Henry came over this p.m a while. We all went for a walk down by the river.

3 Nov Mon. I did not go back to school to-day, nor Carrie did not. We have been cleaning carpets and putting them down, and getting straightened. It is another lovely day to-day.

4 Nov. Tue. Another warm day. Linnie came over this morning and stayed all day. We have got pretty well settled. I went down with Linnie this afternoon. Stayed to Aunt Alice's to supper and took the evening train to Guilford. Mr. Woodruff met me at the depot.

5 Nov. Wed. it is warm and pleasant to-day.

6 Nov Thu. It has threatened rain all day but not rained much. I rode down this morning with Alvin and Ethel on their way to Bainbridge.

7 Nov Fri. it is colder this morning, but pleasant this afternoon.

8 Nov Sat. I received a letter from Anna Halbert this morning. It is cold but pleasant to-day. Anna Hutchinson came down a while this afternoon. I went with her up to Mr. Stead's a while.

9 Nov Sun. I went up to Mr. Stead's and went to church with them this morning and stayed up till night. Bertha came home last night. Bertha, Mrs. Stead. And Ethel came down a few minutes this evening. I wrote to Mamma this evening.

10 Nov Mon. It is quite cold to-day. Rec'd a letter from Mary Cornell Smith to night.

11 Nov Tue. It was quite cold this morning but grew warmer and rained this afternoon. I went up to Mr. Stead's to-night a while to get some pieces for speaking.

12 Nov Wed. Not very cold to-day and seems like rain to night.

13 Nov Thu. I went up to Mr. Stead's and stayed all night to-night. It has been warm and a regular Indian Summer day.

14 Nov Fri. Another beautiful day. Leon came over after me to night to stay over Saturday Sunday.

15 Nov Sat. It is very warm and pleasant to-day. Uncle Chas went to Norwich to-day and Mamma came home with him to-night to stay until Monday.

16 Nov Sun. We all attended church to-day. Mr. Wild preached. Jessie brought me over this afternoon. It is not nearly as pleasant to-day.

17 Nov Mon. It is warm to-day.

18 Nov Tue. Warm to-day, and quite pleasant. Alvin & Ethel were down this evening.

19 Nov Wed. Rainy this morning but has been pleasant most of the day.

20 Nov Thu. Quite warm and pleasant to-day. Went up to Anna Hutchinson's to-night to stay all night. Mrs. H drove round this way from Guilford and I rode home with her.

21 Nov Fri. Mrs. H and Anna went to Bainbridge to day and I rode down to school with them. Warm again to-day.

22 Nov Sat. It is quite pleasant this forenoon. I went over to Elsie Hunt's a while this forenoon. Anna and Lester Hutchinson cleaned the school house to-day. It is rainy this afternoon and seems colder to-night.

23 Nov Sun It snowed a little in the night, and is cold and windy to-day. None of us went to church.

24 Nov Mon. Addie & I went up to Mr. Steads to night for Alvin to sign the register.

25 Nov Tue. It is pleasant to day. Aunt Flo brought Jessie over to-night as Clella is expected from Syracuse to-night and Jesse has the chicken pox. I went over to Mr. Frank's to-night to get two month's wages.

26 Nov Wed. It is rainy more or less all day. I am not going to teach any more this week.

27 Nov Thu. It is Thanksgiving Day to-day. Mr. Woodruff took me to the depot and I went home. I walked over from the depot. Carrie came home last night.

28 Nov Fri. It is a cold blustering day. Carrie taught to-day. She walked down town then rode her wheel down and rode back at night.

29 Nov Sat. Quite cold but not as bad as yesterday. In the p.m. Carrie & I went down town and did some errands. Stopped at Aunt Alice's a while. It is very muddy and bad walking.

30 Nov Sun. Papa took me over to the depot this morning and I went back to Guilford. Mr. & Mrs. Woodruff and Addie went to church and I went back with them. It began snowing hard about three o'clock this afternoon. I wrote to Georgia Straight this afternoon.

1 Dec Mon. It snowed about two inches last night and is quite cold this morning.

2 Dec Tue. It is warmer to day and quite pleasant. I received a letter from Myrtle Thompson to-day. I am working on a handkerchief for Mrs. Park for Christmas.

3 Dec Wed. It has rained quite a good deal to-day.

4 Dec Thu. It snowed some to-night.

5 Dec Fri. It has snowed quite a good deal during the night and snow quite hard during the forenoon. Was Pleasant in p.m.

6 Dec Sat. It has been quite pleasant to-day. There is enough snow so that people are going in sleighs to-day. Addie & I went up to Mr. Steads a while this p.m.

7 Dec Sun. None of us went to church to-day. It is so cold and stormy. I wrote to Mamma to-day.

8 Dec Mon. It is quite wintry to-day. Mr. Haynes went down to the school. House and built the fire this morning it was so cold.

9 Dec Tue. It is very cold and blustering to-day. There is enough snow to make good sleighing.

10 Dec Wed. Not quite so cold to-day. Mr. Burton is going to build fires now. A good deal warmer to night. Rec'd a letter from home to-night. Also one enclosed from Katherine Mills. Mr. & Mrs Woodruff and Addie went to a soldier's reunion at Guilford to-night.

11 Dec Thu. It has snowed some to-day and was very windy this morning.

12 Dec. Fri. It is quite mild and pleasant to-day. I went over to Elsie's to night to stay all night.
13 Dec Sat. It was snowing hard at day light this morning and kept it up all day and was very cold and blustering, so that I did not go back to Mr. Woodruff' stop-night.
14 Dec Sun. It is bright and pleasant this morning and the storm is over. Mr. Hunt and Elsie went to church to-day and I went over as far as Mr. Woodruff's with him. A letter came yesterday from Carrie which I answered to-day.
15 Dec Mon. It is quite cold to-day but is getting warmer.
16 Dec Tue. It rained hard nearly all day. We had only five pupils to-day. I rode back with Mr. Bloom to-night. Rec'd a letter from Mamma to-night.
17 Dec Wed. It is cooler this morning and frozen up.
18 Dec Thu. Stormed some to-day and is quite cold. I stopped at Mrs. McPherson's a while this morning on an errand.
19 Dec Fri. It is warmer to-day. I am working quite hard (as usual) to get some Christmas presents finished up.
20 Dec Sat. Mr. Woodruff's people all went to Bainbridge to-day. I went up to Mr. Stead's and stayed most of the day. I used Mrs s. Machine to make an apron for Carrie for Christmas.
21 Dec Sun. We all went to church to-day. I rode back with Mr. Stead's people and stayed to dinner and finally all night on account of the rain. It has rained nearly all day and very hard this afternoon. Bertha Stead is home for her vacation and her friend Miss Molters from Montana.
22 Dec Mon. Mrs. Gridley came up to school to-night a few minutes. It threatened rain nearly all day. There was a surprise for Uncle Chas. To-night by his S.S. Class. I went with Mr. Stead's people. There were about 30 there. It was a surprise apparently and we had a pleasant time. We carried him a bible as a Christmas present.
23 Dec Tue. School closed to day for a vacation of a few days. We had some speaking but nothing elaborate. I managed to finish up my Christmas presents to-night.
24 Dec Wed. Mr. Woodruff brought me over to the depot this morning to take the train for Norwich. Carrie was waiting at Aunt Alice's and met me at the depot. It is quite cold to-day. Aunt Alice has invited us all over to spend Christmas tomorrow.
25 Dec. Thu. It is quite stormy to-day but we went over to Aunt Alice's. Frank Halbert was here and went also. Carrie, Arther Lynn were there. Walter came this afternoon, stopped at Aunt Alice's and came home with us.
26 Dec Fri. It is quite cold to-day. We made taffy to-night.
27 Dec Sat. Walter went this morning.
28 Dec Sun. Carrie and I went to church this morning. This afternoon I took Carrie down to her school. Linnie went down with us. It is quite cold to-day. Mr. And Mrs. Bennett called here a while this afternoon.
29 Dec Mon. We did part of the washing to-day. it is a cold blustering Tory day. Mamma is doing some sewing for me.
30 Dec Tue. We finished the washing to-day. It is quite pleasant to-day.
31 Dec Wed. Linnie came over this afternoon. Mr & Mrs Bennett stopped here to night to invite us over to spend the day tomorrow. Mamma will go I think.

END of 1902 DIARY

**1906 DIARY OF NELLIE (HELEN) CONVERSE CARR, 1878-1968. Age: 28. Copied.
Nov. 2016 by Alicia Ione Leonard McNutt Pagano, granddaughter of Nellie Carr.**

Notes and Comments1906.

This year Gma is teaching in the Leonard school house on the curve that bends from River Road and crosses Butternut Creek at Cope's Corners, Gilbertsville, and living with her parents in this locale. They moved to Norwich in November. Her sister Carrie is now married to Walter Cope and they have a child. Her Superintendent or Principal is Adelbert Leonard. By April there were 23 students (19 April) on the roll and they hung a bell for the school. (16 April). At that time neither of them knew that one day they would be related by marriage, the marriage of his son, Neil, to her daughter, Norma and they would be my grandparents.

The Leonards owned the dairy farm at the intersection of Rt 3 from Unadilla and River Road. They owned land up the mountainside across from their home and down into the "flats" at Butternut Creek. At one time, just a few centuries earlier, Native Americans lived and transversed this land up and down the whole valley. My grandfather found arrowheads in his hay fields and one day he gave me one. I had it made into a pin with a silver backing and I cherished it. But one day when I was at the American History Museum on the National Mall in Washington D.C, the secure clasp became disengaged. When I left the museum, I left this historic arrowhead as well. Enclosed within it is a documentation of a people and a history of our land before my grandfather's time.

Gma Carr's diary reminds me of the times I played by the tiny creek feeding into the Butternuts that was contiguous to the schoolhouse in which she taught. And memories of visiting my Aunt Trudie and Uncle Rolland Leonard who, at that time, lived in the school house refitted as a home. I wonder at the stories that building holds, of the children my grandmother taught and of her own life that is not revealed in this diary.

Winters meant getting ice for the ice house as documented by Gma as well (13 Feb, Feb 14). They were still getting ice in the 1930s when I spent time at the Leonard farm. My younger brother Stanley remembers the Leonard ice house in the 1960s. Still standing, tho empty. I remember one very cold day when the men were down on the "flat" and I wanted to go down to watch. My grandmother Leonard said, "yes you may go, but put on your long wool stockings first." I hated those itchy stockings, nothing like today's ski pants. And I refused to do it. She held her ground and I held mine. At the end of the day, no one had left the house.

Gpa Leonard left the whole property to his two sons, Rolland and Neil. When they sold the farm my father retained a small corner near the bridge just before Cope's Corner and built a home there for himself and his second wife. In the 1950s, he said the land had been in the family for over a hundred years and he wanted to keep part of it in the family. History is full of movement and transitions. Its inhabitants have changed many times, but the land with its revealed and untold stories remains.

This diary reminds me of the changes in teacher education from the time my grandmother taught in the one room school house to the years that I have taught in public school and the university. Gma and Mr. Leonard made decisions about the beginning and ending of school based on their immediate local needs. Today, schools follow a calendar usually prescribed by the State with defined hours and requirements for teacher certification.

This was an era in which phone service was being installed in Otsego County. Today our family documents the memory of the ring of the big wooden phone that hung on the wall of my grandparents' homes through a family tradition that connects us to our history. We toot our car horns with "two shorts, a long, and a short" when we leave after a visit with one another.

1906 COPY of DIARY of NELLIE CONVERSE Age 28,29

1 Jan Mon. 1906. We asked the Manwaring family and Carrie & Walter here to spend New Year's with us. They all came. Also Uncle Howard who happened to be in Mt. Upton. It was a fine day but no sleighing. Carrie & Emily stayed till evening when Walter came for them. We made two kinds of ice-cream for dinner. I took some with some cake up to Mrs. Austin tonight. Fred Carr was up there and came along with me and stopped to see the baby. Lenna Toby sent a little remembrance by Clella, a fancy plate.

2 Jan Tue. School began to day. I asked Fred and his father to come up tonight and have some ice-cream, which they did. I rec'd a Christmas remembrance from Roy also one from Mrs. Gibbs and a letter. A book from Roy and a very pretty handkerchief from her. Will Hood began work here to day.

3 Jan Wed. It began storming just as school was out. I rode up with the Bushnells children. It snowed till quite late in the evening then turned to rain.

4 Jan Thu. It was rainy this morning. I went over to Carrie's and stayed over night. She is alone now for the first week with the baby.

5 Jan Fri. Rec'd a letter from Addie also one from Roy.

6 Jan Sat. Papa went to Gilbertsville this a.m. And Mt Upton this p.m.

7 Jan Sun. We went to church and SS. I wrote to Addie and Roy this p.m. It is quite windy and cold to-day.

8 Jan Mon. I went up to Carrie's and stayed all night as Walter intended to go up to the meeting but did not go finally. Henry Guile is quite sick, so I went up to see him to-night.

9 Jan Tue. I went up to Aunt Laura's before school this morning and stopped to see Henry. He has quinsy and is quite sick.

10 Jan Wed. --

11 Jan Thu. Mamma went over to Carrie's this p.m. I went up to Mr. Leonard's after school. Mamma drove up for me on her way back. Rec'd a letter from Cora H tonight.

12 Jan Fri. Walter, Carrie & Emily called at the school house tonight. I went up to see Henry Guile tonight. Then went up to Aunt Laura's. Carrie & baby were up there and I went up home with her and stayed all night.

13 Jan Sat. I came home this morning. Papa went to Gville to-day. Rec'd a letter from Mrs. Park. Rec'd the school pins I ordered some time ago. Charley Murray came here today to work a few days.

14 Jan Sun. mamma & I went over to Carrie's this morning. Mamma stayed with Emily while Walter, Carrie & I went to church. I wrote to Mrs. Park.

15 Jan Mon. Quite mild to-day. Ice thawing. Mr. Gibson, a telephone man, came to-day to sell the phone to the Co. Stayed here all night. Mr. Bushnell and Charlie came down this evening to see Mr. Gibson. He stayed all night.

16 Jan Tue. Mr. Gibson and Papa went around to see the people who are to buy phones. Were gone all day. Mr. Bushnell & Gilbert were down in the evening to see Mr. Gibson.

17 Jan Wed. It is quite blustering this morning. Mr. Gibson took me down to school on his way to Mt Upton. Papa went to Mt Upton and was gone all day.

18 Jan Thu. Carrie & Emily have been over to day. Walter came over this evening to supper. Mr. Bushnell was down this evening. Quite windy this morning. Papa took me down to school.

19 Jan Fri. I rec'd a letter from Roy.

20 Jan Sat. Mama & I went to Gville this p.m. It was stormy in the morning but a nice afternoon. I sent out some money orders to the Youth's Companion and G.P Brown & Co for some Valentines for the children. We took a loaf of Graham bread and some buttermilk to Mr. Carr. When we came back he bro't out one of Fred's curls in a box to show us. I got me two pair of rubbers at Gilbertsville. Think they will last me a year maybe.

21 Jan Sun. We did not get around to go to church. It is a beautiful, warm day. 59 degrees in shade. Mr. Carr was up this afternoon a while. Carrie & Walter stopped on their way home from Mr. Gibson's (Well's). Their baby died this morning. It was nearly two weeks old. I wrote to Roy this p.m.

22 Jan Mon. Ralph Harris began working here to-day.

23 Jan Tue.--

24 Jan Wed. I went over to Carrie's and stayed all night. We are having beautiful weather this week.

25 Jan Thu. Mrs. Harris called this afternoon.

26 Jan Fri. Mamma went over to Carrie's this p.m. They went down to Mrs. Cole's and Dibble's to call.

27 Jan Sat. Another lovely day. Mr. Leonard called a few minutes this p.m.

28 Jan Sun. We went to church and S.S. Not as pleasant as it has been for several days.

29 Jan Mon. Quite cold today. Papa went to Mt Upton. Only 16 children at school today. The Camps all have whooping-fought, and the Rowe's but they come most of the time just the same.

30 Jan Tue. Warmer to night. Mary Gadsby helped me take down our old wreaths etc. and put up some new pictures. Papa went to Mt Upton again this p.m.

31 Jan Wed. --

1 Feb Thu. I went up to Aunt Laura's and stayed all night. Anna is home for a while for a short vacation. Aunt Laura is with Mabel who has a boy nearly a week old. The boys went over to Mr. Chalmer's and bro't over their phonograph this evening. I stopped to Carrie's and waited to

ride up wWith Anna and Ed. Mr. Camp's baby was buried to-day. Some of the children went to the cemetery.

2 Feb Fri. I stopped in to Mrs. Guides a minute. It is quite cold this morning.

3 Feb Sat. Mamma went over to Carrie's this p.m. It was 8 degrees below this morning.

4 Feb Sun. None of us went to church. Papa had a lame back. I went over and stayed with Emily so Carrie could go to church.

5 Feb Mon. It was very cold to-day.

6 Feb Tue. Thermometer 21 below zero here. Colder in some places.

7 Feb Wed. Rec'd letters from Lenna Toby and Roy also souvenir postal from Lenna. The funeral of Mr. Rowe's baby was held to-day. Gilbert and Bessie went.

8 Feb Thu. I went up to Mr. Leonard's to night. We have decided to close the school next week for a four week vacation.

9 Feb Fri. It is snowing hard this morning. Charlie Murray took me down to school on a sled. There were but 7 pupils out to-day. It nearly stopped snowing at noon. Mamma came for me to-night. It has snowed 7 or 8 inches I think.

10 Feb Sat. Mamma & I went over to Carrie's this p.m. Mamma stayed with the baby while Carrie and I went up to Aunt Laura's. The sleighing is fine. Roy came over this evening.

11 Feb Sun. We did not go to church. Roy went back this afternoon. Pleasant to day but quite cold to-night. Mrs. Lyon's Norwegian came over tonight and brought the other men who just came up from New York. One of them is to work for us.

12 Feb Mon. The Norwegian came to-day. A holiday being Lincoln's birthday. It is Fred Carr's birthday also and I made him a cake. He came up for it this morning. Papa and the new man went to G- this p.m. Papa & Charley Murray went up to Mr. Clapp's tonight.

13 Feb Tue. Papa & Axel helped Truair get ice today.

14 Feb Wed. Nearly everyone is getting ice now.

15 Feb Thu. I went over to Carrie's to-night a while after school.

16 Feb Fri. School closed tonight for a month's vacation. Papa and Mamma went over to Carrie's a while this p.m. The children have been riding down hill to-day. I rode a few times to-night.

17 Feb Sat. I walked over to Carrie's a little while this p.m. Stopped at the school house to get some paper and the mail at the box. Mr. Lyon's Norwegian boys were over this evening a while.

18 Feb Sun. We did not go to church. Papa & Mamma went over to Walter's this morning. Mamma is going to take care of Emily while Carrie goes to church. Not very cold but cloudy to day. Mr. Carr was up this evening.

19 Feb Mon. We did not wash to-day but put a comfortable on and finished it. Mama bound it off in the evening. Papa went to Mt Upton.

20 Feb Tue. Mamma washed three comfortables today and a very few things besides. We are not going to do the regular washing this week. Papa went to G-ville to get half a hog at the meat market. Will Wood is here with his gasoline engine sawing wood to-day. I am about sick with a horrid cold.

21 Feb Wed. We put another comfortable on to-day but can not finish it. They commenced sawing wood, but had to stop as it rained. The snow is going fast to-day. I wrote to Roy this p.m.

22 Feb Thu. Rec'd a letter from Roy. The men sawed wood to-day.
23 Feb Fri. The men finished sawing wood today. We finished our third comfortable to-day.
24 Feb Sat. Mr. Carr and Fred came up and played "Flinch" to-night. All played with us.
25 Feb Sun. Mr. Carr was up a while this p.m. I finished a letter to Roy.
26 Feb. Mon. We washed to-day. I am about sick with a cold. John MaCumber began work for a few days. Charley Murray is running the mill instead of Will Wood.
27 Feb Tue. Mamma went over to Carrie's to-day. I rec'd a letter from Elsie Hunt.
28 Feb Wed. --

1 Mar Thu. I went up to Chet Bushnell's this p.m.
2 Mar Fri. Rec'd a a letter from Lenna. Papa is drawing (..?) to Mt. Upton today.
3 Mar Sat. It is a very rainy day. I intended to go over to Carrie's but could not as it was so stormy. Mr. Bushnells was down this p.m. And again this evening to talk telephones.
4 Mar Sun. Papa and I went to church and S.S. Mr. Carr was up a while this p.m. It stormed some this p.m. Axel went over to Mr. Lynn's today.
5 Mar. Mon. I went over to Carrie's this p.m. Mrs. Guile is sick, and I went up to Aunt Laura's to enquirer after her. She has peritonitis and is very sick. I went down to Mr. Cole's . He and his wife are both sick.
6 Mar. Tue. I went over to Mr. Coles this morning and stayed nearly all the forenoon. Aunt Ada stopped for a while this p.m. On her way home from Mrs. Guile's. Florence Lynn called this p.m.
7 Mar. Wed. I went over to Mrs. Coles again this forenoon. Did not find there any improved. Papa & Mamma went to Uncle Charley's to-day.
8 Mar Thu. Mamma & I drove over to Mr. Cole's this morning to see how they were. Found them no worse. Their son & his wife came yesterday. We drove on up to Carrie's. C. & I then drove up to Mr. Guile's. Mrs. Guile's died yesterday.
9 Mar Fri. We washed a little today. We are quite busy quilting a quilt.
10 Mar Sat. We are quilting all our spare time today. Rec'd a letter from Roy.
11 Mar Sun. None of us went to church. I went over to Mr. Cole's and stopped at Mr. Lamphere's a few minutes. Then I went up to Carrie's and stayed all night.
12 Mar Mon. I came home early this morning. We did a two weeks washing today. The men are here surveying the farm today.
13 Mar Tue. We are working on a quilt most of our spare time this week.
14 Mar Wed. --
15 Mar Thu. I had a letter from Maude Davis that she is coming to morrow to stay a few days.
16 Mar Fri. Papa went to Mt Upton to-day. Maude came up on the noon train and came home with him.
17 Mar Sat. Papa went to G-ville and Mt Upton today. I rec-d a letter from Roy. Walter was over this morning.
18 Mar Sun. Mamma took me over to Carrie's to stay with the baby while Carrie went to church. Our folks all went to church. Walter bro't me home when he got home from church. This p.m.

Mamma took Maude over to Carrie's (to stay till tomorrow) and also called at Mrs. Dibbles & Cole's. I wrote to Roy.

19 Mar Mon. School began to-day with nineteen pupils. It was stormy when school was out. I rode up with the Bushnells children.

20 Mar Tue. Stormy again today. I rode up tonight with the children.

21 Mar Wed. Mary Gadsby has diphtheria. I went up to Mr. Leonard's to see him about closing school. I rode up with Mr. Bushnells to-night.

22 Mar Thu. I went up to Mr. Leonard's this morning. We decided to close school tonight.

Gertrude Bushnells has diphtheria in a light form. Papa came down for me tonight. It has been a rough day. There is quite a body of snow.

23 Mar Fri. --

**24 Mar Sat. Mamma & I went over to Carrie's and up to Aunt Laura's this p.m. When we got back we from up to Mr. Bushnell's to see how they are getting on. Gertrude is no worse.

25 Mar Sun. Papa & I went to church. Did not stay to S.S. I wrote to Elsie Hunt this afternoon.

26 Mar Mon. We washed today.

27 Mar Tue. We ironed to day. We put on and tied an old comfortable today.

28 Mar Wed. --

29 Mar Thu. We went to G-vile. (Mamma & I) this p.m. And got some cloth for waists, shirts, etc. Mrs. Gibbs has her sale to-day. Rec'd a letter from Roy. It is quite pleasant today.

30 Mar Fri. It is very rainy today. I am at working on a shirt waist. Mamma is cutting out some shirts.

31 Mar Sat. I finished my waist and cut out another. The snow has gone and it is very muddy again. Mamma & Papa went over to Carrie's this p.m.

1 Apr Sun. None of us went to church. A long, lonesome day.

2 Apr Mon. We washed today. Washed three quilts also. It is pleasant overhead but very windy and muddy.

3 Apr Tue. I am making a waist and a waist protector this week, and mamma is making some shirts. I went over to Carrie's late this p.m.

4 Apr Wed. Papa went up to Mr. Silvey's and mamma went over to Carrie's to spend the day.

This p.m. I went over and Carrie & I went up to John Morris's to see Pauline's camera and pictures she has taken with it. It rained some this p.m. Rained quite hard as we came home.

5 Apr Thu. Fred came up a minute to-night to see whether school began tomorrow. First time I've seen him since school closed. Gertrude Bushnell has been worse this week but is better now. Chalmers Cope is also very sick with pneumonia but on the gain now.

6 Apr Fri. --

7 Apr Sat. This week seems to have been a complete blank in some ways.

8 Apr Sun. Papa & I went to church and S.S. It is pleasant (rather) but the roads are bad yet.

9 Apr Mon. School began today. Nearly all are back except the Bushnells and Mary Gadsby. Rainy tonight. Charley came down for me. Fred rode up with us and stopped a while.

10 Apr Tue. Roy came over from Mt Upton this a.m. Stopped a while at Carrie's and rode on to the school house with Carrie on her way to G-ville. He went up home to dinner and stayed till

school was out. Then came down for me. It rained as school was out again. Charley took Roy back to Mt Upton tonight.

11 Apr. Wed. Several of the children were out today and yesterday.

12 Apr Thu. --

13 Apr Fri. --

14 Apr Sat. I received Easter cards from Ethel Stead and Roy and a card from Maude. Walter bro't Carrie and the baby over about noon. They stayed till night then I took them home. We had put on a comfortable for Carrie which we tied this p.m. It rained late this p.m.

15 Apr Sun. Easter. Sunday. None of us went to church. The roads were bad and I was nearly sick. I wrote to Ethel Stead this p.m.

16 Apr Mon. Rec'd another Easter Card from Lenna. Will Wood put our bell up on the school house Saturday. We rang it for the first to-day. We found 8 baby cats in mamma's closet to-day.

17 Apr Tue. I expect that Mrs. Gibbs and family start for Texas today. Mary Gadsby commenced school again to-day, after her sickness.

18 Apr Wed. I went up to Carrie's to stay all night. Walter went to G- this p.m. And brought home a Kodak which Carrie & I bought together.

19 Apr Thu. A Watts girl began coming to school today making 23 on our roll now.

20 Apr Fri. Rec'd a postal from Roy. They are between Buffalo and Chicago. Bessie & Gertrude Bushnell came down to the school house tonight after school. The first time Gertrude has been out since her sickness. Fred bro't us up a lovely eel this morning.

21 Apr Sat. Mamma and I went to Gville this p.m. To see about hats. I bo't a white sailor for common wear and am going to have my old one fixed up for best. mamma is going to have a new one. Papa went to G-vile this morning.

22 Apr Sun. Mamma & I went to church and S.S. We went over to Carrie's this p.m. We looked for hepaticas over in the dug-way but did not find any.

23 Apr Mon. Bessie Bushnell started in to attend school to-day. Rec'd a letter from Roy. They arrived in Texas Thu a.m. safely.

24 Apr Tue. --

25 Apr Wed. It is rather pleasant but windy today. Aunt Flo and Hazel came up today. I managed to get home early to see them a while. Winnie came home with me to stay all night.

26 Apr Thu. --

27 Apr Fri. Mr. *Quinby*?? Put In our phone tonight.

28 Apr Sat. I went over to Carrie's this p.m. We took the baby's picture but did not have time to develop them. Warm and pleasant today. I wrote to Lenna tonight.

29 Apr Sun. Carrie and Walter came round this way on their way to church and left the baby for mamma to take care of. Papa & I went to church. Mr. Mathis is away on vacation so Mr. Dunning came up and took his place. Carrie & Walter stopped to dinner. C. Stayed till evening W came over for her. Mr. Carr came up a while this p.m.

30 Apr Mon. --

1 May Tue. --

2 May Wed. --

3 May Thu. I was sick to day and not able to teach.

4 May Fri. Did not feel like teaching to-day. Rec'd a letter from Roy.

5 May Sat. Rec'd a letter from Lenna, enclosing a copy of the pantomime we want to learn for the close of school. Papa went over to Mt Upton and Mamma rode over to Carrie's with him.

6 May Sun. None of us went to church. Mr. Carr was up this p.m.

7 May Mon. School began to-day.

8 May. We had our Arbor Day exercising to-day. Mr. Leonard got in a tree (locust). Alice came down. No other spectators.

9 May Wed. Jesse came over soon after eleven and stayed till nearly night, or most of the p.m. We had such a nice visit & she helped me hang the skirt to my dress, also said got dandelion greens as I have a lame back and neck. Cool to-night.

10 May Thu. Bright but cool air and windy. I still have lame back & neck so can not do much. Wrote cards to Myrtle & Aunt C. Young also letter to Aunt Mary. I cut out a night gown and have it nearly made.

11 May Fri. Mamma & I went up to Mr. Bushnell's to-night. Bessie has been sick and not able to go to school for a week or so. Mr. Carr came up while we were gone and brought his churn that mamma wanted to borrow.

12 May Sat. --

13 May Sun. Carrie & Walter came over and bro't Emily and I went up to church with them. Papa had a lame back and could not go.

14 May Mon. We washed today. Mr. Carr was up a while this evening.

15 May Tue. --

16 May Wed. -

17 May Thu. A very hard thunder shower during the night. Judson Musson's barn has burned with tools, 10 calves, a horse, etc.

18 May Fri. Alice & Neil, Charlie, Mama & I went fishing; there was a hard thunder shower so we didn't stay. We were wet through. Another shower in the night.

19 May Sat. It is windy and disagreeable today. We managed to get a few flower seeds..

20 May Sun. I went over and got Carrie & the baby. She stayed with mama while we went to church. Walter drove up with the hired man, and came back with us. Mr. Carr was up this p.m. It is cold to-day.

21 May Mon. There was a hard frost last night. Warmer to-day.

22 May Tue. I went up to Aunt Laura's and stayed all night.

23 May Wed. Rec'd a letter from Roy.

24 May Thu. --

25 May Fri. --

26 May Sat. We cleaned the dining room to-day. It rained to-night.

27 May Sun. Memorial Sunday but we did not go to church as it was very rainy. Mr. Carr was up this p.m. Mamma & I went over to Carrie's this p.m.

28 May Mon. --

29 May Tue. Mamma washed to-day.

30 May Wed. Decoration Day. We cleaned the house all day. After supper we went over and called at Mrs. Peabody's. Mrs. Gibson's and Mrs. Dibbles.

31 May Thu. Mrs. Chas *Carl* died to day. She has been sick since Sat. With typhoid pneumonia.

1 Jun Fri. --

2 Jun Sat. Uncle Julius and Truair went to Mrs. Stebbings sale and Uncle J. Stopped here a while on his way home. Mamma took him home in the evening.

3 Jun Sun. We went to church. Did not stay to S.S. In the p.m. We all went down to the cemetery at Mt. Upton. Aunt Flo, Jessie and Hazel were there too. Mrs. Chas. *Caol's* funeral was held to-day and the burial took place while we were there. Mr Carr came up a few minutes this evening.

4 Jun Mon. We are busy practicing for exercises etc. for a social at the close of school next week.

5 Jun Tue. Papa went over to Uncle Charley's and stayed all night. Mamma went over to Walter's after a calf to night. A thunder shower this p.m.

6 Jun Wed. Papa came home early this morning before breakfast. It has rained some this p.m.

From Thursday June 7 Jun to Sunday August 1906 she did not write in the 1906 Diary.

26 Aug Sun. We all went to church & S.S. Looked like rain all day. Will came up this.m. We eat out by the blackberry vines. It is cloudy all the afternoon. Mamma went over to Carrie's this p.m. I have been so careless and negligent all summer I have not written in this. A summer unusually full for me of --both pain and pleasure.

27 Aug Mon We washed the white clothes but it was so rainy did not hang them out. We did quite a little sewing this afternoon.

28 Aug Tue. Cleared up this morning. We finished washing. We sewed this afternoon. I went up to Mr. Leonard's to-night We decided to have school begin the 17 of Sept.

29 Aug Wed. It is a lovely day. We ironed this morning. I went over to Carrie's this afternoon. Rode back wWith Walter. He went up to prayer meeting.

30 Aug Thu. Winnie St. John brought Aunt Sophronia over this morning to stay a few days and do some sewing for mamma. Pleasant to-day. The men have been getting in lots of millet today. I went blackberrying over toward the dug way but got only a few.

31 Aug Fri. Carrie came over this afternoon. The men made a "bee" and shingled the school house. Our folks were busy getting in millet and did not go. Pleasant to-okay. I rode down to the school house with Carrie to help her with the baby. Walked back with Will. He had been down shingling.

1 Sept Sat. Quite cool to-day. Papa went to Mt Upton this a.m.

2 Sept Sun. We all went to church and S.S. Quite cool to-day but warmer and seems like rain to-night. A beautiful evening.

3 Sept Mon. Rainy this morning. We did not wash.

4 Sept Tue. Very cool and windy to-day. We washed this p.m.

5 Sept Wed. We ironed this morning. Aunt Sophomia finished Mama's sewing. mama went to Norwich this p.m. I took her to Mt Upton and Aunt S went also. Pleasant today.

6 Sept Thu. Will came up a while this evening.

7 Sept Fri. Mamma came from Norwich to-day noon. She stayed at Mrs. Willey's till night. I went over for her. Warm and pleasant today.

8 Sept Sat. The men finished stacking and getting in millet today. It has looked like rain to-day but has not. We cut out a waist of mine this p.m.

9 Sept Sun. Mamma took care of Emily today. Carrie rode up with us to church. Carrie & Walter stayed to dinner.

10 Sept Mon. We washed today. Sewed on my waist this p.m.

11 Sept Tue. Papa started for Syracuse this's morning to attend the state fair. I took him to the depot.

12 Sept Wed. Mamma & I went over to Carrie's this p.m a while after supper.

13 Sept Thu. We cleaned Axel's room to day. Papa came this noon. I went over to Carrie's this p.m. Stayed all night. Nellie Moore was there visiting to-day.

14 Sept Fri. --

15 Sept Sat. --

16 Sept Sun. We went to church . Cold today.

17 Sept Mon. We washed and did most of the ironing.

18 Sept Tue. Mr. & Mrs. Watkins, Carrie & Walter went with us up on our hill and had a little picnic. It was warm and pleasant. Had a good time.

19 Sept Wed. Aunt Laura,, Emma and the children were over to-day to spend the day.

20 Sept Thu --

21 Sept Fri. --

22 Sept Sat. Aunt Flo and Hazel were up to-day. Carrie & Emily came over this after noon a while. Julia, Bessie & Gertrude came down a while.

23 Sept Sun. We went to church and S.S. Will came up this evening and we went for a walk in the woods.

24 Sept Mon. School began today. There were 19 in evidence, Harry Cope beginning. Quite cold today. Mamma & I went over to Carrie's to get some chickens, also up to Will Gibson's to see about getting Mrs. G to help paper.

25 Sept Tue. Mr. Wightman came this evening to do some cement work.

26 Sept Wed. --

27 Sept Thu. I went up to Will Gibson's to get Mr. G to help about papering (before school.) Saw Will a minute and gave him a little book I had for him. It is rainy this morning.

28 Sept Fri. Mrs. G stayed all night and she and mama finished the papering, got the carpet down, etc.

29 Sept Sat. We have been quite busy to-day getting straightened up from the plastering etc.

30 Sept Sun. We went to church and S.S. Mamma & I walked over to Carrie's this afternoon a while.

1 Oct Mon. My birthday. I am almost sorry that I have to be reminded that I am growing OLD. I am 29. Rec'd a letter from Ethel Stead saying that probably she & Alvin could not come and go with us to the fair as planned. Fred is back to-day after an absence of a month. Poor child, I hardly know whether to blame him or not.

2 Oct Tue. First day of Morris Fair. Pleasant.

3 Oct Wed. We let out school to-day for the Morris Fair. We all went. it is a pleasant day. Quite warm in the middle of the day. Mrs. Stratton rode back with us. Walter & Carrie went down with us to eat. Lunch. Axel and his sister also. To my chagrin, coming home I learned that Will was there and I didn't see him. I wanted to. How provoked I am at myself for being. So blind. Under the circumstances am most afraid he'll think I ignored him.

4 Oct Thu. Only 11 pupils. I have felt so depressed all day. Partly the reaction of yesterday's dissipation possible, but not entirely. Mamma washed to-day. Has been pleasant until just at night. sprinkled a little.

5 Oct Fri. Rained this morning.

6 Oct Sat. --

7 Oct Sun. We went to church and S. S. Will came up in the evening and he and I were going to church. We were started but the wagon broke and we had to come back. Rainy this evening. Mr. Weightan went to G-ville this a.m. And came back to-night.

8 Oct Mon. --

9 Oct Tue. Rainy to-night. Mary Chamberlain came home with me and stayed over night.

10 Oct Wed. Carrie came over this p.m. Walter came over for her and I rode up with him. Rainy again tonight. Mary Camp came home with us.

11 Oct Thu. Stormy this p.m. Snowed hard when I came home from school.

12 Oct Fri. Cold today. Froze hard to-night. Charley Murray came to-day to work a while.

13 Oct Sat. Mamma & I went to G-vile this p.m. I had my hat fixed a little and some other errands. Came home on the other side, and stopped at Carrie's a few minutes.

14 Oct Sun. We all went to church and S.S. Uncle Howard came this afternoon from Charley Prentice's to stay till to-morrow. Will and I went to church this evening. Union services at the P-church. An "echo" meeting from the Torrey- Alexander meetings at Binghamton. Mr. Barnes' and Mr Johnson spoke. It was very interesting.

15 Oct Mon. Uncle Howard went over to Carrie's this a.m. A while. Went back this p.m. Neil commenced building fires to day.

16 Oct Tue. --

17 Oct Wed. Sarah Rowe came home with me to-night and stayed all night.

18 Oct Thu. --

19 Oct Fri. mr. Eightan finished the cement job to-night. Papa took him home and stayed all night.

20 Oct Sat. Mamma went over to Carrie's a while this p.m. To get a chicken. Papa went to Mt Upton this p.m.

21 Oct Sun. No services in our church to-day. mr. Watkins being away on a two week's vacation. Papa went up to the Baptist services. It has been a long rainy day.

22 Oct Mon. Just tell them that you SAW me.

23 Oct Tue. I went to Carrie's and stayed all night. Has looked like rain all day.

24 Oct Wed. Carrie & Emily came over a while this p.m.
25 Oct Thu. --
26 Oct Fri. Mrs. Spencer, Peet and Bennett came today to move the hen house.
27 Oct Sat. Very windy all day. A thunder storm about six o'clock. Mrs. Willey came and Howard came over from Aunt Laura's to-night to stay a day or so.
28 Oct Sun. We did not go to church. No services in our church. It has rained a little and is cold and disagreeable. Wrote to Ella Shaver enquiring after Roy as we heard he was very sick.
29 Oct Mon. Mrs. Willy and Howard went this morning. I called at Mrs. Bushnell's to night.
30 Oct Tue.--
31 Oct Wed. Rained & snowed a little during the night. Is cool & damp this a.m.

1 Nov Thu. Mrs. Willey sent us over some of the venison. Mr. Willy and Mr. Camp together got one deer. Vernon gave us a piece of it at school also.
2 Nov Fri. --
3 Nov Sat. Aunt Flow and uncle Charley came over to-day. Carrie came over in the afternoon. Walter came in the evening and stayed to supper. Mr. Spencer went home to-night. Rec'd a letter from Ella Shaver in answer to one I wrote her asking about Roy. We heard he was very low. He is in a bad or rather serious condition I should think.
4 Nov Sun. We went to church. Rather pleasant, but cool.
5 Nov. Mon. I went over to Carrie's and went with them to G-vile to attend the first concert in the lecture course. It was the Grace Hier Co. Very good but not awful good. Carrie left the baby with Belle.
6 Nov. Tue. Election Day. We washed and did most of the ironing. I had to go down to the school house to get my papers etc. I left them last night.
7 Nov Wed. I wrote a letter for Fred to the Youths Corp Co. Will stopped for it on his way to Mt. Upton.
8 Nov. Thu. Mabel Rowe came home with me to stay all night.
9 Nov Fri. Mama went over to Carrie's this p.m. A while.
10 Nov Sat. Warmer today. And seems like storm.
11 Nov Sun. Rainy. None of us went to church. Rain turned to snow this p.m. Mr. Prentice was buried to-day. We intended to go to the funeral but it was too stormy.
12 Nov Mon.--
13 Nov Tue--
14 Nov Wed --
15 Nov Thu. It snowed several inches this p.m. And evening.
16 Nov Fri. Papa took me down to school at the snow was so deep. Some went in sleigh to-day.
17 Nov Sat. . Carrie and I went up to G-vile this afternoon. It rained some while we were gone. Aunt Laura and Uncle. Julius were over this evening.
18 Nov Sun. Papa went up to S.S. And Axel went too to get his teeth at the dentist's.
19 Nov Mon. --
20 Nov Tue.--

21 Nov Wed. I drove down this morning and to night after school drove up to Aunt Laura's to get Cora who came over and stayed all night.
22 Nov Thu. Emily's first birthday. Carrie & she came over this p.m. And Walter this evening. Mamma made her a little cake with one candle on it. Cora drove the home up home this morning and Carrie drove home this p.m.
23 Nov Fri. Laura White came down to school this a.m. And came up home with me to stay over night.
24 Nov Sat. Mr. Halbert came down to-day to stay all winter. I think and work for us. Laura went home this p.m. We went up to Aunt Laura's this evening
25 Nov Sun. We all went to church and S.S. I walked over to Carrie's this p.m.
26 Nov Mon. I went up to Mr. Leonard's tonight a while after school.
27 Nov Tue. --
28 Nov Wed. --
29 Nov Thu.--
30 Nov Fri. --

1 Dec Sat. -- 8 Dec Sat. No writing
9 Dec Sun. Mamma & papa went to church. I stayed and took care of Emily. Will came up a few minutes this a.m. Mr. H and I went to church this evening.
10 Dec Mon.--
11 Dec Tue. --
12 Dec Wed. I went over to Carrie's and stayed all night
13 Dec Thu. --
14 Dec Fri. Will came along and I rode part way home with him. Mr. Halbert too me down this morning.
15 Dec Sat. Mr. Halbert went to church. Emily stayed here.
16 Dec Sun - Dec 26 No writing.
27 Dec. Will came to the school house for Fred to-night. He has not been home to stay since last Sunday. He was feeling so blue--oh dear, if I could but do SOME thing. If I only knew WHAT to do.
LAST entry this year.

END of 1906 DIARY

