

The Diaries of Charles Jeffrey Parsons Brown 1860-1861

Charles J. Brown was the son of William and Lucretia (Gray) Brown of Epsom, born Mar. 31, 1829 in Epsom. He had 2 sisters, Susan Elizabeth who married Alexander Forbes and lived in Byfield, Ma; and Mary Lucy Brown who married Joseph Blake Cass. He served in the Civil War NH 6th Regiment Co. I and married Mary Ann Chapman, daughter of Samuel T. and Deborah (Dow) Chapman, all of Epsom. They had 1 child, Charles William Brown born Jan. 13, 1850. The family resided on Center Hill across from the McClary Cemetery.

Apparently Charles J.P. Brown kept diaries, as three of them appeared on eBay as 'Civil War Diaries', and included the years 1860,1861 and 1863. At great expense these were bought and returned to Epsom. The first relates to Epsom, the second Epsom and Concord and his preparations to join the Civil War. 1862 is missing, and 1863 opens with his visiting Epsom prior to his return to service in Washington, DC.

Sunday January 1st, 1860

Did not go to church

Went down to Mr. Steels very cold and windy

Monday 2

At work in the shop made 11 pairs cold and windy

Mrs. Roberson was buried

John Malvern called

Tuesday 3

At work in the shop

Made 7 ½ pairs

Ann went to singing school in the evening

a party from Suncook were out Aast and

Bill Morrell called

Wednesday, January 4th, 1860

At work in the shop

Father called went to spelling in the eve

Sanders hauled me a cord of wood

Thursday 5

~~At work in the shop~~

~~Ann went down to the city~~

~~Charles spent the night at Fathers~~

I spent the eve at Charles Steels playing chess

Friday 6

At work in the shop

Ann went down to the city

Charles spent the night at his grandsires

Ann and I went to a party at Orisons

Saturday, January 7th 1860

At work in the shop

Father called a & horse team went

To Deerfield

at singing school

Sunday 8

Did not go to church

Called at Jonathan Chesleys

James Hall and Drusilla spent the evening here

Monday 9

At work in the shop

Heeled 14 prs of shoes

Thursday, January 10th, 1860

At work in the shop

Heeled 15 pairs

Left off tobacco

Went to singing school

Got cold

Wednesday 11

Sick with a cold

Did not work

Indian performance at the Town House

Orison B. called

Moses Sanborn got home

Thursday 12

At work in the shop

Heeled 10 pairs

Went to a party at John Warrens

Friday, January 13th, 1860

At work in the shop heeled 17 pairs

Two horse team went to New Rye

I did not go

Jim Hall and Ed played euchre in here

Saturday 14

At work in the shop

Finished my set of shoes for Cox

Called at Master Griffins and Orison B's

in the eve went down to Chas Steels and got some cider

Sunday 15

Did not go to church

Called at Orisons

Ann and I went over to Franks in the evening

Monday, January 16th, 1860

At work in the shop

Getting out stock for Lancaster

Jim Hall called in the eve

Tuesday 17

At work in the shop
Powell is at work for me
Made 15 pairs
Went to Mr. Heaths Concert in the evening
George and Louis Spent the day here

Wednesday 18
At work in the shop
Made 15 pairs
Powell went home
Eliza Hoyt spent the evening here

Thursday, January 19th, 1860
Went to Northwood
Spent the day at Wm. Chapman
Called at Orisons in the evening

Friday 20
At work in the shop made 8 pair
Went to singing school in the evening
Called at Blakes and got my rifle

Saturday 12
At work in the shop getting out stock for J.P. Lancasters shoes
C.H. Hall called
Went down to Charles Steels and played chess with Nathan

Sunday, January 22d, 1860
Ann went to church at the Baptist Ann
called at Orisons's in the evening

Monday 23
At work in the shop
Made 20 pairs
Played euchre with Powell Limo and Ed

Tuesday 24
At work in the shop made 20 pairs
Ann went to singing school and lecture in evening
I called at Pauls

Wednesday, January 25th, 1860
At work in the shop made 15 pairs
George Rowell and Charles Chapman spent the day here

Thursday 26
At work in the shop

Powell finished work with one more 15 pairs
Went down to A.M. Heaths to a surprise party in the evening

Friday 27

Made a pair of shoes for Ann loafed the rest of the day
Had a spelling school in the eve

Saturday, January 28th, 1860

Went to Northwood with Mr. Wiggin
John Warren bought his horse

Sunday 29

Did not go to church
Father called in the evening
Charlie wrote to Susan

Monday 30

At work in the shop
Getting out stock
Father called

Tuesday, January 31st, 1860

At work in the shop
Made 6 pairs
Ann went to singing school in the eve

Wednesday, February 1

At work in the shop
Made 8 pairs
Orison and wife spent the evening here
Powell and Hollis called
Uriah is sick a bed

Thursday 2

Made me a pair of slippers
Called at Jonathan Chesleys
Uriah is better
Went down to Mr. Batchelders to a party in the evening

Friday, February 3d, 1860

At work in the shop
Went to spelling school in the eve
Had rather a noisy time after Mr. Brown dismissed his school

Saturday 4

Did not work much
Called at Orisons in the evening

Sunday 5

Did not go to church

Ann rode up to the Baptist with Milton

Simon, Ed and Charles Wiggin called in the evening

Monday, February 6th, 1860

At work in the shop

Made 7 ½ pairs

Called to see Charles Bean in the evening

Tuesday 7

At work in the shop

Made 7 ½ pairs

Wednesday 8

Did not work

Went down to the city

Had a spelling school in the evening

Thursday, February 9th, 1860

Did not work

Went to a party at Charles Steels in the evening

Jim Hall called in the afternoon

XX I hope that he never will enter this house again #

Friday 10

Did not work

Windy all day

Saturday 11

Did not work

Whiney and Mr. Godard from Lowell called

Sunday, February 12th, 1860

Did not go to church

Ann attended the Baptist

Simon and Charles Wiggin spent the evening here

Monday 13

At work in the shop

Made 5 pairs

Tuesday 14

At work in the shop

Made 6 pairs

Went down to the town house to a dioranne show in the evening

Wednesday, February 15th, 1860
At work in the shop
Made 6 pairs
Had a spelling school in the evening

Thursday 16
At work in the shop made 5 ½ pair

Friday 17
At work in the shop finished my shoes

Saturday, February 18th, 1860
Loafing
Greatest snow storm of the season
Received a letter from Susan

Sunday 19
Did not go to church
Very windy all day

Monday
Did not work in the shop
Breaking road

Tuesday, February 21st, 1860
Went up to Slab city in the forenoon and to
New Rye with Newell Brown in the afternoon
Ann went to singing school in the eve

Wednesday 22
Went up to Wm Goss's in the forenoon
Loafing in the afternoon

Thursday 23
Moving hay for myself and Father
Mother called
I wrote to Susan
We had the first thunder shower for the season

Friday, February 24th, 1860
Loafing
Had a spelling school in the evening
Played two games of chess with Ed and got beaten both times

Saturday 25
Loafing

Went down to the city in the afternoon
Jonathan Sanders called
Got 2 papers from Sandie with an account of the Lynn Strike
Spent the evening at Orisons

Sunday 26
Did not go to church
Ann went up to the Baptist

Monday, February 27th, 1860
Did not work

Tuesday 28
Went down to the city
Got two papers from Sandie
Went to singing school in the eve

Wednesday 29
Getting out heel stock
Went down to Blakes skating
Went to Concert in the evening

Thursday, March 1st, 1860
At work heeling shoes for Bill Morrill

Friday 2
Did not work

Saturday 3
At work in the shop heeling shoes
Father called
Recd a letter from Susan
H. F. Sanborn called in the eve

Sunday, March 4th, 1860
Did not go to church

Monday 5
Sawing and splitting wood in the forenoon
Made a pair of shoes for Lucy in the afternoon
Joseph Chapman spent the afternoon here

Tuesday 6
Heeling shoes in the forenoon

Wednesday, March 7th, 1860
Heeling shoes in the forenoon

Went to caucus in the afternoon

Thursday 8

Heeling shoes all day

The Hunkers held their caucus in the afternoon

Friday 9

Heeling shoes in the forenoon

Went to the city in the afternoon

Joseph Chapman and J.H. Dolbier called in the morning

Saturday, March 10th, 1860

Went down to the city in the forenoon

Sawing wood in the afternoon

Went over to James Wiggins in the evening

Sunday 11

Did not go to church

Simon Orison Batchelder and his wife called in the evening

Monday 12

Sawing wood in the forenoon

Snows

Tuesday, March 13th, 1860

Went to Election and got beaten by 12
majority on the State ticket

Wednesday 14

Sawing wood

John Weeks and Abby moved over here

Thursday 15

Splitting wood

Got a letter from Susan

Friday, March 16th, 1860

Splitting wood

John Weeks started for Stoneham

I went to mill

Saturday 17

Lame back doing nothing all day

Went down to the city

James Brown and wife spent the afternoon here

Simon and Ed came in and played euchre in the evening

Sunday 18

Did not go to church

Abby went to the Baptist

Rachel Weeks and Mr. Brown called

Monday, March 19th, 1860

Went over to J.N. Crams on a Tom fools errand

Tuesday 20

Splitting wood in the forenoon and clearing the chamber in the afternoon

Abbey went over to Mr. Elas with Anarico

Wednesday 21

Went over to Mr. Elas in the forenoon and down to

Northwood in the afternoon

Thursday, March 22d, 1860

Made me a pair of congress boots

Called at Orison Batchelder

Friday 23

Made Susans shoes and got out a sett of heeling for Bill Morrills shoes

Abby went over to New Rye

Saturday 24

Made me a pair of slipper and got out heel stock

Simon and Powell spent the evening here playing euchre

Sunday, March 25th, 1860

Did not go to Church

Wrote a letter to Susan

Monday 26

Made a pair of shoes for Lill Cass

Tuesday 27

Made a pair of shoes for Charlie

Went down to Blakes and got the washtub

At work at John Chesleys in the afternoon

Mary Brown came out here

Wednesday, March 28th, 1860

At work at John Chesleys

Thursday 29

At work at John Chesleys

Friday 30

Went up to the city in the morning

Set up the wash tub

Went up to Mr. Perkins raising in the afternoon

Saturday, March 31st, 1860

Made Ann a pair of shoes

Heeled 10 pair for Bill Morrill

Went to school meeting in the afternoon

Charles Emerson and Ira Meserve had a fight

Sunday, April 1

Did not go to church

Mr. Quimby preached his first sermon at the Baptist

Monday 2

At work in the shop

The Boys all gone to Pittsfield to court

Tuesday, April 3d, 1860

At work in the shop

Simon Weeks came here to board

Abby came home from New Rye

Wednesday 4

At work in the shop

Father moved my hay

Thursday 5

At work in the shop

Finished heeling Bill's shoes

Called at Capt. Curtises

Friday, April 6th, 1860

At work at John Chesleys

Called at Capt. Curtis

Mr. Ela called to see Abby

Saturday 7

Went over to John Babbs

Went down to the city

Sunday 8

Did not go to church

Mr. Marden preached at the Orthodox

Monday, April 9th, 1860

Started for Haverhill

Reached $\frac{1}{2}$ past 3 P.M. reached Closier St Boston 7 P.M. four

Mr. Forbes

Ann (Sat) at home

Spent the Eve at No 34

Tuesday 10

Called at Mary Cogswells, Sarah Mardens, Lucy Parson, Turnbull and 40 other places

Went to the museum to see the Comedy of the ___ match up the eve.

Wednesday 11

Called at 15 merchants Row 40 North 67 Blacks 2 Auburn Ave, Charlestown St and various other places in B. and Charlestown

Went to Park St. to a temperance meeting Mr. Stone Mr. Eddy and Mr. Huntington

Thursday April 12th, 1860

Friday 13

Came to Lawrence and stopped at Merrills Mill from 12 to 6 P.M.

Came up to Concord

Staid with Ed all night

Saturday 14

Came home from Concord with John Willey

Found Ann and Charlie well

Sarah is here on a visit

Sunday, April 15th, 1860

Did not go to church

Mr. Marden preached at the Orthodox

Father and Lill Cass called here

I wrote to Susan and A.L. Holland

Monday 16

At work sawing wood

Ann & Sarah went to New Rye

Simon went to Concord

Tuesday 17

Building fence on the common

Wednesday, April 18th, 1860

Went down to Mr. Weeks and got $\frac{1}{4}$ of a ton of hay

Bill Wallace sent word that he wanted me

I wrote to him

Thursday 19

Moving Mothers goods up into Mr. Griffins house
Eliza Hoyt and Ellen Tripp called
Ann, Drusilla and Nancy Heath went planning over to the North Road

Friday 20
At work draining my manure
had John Chesleys cattle and cart

Saturday, April 21st, 1860
Spreading manure in the forenoon
Cleaning out the cellar in the afternoon

Sunday 22
Went to church in the afternoon to hear Mr. Hood from Pittsfield

Monday 23
Sawing shingle stuff for Blake in the forenoon
Fencing in the afternoon

Tuesday, April 24th, 1860
Went fishing and split wood in the forenoon
Packed tools and clothes in the afternoon

Wednesday 25
Came over to Concord with Liman and began to board with Wm. Virgin
Done 1/7 days work for Wallace

Thursday 26
Went to the State convention and worked 7 hours jointing clap boards

Friday, April 27th, 1860
At work for Wallace jointing clap boards and getting out window trimmings

Saturday 28
At work for Wallace getting out window sills and outside trimmings for the blacksmiths shop

Sunday 29
Did not go to church
Went up to the asylum and the reservoir in the forenoon
Called on John Brown in the afternoon

Monday, April 30th, 1860
At work for Wallace, at A.J. Rolfs in the forenoon and at Geo. B. Chandlers in the afternoon. Putting on
locks and hinges to chests
Sam Sanborn, Joe Lawrence and Jack Sherburn were up here
Simon moved to Suncook.

Tuesday, May 1

At work in the shop

Getting out window sills and making drawers

Mary Brown spent the evening here

Wednesday 2

At work at H.P. Rolfs finishing off a room with Dana

Wrote to Ann

Worked 1 ½ hours extra

Thursday, May 3d, 1860

At work for Wallace doing job work

Worked ½ hour extra

Friday 4

At work for Wallace

Making drawers for smith

Worked ½ hour extra

Got my whiskers cut

Saturday 5

At work for Wallace

Raising Morrills and Silsby shop

Took a walk up to the north end in the evening

Sunday, May 6th, 1860

Went down to the south end to see seven people baptised in the forenoon

Went to the Universalist church in the afternoon and the Baptist in the evening

Monday 7

At work for Wallace

Boarding Morrill and Silsby shop

Got a letter from Ann

Tuesday 8

At work on the shop

Sam Sanborn came up here from Newmarket

Ed did not work in the forenoon

Wednesday, May 9th, 1860

At work putting the trimmings on to Morrill and Lilsbys shop

Sam went down to Epsom

Thursday 10

At work for Wallace shingling Lilsbys shop

The old cow at Epsom gave birth to a pair of twins

Friday 11

Shingling. Sam Sanborn came up here

Walked down to the Ball alley in the evening with Ed and Dana

Saturday, May 12th, 1860

At work ½ day putting in a Beer (??) at the Phenix

Came down home with Ed

Found Ann and Charlie very well and expecting me

Sunday 13

Spent the day at home with Ann

Blake and Lucy called

John Warren, his wife and Sue Goss called

Sue came up to Concord with Ed and I

We arrived at 9 o'clock P.M.

Monday 14

At work for Wallace shingling the shop

Worked 1 hour extra

Tuesday, 15th, 1860

Laying the floor in the Blacksmith shop

Got very tired and had a very lame stomach

Wednesday 16

Getting out stock for James Morgans Counter

Thursday 17

At work on the counter

Friday, May 18th, 1860

Putting the counter front together

Went to see the fancy glass workers at Phenix Hall

Saturday 19

Making drawers for Morgans counter

Rainy all the forenoon

Thundershower and hail storm in the afternoon

The lightning struck the Elm House and a tree in front of it.

Sunday 20

Went to church at the Universalist to the Unitarian in the afternoon

Called at Charles Millses

Monday, May 21st 1860

Finished Morgans counter and worked on Mr. Smiths shoe boxes

Worked 1 ½ hours extra

Got a letter from Ann

Tuesday 22

Finished Mr. Smiths shoe boxes and worked on the doors to the blacksmiths shop
Worked 1 hour extra

Wednesday 23

Hanging doors and doing job work in the shop
Worked 1 hour extra

Thursday, May 24th, 1860

At work for D Palmer
Worked 1 hour extra

Friday 25

At for Major Gale
Worked ½ hour extra
Wrote to Ann
Finished my first months work at noon

Saturday 26

At work for Major Gale half day
Went down home
Ed and Janet went down with me

Sunday May 27th, 1860

Ann and I went over to Phil Bartless
Came back to Concord with Ed
Found the house locked up
Bill and Lizzy gone to a walk

Monday 28

At work for Major Gale
Ed is loafing

Tuesday 29

At work for Wallace
Doing little jobs
Begun a desk for Fitch & Griffin

Wednesday, May 30th, 1860

Making a sink for the Blacksmiths

Thursday 31

Finished the sink and made a vault box for Major Gale
Played whist in the evening
Rained all day

Friday June 1

At work on the shop

Saturday, June 2d, 1860

At work on Bills house

Wrote to Ann

Ed and Dana went to Epsom

Sunday 3

Went to the Episcopal Church in the forenoon

In the afternoon went to hear Miss Deforee from the west speak on spiritualism and in the eve to the same.

Monday 4

Getting out stuff for window frames

Bill went to Epsom

Tuesday, June 5th, 1860

At for R. Riddle laying floor

Rain all day

Went to nigger show in the evening

Wednesday 6

Getting out stock for window frames in the forenoon

Did not work much in the afternoon

Thursday 7

Went to Election

Ann and Charlie spent the day here

I went home with them at night

Friday, June 8th, 1860

Josiah Clifford and his wife spent the day at our house

Saturday 9

I went to Suncook

Ann went over to Cliffords

Sunday 10

Did not go to church

Monday, June 11th, 1860

John Weeks and Abby came out here

I came up to Concord with John Willey

Went to the circus in the evening

Tuesday 12

At work in the shop getting out outside finish for Smith's house

Wednesday 13

At work in the shop making boxes for (Mr?) Gage and Paul Morrill

Thursday, June 14th, 1860

At work in the shop

Friday 15

At work for James Morgan

Mother called

Saturday 16

Doing little jobs for G.B. Chandler and others

Sunday, June 17th, 1860

Went out on the plains with unkle Josiah in the forenoon

Went to church at the Universalist in the afternoon

Wrote to Ann

Monday 18

At work raising the house on Munroe St.

Got a letter from Ann and wrote to her

Began to board with Mrs. Flanders on Green St.

Tuesday 19

At work on the house on Munroe St.

Wednesday, June 20th, 1860

At work on the house

Thursday 21

At work on the Munroe St. House

Friday 22

Laying floor for Lewis Barter

Saturday, June 23d, 1860

Laying floor half day

Went down home in the afternoon

Ed went down with me

Sunday 24

At home all day

Bill and Lizzy came down to Mr. Sanborns to spend the day

Went back to Concord

Monday 25

At work on the Munroe St. house

Tuesday, June 25th, 1860

At work on the house

Spent the evening on the common hearing the band play

Wednesday 27

At work on the house

Dana sick and did not work

Went to the (Hunker) ratification meeting in the evening

Thursday 28

At work in the shop

Went to a republican meeting on the common in the evening

Friday, June 29th, 1860

At work on the house on Munroe St.

Got a line and bundle from Ann

Saturday 30

At work on the house

Went in the river with Charles Holt at night

Finished my second months work

Sunday July 1

Went to church at the Universalist in the forenoon

Called at Mr. Davis's in the afternoon

Walked up to the Cemetery with Page and Holt

Monday, July 2d, 1860

At work on the Munrow St. house

Received a letter from Annie

Wrote to her myself.

Called at Bill Virgins

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Tuesday 3

At work at Munroe St.

Friday left Mrs. Flanders went to a ride

Spent the evening in the State House

Wednesday 4

At work all day

The rest of the folks all gone off to celebration

Thursday, July 5th, 1860

At work on the house
Spent the evening at Bill Virgins

Friday 6
At work on the house
Went out on the plains at night with Charlie Holt

Saturday 7
At work on the house half day
Went home in the afternoon
Wallace went down with me

Sunday, July 8th, 1860
At home all day
Came back to Concord at night

Monday 9
At work on the house
Bought me a set of chisels
Phil called to see me

Tuesday 10
At work on the house

Wednesday, July 11th, 1860
At work on the house
Went to a promenade concert in the State House yard in the evening

Thursday 12
At work on the house
Took a walk down to the south end with Holt in the evening

Friday 13
At work on the house
Walked down to the south end in the eve with Mr. Hill

Saturday July 14, 1860
At work on the house
Went up to the Asylum in the evening with Mr. Hill

Sunday 15
Went to church to the Universalist in the forenoon and to the F.W. Baptist in the afternoon

Monday 16
At work on the house
Got a letter from Ann
Saw E.B. Harvey at the Depot

Tuesday, July 17th, 1860

At work on the house

Sent a letter to Ann

Wednesday 18

At work on the house

Called at Mr. Millses with Hill

Went to Merrymac St. to hear the band play in the evening

Thursday 19

At work on the house in the forenoon and for Dr. Simpson in the afternoon

Friday, July 20th, 1860

At work in the shop getting out thresholds and window bands

Saturday 12

Came to Epsom with J.G. Willey

Played ball with the boys in the afternoon

Sunday 22

Did not go to church

Went out in Mr. Steels pasture and got some blueberries

Monday, July 23d, 1860

At work lasting my boots and mending shoes

Wrote to Susan

Tuesday 24

Went out in Wiggins pasture and got some blueberries

Fixed a sink for Mother

Wednesday 25

Loafing round on the hill

Played poker with Ed and Charles Wiggin

Thursday, July 26th, 1860

Went out in the pasture blueberrying with Ann

Wallace Gage and Clare were out there

Friday 27

Loafing and making blinds for Mother

Alonzo Cox called to see me about going to Enfield

Saturday 28

Went down to the city after dinner

Went in swimming and played ball after supper

Sunday, July 29th, 1860

At home all day

Bill Wallace called

Began to rain at 3 o'clock

Monday 30

Came up to Concord with Bill Wallace got here at 8 o'clock

Did not work in the forenoon

Found Mr. Flanders laid up with the Rheumatism

Tuesday 31

At work hanging doors in Smiths house

Went and saw S.A. Douglass

Met George Rowell on the street

Wednesday, August 1st, 1860

Hanging doors in Smiths house

Thursday 2

Hanging doors and putting in window springs

Friday 3

Putting in window springs and hanging the door bells

Saturday, August 4th, 1860

Had the headache but kept at work

Page left in the ½ past 5 train

Caused great excitement among the boarders

Sunday 5

Went to church at the Universalist in the forenoon

Wrote to Annie in the afternoon

Monday 6

Rather sick

Went to Epsom with Mr. Wallace

Tuesday, August 7th, 1860

Not very well

Went out in Mr. Steels pasture and got some blueberries

Wednesday 8

Went down to Blakes pond in the forenoon

Came to Concord with John Willey in the afternoon

Thursday 9

Came out to Bow to work for Capt. Ordway
Took a walk down to the dam with Mr. Hammond and Charles Ordway

Friday, August 10th, 1860
At work for Capt. Ordway

Saturday 11
At work for Capt. Ordway
Went up to the city with Charles Ordway in the evening

Sunday 12
Rainy day and long enough to do a months work
Wrote to Annie
Went out in the pasture and got some berries in the afternoon

Monday, August 13th, 1860
At work in the forenoon
Sick in the afternoon and did not work
Rather rainy

Tuesday 14
At work tearing down the old Ell of the house
Rained all day
Finished my three months work with Wallace at noon

Wednesday 15
At work tearing down the old house
Cool and windy
Mrs. Wheeler called here

Thursday, August 16th, 1860
At work tearing down the old house and framing in the end begun to the new part

Friday 17
John Hammond went home sick
I worked tearing out the house
Called at Mrs. Whitchers after Mrs. Ordway in the evening Wallace called

Saturday 18
At work framing the new end of the house
Went up to the city in the evening with Mr. Ordway

Sunday, August 19th, 1860
Wrote to Charlie Brown
Went up in the pasture and got some blueberries
Read the rest of the time

Monday 20

Boarding the end of the house
David White worked here
Charles went to Concord

Tuesday 21

Laying floors in the chambers and kitchen
Hammond got back
Got a letter from Annie

Wednesday, August 22d, 1860

Putting in window frames and boarding.
Charles and Harriet went to Concord

Thursday 23

Building stagings
Setting furring and doing all kinds of work

Friday 24

Getting out finish for the projection

Saturday, August 25th 1860

Getting out finish in the forenoon
Charles carried me to Concord and Bill and I came down to Epsom

Sunday 26

At home all day
Came to Concord at night
Staid at Green St.

Tuesday, August 28th, 1860

At work putting on finish
Called at Wm. Robersons in the evening

Wednesday 29

Clap boarding
Found myself in a bad fix
Playing cards in the evening
Carrie Glover came down here to stop for a few days

Thursday 30

Went up to the city to see Dr. Warren in the evening

Friday, August 31st, 1860

Shingling the house
Carrie Glover went home

Mr. Pinkham and Ordway moved the shed

Saturday, September 1

Came up to the city in the morning

Came down to Epsom with Willey

Found Annie and Charlie at New Rye

Sunday 2

At home most of the day

Called at Blakes in the afternoon

Monday, September 3d, 1860

Went down to the city and waited till four o'clock for the stage and then went home

Tuesday 4

Came up to Concord with J.C. Hall\found the folks al well

Went to work for Wallace on the piazza for Mrs. Boyden

Wednesday 5

At work for Mrs. Boyden

Coffee at Dr. Warrens

Thursday, September 6th, 1860

At work for Mrs. Boyden

Called at Mr.Millses

With Hill in the evening

Friday 7

At work for Mrs. Boyden

Went to see Professor Donaldson walk the wire in the eve

Saturday 8

Getting out clapboards and making and setting door frame

Sunday, September 9th, 1860

Did not go to church

Monday 10

Raised the house on West St.

Called at Dr. Warrens spent the night at the telegraph office

Wrote to Ann and got a letter from her

Tuesday 11

Boarding the house on West St.

Went to Manchester as a rail splitter in the evening

Wednesday, September 12th, 1860

At work for Mrs. Boyden
Rained all day
Got my feet wet and caught cold

Thursday 13
At work for Mrs. Boyden
Played chess in the eve

Friday 14
At work for Mrs. Boyden
Wrote to Ann

Saturday, September 15th, 1860
At work for Mrs. Boyden
Finished my fourth month work with Wallace
Went down to the State House to hear fisherville band play in the eve
Got my boots 4.50

Sunday 16
Did not go to church
Went out to Bow in the afternoon

Monday 17
At work on West St.
Got a letter from Ann
Wrote to her
Called on Dr. Warren

Tuesday, September 18th, 1860
At work on the house on West St.
Called at Mr. Mills with Hill in the evening

Wednesday 19
At work for Mrs. Boyden on Fremont St.
Went to hear Shoeys Minstrels in the evening

Thursday 20
At work in the shop getting out crown mouldings for the West St. house

Friday, September 21st, 1860
At work in the shop jobbing

Saturday 22
At work on the West St. house in the forenoon
Called at Mr. Millses
Went down home

Sunday 23

At home

Called at Phil Bartletts and Blakes

Came up to Concord in the evening

Monday, September 24th, 1860

At work on West St. putting up finish

Tuesday 25

At work on West St. putting up finish in the forenoon

At A.P. Rolfs in the afternoon

Wednesday 26

At work on West St. putting up finish

Called to see Carrie Glover in the evening

Thursday, September 27th, 1860

At work on West St. Clapboarding

Bill gone to the fair

Called at Dr. Warrens in the evening

Friday 28

At work on West St. setting window frames and clapboarding

Dana gone to the fair in the afternoon

Saturday 29

At work on West St. putting up the furring overhead and laying the under floor

Went to Auction in the evening

Sunday, September 30th, 1860

Wrote to Ann to a walk out to Millville with Eastman

Monday, October 1

Sick did not work

Went down to West St. in the morning but gave up and came up

Tuesday 2

Sick did not work

Wednesday, October 3d, 1860

Went out to Bow in the forenoon

Came down home in the afternoon with Henry Sanborn in the afternoon

Thursday 4

Went down to Lowell Eastmans in the forenoon and got some apples to jar

Doing nothing in the afternoon

Friday 5

Rainy. Tapped a pair of boots for Father

Saturday, October 6th, 1860

Father, Charlie and I went down to Lowell Eastmans and got 13 bushels of apples

Sunday 7

Did not go to church

Called at Blakes

Monday 8

At work Clapboarding for John C. Hall

Tuesday, October 9th, 1860

At work Clapboarding for John C. Hall

Wednesday 10

At work for Mr. Hall in the forenoon

Went to Concord in the afternoon

Bought a lot of tools of Joe Philbrick

Ed came down with me

Thursday 11

Samuel Batchelders house and barn, Mr. Hoyts barn and Darius Philbricks barn were burned between 4 and 8 o'clock this morning

I worked for John Warren in the afternoon

Friday, October 12th, 1860

At work for John Warren putting a door from his kitchen to the Parlor cupboard

Saturday 13

At work for John Warren making a clothspress upstairs

Ann went chestnutting but did not get any

Sunday 14

Ann went to church

I went to a meeting at the schoolhouse in the evening

Bill Wallace called

Monday, October 15th, 1860

At work for John Warren

Tuesday 16

At work for John Warren in the forenoon

Doing chores round home in the afternoon

Went to Lyceum in the evening

Wednesday 17

At work for Bill Morrill

Went down in the woods and took a swarm of bees in the evening

Thursday, October 18th, 1860

At work for Bill Morrill building stairs

Friday 19

At work for Bill Morrill

Ann went over to see Rebecca

Saturday 20

At work for Bill Morrill

The boys met here in the evening to form a Lyceum

Ann Cass got home

Sunday, October 21st, 1860

Did not go to church

Called at Blakes

Monday 22

At work for Bill Morrill

Played seven up with Jim, Ed and Charles Wiggin in the evening

Tuesday 23

At work for Bill Morrill in the forenoon

Went down to Yeatons Mill in the afternoon

Called at Mrs. Steels

Wednesday, October 24th, 1860

At work for Jim Halls

Father and Mother went to Deerfield to unkle Joes funeral

The Lyceum met here in the eve

Thursday 25

Went gunning in the forenoon

Worked for Jim a while in the afternoon

Ellen Tripp spent the day here

Went to a meeting at the schoolhouse in the eve

Friday 26

Went to Concord with W. A. Sanders

Heard Anson Burlingame and Gov. Curtain from Penn. Speak

Stopped to a torch light procession in the evening

Saturday, October 27th, 1860

At work for Jim Hall

Charlie went to an Exhibition at the town house in the evening

Sunday 28

Did not go to church

There was a meeting at the schoolhouse

Monday 29

At work for Jim Hall

Played cards with Ed, Jim and Charlie Wiggin in the evening

Tuesday, October 30th, 1860

At work for George Batchelder

Went to Lyceum at the city in the evening

Wednesday 31

At work for George Batchelder in the forenoon and for Jim Hall in the afternoon

Thursday, November 1

At work for George Batchelder

Friday, November 2d, 1860

At work for Jim Hall

Went down to the city to the exhibition in the evening

Saturday 3

At work for Jim Hall

Sunday 4

Did not go to church

Went to a meeting at the city in the evening

Monday, November 5th, 1860

At work for Jim Hall he went to Concord

A.A. Cox called to see me

Tuesday 6

At work for Jim Hall in the forenoon

Went to town meeting in the afternoon

Wednesday 7

At work for Jim Hall

Went to Concord in the eve with John Warren and Jim Hall

Ann went over to James Browns

Thursday, November 8th, 1860

At work for Jim Hall half a day

Ann came home from James Browns

Friday 9

At work for Jim Hall

I went down to Charles Steels in the evening

Mary Brown spent the afternoon here

Saturday 10

At work for Jim Hall

He is at Suncook

Sunday, November 11th, 1860

Rained all day

Did not go to church

Blake and Lizzy called in the evening

Monday 12

At work for Jim Hall

Paid Capt. Curtis

sold the cow to Ben Heath

Tuesday 13

At work for Jim Hall

Mary Brown went home

Wednesday, November 14th, 1860

At work for Jim Hall

Abby and Hattie Dow came out here

I went to Concord with Jim in the eve

Charlie Chapman spent the night here

Thursday 15

At work for Jim Hall

Ann and I went to New Rye with Abby Dow in the evening

The Lyceum met here

Friday 16

At work for Jim Hall

Went down to the city in the evening to see a man with no arms perform

Saturday, November 17th, 1860

At work for Jim Hall

Sunday 18

Did not go to church

Wrote to Susan

Mr. Peffers had a meeting at the schoolhouse in the evening

Monday 19

At work for Jim Hall

Tuesday, November 20th, 1860

At work for Jim Hall

Wednesday 21

At work for George Batchelder

Thursday 22

At work for Father on his house

The folks all went to a Levee at the town house in the evening

Friday, November 23d, 1860

At work for Father

The Lyceum met here in the eve

Saturday 24

At work for myself splitting wood and (doing) chores

Played cards part of the evening with Jim, Bill and Charles Wiggin

Sunday 25

Did not go to church

Very cold and windy

Monday, November 26th, 1860

At work for Father

Eliza Hoyt and Drusilla called in the evening.

Lathed Fathers room overhead

Tuesday 27

At work for Father lathing the sides and laying under floor

Very rainy all day

Wednesday 28

At work for Father lathing and setting furring

Ed, Charles Wiggin and Bill Morrill spent the evening here

Bill Wallace and Dana called in the eve

Thursday, November 29th, 1860

Ann, Charles and myself went to New Rye and spent the day at Langs, Jack, Frank, Josiah, Abby Sarah and Melinda were there

Jim Hall was married

Friday 30

At work shingling for Orison Batchelder in the forenoon

Did not work in the afternoon

Saturday, December 1

At work for Orison Batchelder and Darius Philbrick
Darius had a shingling bee had 12 hands
John Warren shut his shop at dark

Sunday, December 2d, 1860

Did not go to church
The Dr. called to see Ann
I went to meeting at the city in the eve

Monday 3

At work for father
Called at Bill Morrills in the eve
Gulie Chesley spent the evening here

Tuesday 4

At work for Father
Singing school commenced at the town house

Wednesday, December 5th, 1860

At work for father
First sleighing for this season
Charlie got a flogging at school

Thursday 6

At work for Father
Called at Mr. Heaths in the evening
Mr. Peffers had a meeting at the school house in the evening

Friday 7

At work for myself in the forenoon helping Ann wash and splitting wood
Bill Wallace called
There was a meeting at Mr. Heaths to see about getting up a Levee

Saturday, December 8th, 1860

At work for Father
The Lyceum met here in the evening

Sunday 9

Did not go to church
Went to a meeting at the meeting house in the evening

Monday 10

At work for Father
Blake was helping him make mortar and plastering
The school teacher was carried out doors by the boys

Tuesday, December 11th, 1860
At work for Father half day
Doing chores the rest of the day

Wednesday 12
Went down to George Batchelders in the morning
Went up to the city
Set up my stove and got my shop ready for work

Thursday 13
At work in the shop
Made a pair of shoes for Susan and a pair for Jo Lawrence

Friday, December 14th, 1860
Made 2 pairs of shoes for Joe Lawrence and a pair for Ann
There was a Levee at the town house in the evening

Saturday 15
Shoveling snow in the forenoon and doing chores in the afternoon
The Lyceum met here and adjourned in the evening

Sunday 16
Did not go to church
Went to a meeting at the city in the evening

Monday, December 17th, 1860
Went to Concord
Ed went up with me
Charles Steel spent the evening here

Tuesday 18
At work making shoes for Joe Lawrence
There was a levee at the town house

Wednesday 19
At work mending shoes and sawing wood
Spent the evening at Chas Steels playing whist

Thursday, December 20th, 1860
At work for Father
Mr. Green spent the evening here

Friday 21
At work for Father
Mother started for Boston

Saturday 22

At work for Father

Snowed most all day from the North East

Sunday, December 23d, 1860

Did not go to church

The wind blew very hard all day and piled the snow up pretty well

Monday 24

At work for Father in the forenoon

Sawing wood in the afternoon

Charles Steel and Nathan Griffin came up and played 16 games of whist with Ed this eve

Tuesday 25

Sawing wood in the forenoon

Splitting wood in the afternoon

Played whist in the evening

Wednesday, December 26th, 1860

Building joiners bench in the shop

Albert Hoyt and Eliza spent the evening here

I got a letter from Susan

Thursday 27

Building bench

Clark Sanborn came home

I wrote to Susan

Walter Gage called

Charles Steel drew me a load of wood

Spent the eve at Charles Steels

Friday 28

Went over to Mr. Straws in the forenoon

At work in the afternoon

Saturday, December 29th, 1860

Helped Father kill his pig

Charles Steel, Nathan Griffin, Charles Wiggin, Bill Morrill, Ham Hall and the Peddler spent the evening here

I went down to the city in the afternoon

Sunday 30

Did not go to church

Went to a meeting in the eve at the city

Sarah M. Locke was barred

Monday 31

At work in the shop filing saws

Played whist at Bill Morrills in the evening

Tuesday, January 1, **1861**

At work sawing wood and doing chores

Charles Steel and Nathan Griffin spent the evening here playing Whist

Wednesday 2

Loafing round here on the hill

Father went to Hooksett with a load of Barrels

Thursday 3

Did not do much

Got a bad cold and sore throat

Friday, January 4, 1861

Did not work

Throat sore yet

Ground my planes and chisels

Saturday 5

Did not work

Charles Steel spent the evening here

Sunday 6

Did not go to church

Monday 7, 1861

Made me a sawhorse

Rained some and made a sharp crust on the snow

Tuesday 8

Went to Concord with Ed to the State Convention

Called at Charles Steels in the evening

Wednesday 9

Did not work

Went down to the city in the afternoon with Ed

Went to a promenade concert in the evening at the town house

Thursday, January 10, 1861

Did not work

Ann was sick in the morning

Charles Steel spent the evening here

Friday 11

Did not work

Saturday 12

Went down to Yeatons mill with Bill Morrill

Sunday, January 13, 1861

Did not go to church

Went to meeting at the city in the eve

Monday 14

Cut up my stuff for the windows frames and hauled them down to Blakes

Estell Locke was buried

Went down to Charles Steels in the evening

Tuesday 15

Sawed by window stuff down at Blakes and hauled it home

Charley was sick

I spent the evening at home alone

Wednesday, January 16, 1861

At work making window frames

It snowed all day

Thursday 17

At work on the frames

Charles Steel and Nathan Griffin spent the eve here

Friday 18

At work in the frames

Went down to the city in the forenoon to get some nails

Saturday, January 19, 1861

Finished the first ten of Mr. Straws window frames

Sunday 20

Did not go to church

Monday 21

At work on the frames

Tuesday, January 22, 1861

At work on the frames

Went down to Mr. Steels in the evening

Wednesday 23

Finished my second ten of the frames

Went up to Mr. Cates and took up my note

Thursday 24

Did not work

Friday, January 25, 1861

Did not work

Played whist most of the day

Saturday 26

At work painting window sash for Father half day

Charles Steel and Nathan Griffin spent the eve here

Sunday 27

Did not go to church

Went down to the city in the evening

Monday, January 28, 1861

Setting glass for father

Spent the evening at the Steels playing whist

Tuesday 29

Loafing

Went over to Gulf Bridge with Ed

Wednesday 30

Loafing and sawing wood

Thursday, January 31, 1861

Loafing and sawing wood

Ed spent the evening here reading and playing chess

Charles Steel called in the afternoon

Friday, February 1

Loafing and sawing wood

Went down to the city in the afternoon

Went to singing school in the evening

Saturday 2

Loafing

Set out to go over to Mr. Straws in the afternoon but got stuck in the snow and turned around and came back

Charles Steel and Nathan Griffin spent the eve here

Sunday, February 3, 1861

Did not go to church

Ann went down to the city to a meeting in the evening

Monday 4

Went over to Mr. Straws and got some lumber

Mr. Peffers called

I spent the evening at Charles Steels
Played 2 games of chess with Nathan

Tuesday 5

Went down to Yeatons mill and got some boards

Wednesday, February 6, 1861

Went down to Blakes and sawed my stuff for the window frames

Thursday 7

At work on the window frames

Mr. Wiggin had his auction

Charles Steel and Nathan Griffin spent the eve here

Friday 8

At work on the frames in the forenoon

Played cards in the afternoon

Saturday, February 9, 1861

At work on the frames

Played chess in the eve with Ed

Sunday 10

Did not go to church

Blakes little girl was burn

Monday 11

At work in the shop making window frames

Went down to Charles Steels in the evening

Tuesday, February 12, 1861

Finished my window frames

Wednesday 13

At work on a tool chest for myself

Ed and Charles Wiggin called in the evening

Thursday 14

At work on my tool chest

Frank Marden and Charles Chapman called

Friday, February 15, 1861

At work on my Chest

Saturday 16

At work on my chest

Frank Marden called

Ann went up to the Baptist to meeting in the evening

Sunday 17

Did not go to church

Ann went up to the Baptist meeting in the eve

Monday, February 18, 1861

Went to Suncook with Joseph Lawrence

Tuesday 19

At work on my chest

Ann went up to the Baptist to a meeting in the eve.

Wednesday 20

Making a sled for Charlie

Thursday, February 21, 1861

At work in the shop

The shop caught fir

Simon took supper and spent the evening

Charles Steel spent the eve here

Friday

Getting ready to go to Concord and sawing wood

Saturday 23

Came to Concord with John Warren

Called at Bill Vir(gins) and Mrs. Flanders

Sunday, February 24, 1861

Did not go to church

Spent the day at the Elm House reading

Called at Mrs. Flanders in the eve

Monday 25

At work on Mr Butters house on the corner of Green and Warren Sts

Tuesday 26

At work for Mr. Butters

Called at Mrs. Flanders in the eve

Wednesday, February 27, 1861

At work on the house on Green and Warren St.

Thursday 28

At work on Jim Doritys house in the forenoon and on Green St. in the afternoon

Friday, March 1

At work on Green St.

Wrote to Ann

A man was hurt on the railroad and was brought to the Elm house and died at half past two in the morning

Saturday, March 2, 1861

At work on the house on Green St.

Called to see Mr. Gates in the eve

Sunday 3

Did not go to church

Called to see unkle Josiah

Monday 4

At work on the house on Green St.

Called at Unkel Josiahs in the eve

Wrote to Ann

Tuesday, March 5, 1861

At work at the South end

Sit up with Unkle Josiah all night

Myers Theatre commended playing at Phenix Hall Played Othello

Wednesday 6

At work on Green St.

Dather called

Spent the eve with Mr. Gates

Called at Mrs. Flanders

Hidden Hand

Thursday 7

Did not work it was so cold and I was not well

Ten nights in a Bar Room

Friday, March 8, 1861

At work on Green St.

Called at Unkl Josiahs

Doom of Deville

Saturday 9

At work on Green St.

Called at Unkle Josiahs

Anderson and the — of the Glen

Sunday 10

Called at Unkel Josiahs

Wrote to Susan

Monday, March 11, 1861

Did not work

Father came up and carried Mother home

Lady of Lyons

Tuesday 12

Went to Epsom with Willey

Found the folks all well

Got a letter from Susan

Ten Nights in a Bar Room

Wednesday 13

At home all day

Don't feel well at all

Thursday, March 14, 1861

Went to Suncook with John C. Hall

Came up to Concord in the Portsmouth train

Stopped at Mrs. Flanders

Friday 15

Sick, Loafing round the city

Called at Bill Virgins in the afternoon and evening

Saturday 16

Came down home with Willey

Found the folks all well

Found Susan at home

Sunday, March 17, 1861

Did not go to church

Called at Fathers and spent the afternoon here

Susan called and spent the evening

Monday 18

Loafing round

Called at John Warrens and the store

Susan called in the evening

Charles Flower began to draw my wood

Uriah Hall began to board with Ann

Tuesday 19

At home loafing

Charles Chapman came our here and staid all night

Wednesday, March 20, 1861

Went down to the city to go to Concord with Willey but heard that Wallace did not want me, so I came back again

Susan went to Pittsfield

Thursday 21

Went over to Mr. Straws with the rest of his window frames

Ann washed for Lucy

Friday 22

Breaking the road

Called at Blakes

Saturday, March 23, 1861

Loafing

Went down to the city with John Warren in the afternoon

Sunday 24

Sick all day

Monday 25

Came to Concord with Willey

Found the folks all well

Wallace does not want me to work

Don't know what I shall go to doing

Tuesday, March 26, 1861

Went to work for Wallace in the afternoon on Governor Davis's house

Wednesday 27

At work on Davis house in the forenoon

In the shop in the afternoon

Thursday 28

At work on Mr. Davis house

Called at the Elm House in the evening

Friday, March 29, 1861

Loafing round and fixing the cistern and clearing out he cellar

At work for Davis and Butters

Saturday 30

Loafing

Went down to the city in the afternoon with John Warren

Charlie Chapman went home

Putting up a — for J. M. Smith and clearing out the shop

Sunday 31

~~Sick all day~~

Went to church at the Cross St Baptist in the afternoon
Called at Unkle Josiahs and went to the Methodist in the evening

Monday, April 1, 1861

At work moving the benches and tools from the shop
Called at Bill Virgins in the eve
Drusilla came up with George Willey
Got a letter from Ann and wrote to her

Tuesday 2

Setting up the benches and grinding the tools
Did not work much

Wednesday 3

Did not work

Thursday, April 4, 1861

Went down to Suncook to see Simon
Walked the track home
Called at Bill Virgins in the evening

Friday 5

Trimming apple trees for Mrs. Pinkham in the morning
Shingling for Col. Kent in the afternoon
Got a letter from Annie and wrote to her

Saturday 6

Shingling for Col. Kent

Sunday, April 7, 1861

Went to the first Baptist in the forenoon
To the Methodist in the evening

Monday 8

At work for Co. Kent
Got a letter from Annie

Tuesday 9

At work for Col Kent in the forenoon and for Tim Blaisdel in the afternoon
Wrote to Annie
Went to the wedding of Anson Marshall & Miss Carning

Wednesday, April 10, 1861

At work shingling Tim Blaisdells house
Drusilla went home

Thursday 11
Shingling for Tim Blaisdell
Went to a Sunday school concert in the eve
Got a letter from Annie

Friday 12
At work for J.H. Hill
Went to the Methodist Sunday school concert in the eve
Wrote to Annie

Saturday, April 13, 1861
At work for Gould in the forenoon
Rained and did not work in the afternoon

Sunday 14
Went to church at Cross St in the forenoon, to Annie Hills funeral at the University in the afternoon and to the Unitarian in the evening

Monday 15
At work on Mr. Goulds stable
Got a letter from Annie and wrote to her

Tuesday, April 16, 1861
Rain and snow all did, did not work only about two hours at Dr. Simpson

Wednesday 17
Making doors for Mr. Gould
Got my whiskers cut out
Capt. Crane commenced enlisting volunteers

Thursday 18
Putting the sill under the stable
Called at Bill Virgins in the evening

Friday, April 19, 1861
Putting up stills in the stable. Called Estabrooks
Went to a meeting at city hall in the eve

Saturday 20
Putting in Stalls in the forenoon
Came down home in the afternoon
Brought Eisy Bickford down home

Sunday 21
At home all day
Went to ride with Ann in the forenoon
Came to Concord in the evening

Monday, April 22, 1861

At work on the stable in the forenoon
Went to Epsom in the afternoon
Enlisted in the evening

Tuesday 23

At work on the stable in the forenoon
Sick and did not work in the afternoon
Went to drill in the evening
Got a letter from Sue and wrote to her

Wednesday 24

At work on the stable all day
Went to drill in the eve
Wrote to Ann

Thursday, April 25, 1861

At half day Father & Mother called
Got a letter from Sue and wrote to her
Went to drill in the eve

Friday 26

Did not work
Wrote to Ann
Went to drill in the evening
Chose our officers for the company

Saturday 27

At in the forenoon
Did not to work in the afternoon

Sunday, April 28, 1861

Went to church at cross St. in the forenoon, at the South in the afternoon and to Elder Prebels in the eve

Monday 29

At work in the afternoon raising the stable
Went to drill in the eve
Got a letter from Ann and wrote to her
Got two letters from Sue and a revolver

Tuesday 30

Wrote to Sue
At work in the forenoon
Went to drill in the afternoon and eve

Wednesday, May 1, 1861

Did not work
Went out to Camp Union and spent most of the day
Went to drill in the evening

Thursday 2
Came down home with Willey
Emma Chapman was here

Friday 3
Mending my boots and coating
Went down to the city and had my picture take for Ann and (Emma?)

Saturday, May 4, 1861
Went down and had my picture taken for Mother
Emma went home
Played ball in the afternoon
Went out in the pasture and got some May flowers

Sunday 5
Called at Joe Lawrences and at Blakes
Bid Annie good bye and came to Concord with Walt Gage

Monday 6
Did not work
Went to drill in the afternoon and evening
Ann Haynes and Bart came over and joined our company

Tuesday, May 7, 1861
Did not work
Sent my tools down to Epsom for Ed

Wednesday 8
Ed and John Warren came up here
I went over to Camp with them
I got a letter from Ann
Went to drill in the evening

Thursday 9
Went over to the Camp
Wrote to Ann
Went to drill in the evening

Friday, May 10, 1861
Sick with the headache
Went to drill in the evening
Got a letter from Ann

Saturday 11

Came down home on foot and spent the night

Sunday 12

At home all day

David Marden came down

John Weeks and Abby spent the day here

Ann went to meeting at J.C. Halls

Monday, May 13, 1861

Came to Concord on foot with David Marden

Joel Sanborn came up from New Market

Tuesday 14

Loafing round after Wallace

Went to drill forenoon and afternoon begin to think that Wallace has left for Texas

Wednesday 15

Came down home with Alonzo Wallace

Thursday May 16, 1861

Putting up the Wash tub for Ann

Went down to the city in the afternoon

Friday 17

Making soup and building fence

Frank and Jim went over to Mr. Mardens planting

Saturday 18

At home

A.D. Haynes called to see me

I went down to the city in the afternoon

Sunday, May 19, 1861

At home all day

Went to meeting at the city at 5 o'clock

Monday 20

Came to Concord on foot

Got a ride part of the way with Mr. Batchelder from Northwood

Wrote to Susan

Went to drill in the evening

Tuesday 21

Came home from Concord with Willey

Wednesday, May 22, 1861

Making my garden
Frank moved home
Got a letter from Sue

Thursday 23

Planting my beans, early potatoes, sweet corn, snuffing corn, squashes etc.

Friday 24

Doing nothing in the forenoon
Went down to help raise Sam Batchelders barn in the afternoon

Saturday, May 25, 1861

Cleaning out the cellar in the forenoon
Went down to the city in the afternoon
Frank called
Unkle Rand was buried

Sunday 26

Did not go to church
Went over in Bill Yeatons pasture and got some checkerberries in the afternoon

Monday 27

Cleaning the chambers and filling wood

Tuesday, May 28, 1861

Filing my saw and sorting potatoes in the forenoon
Went down to the city and harrowing in the afternoon
Got a letter from Sue

Wednesday 29

At work on the highway in the forenoon and fixing to plant in the afternoon

Thursday 30

At work on the highway in the forenoon
Went over to George Swains in the afternoon with Ed

Friday, May 31, 1861

Planting Potatoes in the forenoon
Went out in the woods picking my leaves and down to the city in the afternoon

Saturday, June 1

Went out in the woods after my leaves in the forenoon
Loafing and clearing out the cistern in the afternoon

Sunday 2

Did not go to church
Called at Charles Steels

Wrote to Susan

Monday, June 3, 1861

At work in the shop in the forenoon and sawing wood in the afternoon
Went over to Ben Halls with Joe Rand

Tuesday 4

At work on the Highway for Mr. Lord

Wednesday 5

At work on the highway for Mr. Lord
Joe Rand broke through the bridge at Ben Yeatons

Thursday, June 6, 1861

At work on the bridge at Yeatons in the forenoon
Rained in the afternoon and I came home
James Marden called here

Friday 7

At work on the bridge
Ann came down after me with the horse at night

Saturday 8

Went up to Bill Gosses in the forenoon
At work for Blake in the afternoon

Sunday, June 9, 1861

Ann went to church
I went over on the mountain with Ed

Monday 10

At work peeling bark for Bill Morrill

Tuesday 11

Planting beans down in the field

Wednesday, June 12, 1861

Peeling bark for Bill Morrill

Thursday 13

Hoeing my corn and potatoes
Went down to the city

Friday 14

Hoeing for Father

Saturday, June 15, 1861

Hoeing for myself in the forenoon
Went down to the city in the afternoon

Sunday 16
Did not go to church
Ann took care of Blakes baby
Jack Sherburns child died

Monday 17
Went up to Colby Sherburn in the forenoon
Went fishing in the afternoon

Tuesday, June 18, 1861
Went down to Charles Steels in the forenoon with Simon
Spent the evening at Charles Steels

Wednesday 19
Hoeing for William A. Sanders

Thursday 20
Hoeing for W.A. Sanders
The 2d Regt left Portsmouth for the seat of war
Ann is sick with sore throat

Friday, June 21, 1861
Hoeing for W.A. Sanders
Ann is no better

Saturday 22
Went over to Chestnut pond with Ed in the forenoon
Round home in the afternoon
Got a letter from Sue

Sunday 23
Did not go to church
Wrote to Susan

Monday, June 24, 1861
Went down to the office in the morning
Sick with sore throat in the afternoon

Tuesday 25
Sick with sore throat
Did not work
Henry Sanborn called

Wednesday 26

Did not work
Lieut Walker was buried

Thursday, June 27, 1861
Went up to the new meeting house in the forenoon
Went over to Capt. Rills with Ann after supper

Friday 28
Did not work
Went up to the New Meeting house

Saturday 29
Hoeing my beans
Got a letter from Susan
Went over to the pasture with H Bickford

Sunday, June 30, 1861
Ann went to church
I wrote to Susan and went on to Fort Mountain

Monday, July 1
Hoeing for myself in the forenoon and for Wiggin in the afternoon
Went over to George Swains with Ed

Tuesday 2
Mending my boots and grinding my scythe

Wednesday, July 3, 1861
Hoeing my potatoes in the forenoon, went to Hooksett with Ann and Charlie in the afternoon. Charlie went to Boston.

Thursday 4
Hoeing part of the day, loafing the rest
Eb Hoyt called here

Friday 5
Making a hay rack for father

Saturday, July 6, 1861
Making Hay rack for Father in the forenoon
Loafing in the afternoon
Got a letter from Susan

Sunday 7
Did not go to church
Wrote to Susan

Monday 8

Began work for Henry Sanborn haying

Cut the clover on the stumpy piece

Tuesday, July 9, 1861

At work for Henry Sanborn getting in the clover and mowing in front of the house and on the ridge beyond the corn

Got a letter from Charlie

Wednesday 10

At work for Henry half day

Thursday 11

Did not work

Rained in the afternoon

Friday, July 12, 1861

At work for Henry Sanborn

Ann went over to the Babb place blueberrying with Gulia Chesley

Saturday 13

At work for Henry Sanborn

Got a letter from Charlie

Ann went to Deerfield and down in Captain Curtisses after blueberries

Sunday 14

At home all day

Wrote to Charlie and Susan

Monday, July 15, 1861

At work for Henry Sanborn

Tuesday 16

At work for Henry Sanborn

Wednesday 17

At work haying for Henry Sanborn

Thursday, July 18, 1861

At work haying for Henry Sanborn

Got a letter from Susan

Ann went ~~up on Henry Sanborns~~ Deerfield after blueberries

Friday 19

At work for Henry Sanborn

Saturday 20

Did not work
Pulled weeds, sowed turnips, went blueberrying etc

Sunday, July 21, 1861

At home
Wrote to Susan
Battle of Bulls Run Va between 90 000 Rebels and 35,000 Union troops
Union men beaten with a loss of from 3,000 to 6,000

Monday 22

At work for Henry Sanborn
Calvin Heath worked for him

Tuesday 23

At work for Henry Sanborn
Calvin helped him

Wednesday, July 24, 1861

Went over on the mountain to help Henry catch a Lamb and to get some berries

Thursday 25

Went to Hooksett after Charlie
Called at John Weeks

Friday 26

At work for Henry Sanborn

Saturday, July 27, 1861

Pulling weeds in the forenoon
Went down to the city in the afternoon and down to Pleasant pond with Ann & Sue Goss

Sunday 28

Did not go to church
Ann went half day
I wrote to Dana Wallace, Andrew Hall and Susan

Monday 29

Doing chores round home
Rainy all day

Tuesday, July 30, 1861

At work for Henry Sanborn

Wednesday 31

At work for Henry Sanborn, finished haying for him

Thursday, August 1

Went to Concord with Henry Sanborn
Got a letter from Dana Wallace

Friday, August 2, 1861

Went blueberrying with Ann, got 20 quarts

Saturday 3

Sawing wood

Ann went blackberrying with Deb Hall

Sunday 4

Did not go to church

Monday, August 5, 1861

Sawing wood most of the day

Great shower in the afternoon

Tuesday 6

Sawing wood

Went up on the mountain after blueberries to send to Susan

Just got home

Wednesday 7

Splitting wood

Mother went to Boston

Thursday, August 8, 1861

Went a fishing down in Suncook and with Ed and Austin

Abby came out here

Friday 9

Sawing and splitting wood

Fred Brown came down here

Charlie went to New Rye with Frank

Saturday 10

Went a fishing at Pleasant Pond with Ed, Aust and Fred

Charlie got a letter from Sue

He came home from New Rye

Sunday, August 11, 1861

At home all day

Monday 12

Making doors for Jim Hall

Tuesday 13

Making doors for Jim Hall
Got a letter from Dana Wallace

Wednesday, August 14, 1861
Wrote to Dana
Lewis Sanborn took dinner with us

Thursday 15
Cutting up Apple trees in the forenoon
Went down to the city in the afternoon

Friday 16
Making fly screens in the forenoon
Went down to Charles Steels in the afternoon

Saturday, August 17, 1861
Went a fishing in the forenoon
At work at Blakes in the afternoon

Sunday 18
Did not go to church
Ann went to the Congregationalist

Monday 19
At work at Blakes sawing out window stuff and fixing a wheel for threshing machine

Tuesday, August 20, 1861
Making window frame for John C. Hall

Wednesday 21
Making window frames for John C. Hall
Ann went to New Rye

Thursday 22
At work for Charles Steel
Ann got home from New Rye

Friday, August 23, 1861
At work for Charles Steel clapboarding and trimming doors

Saturday 24
At work for Charles Steel clapboarding and repairing his house

Sunday 25
Did not go to church

Monday, August 26, 1861

At work at Charles Steel

Tuesday 27

At work for Charles Steel

Wrote to Susan and Dana

Got a letter from Dana

Wednesday 28

At work for Charles Steel

Thursday, August 29, 1861

At work for Charles Steel

Friday 30

At work for Charles Steel

Saturday 31

At work for Charles Steel

Got a letter from Susan

Sunday, September 1, 1861

Did not go to church

Called at Joes and Charles Steels

Monday 2

At work for Charles Steel

Susan and Sandie came up here

Tuesday 3

At work for Charles Steel

Wednesday, September 4, 1861

At on Jim Halls Barn putting a projection

Thursday 5

At work on Jim Halls Barn putting on projection and clapboarding

Friday 6

At work for Jim Hall shingling

Saturday, September 7, 1861

At work for Jim Hall shingling

Sunday 8

~~At work for Jim Hall shingling~~

Did not go to church

Monday 9

At work for Jim Hall hanging doors

Tuesday, September 10, 1861

At work for Charles Steel setting glass

Wednesday 11

At work on John C. Halls window frames

Called at Henry Sanborns

Thursday 12

Pulling beans and building fence

Susan and Alex went to Boston

Friday, September 13, 1861

At work for Charles Steel in the forenoon

Went up to Colby Sherburns in the afternoon

Saturday 14

At work for Lewis Thompson

Sunday 15

Did not go to church

Monday, September 16, 1861

At work for John C. Hall

Jack Weeks spent the night here

Tuesday 17

At work for John C. Hall

Wednesday 18

At work for John C. Hall

Thursday, September 19, 1861

At work for John C. Hall

Went down to the city to Lyceum in the evening

Friday 20

Pulling beans and cutting stocks

Saturday 21

Making cellar window frames for Mr. Straw

Enlisted under Capt. Ela

Sunday, September 22, 1861

Did not go to church

Monday 23

At work clapboarding for John C. Hall

Tuesday 24

At work clapboarding for John C. Hall half day

Went to New Rye with Arthur Lock

Got a letter from Dana Wallace

Wednesday, September 25, 1861

At work for John C. Hall

Thursday 26

Digging potatoes and pulling beans and patching the roof of the house

Friday 27

Threshing my beans

Went to Lyceum in the evening

Saturday, September 28, 1861

Picking up my boots

John Weeks came over here

Went down to the city in the afternoon

John Weeks called

Sunday 29

Did not go to church

Called at Charles Steels

John Weeks and Rob Ela called

I wrote to Dana and Susan

Monday 30

Came over to Suncook with Ham Hall to Concord by the Portsmouth

Arrived at Laconia at ½ past 4 P.M.

Stopped at the Willard Hotel, A.L. Morrison

Tuesday, October 1, 1861

Came to Lakevill, stoped at the Lake Hotel

Nothing came from L. V.

To Holderness stoped at Hotel kept by James Thompson

Wedensday 2

Came down to Concord in the morning train

Found Mr. Ela at the depot

Robert came up in the ten o'clock train, went down the(O?&C) train at Newton at 7 o'clock evening

Thursday 3

Went through New//, Hampstead, Danvill, Sandown, Raymond, Kingston etc 21 miles of foot. Came up on the Portsmouth

Great fire in Concord

Friday, October 4, 1861

Went to Manchester after a tent

Did not get one

Stopped at the Eagle with Capt.Ela

Saturday 5

Rainy Day

Came down home on the stage

Went to drill in the afternoon

Sunday 6

At home all day

Monday, October 7, 1861

Digging potatoes in the forenoon

Went to drill in the afternoon

Bart Haynes and Bill Perkins enlisted

Rob came down

Tuesday 8

Went to Deerfield with Rob and Jack

Got a letter from Dana

Wednesday 9

At muster all day

Thursday, October 10, 1861

Digging potatoes

Jack went to Concord with Rob

I went to lyceum in the eve

Got a letter from Susan

Friday 11

Went to New Rye to see Jim Marden

Saturday 12

Clearing up the shop and chambers

Unkle Jonathan Philbrick and wife from Rye came up to Fathers

Sunday, October 13, 1861

Did not go to church

Wrote to Dana Wallace

Monday 14

Digging potatoes, threshing, husking corn and doing all sorts of work

Tuesday 15

Went up to Perley Giles, James Sherburns and over to New Rye

Got a letter from Robert Ela

Wednesday, October 16, 1861

Went down to the city and over to Daniel Bickfords

Thursday 17

At home in the forenoon, went to town meeting in the afternoon

Friday 18

Went up to Jack Sherburns in the forenoon and to Concord in the afternoon

Saturday, October 19, 1861

Went to Jack Sherburnes

Sunday 20

Did not go to church

Rob came down from Concord

Monday 21

Went up to Jack Sherburns and over to short falls and New Rye

Tuesday, October 22, 1861

Put up a barrel of potatoes and sent them to Susan

Simon called here in the evening

Wednesday 23

Went down to the city twice

Wrote to Rob

Thursday 24

Went down to the city and over W.D.M. Knowles

Went to Lyceum

Got a letter from Rob

Friday, October 25, 1861

Went down to the city

John and Abby got back from New Rye

Got a letter from Rob

Saturday 26

Went up to Jacks auction

Sunday 27

Did not go to church

Wrote to Susan

Rob went up to Concord

Monday, October 28, 1861

Went down to the city

John Weeks and John Ham went to Concord

Tuesday 29

Went down to Capt. Curtises auction and over to Will Moores

Wednesday 30

Helping Jack move

Rob came down from Concord and ordered us into camp

Thursday, October 31, 1861

Went to Concord with Jack and to Pittsfield to see John Page

Went to Lyceum in the evening

Rob went to Deerfield

Friday, November 1

Went round and notified the Boys to be ready to start Monday morning

Saturday 2

Round home all day

Sunday, November 3, 1861

Did not go to church

Very rainy day

Monday 4

Started for Manchester at six o'clock arrived at M. at ten

Came on to the camp ground, found no tents for our accommodation

Slept in the tents of Capt. House of Lebanon

Tuesday 5

Drilling most of the day

Went up to Concord in the evening, stopped at the Elm House

Wrote to Annie

Wednesday, November 6, 1861

Came back from Concord in the afternoon

Thursday 7

Very cold weather and windy
Went down to the city to get some stoves

Friday 8
Drilling the men most of the day
Wrote to Ann

Saturday, November 9, 1861
Drilling the men in the forenoon
Rainy in the afternoon
Mr. Ela called
Went to the city in the evening

Sunday 10
Went out on parade to hear a sermon from the chaplain Mr. Emerson
Wrote to Susan

Monday 11
Drilling the men
Went to Concord by the last train
Staid all night at the Elm House

Tuesday, November 12, 1861
Went over to West Concord and back to Manchester in the afternoon

Wednesday 13
Came up home with Jack
Went to New Rye
Staid at home all night
I forbade John C. Hall carting off the dirt in front of my fence

Thursday 14
Called to see Jack
He is worse the Dr. says that he had got the Diphtheria
I came back to Manchester
Mr. Hall carted off the dirt

Friday, November 15, 1861
Keeping tent all day
Jack Weeks went to Epsom

Saturday 16
Did not drill
Went down to city

Sunday 17
On guard all day

Got a letter Susan
Charles Batchelder and Jake Wiggin called

Monday, November 18, 1861
Wrote to Susan and to Annie
Rob went to Concord

Tuesday 19
Rob is gone to Concord
Had burnt soup for dinner

Wednesday 20
Rob came back from Concord. Mr. Ela came down. I went up with
Arrived at t new Rye at nine o'clock found Ann at Samys

Thursday, November 21, 1861
Came out on the hill found John Philbrick and currier him to Concord
Came down home at night rather sick

Friday 22
At home
Called at John Warrens and Bill Morrills
My cold is no better

Saturday 23
At home all day
Called at jack Sherburns and the post officer
Abby got a letter from John

Sunday, November 24, 1861
At home all day
Lucy called

Monday 25
Came up to Concord and over to Keene in the afternoon
Arrived at Camp Brooks at eight I the evening
Found all well

Tuesday 26
Setting up tents, tables and getting ready for house keeping
Wrote to Susan

Wednesday, November 27, 1861
Doing police duty most of the day and loafing the rest of the time

Thursday 28
Making out pay roll and doing writing for the company

Went down to the street and was mustered into the service hall a present of a Turkey dinner from the Ladies of Keene

Friday 29

Making out pay and company rolls

Saturday, November 30, 1861

Got my uniform and Bounty

Sunday, December 1

Went down to the street to church with the men in the afternoon

Monday 2

Doing duty all day

Got a letter from Susan

Tuesday, December 3, 1861

Making out pay roll and certificates for the men

Got a letter from Ann

Wednesday 4

The most of the boys went of home and a furlow

I wrote to Ann and Susan

Thursday 5

Did not work very hard

went down to the street

Friday, December 5, 1861

Went to Boston and spent the night with Susan

Saturday 7

Came up to Concord and found the boys — down home with Willey

Found the folks all well

Jim, Frank, Saran, Emma, Annah Marden and Lucy spent the evening here.

Sunday 8

Did not go to church

Mr. Peffers held a meeting in the school house in the evening

Monday, December 9, 1861

Went down to the city

Rob came down here in the evening and staid all night

Tuesday 10

Rob went to Deerfield

Ann, Charlie and I went down to George Chapmans and spent the afternoon

Wednesday 11

Ann and I went to New Rye in the afternoon. Charlie Chapman came out here and spent the night

Thursday, December 12, 1861

At home all day

Friday 13

At home all day

Went over to the school house in the evening to bid the boys good bye

Blake and Lucy spent the eve here

Saturday 14

Came up to Concord with John Warren and over to Keene, arrived at 8 o'clock

Sunday, December 15, 1861

Went down to the street to meeting

Monday 16

Wrote to Ann

Tuesday 17

Drilling and writing all day

Wednesday, December 18, 1861

Drilling all the forenoon

Thursday 19

Went down to the city in the forenoon and had the colors presented

Went down in the afternoon and done some trading

Wrote to Annie and sent her my picture and some money. I got a letter from her

Friday 20

Do not feel very well

Went to officer drill in the forenoon

Saturday, December 21, 1861

Went down to the street in the forenoon

Got a letter form Ann and wrote to her

Sunday 22

Did not go to church

Ham Hall called to see me

Monday 23

Went down to the city to trade off our extra (fold?)

Tuesday, December 24, 1861

Packing up once preparing to visit the camp

Went down to the city and spent the night

Wednesday 25

Started for the seat of war at 9 o'clock A.M. arrived at Athens Point at 6 P.M. started from there at 12 midnight arrived at ~~Jersey City~~ at 9

Thursday 26

Arrived at Jersey City at 9 A.M., left for NY at 2 P.M. are going to Amby had a very pleasant ride w/ the —

Went from Jersey City to Amby and from A. to Philia arrived at Philia at 10 o'clock and staid in the — till 3 the next morning.

Friday, December 27, 1861

Went on board in cars at ½ past five after standing in the rain four or five hours

Wet and cold and no fire in the cars

Saturday 28

Arrived at Washington at three o'clock P.M.

Staid at the soldiers rest

Sunday 29

Worked all day getting our luggage into camp and pitching our tents

Wrote to Ann

Monday, December 30, 1861

Sick all day

Got a letter from Ann

Tuesday 31

Some better

Wrote to Ann, Susan and Dana Wallace

Set up all night

John M. Weeks

George B. Tilton

Chas J. Brown

Mark Emery

George M. Marden

Patrick Doyle

John Gough

William B. Perkins

Hiram B. Haynes

John N. Emery

Andrew J. Sherburne

Robert Crawford

Edwin M. Sherburne
James W. Marden
John W. Page
George M. Sherburne
William T. Grant
Joseph Siley
Benjamin Brock
Lauren A. Leighton
Henry H. Lane
Benjamin S. Robinson
Horace Holden
Charles W. Leighton
Albion P. Marden
George W. Gilman
John F. Carter
Jerome Putman
John M. Wilcox
George Call
? Green
John S. Ham
Lewis Nutter
Joseph T. Hoit