# THE DIARIES OF JAMES BABB, Epsom, NH

There are three existing diaries relating to Epsom by James Babb, the first is held at the Special Collections of the University of NH Library, the remaining (plus others after James Babb moved to Massachusetts) are held by the New Hampshire Historical Society. The writings are transcribed reading the originals as best as possible. Many abbreviated words have been written out, and peoples names written out in full when they were identified, other spellings of the time and abbreviations remain intact. It is hoped that writing out some of the words and names will make the diaries easier to read and of more interest to readers. Many business transactions are included, but in some kind of personal code used by James Babb and could not be read.

James Babb owned a small store in Epsom after working for a time with Mr. J. Clarke of Northwood. About 1830 he removed to Lynn, MA, and established his business there. His cousin, also James Babb, went to Dartmouth and became a Doctor, both residing in Epsom at the same time. These diaries have been wrongly attributed to Dr. Babb.

Thomas Babb born July 10, 1752 died Nov. 1, 1808

Elizh Wallace born Sep 4, 1754 died Octr 10, 1787

The above were Married Apl 4, 1776 Their Children Margaret & Sarah born Jany 27, 1777 Elizabeth born June 27, 1779 Jane Wallace born June 27, 1781 Rachel born June 28, 1783

Sarah Blake born Dec. 23, 1763 and Married Thos Babb June 6, 1788 their Children Priscilla Rundlett born July 28, 1789 Hannah born Aug. 8, 1792 James born Jany 11, 1794 Thomas born Augt 27, 1799 Amelia born Octr 16, 1801

John Carr & Priscilla R. Babb were Married May 25, 1815 \_\_\_\_\_ Their children Sarah Elizabeth born Febr 28, 1816 John James born Decr 18, 1817 Thomas Babb born Sep 24, 1822

Ephrm Green & Amelia Babb were Married Sept. 1820 by Elder John Crockett Their Children James Babb born June 21, 1821

# DIARY OF JAMES BABB Sept. 17, 1819 – July 2, 1820

From Special Collections Dept., UNH Library

Friday Sept 17, 1819

Amelia is no better

Went early in the morning with Dr. Carr to take pigeons in a net - took 33 at two hauls - - set out from Sanbornton at 2 p.m. & arrived at Epsom at 10 p.m. - wrote a letter to Mr. Seavey from Batchelder's Mills and sent it by David Mous requesting payment of his note by 1st Octr.

Weather moderate —

Called at Thomas Butlers' his wife gone visiting. Stopt an hour and gave the pony some corn.

Saturday Sept. 18, 1819

At store all day - Moderate, had some company.

Set out for Northwood at 1/2 9 P.M. at Mr. Clarke's 1/2 11 (took supper at Mr. Langmaid's)

S & Elizabeth came down on Monday last to Northwood returned to H.

Wednesday following —

Hon. John Langdon died at Portsmouth this morning Aet 80 yrs

Sabbath Sept. 19, 1819

Pleasant - Attended meeting

Mr. Wells preached

Text A.M. Eccless 12-1

" P.M. Luke 15-7

Saw # at Mr. Ks in P.M., tarried 1/2 hour at Mr. C's at noon - took tea at Mr. K's. # there & tarried while sunset when Mr.

Mead sent Mary Ann for # to come home — & I wished hours at Paris.

I walked down with # & said good evening.

Set out from Mr. Clarke's at 10 and at Epsom 1/2 p 1 A.M. (20 John Berry at Northwood Meeting in PM.) Took a line from L.H.M. to Miss B. Judge Darling & his daughter Julia tarried Mr. Clarke's this night.

Monday 20 Septr 1819

Cool - windy & overcast

At store all day

Saw Mr. Kimball of Sanbornton who told me that he saw my sister last evening & that she is not any better

Called at Mr. Merrill's in the evening & at Mr Steele's

Mr. Steele went to Exeter

General McClary & Mary to Portsmouth

E. Lane Esq. & Widow Jenness were published at Pittsfield Yesterday

Tuesday 21 Sep. 1819

Cold & Windy at store

Sent Mr. Mead's letter to Porstmouth by a young man who promised to leave it at Mr Cochrans

Received a letter from Dr. Carr by Mr. Judkins

Wednesday Sepr 22, 1819

Cool weather at home all day set off for Portsmouth at 9 P.M. with Daniel Locke via Exeter traveled all night

very rainy

Thursday Septr 23, 1819

Arrived at Exeter at 5 A.M.

breakfasted at Mr. Buswels

saw Mark Piper -

set off for Portsmouth, at 10 A.M. arrived at Portsmouth 1/2 p 1 & put up at Wilds Hotel

Tarried all night

rainy

Friday Sept 24, 1819

Overcast. Bot Hhd Rum, Cotten

sugar etc

set out for home 1 P.M.

At Mr. Clarke's by 6

tarried all night

walked to K's - all forlorn - wanted to see # but did not Mr. K arrived at 8 evening

Saturday Septr 25, 1819

Rainy. At Mr. Clarke's all day posting books

walked to Mr. K's in evening tarried an hour, returning saw # at the chamber window.

O that I could have spoken with her - left a letter with friend K for # dated 23ish.

Sunday Septr 26, 1819

Overcast Came home from Northwood in morning

at Epsom by 9 A.M.

at Meeting in A.M.

Mr. Wells preached from Proverbs. 18.8

at home in P.M.

went to General McClary's in evening & took tea

Rev. Mr. Curtis had a daughter born

Monday Sept. 27, 1819

Overcast A.M. Warm & Clear P.M.

at home A.M. went to Mr. Coe's P.M. to meeting of Officers of 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion 18<sup>th</sup> Regt. For exercise. Took tea at Mr.

Ebenezer Coes with Mr. Clarke - rode down with David Bennett, home with G. Allen

tarried at Mr. Steele's all night with David

Mr. Steele & wife went to Portsmouth

J. Kelley to Exeter

Squash grew in Mrs. E. McClarys Garden Wt 62.00 4 1/2 ft in circumference weighed by Col. Jonathan B. Moody & myself. Col. Jonathan's largest weighed 53.00

Heard from Amelia this day by Mr. Lane of Sanbornton. She was better yesterday.

Tuesday Septr 28, 1819

Overcast - warm

at store all day. Dr. Morrill & Mr. Haynes set off for Exeter this morning

Boston carriage started for home from Capt. Grays -

Copied Mr. Lord's letter to Mr. Curtis & Mr. Curtis' answer

David Steele born Nov. 27, 1793 at Peterborough, N.H.

Wednesday Septr 29, 1819

At store. Showery all day

Training Capt. Osgood & Capt. Brown's Company

had some dancing in the evening & very unpleasant company

all went away by 9 P.M.

Thursday Sept. 30, 1819

At store. Weather very pleasant in the evening - heard that the \_\_\_\_ Morrill v. Haynes - about the voting business had been decided this morning in favour of the Plaintiff by the Superior Court of NH

Mr. Wm Parsons & lady of Boston arrived at Capt. Grays this evening in a carriage accompanied by two or more other of their connections —

thought of # & that I could but see her - but alas that privilege is denied me

Friday Oct 1. 1819

At home all day

had but little company - people all quarrelling about the voting cause - -

Morals of the people of this town are growing worse with rapid strides

Monday October 4, 1819

Cold & Windy. at store all day

was very tired from the effects of last evenings walk - -

O # whether sleeping or waking your lovely form is ever present to my imagination - & associated with all that is amiable & endearing in the female character in my mind - If bounteous providence has any blessings in store for me may this me included in the number to pass the evening of live in the society of the person so highly loved.

Ann Stickney of Concord called at Mrs. McClary's today with Miss Barker. Mr. John Lord had his second meeting at Epsom Meeting House this P.M. Mr. Chesley opened the doors. Mr. Curtis attended - I did not go.

Expect # will go to Newmarket this or tomorrow

Tuesday Oct. 5, 1819

Moderate

Examination at Miss Front's school at Northwood this P.M.

# will doubtfully be there

at store all day

walk'd to General McClarys in the evening with David Steele -

Mr. Lord preached at Allenstown today. Jonathan McClary & Dr. Chesley went to hear him

Wednesday Oct. 6, 1819

Weather Pleasant . At home

Exhibition at Newmarket Academy

# is probably there perhaps surrounded by admiring spectators or kind friends of there. may she have an agreeable & pleasant time & return in safety -

 $O \ \# \ do \ not \ forget \ that \ you \ have \ one \ true \ friend$  - he will never forget you

beautiful evening 10 P.M.

Thursday 7th Octr 1819

At home all day

Weather moderate & pleasant

Mrs. McClary & Max Steele went to Portsmouth

Heard that Mr. & Mrs Clarke went to Hillsboro on Monday last

Moon shown beautifully in the evening. Dear # could I walk with you this eve how pleasant would it be Perhaps at this innocent you are at Mr. K's or in your chamber wherever you may happen to me & that I were there also.

1/2 p 8 p.m.

Friday Oct 8, 1819

At home - weather pleasant

Sarah M. Lord, daughter of Mr. Samuel Lord of Portsmouth died at Portsmouth Oct. 6

Mrs Morrill visited at Mrs McClary's this P.M.

Mr. Morrill called at house in the evening & is to call again in tomorrow - posted 4 pages & copied them in the eve read a while in Boswells Life of Johnson. Thought of dear # & then to bed. 1/4 p 10 P.M.

Saturday Octr 9, 1819

At home. packed butter in the P.M.

Mr. Clarke called in the eve, had been to Hillsboro, went to Northwood with him - arrived at ½ pt 9

Mr. McClary and Mr. Steele returned from Portsmouth

Sabbath Octr 10, 1819

Rainy in A.M., at Mr. Clarke's all day - Mr. L. Hill called at the house about sunset and tarried 1/2 hour.

I then set out for Epsom. Mr. Mead walked with me as we pass'd his fathers. Saw # near the window. O that I could have spoken one word to her—

Called at Mr. K's, stopt an hour & eat some pie - wrote a few lines at store & left them at Mr. K;s for #, hop'd to have found her at Mr. K's but was disappointed.

Mr. Leavitt & family areat Mr. McClary's expect to set out for Bangor Me. Friday next

O my friend I must see you soon much longer I cannot live peaceably with out it

Mr. K informed me that when # was told that I was there last  $S^h$  her "eyes glistened & the tears started" O friend beloved when I forget thee then may my righth'd forget its coming.

Monday Oct. 11, 1819

I arrived at store last eve 1/2 p 10 P.M.

Found E.H\_ & D.S. engaged in making a great fuss about nothing - D.S.(David Steele) tarried with me all night.

At home all day - called at Mr. Merrill's & Mr. Steele in evening.

read Boswells life of Johnson until 11 P.M.

thought of # and to bed.

Mr. Samuel Lord had a son born this eve at Portsmouth.

Tuesday Octr 12, 1819

At home until evening then went to John Chesleys to husking.

Col. Jonathan there. Tarried while 1/2p 10 - took supper & at home.

Northern lights very brilliant when I returned.

Wrote a letter to # dated it (13th) set up while 12 M

Wednesday 13 Octr 1819

At house - first snow for the season & but little of that - training in P.M. both Company's out.

had some customers, a few tarried late

Col. Serg? "Be gone dull care" & Adams & Liberty in style & retired 1/2 p 11 P.M.

I set up while Midnight & read Boswell. Thought of # & retired for the night. E\_ at Mr Merrill's

Moody called me up in the morning & wanted some stuff. at home all day. Eliza at Mr. Steele's.

Mrs. Steele sick with Dysentery.

Weather chilly

D. Steele slept with me tonight

Expected to see L.H.M (Levi Hilton Mead) today but he did not come.

Recipe for Making Ink

Communicated to H. Niles editor of the Weekly Register by Jos. James, Esq.

Take one Gallon of soft water & boil in it 1tt Logwood chips 1/2 an hour then take it from the fire & pour it off from the chips, while boiling hot, \_\_ a pound of the best Aleppo Galls (Nutgalls) reduced to a fine powder & 2 Oz pomegranate pals? put in a proper vessel - After stirring them well together with a wooden spatula place them in the sunshine in summer & within the warmth of fire in winter for 3 or 4 days - stirring the mixture as often as convenient. Then add 1/2 tb of Green Nitriol (Copperas) produced & let it remain 4 or 5 days more stirring it frequently - then add further 4 ounces Gm Arabic, dissolved in a Quart of boiling water and after giving the \_\_ sometime to settle strain it off from the drugs?? & keep it well stopped for use.

If the ink be desired to shine? more the proportion of pomegranate peel must be increased.

In order to secure this ink from growing moldy 1/4 pint or more of spirit of iodine may be added' but to prevent its containing any acid which may injure the ink a little salt of tartar or pearlahes should be added previously & the spirit poured from it which will render it innocent with regard to the colour of the ink.

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1tt Logwood in 1 Gn Water

1tt Nutgalls pulo

2 oz pomegranate peals pulo)

1/2 Copperas

1/4? Gum Arabic in 12T water

1 Gill ?? Wine

Friday 15 Octr 1819

At home. Engage in P.M. packing Butter.

Some company in the evening. D. Steele slept with me.

Saturday Oct. 16, 1819

At home. Weather moderate.

Engaged packing Butter in the A.M.

Anne Morrill & Ann McClary came over from Pembroke. I called at Mr. Steele's in the evening.

Sabbath Oct. 17, 1819

Went to Pembroke with Jonathan Berry. At meeting in P.M.

Mr. Burnham preached Text? 16.30

? what shall I do to be saved.

Returned to Epsom at night. Mr. B set out for Pittsfield

Monday Octr 18, 1819

At home. Ann Morrill & Ann McClary returned to Pembroke

L.H M. (Levi Hilton Mead) dined at Mrs. McClary's & went to Pembroke. Wrote by him to JN & #.

Slept none last night had a severe toothache, up at 4 A.M.

Lot of Capt. Heath 200 Wr Manual @ 5 1/4 \$

Thought of dear # & and to bed about 10 P.M.

Hope Hilton will have a pleasant ride.

Mr. Clarke & wife set out for Exeter this morning.

Mr. Mead returned from Pembroke 11 P.M. & tarried with me all night.

Jonathan Berry Aet 28 this day.

Tuesday Octr 19, 1819

Mr. Mead took breakfast with me & set off for Gilmanton at 8 A.M.

Moses P. Gray extracted a tooth for me which had been very painful since Sabbath afternoon.

Col. Jonathan went a gunning & killed 4 Partridges, 3 squirrels and a pigeon.

Was at home all day. Weather chilly.

Sent by Smart for 1tr Nutgalls & 2 oz Pomegranate peels 9d.

Tub H tea & 1 Cut Copperas. Gave him 6/ each.

Wednesday 20 October 1819

Weather moderate, rainy in the morning (at home)

Mrs. Steele is much better.

O could I see dear # for 1/2 hour should be rejoiced -

Col. Jonathan invited me to dine with on Squirrels & Partridges, went accordingly as did J.S. Esq. & D.S. Had an excellent dinner.

Miss Ann E. Couch & Misses Locke's visited at Mrs. McClary in P.M. Rainy in evening.

Singing School at the school house near the meeting house in Epsom every Wednesday evening. Mr. Curtis presides.

Harriot McClary attended it. Mr. Sanborn is manufacturing a table for me today.

Thursday Octr 21, 1819

At home all day - little company

weather chilly

Harriot & Elvira & Mr. Knox & lady took tea at Mr. Steele's this P.M.

Friday October 22, 1819

Rainy in morning

Cloudy P.M. - at home

Commenced making Ink according to Mr. Niles recipe

Dr. Morrill has sold his seat to Dr. Crosby (as is said) for ##### more than it is worth - Dr. Morrill is to leave Epsom, remove to Concord having purchased D.H. J. Bonds stock in trade.

Mr. Morrill & Miss Coffin (of Pembroke) called at Mrs McClary's in the evening - as did David Steele & Mr. Simon Heath. I walked to Doctors with them. Called at Mr. S's & tarried 1/2 hour. Capt. Simon Ames Heath & lady visited at Mr. S's this P.M.

Harriot & ?? wrote a letter to Ann.

Dear # ever in the thoughts of your friend ~ may you at this moment # ever be happy. 11 P.M.

Saturday Octr 23, 1819

At home all day

Dr. Morrill set off from Epsom for Concord - set off from store at 9 P.M. for Northwood, very dark. Arrived at Mr. K's about Midnight & tarried all night there. It rained when I started, star light when at the end of my journey.

Sabbath October 24, 1819

Rainy in the morning.

Attended the sabbath school being the last day for the season & then at Meeting. Mr. Prentice preached from 2 Timothy 3:16 in the P.M.. The Sabbath Scholars set with their instructors & the discourse was practicably advanced to the children - the sermon was most excellent.

# at meeting in the P.M. had the pleasure of seeing her, but could not converse with my friend - did just ask if she was well & that was all. O my dearest friend what would I not have given to have been allowed the privilege of passing one half hour in your chamber last evening. Will fortune always prove unkind? I hope & trust it will not - however providence may order - my best wishes for your happiness shall be ever granted. Saw # in her chamber at 8. Set out from Mr. K's at 9 1/2 and at store 12 Midnight.

O # must see you soon or —

Monday October 25, 1819

Pleasant A.M. up at 7. First in thoughts this morning was #

Went to General McClary's in P.M. & took a line to P.M. G. signed by the Ml the S∼ & the Lr

In the evening took it & carried it to Northwood to forward to W. tomorrow.

Went to Northwood in one hour, expected there would have been an examination of Mrs. Front's school but was disappointed.

Called at Mr. M's in evening. Saw dear #. Tarried one hour, returned to Mr. C's & tarried all night.

Mr. M & wife were sociable & I had quite an unexpected reception — O # could I have had a few moments converse with you, my happiness would have been complete.

Went to bed past 11 P.M.

Tuesday October 26, 1819

Rose at 1/2 past 3 A.M. mounted Mr. Steele's pony at 4 and jogged for Epsom and arrived at 6. All in bed. Left the store last evening in the care of David Steele and found him in my bed this morning.

Col. Jonathan dined at widows.

Eliza & Harriet took tea at Dr. M's with Misses Ms. of Gilmanton.

Dr. Crosby bargained with Mr. M for his board @ 12/ and is to come tomorrow.

Set up while 20 Minutes ante 12 Midnight. thought of # and retired for the night.

Had some company in P.M.

Last night coldest that has been for the season.

Wednesday October 27, 1819

Weather chilly - rose at 1/2 past 7 abominably to lay in bed so late. resolve to do better in future. At home all day.

Misses Frances and Rebecca Moody visited at Mrs. McClarys - was introduced - appear to be pleasant and sociable enough - more so than any young ladies that I have met since my residence in Epsom.

Walked up with them to Benjamin Moody Esq.'s as did Dr. Crosby and called in a few moments.

Dr. Crosby came to Mr. McClarys to board this evening and took tea - he occupies the bedroom and we sleep together in the west front room. 10 P.M.

Thursday October 28, 1819

At home - had wood - house built

Notification put up for town meeting the 15th November next for the purpose of choosing Town Clerk and Selectmen - in the \_\_ of Dr. Samuel Morrill.

Dear # my thoughts at this time recur to thee. May good angels protect you from every ill. Still my belov'd, still keep in mind, However far removed from me, That there is one thou leavs't behind, Whose heart respires for only thee!

Friday Oct. 29, 1819

At home all day.

Saturday 30

At home. Wrote to my sister by Mr. Staniels and to Mr. Kelly by Mr. Hill requesting # to be at his house tomorrow evening.

Mr. J.S. Thorndike of Pittsfield called on me in the P.M. on his way to Concord.

Had company until 1/4 p 9

Sabbath Oct. 31, 1819

Weather pleasant

Attended meeting - Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Ezekiel 33.11

P.M. Ditto

Went to Northwood in evening (walked) found # at Mr. K's. it was a pleasant evening and the moon shone brightly. had a delightful time. walked home with # and had a social converse - O I would go twice as far to see # at any time.

Monday Nov. 1, 1819

At home all day.

Received a letter from Dr. Carr informing that my mother is very sick.

May it not unto death but should it be the will of providence. may she soon be restored to health and strength.

Wrote to S. Rollins for Hhd Rum, NE and T.G. Berry enclosing 22\$ and sent by Mr. Merrill.

Wrote to J. Kelly, Jonathan Nealey and Samuel Morrill.

Mr. Merrill did not go to ph & did not send to TGB and S. Rollins

Tuesday Nov. 2, 1819

At home all day - Rainy.

Spent the evening at Mr. Steele's

Dear # intended to have written to you but company prevented.

10 P.M.

Wednesday Nov. 3, 1819

Capt. Isaac Osgood of this town put an end to his existence this morning by cutting his throat with a razor. - he had been partially deranged for some time and indulged the idea that poverty would soon overtake him and that his family would come to want. - he was probably as independent as to property as any farmer in town. - he arose in the morning, directed his nephew to go to the barn and find the cattle then took the pail and went to the pen and fed the swine- set the pail down, took off his hat, lay himself down on the floor, his head on a block, and deliberately as it would be seen, performed the fatal operation and died very soon after.

I saw him soon after the deed was performed. This scene was awful and solemn. Rev. Mr. Curtis made an impressive and affecting prayer.

Weather overcast and moderate.

Wrote to Dr. Carr and enclosed 30/ - sent the letter to Yeatons Tavern by Jesse Emerson to be forwarded by Capt. Lane to Sanbornton tomorrow. Took the above from Yeatons - myself.

Thursday Nov. 4, 1819

At home A.M.

P.M. at Capt. Osgood's funeral. Mr. Curtis preached from Psalm 77.19. I should suppose 300 people attended.

Friday Nov. 5, 1819

At home, windy.

Spent one hour at Mr. J. Steele's in evening with Dr. Crosby and Harriet.

Went to bed at 10 P.M.

Wrote to Dr. Carr by Capt. Lane and enclosed 30/

Saturday Nov. 6, 1819

Cold - at home

Weighed by David Steele and weighed 156 lbs.

In the evening there was a meeting at Mr. D. C's, Mr. S. was nominated for Selectman and Col. M. for Town Clerk I went to Northwood in evening. Arrived at Mr. Clarke's 10 P.M., set up while past 11- and then retired to rest.

Sabbath 7 Nov. 1819

Attended meeting in the P.M. Mr. Prentice preached from Malachi 3.2

# at meeting - 1/2 p 6 P.M. set out from Mr. Clarke,s, called at Mr. K's, found her who is "lovely to soul and to eye." tarried while 1/2 p 8 and walked home with # brother. Had a delightful evening then walked to Epsom and arrived 11 P.M. Very dark and weather chilly.

Monday 8 Nov. 1819

At home - Mr. Jonathan Lord preached at Epsom Meeting house. Simon Grant officiated as Deacon. Col. Jonathan attended meeting.

Mr. C. pulled up his post opposite Mr. C's house which was placed there for his gate to swing against. Dr. M arrived at Epsom from Concord.

Tuesday Nov. 9, 1819

Was particularly mentioned as being a remarkably dark day and in the P.M. the atmosphere appeared of a yellowish hue - and it was so dark in the store that I had occasion to light a candle at 3 o'clock.

Dr. J. Crosby went to Deerfield.

At home all day. Went to Aunt Harriet's in the evening with Mr. Badger - and she leased her place to him for one year from this date.

Wednesday Nov. 10, 1819

At home. Dr. Crosby returned from Deerfield.

Mr. Steele and wife took tea at Widows.

Wrote to # and forwarded by S. Crockett.

Capt. Morrison of Northwood called in the evening.

Thursday Nov. 11, 1819

At home. Weather overcast.

Letter came in the mail directed to Dr. M. and postmarked - "P.O. Department" Probably contained Dr. C's commission. Mailed Nov. 1, 1819.

The foregoing contained notice of Dr. Crosby's appointment as Post Master in Epsom.

Caucus this evening at Mr. William Yeatons Inn and another at Capt. Grays.

Dr. Crosby's brother Dixcy came to Epsom on a visit.

Friday Nov. 12, 1819

Very moderate for the season. Mrs. M had here shed moved. I sold the manure underneath the wood house to Isaac Towle for 12/. Present William H. Dickey and W. Parker.

Elizabeth and Harriet visited at Capt. Simon Ames Heath's. Had an invitation to tea. Did not go.

Saturday Nov. 13, 1819

Rainy A.M. Moderate

It was determined at the caucus at Capt. Gray's on Thursday evening that at the Town meeting Monday next to try for moderator and if not successful, to proceed no further but declare Dr. M. to be the Clerk and one of the Selectman until the close of the political year.

Wrote to Mr. K.

Sunday Nov. 14, 1819

Weather cold. At meeting all day. Mr. Curtis preached from Hebrews 4.9

Took tea at General McClary's in company with John Sanborn and Wife & David Steele

Sent L.H.M's (Levi H. Mead) letter by John Sanborn.

Returned from Generals at 1/4 before 9.

Thought of # and to bed.

Monday Nov. 15, 1819

Weather moderate.

Town meeting at 2 p.m.

Michael McClary chosen moderator by a majority of 64. Jonathan McClary Esq. Town Clerk 143

Richard Tripp Selectman 134

No other candidates.

Dr. M appeared in meeting and stated that he was ready to attend to the duties of his office. The vote was then taken to see if the town would choose a new clerk & S. Man which was carried by a large majority. They also voted that Jonathan McClary should apply to Dr. M for the town record and if he should refuse to deliver them, he should take such steps as he should deem expedient to obtain them at the expense of the town.

I sold 318 Gallons Spirit and set up while Midnight

Some sore heads I guess - sent letter by Rowe to Mr. K.

Tuesday 16, Nov. 1819

At store all day.

Dr. Crosby removed the P.O. to Widow M's

Received a letter from friend K. dated yesterday.

8 P.M.

Company all gone.

Dear # wish I could see you. Set up while 1/4 past 9.

Wednesday Nov. 17, 1819

Weather overcast and warm

At home A.M.

Went to Pittsfield in P.M. to Jeremiah Dow's after shoes. Did not get them.

Called at Maj. D's. Deborah showed me her wedding gown. She is to be married Thanksgiving.

Went to the school house in the evening to hear the singing and called at Mr. S's when I returned. Rainy in evening and very dark.

Thursday Nov. 18, 1819

Mail opened the first time by Dr. Crosby. the new Post Master at 6 A.M.

Weather pleasant for the season. Thanksgiving in all the New England States 2nd next month

Friday Nov. 19, 1819

At home

Saturday Nov. 20, 1819

At home until evening then went to Northwood. Arrived at Mr. Clarke's 11 P.M. All abed but Mary.

Sunday Nov. 21, 1819

At Mr. Clarke's all day. No Meeting. Mr. Prentice preached at Pittsfield.

Mr. Clarke exercised the office of Barber on my head.

Called at Mr. K's in evening

Met # and E going to Mr. K?'s, called again and walked home with #.

Monday Nov. 22, 1819

Went to Northwood with D. Steele. Dined at Mr. Clarke's and then went to Milchers Vendue Did not make any purchases on account of the Vendue being adjourned.

Returned to Mr. C's, found Esq. J. and daughters - went to Mr. Mead's and # came to Mr. Clarke's with me. Had a very social time and took tea.

At Epsom by 11 P.M.

Received a line from Dr. Crosby in morning.

Dr. Crosby attended store 1/2 day for me.

Tuesday Nov. 23, 1819

Dr. Crosby gone to Concord. I have to go to Pembroke in P.M. much against my will.

P.M. went to General's for his chaise to go to Pembroke. It rained and he would not let it go.

Ann and Harriet came home with Dr. Crosby at 8 evening.

Mr. Mrs. Clarke set out for Boston this day at 10 o'clock A.M.

Dr. Crosby got a Courier for friend K at Secretary's Office on opening it I found he was appointed a J.P. for Grafton County

Thought of last evening and regretted that I had to leave such agreeable company.

Wednesday Nov. 24, 1819

Sent Mr.? K's Cour to Concord by Dr. Morrill to have it \_\_\_.

At home all day, had some company in P.M. and evening.

Settled Mrs. Mary Durgin's account with Dr. M and paid \$4.37 to him.

Thursday Nov. 25, 1813

At home. Sent 100\$ to J.? Rollins by Mr. Leander Badger and an order for Sgt & H. Tea.

Had some company in evening, among others S.D. No. 4 was DO.DO shut up at ¼ p 10.

Heard Dr. C read ?? while I thought of Dear # and? to bed

Friday Nov. 26, 1819

Heard that Mr. Moses Swett of Pittsfield and Miss Deborah Drake of same place were married yesterday P.M.

by Reverend Mr. Curtis at Mr. C's house in this town.

Dr. Crosby went to Deerfield this A.M. to return in evening.

At home all day.

Weather cloudy and moderate.

Heard that No. 4 an hour at the Dippers last evening.

O Tempora O Mannus

Saturday Nov. 27, 1819

At home until evening.

Had some company. Weather cool.

Evening went to Northwood at Mr. Clarke's by 12 midnight.

Mr. C. had not returned from B.

Sunday Nov. 28, 1819

Attended meeting at Northwood all day. Mr. Prentice.

A.M. Text Luke 16.24

P.M. 25.26

# at meeting, walked home with # and Elizabeth and Levi Hilton Mead

Called at Mr. K's evening and at Epsom by 1/2p 11

Mr. M and Misses M's and Dr. was up

David Steele dined at Mr. M's and told that I had said to him that I was engaged to # - which is totally and entirely false - never having said anything of the kind to him in my life.

His good intentions toward me I duly appreciate. Perhaps I may sometime have opportunity to repay him.

Monday Nov. 29, 1819

At home all day. Nothing interesting occurred. Wrote to Dr. Carr and enclosed 5\$ to my mother.

Tuesday 30 Nov. 1819

At home - weather cold and overcast.

Gideon Moore of Northwood at store. Expected to have seen Mr. K this day but was disappointed.

Believe Mr. Clarke returned from B. last evening.

Wednesday Dec. 1, 1819

At home all day. Mr. K of Northwood called on me and dined at Mrs. M's. Received by him Boubarettse (?) and Calliocs (?) from Boston. Had considerable company in evening.

Thursday Dec. 2, 1819

A.M. pleasant.

Thanksgiving Day

Walked to Northwood - took supper at Mr. Kelly's and tarried while 10 P.M.

# and Martha spent the evening at Mr. K's. Had a very pleasant and agreeable time and walked home with the ladies.

Went to Mr. Clarkes's and tarried until 12 o'clock and then called at Capts', took his pony and arrived at Epsom 20 minutes past 2

Was presented with the following lines written by a much esteemed friend~

Farewell to you my friend

May Heaven's sweet peace bestow

And strew the path with flowers

In which you are called to go

Oft shall I retrospect

On hours forever past

And view with pensive eye

The one which proves the last

Friendship hath power to charm

It sweetens all our ways

Oft doth its soothing balm

Yield a benign repose

Do not too soon forget

Those whom you leave behind

While memory holds her seat

I'll bear you on my mind

Friday Dec. 3, 1819

### Up at 6 A.M. Took breakfast

Got Chesley's pony and Capt. Heath's wagon and went to Northwood. Dined at Mr. Clarke's, selected goods to amount of 300\$, gave my note payable in 6 months for \$275. Took tea at Mr. K's. # there. Stopt while 8 P.M. and set off for Epsom. Arrived at store 1/4 past 10~P.M.

Mr. Badger attended store.

Saturday Dec. 4, 1819

At home all day. Engaged in putting up goods and setting the store in order. Mr. Badger with me. The Mc at the store and rather boozy. Had considerable company.

Sabbath Dec. 5, 1819

Weather cold.

The day appointed for Mr. Lord to preach in the meeting house. Went to meeting about 1/2p 10. Mr. Lord was delivering his sermon, his text I was told was in Acts 19.36. Mr. Curtis came into the Meetinghouse about 11 o'clock, went into the pulpit and told the people that all who felt disposed to attend the worship of God could be accommodated in the school house and desired them to go who choose. About 4/5 of the congregation immediately left the house and followed Mr. Curtis to the school house. I tarried until Mr. Lord finished his forenoon services when is was 20 minutes p 11 and he mentioned that the intermission would be 3/4 of an hour.

In the P.M. I attended the Meeting at the School House. Mr. Curtis preached a very good sermon from the first Epistle of John 4 Chap. 5 + 6. The building was crowded so much that more than half of the hearers were obliged to stand up during the whole of the services.

Am told this evening a second meeting is appointed at the meeting house from this day. D. Abner Jones to officiate.

Mr. D. Locke 3rd had a child buried this P.M. which was still born yesterday. Mr. Curtis attended the funeral.

Monday Dec. 6, 1819

At home. Nothing new.

Harriet and Ann visited at Mr. Steele's - I was in a few minutes in the evening.

Wrote to Mr. Kelly.

Tuesday Dec. 7, 1819

Moderate for the season.

At home all day

Simon Grant and Mathias Haynes had a battle in the store. Nobody killed or hurt.

Sent. Mr. K's letter and courier by Mr. Stokly

Mr. C and wife on their return from Henniker came to Mr. M's and tarried all night.

Wednesday Dec. 8, 1819

Moderate. At home all day.

Mr. Clarke and wife set out for Northwood, 10 A.M.

Harriet and Ann and Dr. Crosby visited at General McClary's P.M. and evening.

I walked up and was there just as they set out for home. Did not call. Was in at the school house and heard Mr. Curtis make a prayer.

Thursday Dec. 9, 1819

Weather very warm for the season.

At home all day.

Called at Mr. Steele's in the evening. Dr. Crosby there.

Friday Dec. 10, 1819

Last night about 11 P.M. the wind began to blow very hard. It continued through the night. This morning it is very cold and blustering.

Leonard W. Kimball called at the store from Newburyport.

Dreamed of seeing # last night - o that it proved reality

Set up while 11 and to bed.

Saturday Dec. 11, 1819

Cold and windy. At home all day. Had some company. Colo so so

Leonard Kimball returned home. Mr. J. Steele promises to put security in my handfor Paupers debt next week or pay it and I would give up the watch.

Sabbath Dec. 12, 1819

Weather cold.

At meeting all day.

Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Daniel 5 4.5, 6+25

P.M. Revelations 3.10

Wrote to Dr. Carr and sent 15 yards Boubaretta to my Mother by Warren Badger.

Called at Mrs. Sanborns and Mr. Steele's in evening.

#### Monday Dec. 13, 1819

Weather cold. Mr. Merrill went to Boston and Harriet went to Mr. M's to spend the week. Mr L..H.M. at store and dined with me.

Dr. C went to Deerfield last evening and returned at 8 P.M. this day.

Mr. M informed me that # was well.

Tuesday Dec. 14, 1819

Weather cold. Col. Samuel Osgood died Aet 83

2 1/2 inches snow fell in P.M.

Went to Pittsfield with Mr. Steele. Saw my sister Hannah. Dined at Mr. Butlers on roast Turkey. At home by 7 P.M.

Dr. Crosby attended store in A.M. and Mr. Badger in P.M.

Mr. Perkins had his leg broken in store by Mr. Chesley just before I returned from Pittsfield. Accidental.

My sister informed me that Miss C. Berry had entertined a hope that she mad experienced a change of heart.

Wednesday Dec. 15, 1819

At home all day. Had some company.

Thursday Dec. 16, 1819

Weather moderate.

Set out for Portsmouth at 9 A.M.

Called at Mr. Clarke's 15 minutes

Called at Capt. Richardson's, arrived at Wilds 4 P.M.

Found Mr. Clarke there just ready to sail for home.

Took tea at Wild's and attended a concert of Music at the assembly room by Mr. Philip Lewis and his 4 children - the eldest 9, the youngest 3 years of age. They performed several pieces of music with a degree of excellence that astonished the beholders. On the piano, harp, violin and violin-cello.

Paid 3/

At lodgings by 10. Thought of # and to bed.

Friday 17 Dec. 1819

Weather moderate. Purchased various articles of Merchandise and at 4 P.M. set out for home. Arrived at Mr. Clarke's at 1/4 ante 9.

Called at Richardsons in Dover and at Mr. Blydenburgh's saw Mtxxx. Tarried at Mr. G all night.

Saturday Dec. 18, 1819

Pleasant. Took breakfast at Mr. Clarkes's 1/2p 10 A.M. Called at Mr. Mead's. found dear # alone. Tarried one hour and then set off for Epsom. Arrived 3 P.M.

Settled with Ex. Cotton Factory.

Sabbath 19 Dec. 1819

Moderate. A Mr. Kinsmen of Free Will preached in the Meeting House. Mr. Curtis in school House. At Mr. Curtis' Meeting in the P.M. Text Hebrews 11-24-26.

Spent the evening at Mr. Merrill's with Dr. Crosby very pleasantly. Mr. M returned from B.

Mr. Curtis went into the Meeting House in A.M. Mr. D met him in the aisle and requested him to be \_\_\_\_ in A.M. and preach in P.M. Mr. C. declined.

Monday Dec. 20, 1819

At home all day.

Unloaded a Hhd Rum and one of Molasses from Portsmouth.

Dr. Crosby took tea at Mr. Steele's. M.J.B. settled with Widow and owed her \#

Tuesday Dec. 21, 1819

Weather cold. At home all day.

Wednesday Dec. 22

At home.

Thursday Dec. 23

At home. Dr. Crosby went to Deerfield. Pleasant.

Friday Dec. 24, 1819

Pleasant A.M. 4 inches snow P.M.

Spent the evening at Mr. Curtis as did Dr. Crosby, Eliza, Ann and Harriet.

Shooting at Yeatons 2 Turkeys killed.

Saturday Dec. 25, 1819

Weather cold.

At home. Went to Mr. Chesley's Tavern in P.M. to shoot a goose. Did not kill her.

Went to Northwood at 8 P.M. At Mr. Clarks by 1/2 past 9 Tarried all night.

Sunday Dec. 26, 1819

Weather cold. Attended meeting at Northwood. Mr. Prentice preached from Rev. 5.5

At Mr. K's noon. Supper at Mr. Clarke's.

# at meeting. Called at Mr. M's evening. Stopped while 1/4 p 8. Saw dear # but had no opportunity of conversing with her. Went to Mr. Clarke's, took my pony and arrived at Epsom 1/2 p 10.

Monday Dec. 27, 1819

At home all day. Court day at Mr. Steele's office.

Had considerable company and very disagreeable and unpleasant they were.

Tuesday Dec. 28, 1819

At home - weather cold.

Went to General McClary's in evening with David Steele. Tarried while 10 p.m. and eat some of Mary's pie and drank 2 gallons wine.

General had been to Concord.

Wednesday Dec. 29, 1819

Weather cold - at home.

Dr. C took tea at General McClary's. A violent dispute between Mr. Curtis and Capt. Heath in store in the evening. Mr. Curtis accused Capt. Heath of reporting he would be the best customer at his own tavern and he Capt. Heath said it was false.

Mr. Curtis said that Capt. H told him in this store before the last annual meeting that he (Capt. Heath) intended to go to the general Court. Capt. Heath told Curtis that he was a liar. Mr. Curtis said that he had as many cents as Capt. Heath had dollars. Capt. Heath said that Curtis might live to see the time that he would want them - and thus the matter ended for the Capt. went out and doubtably both thought they were injured.

O # may thy dreams be pleasant and thy waking moments be even happier.  $10\,\mathrm{P.M.}$ 

# was at Judge H's (?) this evening.

Thursday Dec. 30, 1819

At home - my sister came to Epsom from Pittsfield with Mr. Jenness. Dined at Mrs. M's and Mr. Jenness returned to Pittsfield. Hannah tarried at Mrs. M's all night.

Friday Dec. 31, 1819

At home - stormy and cold - 6 inches snow fell.

At Mr. Merrill's in evening with Dr. Crosby, Hannah there.

Sarah Johnston came to Northwood with Dr. Crosby.

Saturday Jan. 1, 1820

At home all day. Weather cold.

Sabbath Jan. 2, 1820

Weather cold.

Went to Northwood with Dr. C, he came back at noon.

I attended meeting all day. Mr. Prentice preached from Eccles  $2.11\,$ 

# at meeting P.M.

Saw Sarah M. Johnston at Mr. Clarke's and saw # at Mr. K's in the evening - and Martha walked home with them and then to Epsom.

Dr. Chadwick and Dr. Burleigh tarried at Mr. M's all night.

Rev. Jonathan Broadhead preached at Epsom meeting house this day. Mr. Curtis in school house. Singing school began at Northwood last Wednesday evening - at Narrows to be there and at the school House near the Meeting House alternately.

Monday Jan. 3, 1819

At home, weather cold. Some company in Store.

I wrote receipts for Capt. Josiah Sanborn and John Rand as settlement between them.

Mr. Kelley had a son born this morning.

Tuesday Jan. 4, 1820

Moderate. At home all day. Jury Meeting in P.M. S.??orJ? A. Heath, John Chesley and Joseph Lawrence chosen.

In the evening Capt. Sanborn called at the store and told me that I dated a receipt wrong which I wrote for him last evening. On examining it I found that Sanborns receipt signed by John Rand was dated 4th with it instead of the 3rd, the day on which it was written and signed.

I called at Capt. Heaths with Capt. S this evening who (Capt. H) was present when Rand signed the receipt. Capt. Heath said he saw Rand sign it and that it was at my store the 3rd day of January instant.

James Babb

The reason of making this memo is that Rand gave Sanborn a note for 10\$ on settlement the day of their passing receipts - and Capt. S does not know, but Rand may dispute the payment of it on account of the date of the receipt.

James Babb

I think Greenleaf Brackett and Perkins Philbrick were present when the above receipts were signed.

Wednesday Jan. 5, 1820

At home all day. Weather cold.

Spent part of the evening at Mr. Steele's, Mary, Elisa, Harriet Ann and Jonathan McClary, Abigail Dearborn, Aunt Harriet and Sarah, Dr. C and the writer made up the company.

Thursday Jan. 6, 1820

At home all day.

Weather cold.

At Mr. Merrill's part of the evening.

Friday Jany 7, 1820

Weather cold. Probate court at Capt. Heaths this morning. At 3 O'clock Mr. M. T. Caswell of Northwood had his house, barn and joiners shop consumed by fire. Damage estimated at \$1000.

Went to Northwood in P.M. with Dr. Crosby Mr. Steele and wife. Took tea at Mr. Clarke's and at Epsom by 11.

Called at Mr. M's in evening. Saw #

Mr. Smith, the school master boarding there.

# was cheerful and pleasant

Mrs. Dearborn and Mrs. Davis (her daughter) of Concord dined at Mrs. McClary's this day.

Our party had a pleasant time at Mr. Clarke's, but by far the most agreeable to me was the time passed in presence of my dearest friend.

Saturday Jan. 8, 1820

Weather moderate. At home all day.

Sunday Jan. 9, 1820

Weather pleasant.

Mr. Courser preached at Epsom. At meeting in P.M. Text 2 Corinthians 5.17

Called at Benjamin Moody and at Mrs. Sanborns in evening. When at Northwood Friday last enclosed \$100 to Y. Rollins to be sent by Mr. Hill and an order for Hhd Rum and chest tea.

Monday Jan. 10, 1820

Weather moderate. At home. Gave \$1 to William T. Caswell

Took tea at General McClary's

Tuesday Jan. 11, 1820

Snow A.M. At home.

Wrote James Means & Co. Barton for 1 bbl Bdy in mail.

This day have arrived at the age of 26 years. May the time to come be improved to better purpose than time past.

Wednesday 12 January 1820

At home. Dr. Crosby went to Gilmanton. Hannah went with him. Dr. Crosby's sister to be married this evening to Dr. Burley.

Weather cold.

Thursday Jan. 13, 1820

Very cold. At home.

Dr. Crosby returned at 8 - his brother Alpheus came with him.

Received Hhd Rum and Chest tea by John Durrell and sent Abner Hill 12/

Daniel Locke called evening and said he had had his colt stolen this evening.

Sent a packet to Mr. Kelly by Durrell containing a letter for # and one for Matilda Prentice.

Friday Jan. 14, 1820

At home all day. Mr. Curtis and wife and Mr. Merrill and wife took tea at Mrs M's.

Saturday Jan. 15, 1820

Had considerable company in store. Mr. Jonathan McClary and Sister took tea at Widows.

At home all day and tarried in store all day until 91/2 P.M.

Sunday Jan. 16, 1820

Walked to Northwood. Arrived at D. Smith's 1/4 p 12 Midnight. Attended Meeting P.M.

Mr. Prentice preached from Romans 8.7. Took supper at Mr. Clarke's. Called at Sammy's. Saw Catherine L. Hill there. Called at Mr. K's, saw his little son, then returned to Mr. C's and from there to Mr. Meadss. Saw #, has had the toothache for 3 days. Tarried a few moments only and walked to Mr. Clarke's with Sarah and Mr. C. Benjamin came to the gate with me with slave(?)

Heard that Mr. Jonathan B. Busel was to be married this day.

Monday Jan. 17, 1820

Storm of snow commenced at 3 A.M. and continued through the day. Very slow at store all day.

Mr. Steele and wife went to Portsmouth.

Mr. Clarke and Mr. K. of Northwood likewise.

Mr. A. Berry of Kingston, Methodist, preached in Epsom Meeting House yesterday.

I was at home from Northwood last evening by 1/4 p 10 P.M.

Tuesday Jan. 18, 1820

The storm has abated and it has cleared off. Cold.

Roads blocked up very much, expect very little company today.

# is 20 years of age this day. May many happy days remain in store for her.

Received 60 Drs of Mrs. S which I am to return or pay 11 per Ct yr Int out of store. I gave my note for the same.

Had some company in evening - not very pleasant.

How short and fleeting has been the past year - may the present be improved to a more useful purpose. May I, by an honest course succeed in my endeavors to acquire property, so that I may be enabled to appear in the eyes of <u>some</u>

folks worthy to possess the heart and hand of another who is dearer to me than life itself.

O # dearest best beloved. If I can but secure thy friendship for life happy shall I consider myself.

Wednesday Jan. 19, 1820

At home - little company.

Thursday Jan. 20, 1820

At home all day, had some company.

Nathan Crosby tarried all night at Mrs. McClarys

Bought 10 GN of wine of Thomas D. Merrill and paid him 11.75 cash for it.

Friday 21

Pleasant. At home. Received a letter from Means - did not send the brandy. Wrote to him and enclosed 50\$ and sent it to Exeter P.O. to be mailed by Nathan Crosby.

Nathan and Alpheus went to Exeter this day.

Dr. Smith of Northwood called this evening, sold him 2 bushels wheat.

Thought of Dear #- wished I had had a letter written to send by Dr.

Saturday 22

At home.

Sunday 23

At home. Sick all day, did not eat anything and drank only 2 cups tea at night.

Monday 24

At home. Nothing interesting occurred.

Tuesday 25

At home. Mr. Steele and wife returned home from Portsmouth. Called in evening with Dr. Crosby.

Wednesday 26 Jany 1820

Pleasant sun, cool air.

Mr. and Mrs. C and Miss S. at Mr. Steele's in P.M. Took tea at Mr. Steele's.

Learned that # goes to New Market this P.M. with her father.

Wrote to Mr. K and sent by Mr. C.

Thursday Jany. 27

Cool air. Pleasant sun.

At home until evening, then rode to General McClary's with Dr. Crosby. Tarried till 1/4 p 10 P.M.

Played 3 games which Eliza McClary and Alpheus were then.

Walked home with David Steele. Made an arrangement to visit at Northwood Friday next. Eliza refused to go and says Ann will not go - Harriet will.

Friday Jany 28, 1820

Overcast A.M.

Received \$1.75 of Abraham W. Marden for Yeaton and Twombly's bill for freight against him and receipted the bill. At home all day.

Saturday Jany 29

At home all day and snowy all day.

Mr. Mead of Northwood called at store, was quite sociable, invited on me to call and wished to know if I intended going to Northwood soon.

Went to Northwood in evening. At Mr. Clarke's 1/4p 10 P.M. tarried all night. Had Daniel Locke's pony. Learned that # was at present at G.F. Esq.'s, Durham.

Sunday Jan. 30, 1820

Chilly. Mr. Curtis preached at Northwood at meeting P.M.

Text Isaiah 53.1

Called in evening at Mr. K's. Received from Mr. K 2 Hdkfs and a copy of the lines I before had of # valued gift which I have life dear friend and sister of my soul will I preserve it.

Called at Mr. Mead's, found them all well, and the old folks were sociable and pleasant.

Set off for Epsom from Mr. K's at 9, at home by 11 P.M., set up while and to bed.

Lent Mr. Clarke \$54 at Northwood.

Mr. Ruter preached in Epsom Meeting House.

Monday Jany 31

Chilly. At home

At General McClary's in evening while 10 P.M. Played whist.

Tuesday Feby 1, 1820

Weather severely cold and blustering.

At 3 P.M. set out for Northwood in company with Messrs Jonathan McClary, Jonathan Crosby and David Steele - Misses Mary, Harriet and Ann McClary and Abigail Dearborn. At Mr. Clarke's 1/4 4 P.M., half frozen. Had a pleasant party. Martha and Elizabeth Mead and L.H.M. and Mrs. Smith were present. Harriet and Nabby accompanied Misses Mead's home 1/2p 10 tho' rest of company tarried at Mr. Clarke's all night excepting Myself who slept with L.H. M being the second time in my life that I had tarried at Mr. Mead's, slept in # chamber slept went to bed at 12 and to sleep about 2 - waked up about 5. Eat a quart of porridge before I went. My thoughts were with her who is far away and could not sleep.

Wednesday Feby 2, 1820

Took breakfast at Mr. Clarke's and set off for Epsom and arrived safe and sound about noon. Sarah Steele rode with Dr. Crosby. Dined at Mr. Steele's

Mr. Badger attended store while I was gone.

Called at Mr. Steele's in evening at 9 and tarried 1/2 hour. It was cold and stormy all day.

called at store in P.M.

Mr. J. Clark had a son born.

Thursday Feby 3

Cold, Snow in evening. At home, but little company. Dined at Mr. Steele's.

Messrs J + D Steele and John McClary, Misses Mary McClary, Abigail D. Johnston and Mrs. S. took tea at Widows. Sarah tarried at Mr. Steele's all night.

Friday Feby 4, 1820

Cold and windy. Mail went up 7 P.M., delayed by the badness of the traveling.

Went to General McClary's in evening 1/2p &

Widows girls and Mr. Steele's and Mrs. S. and Dr. Crosby there.

At home by 9

Saturday Feby 5

At home all day. Summoned by Lt. Durell to attend a reference at John Furber Jr.'s on Saturday next at 10 O'clock A.M.

Col. Jonathan went to Northwood with Sarah S. this P.M.

My particular D. Steele told Dr. Crosby that I was so so Nov. 16, 1819. He is a liar and a fool.

Sabbath Feby 6, 1820

Pleasant

At meeting. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Matthew 24 - 4 + 5

Text P.M. Luke 18 -m 10-14

Meeting held in the meeting House.

Attended conference in evening at School House. Dea. Sanborn prayed and Mr. Curtis read from Doddridge's Rise and Progress and closed with a prayer.

Monday Feby 7, 1820

At home. 4 or 5 inches snow. Weather moderate.

D. Philbrick and Hanover Dickey and Benjamin Wiggin chosen jurors to S. Court.

Tuesday Feby 8, 1820

Weather Moderate - at home.

Senatorial Meeting at Concord. Isaac Hill nominated for the Republican Candidate No. 4

General McClary and Capt. Lang delegates from Epsom.

J. Steele bet a bottle of wine that Moody would live a year from this day. Capt. Heath bet against him.

Wednesday Feby 9~

Cold, some snow.

Court at Cilley's between Lord and Burnham, the latter fined 3\$and costs - trial before Judge Burgin and Justices

McClary, Butler, Sanborn and Eastman. I went to Cilley's in P.M. and tarried an hour.

Thursday Feby 10, 1820

At home all day.

Received Brandy last evening by Brackett. Sent 51 Shook? and 1 Rum Whd to Rollins by him.

Our folks invited at Capt. Grays. At home by 1/2p 12. I did not go.

Friday Feby 11

At home, pleasant.

Saturday Feby 12

Pleasant. Went to Josiah? Furbers to attend Reference - Caswell v Duda

Mrs. S. and Sarah went to Northwood with me.

No trial, continued until Saturday preceding 1st Wednesday in June.

Returned to Mr. Clareks at 3 P.M.

Took tea at Mr. M's., as did Aunt H., Mr. K and wife.

# went to NewMarket this day with Margaret M and Jonathan P. Millan

Had 7 Gallons Sperm Oil of Mr. C. @ 6/6

Tarried all night at Mr. Clarke's all night and slept with him.

Sunday Feby 13

Pleasant.

Attended meeting at Northwood. Mr. Prentice.

Text all day Romans 3-28

William Rollins and Martha Hale at Meeting in P.M. and dined at Mr. M's.

Arrived at Epsom 7 P.M.

Reverend M. Ruter preached at Epsom.

Monday Feby 14

At home all day.

Weather moderate. Mr. Page of Deerfield buried. Dr. Crosby, Mrs. M and Harriet attended funeral.

Tuesday Feby 15

Weather moderate.

Mr. Underwood brought me a pair of boots @ 24/

Mr. L.H.M. and Smith, Misses M.W.M and E.F.M. from Northwood visited at Mrs. McClarys.

Dined and took tea.

Col. Mary and D. Steele took tea

Northwood party set out for home at 6 P.M.

Called in evening at Mr. Merrill's, Mr. Steele's and Mr. Curtis.

Wednesday Feb. 15, 1820

Pleasant and warm. At home.

Business dull. Received a letter from Dr. Carr.

Thursday 17 Feby

Rainy and warm. At home.

Moses P. Gray and sister visited at Widows.

Friday 18 Feby

Weather moderate.

At store all day. Party at Mrs. Sanborns, invited but did not attend.

Saturday 19

Cool air. At home all day. Little company.

Sabbath Feby 20, 1820

Mr. Wells preached at Epsom. I attended meeting in P.M.

Remaining part of the day read Tales of my Landlord.

5 inches of snow fell.

Went to bed 11 P.M. and thought of a friend.

Monday Feb. 21, 1820

Chilly air - at home.

Little business going on. Took tea at Capt. Heaths as did Dr. C, Widow, Reverend Mr. B?, Mr. Merrill and ladies.

Tuesday Feby 22, 1820

At home all day.

Wednesday Feby 23, 1820

Warm for the season.

At home all day. Dr. Crosby of Gilmanton and his daughter Grace came to Epsom. Tarried all night.

Thursday 24 Feby

Moderate.

Dr. C and Daughter returned to Gilmanton.

Had Turkey for dinner - D. Lanchester of L called at store. Understand he is published to Miss Martha Leighton of Durham.

Paid Ephraim Lock \$1,75 for money received of A.W. Marden on Twombley and Yeatons acct.

Called at Mr. Steele's in evening.

To bed 1/4 p 11 P.M.

Friday Feby 25, 1820

Moderate and overcast. At home.

Dr. Crosby rode from Widows to General McClarys with Mary.

B\_\_\_\_y had a prodigious great flea in her ear. I guess if one end is in pain the other is easy.

Spent the evening at General McClarys with Dr. Crosby and Alpheus.

Saturday 26 Feby

Moderate. Rainy. At home

In evening walked to Northwood at Mr. K's by 9. Tarried all night.

Sunday Feby 27, 1820

At meeting at Northwood Mr. Prentice preached from 1 Kings 8.46 all day.

Breakfast and supper at Mr. Clarke's.

Called at Mr. Mead's and Mr. K's.

M.W.M. (Martha Mead) there, Stopt an hour.

Evening cleared off pleasant. At Mr. M's 10 P.M.

Dr. M.F. and Mr. Broadhead preached at Epsom.

# at Newmarket.

L.H.M. (Levi Hilton Mead) at Portsmouth went last evening.

Mr. Clarke at Portsmouth.

Monday Feby 28, 1820

Pleasant. At home.

Borrowed 20\$ of General McClary.

Mr. Moody is said to be dying.

Died at Epsom, Benjamin Moody Esq. Aet 42 intemperance.

N. Johnston and wife came to Northwood from Hh (Henniker or Hopkinton)

#### Tuesday 29 Feby

Went to Portsmouth, arrived at Wild's 1/2 p 6 P.M.

Called at Mr. K's. Mr. M's and Mr. Clarke's

Carried a letter for Martha from Miss Dearborn.

Received 30 \$ from Mr. Clarke

Oil 7.58

Jury Fees 7. 59 45.17

#### Wednesday March 1, 1820

In Portsmouth until 4 P.M.

Bought a Hal of Wine 8\$

Dined at S. Rollins

Took tea J. M. Esq.'s Newmarket

Saw #. Tarried 1 1/2 hours. Wanted to stay longer but could not.

Arrived at Jonathan Furbers 1/2p 11 and tarried all night.

#### Thursday March 2

At Mr. Clarke's by 8 A.M. took breakfast and tarried until nearly 12 O'clock.

Called at Mr. M's, Mr. K's and Mr. Pipers. Arrived at Epsom 4 P.M.

N. Johnston and Lady Edward and George set off for Hh at 1/2 past 10 A.M.

Went to General McClary's in evening with Dr. Crosby. Stopt at Mrs. Moody's.

#### Friday March 3

At home all day. Had but little company.

Dr. Crosby went to Northwood with Mary McClary.

Set up while 12 and wrote M.F.M. dated 6th inst

#### Saturday March 4

Slight snow A.M. Weather moderate.

At home. Had but little company.

Thought of my friend. O that I were near that friend that is dear ever dear to my heart.

## Sunday March 5, 1820

Weather moderate.

Attended meeting all day. Mr. Curtis preached from Rev. 22.11

Rode to David Sherburne's in morning and to Mr. Langmaid's in evening - Hannah there.

Rain in evening.

L. H. Mead of Northwood and Catherine Berry of Pittsfield were published this day.

#### Monday March 6, 1820

At home all day, weather chilly.

In evening wrote to # and M.F.M to go per Mail tomorrow.

At a caucus this evening at the house of Capt. Heath. It was voted to support Jos. Sanborn for Moderator, T.D. Merrill for Town Clerk.

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T. D. Merrill )
Bickford Lang ) Selectmen
John Cate
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Simon A. Heath Representative.

At a caucus at Daniel Cilley's it was agreed to support

Michael McClary, Moderator Hanover Dickey, Representative Jonathan? McClary, Town Clerk Hanover Dickey ) Richard Tripp ) Selectmen

John Batchelder

Tuesday March 7, 1820

At home all day. Nothing particular occurred.

Wednesday March 8, 1820

At home all day. Had considerable company.

Court at Capt. Heaths between Messrs Lord and Ladd. Lord recovered 5.\$ & cost amt between 15 + 16 \$

Steele for Plaintiff Stevens for Deft for defamation.

# returned to Northwood with her Grandfather.

Mr. Jonathan Campbell arrived Epsom at noon.

Thursday March 9, 1820

At home - little business. Caucus at Yeatons.

Friday March 10, 1820

At home all day.

Mr. Clarke, Sarah S, and Mary came to Epsom from Northwood and took tea at Generals. Had an invitation but did not attend.

Mr. M. went to Northwood with W.G.

L.H.M. was at this store. First heard of his publishment —

Hannah went to Aunt Babbs.

Saturday March 11, 1820

At home all day. Went to Northwood in evening. Had Francis Locke's pony and stay at Mr. Clarke's by 10 P.M. Caucus at Chesley's.

Sabbath March 12, 1820

Took breakfast at Mr. Clarke's, attended meeting. Mr. Prentice preached from Jeremiah 10-25. Edward Thomas and William Berry and widow (?) were at Northwood at Meeting.

# attended meeting all day.

Called at Mr. K's in evening, in evening at Mr. Mead's. Saw #, still lovely and interesting. Had a very agreeable time for one hour - wanted to stay longer but Mr. Mead was anxious to get home.

At Epsom by 11 P.M.

Mr. M's family appeared more friendly then they have done.

O # can I but secure they dear self - what can I wish for more except for the smiles of fortune to support you as I could wish. Kind providence grant me this and I ask no more but to live happily with the chosen friend of my heart.

Monday March 13, 1820

At home all day, had but little company. Rainy in evening.

Tuesday March 14, 1820

Weather moderate.

#### Annual meeting.

General McClary Moderator

Jonathan McClary Town Clerk

Hanover Dickey Representative

John Batchelder )

Richard Tripp ) Selectmen

Hanover Dickey )

Average majority 65. Meeting adjourned until tomorrow 12 M

Had some company.

#### Wednesday March 15

Weather moderate.

Town meeting finished. I happened to be chosen sealer of weights and measures.

Mr. Kelly called on me this day - # is at his house this evening.

O that I could be there also.

Mr. C and Sarah S. tarried at Generals this night on their way to Hillsboro,

11 P.M.

Thursday March 16, 1820

At home. Hannah called at Widows.

Mr. Clarke called this morning and Sarah S.

General and wife and Mr. S. Hady visit at our house this afternoon.

Expect L.H. Mead will be married soon.

Friday March 17

At home all day. Hannah tarried all night at Widows.

Saturday March 18, 1820

Went to Sanbornton with Hannah, via Gilmanton. Arrived at Dr. Carr's 8 P.M.

Weather pleasant.

Sunday March 19, 1820

Returned to Epsom via Canterbury. Paid my mother 8\$ in cash, some that I had of Nealey.

Arrived at Epsom 1/2p 7. Went to Aunt Harriet's after I returned.

Monday March 20, 1820

Rainy. At home all day.

Called at McCrillis in evening. Mr. Clark of Northwood called at store, lent him 61\$

Tuesday March 21, 1820

At home, weather moderate, had but little company.

Wednesday March 22, 1820

Chilly air.

Died in Epsom this morning Mr. Edward Lawrence Aet 30 of Bilious Fever. One week since he attended the town meeting. To all appearances in perfect health ~ man giveth up the ghost and where is he?

Mr. Moody's personal estate appraised at \$577.47. T.D. Merrill, J. Sanborn and S.A. Heath appraisers.

Thursday March 23, 1820

Mr. Lawrence buried.

At home all day.

General McClary bought Mrs. Moody house and gave \$300.

Mrs. Moody moved to her brothers in Gilmanton.

Friday March 24, 1820

Weather very pleasant. Dr. C and Alpheus went to Gilmanton.

Saw the first Robins for the season. Blue birds also made their appearance and the flies were also out. Spent part of the evening at General McClary's - Eliza, Harriet and Ann spent the P.M. there.

Saturday March 25, 1820

Heard a Lark singing this morning. Continues very pleasant.

At home until evening, then went to Northwood. Had Mr. Steele's pony. Arrived at Mr. C's 1/4 p 10 P.M.

Mr. Clarke went to Hillsboro via Epsom, lent him 15\$. Mr. Seavey received his note and promises to pay it in June next.

Sabbath March 26, 1820

Attended meeting at Northwood all day. # did likewise. Went to Mr. K's at noon. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text A.M. John 21-16

P.M. Matthew 13.13

Took supper at Mr. C's at Mr. M's in evening, tarried while 1/2 p 10.

Saw her who is ever dear to my heart, had an agreeable and pleasant time.

At Mrs. M's by 1 at night - extremely bad traveling.

Elder Knowlton preached in Epsom Meeting House.

L.H. Mead and Catherine Berry were married at Gilmanton on Tuesday last (21) by Rev. Luke A. Spofford.

Monday March 27, 1820

Rainy, at home all day.

Tuesday March 28, 1820

Weather pleasant, at home all day.

Wednesday March 29, 1820

Chilly air and windy. At home all day. Read Knickerbockers History of New York.

Windy in evening and the promise of a cold night.

Thursday March 30, 1820

At home.

Mr. and Mrs. M settled and Mrs. gave \$25

Friday March 31

At home all day.

April 1, 1820

At home all day

Sabbath April 2, 1820

Weather chilly. Mr. Carpenter preached at Meeting in the A.M.

Text Joshua 7 - 19

At General McClary's in evening - eat some Hasty pudding and milk.

Monday April 3, 1820

At home all day

Tuesday Apl 4, 1820

At home all day. Sent 100\$ to S. Rollins by Smart ~ amt 28

Died in Epsom Mrs. Burell (Buzzel) - consumption

Wednesday Apl 5, 1820

At home.

Died Mrs. Sanders - consumption

Thursday April 6, 1820

Annual \_\_\_ - at meeting.

Mr. Curtis preached. Text A.M. Esther 3.19

do P.M. do 4.16

Went to Northwood in evening. Saw # at Mr. K's. Had very pleasant time and walked home with her.

At Epsom by 3/4 past 11-P.M.

Friday Apl. 7, 1820

At home in A.M.

P.M. attended Mrs. Sanders funeral. Mr. Curtis officiated and delivered a discourse from St. John 14.19. I assisted as one of the carriers.

Saturday April 8, 1820

At home all day. Weather chilly.

Sabbath April 9, 1820

Weather chilly. Attended meeting at School House in P.M.

Mr. Jones preached from Psalm 73.18.

At conference in evening.

Mr. Knowlton preached in Meeting house.

Monday April 10, 1820

At home all day.

The McClary's got d \_\_k as did the C.

Tuesday Apl 11, 1820

At home. Had little company.

Received a note from Mr. C. states that Fuller Symonds of Hh came last evening to live with him.

Took tea at General McClarys with Dr. Crosby.

General sold an Oak Tree for 10\$

Dreamed of #

Wednesday Apl 12

Overcast

Dreamed of #

Went to Mr. Steele's in evening

Mail went up

Thursday Apl 13, 1820

Chilly. At home all day. Had little company.

Friday Apl. 14

Messrs Woodman and Gove (who have hired Cilley's store and pay 75\$ rent) moved their goods into it - understood they purchased their goods of Jonathan Smith of Exeter. Neither of them have been in business before. [\_\_\_(?) for the first time \_\_\_(?).]

Called at Capt. Grays.

Saturday Apr. 15

Pleasant. Wrote a lease for Mrs. Libbey of her farm and mill to John Dyer for one year. Dyer takes it to the halves.

Mr. John Chesley & Samuel Blake appraised the property & I took dinner there. In evening went to Northwood, had Mr. Lord's pony. At Mr. Clarke's by 11 P.M.

Sunday Apl 16, 1820

Attended Meeting all day. # did - at Mr. K's noon, Mr. Prentice preached Text Luke 15:10 Spent the evening at Mr. M's, <u>old folks tolerably sociable</u>. Had the pleasure of seeing # for one moment. At Epsom by 11 P.M.

Monday Apl 17, 1820

At home all day.

Court at Mr. S's office & reference at Capt. Heaths.

Had but little company.

Tuesday Apl 18, 1820

L.H.M. & # went to Pittsfield & his wife of the forenoon. Returned with them.

First meeting of the Reading Society at J. Steele's Office - Capt. Samuel Ames Heath., Mr. Thomas D. Merrill. - M.P.G., S.B., S.C. & Wm Green.

Took tea at Mr. Steele's.

Strange things happen in this world.

Wednesday Apr. 19, 1820

Weather pleasant, at home all day, nothing new occurred.

Thursday, Apl 20, 1820

Pleasant and warm. Went to Portsmouth. Eliza McClary went to Northwood with me & Mr. Clarke from Northwood to Portsmouth. At Wilds by 8 P.M. Dined at Mr. Clarke's.

Friday Apl 21, 1820

Bought a 3 hd of N.E. Rum of Mr. Ch's Cushing, paid 51. Shook @ 40 & 30 28ft Board @ 8\$ Settled with Mr. Rollins & bought a few other articles. Arrived at Mr. Clarke's at 1/4 p 10 P.M. Rainy 2/3 of the day.

Saturday Apl. 22, 1820

Arrived at Epsom in P.M. Had E. Locks wagon & Batchelder's pony. Called at Mr. K's & wanted to call at Mr. Mead's but concluded better not.

Sunday Apl 23, 1820

Pleasant. Mr. Curtis preached in School House. Mr. Knowlton ditto in Meeting House.

Attended meeting a School house in P.M. Text Gen 4-7. So many people that I could not get a seat.

L.H. M & wife went to Pittsfield this day.

M.W.M. 16 yrs old this day (Martha W. Mead)

M.A.M. 11 yrs old this day (Mary Ann Mead)

Called at Mr. Steels in evening. Rainy. To bed 1/2 p 9

Monday 24 April 1820

Overcast, up at 1/2 p 5 A.M., very little company in the A.M.

P.M. Went to Carpenters Deerfield to meeting of Officers of 18th Regt. At home by sunset.

Tuesday 25 April

At home - little company. Wrote to # by James Hill. Weather pleasant.

Wednesday April 26

People in this town sowed wheat 2 weeks since weather chilly - dull times.

Went fishing in P.M., called at Steele's in evening.

Thursday 27

At home all day, expected to have seen # today - disappointed

O # dearest friend may have that pleasure soon.

Friday April 28, 1820

Overcast and chilly

Eliza returned from Northwood . # & L.F.M. (Louisa F. Mead) came with her - in A.M.

Tarried at Mr. M's while after tea then returned to Northwood. Dr. Crosby & myself went with them to Northwood, at Mr. M's by 20 M p 8. # rode with me, had a very pleasant ride.

Mr. Steele's chaise & pony.

Returned to Epsom by 11 P.M.

Saturday April 29, 1820

Weather chilly, at home, had but little company.

Sabbath April 30

Pleasant. At meeting at Epsom, Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. 2 Corinth 6-2

P.M. Hebrews 2-3

At conference in evening.

Monday May 1, 1820

Severe front last night. Annual Meeting of the Congregational Society in Epsom.

Weather cool.

Agreed to build a new meeting House according to plan submitted - agreed to divide into 100 shares of 20\$ each.

May 2

At home all day

May 3

At home all day

May 4

At home - Eliza & Mr. Sanborn went to North Hampton.

Received 20\$ of Mr. Sanborn to pay prs Ctz gave not.

Friday 5

Probate Court at Capt. heaths.

At home, little company

Saturday May 6, 1820

At home A.M., went to Gove & Woodman's in P.M.

Evening to Northwood with Mr. Morrison, found # at Mr. K's & had the pleasure of attending her home - tarried at Mr. C's as did Judy Darling of Henniker. Carried a daisy to Northwood for # from Ann.

Sabbath May 7, 1820

Attended meeting at Northwood, Mr. Prentice Text Ezekiel 22:14. Sabbath school commenced at Northwood, 42 scholars. Mr. P & wife, Mr. K & # attended as instructors.

Took supper at Mr. C's, called at M's & had the good fortune to spend two delightful hours with #, never can they be forgotten - set out from Northwood between 10 & 11 and at Epsom 1- walked & tired enough.

Mr. Lord preached at Epsom.

Monday 8th May

At home, nothing new. Engaged in reading Don Quixote.

Tuesday May 9

At home, Dr. C went to Gilmanton, wrote to Mr. C & sent 3 Rutabagas.

Wednesday May 10, 1820

Mr. Kelly called on his journey to Warner - all well at Northwood.

At home. Dr. Crosby returned from Gilmanton.

Thursday May 11, 1820

At home, weather dry & chilly.

Dr. Crosby gone to Gilmanton & returned same evening.

Friday May 12.

Rainy A.M.

P.M. went fishing with Charley Steele & Locke to Suncook pond. Caught an abundant quantity of Pouts, Perch & Pickerel.

At home 1/2 p 9.

Thought of # & to bed without my supper.

James Sherburne died at Northwood this morning.

Saturday May 13, 1820

A.M. overcast

P.M. rain & hail - at home.

Expected Mr. Kelly but he did not call. Alfred Smith called at store.

Sabbath May 14, 1820

Attended meeting at Epsom, Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Luke 17:10

P.M. Corinths 6-9 & 10

Dined at Mr. Steele's, took tea at General McClarys with Mr. Steele and wife.

Weather pleasant.

Monday May 15, 1820

At home all day. Sent a letter to # send by Mr. Edgerly.

Sent Mr. Plummer's speech to Mr. K & Wheat to Capt. Clark.

Wrote to S. Rollins & enclosed 9// forwarded by Capt. Sanborn.

Weather pleasant.

Harriet & Ann visited Aunt Babb's.

Tuesday May 16, 1820

At home, nothing new happened.

Wednesday May 17, 1820

At home, rainy.

Thursday May 18, 1820

At home, rainy.

Friday May 19, 1820

At home, rainy all night.

Saturday May 20

Very little company, rain in abundance. Fear I shall not be able to go to Northwood this evening.

Reference at Capt. Heath's between Batchelder Heiress Moody Kent & J. Steele (Counsel)

Sabbath May 21, 1820

Rode Generals pony to Northwood, arrived at Mr. Clarks at 1/2 p 8 A.M., attended meeting all day, so did #. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text A.M. Job 12. 7-8

P.M. Psalm

Called in the evening at Mr. Meads with Mr. C. Saw dear #, tarried 1/2 hour. Miss Front there. had no opportunity to converse. Called at Mr. K's, returned to Mr. Clarke's & tarried all night.

Monday May 22, 1820

Set off for Epsom at 5,a t home by 1/2 p 6. Met Hilton. Miss Front commenced school board at Mr. Ms.

At home all day, little company. Wrote to Dr. Carr, Jas Prescott & wife of Hampton Falls called.

Tuesday May 23, 1820

Pleasant. Mrs. McClary planted her corn. David Steele returned from Peterborough. Mrs. Blake buried this day, died yesterday.

Thomas Butler called on me, had been to Boston.

Ann went to Concord with Catherine Gray, returned in evening. Mr. M bought Mr. C's farm fro Hilton for 1800\$ to come into possession in April next.

Wednesday May 24, 1820

Overcast, at home. Lt. Durel paid me 9/ for fees as evidence in his case a Eurs well.

Thursday May 25, 1820

Weather chilly, at home, business dull.

Friday 26

At home, nothing particular happened.

Saturday 24.

At house, read the Antiquary 2 Vol. Little company, weather chilly.

Sabbath 28

Weather pleasant. Attended meeting at Epsom. Mr. Prentice preached Text Isaiah 59-19 In evening walked as far as Mr. M's, called Mr. K's, hoped to have seen # but disappointed. How uncertain are the enjoyments of this world - how delusive and visionary are all its pleasures. At home 12 M. Saw Josys pony in Mr. Jerh J.'s yard when I returned 5 m p 11.

Monday May 29, 1820

Overcast and chilly.

1 year this day since I closed partnership with Mr. Clark. At home all day.

Rain in evening.

Tuesday May 30

At house, severe showers in P.M.

Wrote to # & sent by Leathers.

Society meeting yesterday, voted to locate the meeting house near Capt. Gays.

Wednesday May 31

At home all day, business dull.

Thursday June 1, 1820

At house, A.M. chilly. P.M. pleasant. Took tea at Mr. Steele's in company with General McClary, Dr. Crosby, Mrs. Lord & Mary. Finished Ivanhoe in evening. To bed 12 midnight.

Friday June 2, 1820

A.M. overcast. At home all day.

June 3 (Saturday)

Went to Nottingham to attend Duda & Caswell's reference. Set off at 5 A.M. on Batchelder's pony. Saw # as I passed. Breakfast at Mr. Clarks, returned to Mr. K's by 9 P.M. # there, took tea & accompanied # home, then went to Mr. C's and tarried all night.

Mr. Hoitt came in town from Gilmanton.

Sabbath June 4

Pleasant. Attended meeting at Northwood, Mr. Prentice preached from 2 Cor 5-11. Took supper at Mr. Clarks, called at Mr. Meads and tarried while Mt. Pleasant were the hours & swiftly did they fly. At Epsom by 3 1/4.

# at meeting in A.M.

P.M. at Mr. K's, communion day.

Monday June 5, 1820

Weather chilly, at home and little company. Wm H. Dickey died at 5 P.M. of a Dropsy. Aet 26 yrs.

Tuesday June 6

Cool. At home A.M. - P.M. attended the funeral of Mr. Dickey - Mr. Prentice preached a sermon from Ruth 1 Chap 20 verse.

Called at Mr. Steele's with Mr. Hoitt and Dr. Crosby, eat cake and drank beer.

Wednesday June 7, 1820

Windy and chilly weather, at house all day. Very little company and dull time.

Bradbury Cilley leaves town tomorrow for R.I. to turn peddler.

Thursday June 8, 1820

Went to Concord with Mr. Steele and at Hutchins's at 10 A.M.

Dr, Crosby went in company with us. Saw Dr. Carr & wife, received a letter from Hannah. Called at Dr. M's and Dr. G's. Heard a sermon from John 9.29 "God spake unto Moses" by Rev. J.B. Moore of Claremont. Church services introduced. Attended the orations in evening and tarried all night at Hutchins. Weather pleasant.

Friday June 9 1820

A.M. returned from Concord. Dr. Crosby went to Gilmanton. Pleasant.

Had but little company in P.M.

Saturday June 10, 1820

A.M. Weather pleasant, at home. Little company. P.M. rain.

Engaged packing butter most of the day.

Sabbath June 11, 1820

Attended meeting at Epsom. Mr. Wheeler of Candia preached. Text A.M. Ephesians 6-11 - P.M. Luke 12-20. Weather pleasant.

Dr. Merrill and wife of Andover attended meeting.

Took tea at General McClarys with friend Enos Hoitt. Went to bed at 10 P.M., Mr. Lord & wife, 2 children, Col. Jonathan & Nabby D. went to Portsmouth.

Monday June 12, 1820

A.M. Overcast and Hazy.

Set out for Portsmouth at 1/2 p 4 P.M., took tea at Mr. Clarks and arrived at Portsmouth at Midnight. Tired enough, put up Wilds Hotel.

Tuesday 13

In Portsmouth until 1/2 p 6. Rainy by spells until that time. Set out for home, arrived at Mr C's at 3 A.M.

Wednesday 13 (14)

Called to see # on my return home, tarried an hour. # was pleasant & sociable - expect H will take his wife home this day.

At home by 3 P.M.

I fell down alas & turned \_\_(?) my

Thursday June 15, 1820

At home all day, warm & some showers. Mr. Hoitt returned to Gilmanton. Col. Jonathan returned from Portsmouth vesterday. Mr. Kelly & Mr. Piper dined at Mrs. McClarys.

Friday 16

at home, weather pleasant, some company.

Saturday 18, 1820

Warm, at home, Harriet went to Loudon - Mr. Campbell arrived in town.

Sunday 18

Warm. Mr. Broadhead preached at Meeting House, I attended in P.M.

At 5 P.M. Mr. Carpenter preached in the meeting house. I attended. Text Isaiah 1.18

Walked to Reuben Sanborn's with Dr. Crosby, called at Mr. Merrill's, he returned from Boston this morning.

Sanborn is sick of a fever.

Harriet returned from Loudon.

The evening is pleasant and I longed to be with her who is dearer than life - but could not.

Ham Stickney came to Northwood with Mr. C.

J.B. Virgin published to Olive Jenness of Northwood.

Monday 19 June

Very warm. 3 hands hoeing for Mrs. McClary.

At home all day.

Tuesday 20 June

At home all day - extremely warm. M.W.M. at home from Newmarket. (Martha Mead)

Wednesday 21 June (1820)

At home. L.H.M. moved his wife to Northwood. (Levi H. Mead)

Thursday June 22

At home, weather warm.

Friday June 23, 1820

At home all day, walked to General McClarys in evening with David Steele

Saturday June 24, 1820

At home until evening, then went to Northwood, had Mr. Steels pony. At Mr. Clarks by 1/2 p 9, tarried all night. Weather moderate. To bed at 11 P.M.

Sabbath June 25 (1820)

At Meeting at Northwood, so was #. Mr. Burnham preached from 12 Cor 5-14 & 15. Dined at Mr. Clarks. Called at Mr. Meads at 6 P.M.

Showers in P.M.

Saw # never more lovely - tarried while (7 PM 26 ret. Epsom by 3.26)

The reservations I experienced this were both painful and pleasant. # concluded that from what her parents say it will be for best to discontinue my visits for one year at least - - when I ask # if I might hope one day to obtain hand, she answered in a way never before received. O happy moment could ye but have lusted ever - when I told # might I lov'd # us I never lov'd another in which \_\_ did not know but what could say the same - O hour of pleasure never will ye be forgotten by me.

Monday June 26, 1820

Cool. Wrote to Wrh & to Abrm Hill

Had but little company - at home all day.

Tuesday June 27

At home. In evening received a letter from Mr. K.

Wednesday June 28

At home. Weather pleasant.

Thursday June 29

Warm. Mr. Clark & Min Stickney died at Mrs. McClary's. I went to Concord with Ann. Set out at 2 and returned at 4 P.M. Had Mr. Merrill's chaise & Brown's pony.

Friday 30 June

Extremely warm. Dr. Proctor of Salisbury tarried at Mrs. McClarys last night. Mr. Hill at work for Dr. Crosby.

Saturday July 1, 1820

Warm. Warm. At home. Mr. Curtis returned home.

Sunday July 2

Warm. Mr. Osborne of Lee preached in Meeting House. Mr. Curtis at Capt. Heaths. I attended at Heaths in A.M. Text Acts 15-3.

Wrote to # in P.M.

Walked to Capt. G's in evening with Dr. and attended conference at School House.

(end this diary)

# JAMES BABB DIARY July 3, 1820 – November 21, 1821

From N.H. Historical Societ

Monday July 3, 1820

Warm. Auction at Mr. Merrill's of the personal estate of B. Moody. Mr. K. and Mr. Virgin of Northwood attended. Mr. K purchased books to amount of \$11.37 which he paid cash for and I gave my note to Mr. M @ 4 months to be settled when the dividend shall be made and my demand against the estate—

Sent a letter to # by K

Mr. K and V dined at Capt. Heath's~ bought this book of J. Crosby for fifteen cents - he having purchased it at auction About home all day

M.P.G (Moses Parson Gray) boosy

11 P.M. went to bed.

Tuesday July 4, 1820

Extremely warm. Officers of 18th Regt. met at C.R. Carpenters in Deerfield. I went down about noon in company with Dr. Crosby had his horse & Mr. Curtis chaise - dined - expense x/d too bad - more than 100 persons took dinner - had what most people would call a pleasant time but I think that it was foolishly spent and money wasted.

Received a line with an enclosure from an esteemed friend and wrote to K acknowledging its receipt by Mr. Crockett ~ There was a high go talked of in Epsom ~ but it proved rather scanty not more than ten taking dinner \_ at A. W. Mardens. at home ½ p P.M. Called at Aunt Harriet & General McClarys.

Wednesday July 5, 1820

Very warm at home

Vendue of Moody's goods to be continued this P.M. at 1 o'clock ~

Wrote to my brother Thomas.

Took tea at Mr. Curtis with Dr. Crosby - Mrs. Fletcher and Miss Sally Barker of Concord.

Singing meeting at Mrs. M's in evening. 11 P.M.

July 6, 1820

Warm. At home.

Made out P.O. Accounts profits of the Office Quarter ending June 30, 1820 is \$4,51

Thought of writing to # this P.M.

Dr. Crosby gone to Mt.. Delights\_\_

Saw on the back of Moody map "Rev. E. Haseltine died Nov. 10, 1813"

"\_?\_died Nov. 11, 1813"

July 6

extremely warm in P.M. showers to the westward.

Mrs. Carr and Amelia came here from Sanbornton ~

Tarried at Dr. Mrs\_M's all night

I took tea at General McClary's with Dr. Crosby and David Steele

Friday July 7, 1820

Overcast until 11A.M. and very warm

Mr. Carr and Amelia called at Mr. Merrill's in P.M. and will dine at Capt. Heaths today.

Mrs. Carr and A. went to Philip Wallace's to tarry all night. I went to bed ½ p 9 P.M.

Slight shower in P.M.

Harriet sets up with Catherine Gray tonight.

Saturday July 8, 1820

Very warm

Wrote to #

At home — all day

Capt. Heath bought a Chaise of Mr. Bailey of Amesbury

Took tea at Mr. Steele's

Mr. S. expected something had happened because Dr. & ? had not called oftener of late.

My sisters tarried at Aunt Babby.

Sabbath July 9, 1820

Warm

My sisters took dinner at Mrs. M's and tea at Mr. M.'s & I with them & I went to Langmaid's and

Uncle's in evening.

Attended Meeting all day~

Mr. Patrick preached at Epsom.

Text A.M. Psalm 133.1

P.M. Habakuk - 3.2

Samuel Marden taken into the Church in the evening at his house aet 19 years. Lewis Woodman of Epsom and

Melinda White of New Boston published

At home by 11 & to bed

Monday July 10, 1820

I have received of Samuel Batchelder for my mother \$51.25 and paid to Mrs. Carr \$43.42

balance \$7.83

Weather continues warm

Yesterday there was considerable thunder and lightning~~

Purpose to go to Uncle Babby this evening ~ ~ ~

Went with Dr. Crosby to Uncles & I took tea with my Sisters & Mrs. Langmaid.

Wrote to K. & # by Samuel Morrill

Meeting of the Liberals at the Lawyers Office

Slight shower of rain & warm

Had Mr. Chesley's chaise

Tuesday July 11, 1820

At home. Warm & pleasant

Had little company.

Dr. Crosby took tea at Deacon Sanborns.

Mr. Prentice and wife at Epsom.

Called at Mr. Mr. Curtis', Mr. McClary & I took tea at Capt. Grays.

Wednesday 12 - 1820

Warm. At home until 6 P.M. then went to the Moody house at the request of General McClary & took tea at Capt. Gray's.

Dr. Crosby, Mr. Chesley, General, David Steele, Col. Jonathan. Mary, Nabby, two Mrs. M's, Mrs. Badger & Mrs. Steele made up the party.

I returned immediately after tea.

Gove and Woodman who have been trading near D. Cilley's three months (13 inst) failed this day- had their property all attached and removed from the store & their books assigned to Bradbury Cilley & put into Mr. Steele's office for collection. And they made themselves scarce with a wagon and two horses ~ the demands principally are against people who cannot pay.

They were unacquainted with doing business & have probably purchased at a high rate a severe lesson in the School of experience ~ may they learn wisdom thereby ~

Thursday July 13, 1820

Very warm - at home, nothing interesting to record.

Mr. S. wrote 100 Duns on G.&W's demands

Slight shower of rain accompanied with vivid flashes of lightning and distant thunder.

Made 11-Mugs Punch today - thought of Dearest #

Company retired at 1/2p 9 P.M. excepting M.P.G. who went

The air is sweet this evening & clear ~~ hope soon to hear from Northwood .......

Friday July 14, 1820

At home - A.M.

Several fine showers of rain today-

P.M. Went to Mr. Clarke's with Dr Crosby at 6 at Mr. Clarke's by 7. Took tea there, called at Mr. Mead's at 9 saw M&E. # abed - hoped to have seen her but disappointed - called at Mr. K's and returned to Epsom then by 12 Midnight. had Mr. C's chaise.

Saturday July 15, 1820

At home all day. Weather pleasant - called in evening at Mr. Curtis and Mr. Merrill's, in daytime at Mr. Steele's. Had an invitation to take tea at Mr. Steele's. Did not go.

Sabbath July 16, 1820

Warm - Mr. Broadhead preached in Meeting house ~

Mr. Curtis at Capt. Heath's. attended at Capt. Heaths in P.M. Text Matthew 12-Chap 43-45 verses

At conference 5 P.M.

At home  $\frac{1}{2}$  P 7 to bed  $\frac{1}{2}$ p 9~

Monday July 17, 1820

Pleasant - Mountain party consisting of Col. Jonathan, Mary, Nabby, Harriet, Dr. Crosby & David Steele. Set off 9 A.M. returned 6 P.M. I did not go - but took tea at General McClarys.

Perkins Philbrick Jr.'s child died last night and buried this P.M.

Mr. Knowlton attended the funeral.

Tuesday July 18, 1820

Pleasant. Dr. Crosby dines at Mr. Levi Cass'— at home —

Wednesday July 10, 1820

Pleasant A.M.

Smart shower P.M.

Heard that Misses C.C.S., S.M.J. & C.E..P.S - Miss P. Bartlett & Miss Mary Symonds all of Hillsboro were at Northwood on a \_(?)

At home all day.

Thursday July 20, 1820

Pleasant - at home all (day) No Company.

Mr. K. called on me in A.M. Wrote by him to #\_\_\_\_

Mr. K bought 6 volumes Law Books of MT. Dull & gave @\$

Mrs. Curtis visits at Mrs. McClarys this P.M.

Friday July 21, 1820

Mrs. C, Misses B - C.C.J & L.M.J. came to Generals in A.M.

Tarried a few moments & took Mary McClary to Northwood with them & had a large party at Judges. Dr. Crosby spent most of the day at Northwood.

At home by 1/2 p 1 - next morning - Col. Jonathan went down in evening after tea.

I did not have the pleasure of seeing the ladies.

Shower in evening ~ at home all day

Saturday July 22, 1820

Warm & pleasant - the Hillsboro party went home from Northwood today - accompanying Mr. Stickney & Bartlett from Concord who went down yesterday - - -

Dr. met them on the turnpike and rode with them as far as Cilley's. I had hoped they would pass our road, but was mistaken.

\_?\_ was at the party yesterday.

Have had but little company this past week and the times appear very dark and gloomy. O may a kind providence smile upon us and those who Trust in him we are assured shall never be deceived.

Nathan Crosby and Mr. Hoitt came to Epsom.

At 7 P.M. set out for Northwood. Had Mr. Lawrence's pony and started from his house at 8.

At Mr. K's by 9. # there. tarried 1/2 hour and walked to Mr. Mead's. O moments of happiness so dear to the heart is the consciousness of loving & being loved.

L.H.M. and wife went to Pittsfield this P.M.

Sabbath July 23, 1820

Weather delightful. Took breakfast at Ms? C's and walked to meeting.

Mr. Prentice preached all day from Ecclesiastes 5-1

Walked to Mr. Clarke's at noon. Had the pleasure of walking with a friend from Mr. P's to Mr. K's.

returning to meeting in P.M., found # and attended her to meeting house.

# rode hours at night, with Mr. C., took supper at Mr. Clarke's. Called at Mr. M's 1/4 p 7.

# & M in garden - walked in & was there 1/2 hour then called at the house - then had a most delightful walk so far almost as friends with #.

M. accompanied us to Mr. K's and tarried for us.

We called and Martha and at Mr. M's by 1/2 p 9

Tarried 1 hour and then for Epsom.

The night O how lovely

at home by 1

Monday July 21, 1820

Weather pleasant. Dr. Crosby amputated finger for Mr. Bickford. Mr. Hoitt assisted.

Called up at 5 A.M.

Took tea at Mr. Merrill's and went to Generals in evening ~ was very sorry afterward that I left home at all. I am resolved to keep at home the rest of the week.

Tuesday July 25, 1820

At home all day. Weather pleasant.

Nathan Crosby and Hoitt returned to Gilmanton

Received a line from Mr. C stating that he had been around at B.B. of MS at P. sum \$ dxx

Wednesday 26 July 1820

Said to have been the warmest day the present season

At home all day and had but little company

Thursday 27 July 1820

Overcast - attended with slight shower of rain - at home all day

sued S. Seavey - of Concord

copy to S. July 22, 1820 from Milford's Poems

Joy cannot claim a purer bliss,
Nor grief a dew from stain more clear,
Then female friendship's meeting kiss,
Than female friendship's parting tear.
How sweet the hearts full bliss to prove
To her whose smiles must crown this store,
How sweeter still to tell of woes
To her whose faithful breast would share
In every grief, in every care,
Whose sighs can lull them to repose!
Oh blessed sigh! There is no sorrow
But from thy breath can sweetness borrow

Even to the pale or drooping flower That fades in loves neglected hour, Ev'n with her woes can friendships power

One happier feeling blend:

'Tis from his restless couch to creep,

And sink like wearied babe to sleep,

On the soft couch her sorrow steep,

The bosom of a friend.

25 July 6 A.M.

Friday July 28, 1820

Moderate and pleasant

At home all day

Evening Capt. Heath fell through stable floor, broke one bone of his right leg and dislocated his left ankle - went with Dr. & assisted in setting it.

Saturday July 29, 1820

Ann returned from Loudon having finished her school.

At home all day.

Pleasant and warm.

Sabbath July 30, 1820

Freewill had no minister. Mr. Curtis exchanged with Mr. Spofford of Gilmanton he preached at Capt. Heath's in A.M. and at Meeting house in P.M.

Text A.M. Luke 19.10 Text P.M. John 8.56

I attended meeting all day. Went in evening to Mr. K's

Had Mr. Y's pony - had the pleasure of seeing # and walking home with.

Had a very social and agreeable time. # visited at Judges last Tuesday.

saw Sa's pony at Mr. J's (S?) when I returned. (1/4 11 P.M.)

at home by 12 Midnight - had been a meeting for Singing at Johnson's.

Monday July 31, 1820

Very warm

At home. Had but little company.

Tuesday August 1, 1820

Moderate weather. At home

Samuel Marden died of consumption in the 20th year of his age.

Wednesday August 2

Went to Portsmouth. Had W. Brown's pony and Mr. Locke's wagon.

Called at Mr. Clarke's, he had gone to Gilmanton with Mr. K.

Called at Mr. K's . # there and at Mr. Mead's, brought Lavinia \_ wagon

Tarried there a few moments ~

Took some mile at Mr. O's and arrived at Wild's at 8 o'clock

Hauled down 16 bushel oats and sold them to E. Smith Durham and to Capt. Richardson.

Thursday Aug. 3, 1820

Tarried in Portsmouth while 1/2 p 4 P.M. then set off for home.

Took tea at Wm. Crockett's - and arrived at Mr. Clarke's 1 at night.

Went to bed and slept until p 7

Friday Aug. 4, 1820

Took breakfast at Mr. C's

Set out for home at 10 A.M.

Called at Mr. Mead's and Mr. K's.

# there

I tarried 2 hours and at Epsom by 2 P.M.

Saturday Aug. 5

At home all day. Weather moderate

Had little company. Showers in P.M.

Sabbath Aug. 6, 1820

Pleasant - communion day

Attended meeting all day. Mr. Curtis preached from

Text A.M. John 19.30

Text P.M. Gal? 2.20

took tea at Mr. Steele's and walked to Generals in evening with Abigail D.

Called at Capt. Heaths.

Mr. Jonathan Steele went to Peterboro last Wednesday and returned this evening with his sister Ann

Monday Aug. 7, 1820

At home - weather pleasant

Mr. S. and Dr. C. gone to Gilmanton. Dr. at home by 12-

Tuesday Aug. 8, 1820

Warm. At home. Little company.

Took tea at General McClary's as did Mr. S. and wife.

Dr. and DJ (?) and sister gave Mrs. H. S. a note for 0\$ dated 2<sup>nd</sup> insts. Have taken \$1.50 of Maans(?) Cash

Wrote to the editor of Evening Gazette enclosing 12/ and orders to have this paper discontinued

Wednesday Aug. 9, 1820

Extremely warm. At home.

Col. Jonathan McClary commenced taking the Census in Rockingham Co.

Little business going on.

Thursday August 10

Received a letter from Robinson and Lewis

Warm weather. At home all day. Some company in P.M.

Wrote to # dated (8th)

Dr. Weeks took tea at Mrs. McClary's.

Wrote to Thomas

Showers in P.M.

11

Warm. At home, had but little company.

12

At home all day. Warm. Dr, Brown of Deerfield took tea at W's.

13

Sabbath

Warm. Attended meeting. Mr. Prentice preached

Text A.M. Romans 10.16

" P.M. 2? Kings 7.3

# at meeting all day

took supper at Mr. Clarke's

Called at Mr. Mead's in evening and walked to Mr. K's with #, tarried 1/2 hour.

Returned to Mr. Mead's and tarried 1/2 p 9, did not go into the house.

Returned to Epsom by 1/2 p 12

14

Warm. At home all day. # goes to Northwood with Mr. M.

Mr. Steele, Mr. Kelly go to C.C.P at Epsom

Wrote to # and sent by Mr. Knox.

15

Overcast. At home - no company Received ea. \$ of H.S. and gave N @ C per ctr

16

Mrs. P., Miss P. & Dolly, Miss Avery of Gd & Miss A.B. of Gilmanton made a morning call at Mr. Curtis' and called at store. Went home at noon.

Dr was absent - at Deerfield.

Mr. Hoitt came from Gilmanton.

17

Dr. Crosby went to Hanover. Rain in A.M.

At home all day ~ very little company

Friday Aug. 18, 1820

Moderate weather. At home, little company

Called at Mr. Merrill's in evening. Went to bed at 1/2 p 9

19

At home. Warm. Received at letter from Dr. Carr by Reuben Sanborn.

Exchanged cows for Mrs. E. McClary with Mr. Lord to give him 9/1-

thought of dear #\_\_\_\_\_

20

Sabbath

At home. Mr. Putnam of Portsmouth preached.

Text A.M. Matthew 13.33

P.M. Rev(elation?) 3-20

Mr. Clarke and wife at meeting, dined at Widow's and took tea at Generals. I took tea with them. Returned. Called at Capt. Heath's and Mr. M's. Pleasant evening Thought of # &To bed at 10 P.M.

Monday Aug. 21, 1820

Cool weather. At home all day.

22

Pleasant. At home.

24

At home. Nothing new.

25

Went to Portsmouth. Had Mr. Batchelder's horse. Dined at Mr. C's. Called at Mr. K's and Mr.

M's. Took a letter for #.

At Portsmouth 7 P.M.

26

In Portsmouth 1/2 p 3 P.M. then set off for home, arrived at NewMarket at 6.

Tarried at Mr. M's all night. Saw #, Margaret and Miss Miller - had a pleasant time.

To bed at 10 P.M.

27

Sabbath

Shower last night. Slept very little. Rose at 1/2 p 3 A.M. and sat down in the sitting room until 6. The first person I saw was #. Dear #. I had the pleasure of conversing 1/2 hour. Took breakfast and then off. At Mr. Clarke's, Northwood by 12.

Attended meeting in P.M.

Mr. Prentice preached from 1st Corinthians 15.31-

Dined at Mr. Clarke's. Called at Mr. Mead's - gave Martha a letter from # and took one from her to

Nabby D. of Epsom. Called at Mr. K's and at Epsom by 10 P.M.

Dr. Crosby returned from Hanover Saturday last.

My brother Thomas 21 years of age this day~

28 Monday

Pleasant. At home.

29 Tuesday

Warm. At home. Thomas came from Goffstown. Judith Prescott preached in school house - I went to Generals in evening and then to school house and heard Judy 1/2 hour. Poor stuff.

Wednesday Aug. 30, 1820

Very warm. At home.

Thomas went to Philip Wallace's in P.M.

Received to H hds Rum last evening from Portsmouth.

31

Brother last evening tarried with me until this morning and then went to Uncles with James and tarried all night.

Sept. 1

Thomas came from Uncles in P.M. and I and James went with him to Aunt B's and took came (?) back and he stopt for the night at Mr. M's .

Nathan and Alpheus came from Gilmanton

Fine showers in P.M. At home all day

2

~ Lion at Capt. Heath's. Went to Mr. Yeatons in A.M. Took his horse and wagon and at 1/2 p 2 P.M. set out with brother for S via Concord 33 miles. Arrived at 11 P.M. at Drs. Found all well. Tarried all night.

3

Sabbath

Pleasant ~ rose 1/2 p 6. Attended meeting at Sanbornton in A.M.

Mr. Courser preached

Text Ecclesiastes 7.29

At 1/2 p 2 P.M. set out for Epsom. Took tea at Mr. Thomas Butlers , Canterbury and at home by 10. All abed.

Nathan and Alpheus returned to Gilmanton after meeting.

Mr. Taiuter - Universalist, preached in Meeting House in evening.

## 4 Monday

Extremely warm. At home. Mr. Berry of Boston had called on me in A.M..

Wrote to Mr. Cushing for ?Hhd Molasses dated 5th inst @ll4\_

Think there must be a fire in the S. E. this evening from appearances.

Thomas D. Merrill and wife, Dr. Crosby and Catherine Gray. went to Dr. Chadwick in P.M.

Statira Babb dined at Mr. McClarys.

Thought of dear # - 9 P.M.

5

Attended auction at Bradbury Cilley's store as Clerk. Had a very fatiguing days work.—At home by 8 P.M.

6

Attended Vendue all day

Sales both days amount to \$330~

7

At Cilley's Store settling vendor bills.

Very warm.

8 Friday

At home all day. Probate Court at Capt. S.A. Heaths. Had but little company.

9

At home - but little company.

Went to Northwood in evening. Had Deacon Sanborn's pony. Very Warm.

At Mr. Clarke's by 11 P.M. All abed - hoped to have seen dear # but was disappointed.

Sept. 11, 1820 Sabbath (this is an error, it should be the 10th - T.J.)

Very Warm. Attended meeting at Northwood all day. Mr. Wheeler of Candia preached.

Text A.M. 1 Cor. 2-14

P.M. John 1-13 —

Saw an elephant and Lion at Mr. Clarke's - called at Capts., Mr. M's and Mr. K's and at home 1/2 p 10 P.M.

11

At home all day, very warm and had but little company - dull times - cash scarce????

## 12 Tuesday

At home. Fine rain more than has been for two months past.

Was at Generals in evening.

13

Training Capt. Browns Company.

Pleasant. Had but little company. Badger says he has a license from the Selectmen to retail until March Meeting, will get rich I guess.

#### 14 Thursday

Received orders for Regimental Muster from Adjt. White.

Wrote to # dated (16th) and I sent to K by Nathan Knowlton.

At home all day.

Warm. At home. No company. John Lock Jr. started for Eastport.

## 16 Saturday

Warm. At home.

Heard that Hon. William Plummer and Miss Margaret F. Mead were married on Tuesday

last at Newmarket ~ may happiness attend them.

Dear #, If you were present on the occasion did you not think of your friend — did you not

wish that he were near you. O may kind angels ever bless and protect you —

May happiness be ever yours.

## 1820 Sabbath Sept. 17

Weather Pleasant.

Attended meeting at Epsom. Mr. Curtis preached from Joshua 23.15 all day

Went to conference in evening. Deacon Sanborn prayed

Mr. Merrill read one of Burden's Sermons - Text "the Lord is risen and us (?)"

Called at Mr. Curtis' in evening with Dr.

# 18 Monday

Went to Northwood in A.M. Called at Mr. C's and paid him \$30-

Called at Mr. K's and Mr. Stokels - they have heard at Northwood that Margaret was married last Wednesday - had Drs. pony.

## 19 Tuesday

Rain most of the day. Mr. Steele went to Exeter.

At home all day.

Had a fire in the store for the first time this season.

Went to bed at 9-

Thought of # and then to sleep.

## 1820 Wednesday Sept. 20

Cloudy A.M. Up at 1/2 p 5.

Made a fire in the house.

Training in P.M. Had some company.

Ralious(?) for regimental Muster bid off to after Mr. S. Blake 130@ 14 1/2? at Mr. J. Chesley's~

# 21 Thursday

At home all day and had but little company

## 22 Friday

had little company. Engaged packing butter most of the day.

# 23 Saturday

At home. Cool weather - Mrs. Sanborn and Ann went to Concord.

Mr. Curtis took the oath as Chaplain of the 18th Regt. and received his Word(2)

Walked to Northwood in evening, at Mr. Clarkes's by 9 P.M. – many up.

#### 1820 Sabbath Sept. 24

Attended meeting at Northwood. Mr. Brown of Campton preached

Text A.M. Kings 18-21

P.M. Hebrew 2-3

Walked to Epsom in evening. Called on Mr. Mead's, at Mr. K's wrote to him a few lines and enclosed in Mr. B's letter-walked home with Mr. ?W.M., Mr. C. saw # at Exeter Friday with Elisa Miller at Mr. B's.

Called at Mr \_\_'s and tarried an hour, ate some cake and drank some bely(?) - thought of dear # all the way home. Moon shone brightly.

Mr. Merrill of NewMarket preached at Epsom Meeting House.

## 25 Monday

At home A.M. Went a shooting P.M. with D.L. Bad luck-

called at Generals

Mr. J.B. Girard came to Epsom Sabbath evening.

## 26 Tuesday

Cool. Nothing new today. Dull times.

## 27 Wednesday 27 Sept.

At home all day

## 28 Thursday

Little company. M.W.M., E.F.M., and L.F.M. (Mead sisters) went to Pittsfield.

#### 29 Friday

At home. Catherine Gray made me a cockade

Had very little company. Mr. Merrill of Northwood called.

## 30 Saturday

Went to Northwood in P.M. and tarried all night at Mr. Clarke's.

Mr. C. and others returned from Court.

No news from # - saw M.W.M.

Set up while 1 at Night

Had Mrs. S's Pony and chaise.

#### Oct. 1 Sabbath

up 1/2 P 6 A.M.

Took breakfast and returned to Epsom.

Attended meeting all day. Mr. Curtis preached

Text Matthew 25.4

Elisabeth Johnson went to Hopkinton with Mr. Chandler

Dear #, How I long to hear and to see you.

# 1820 Monday Sept. 2, 1820

At home. Weather pleasant.

Capt. Green's Company out at Daniel Cilley's. There in P.M. rode Batchelder's pony up.

## 3 Tuesday

At home. Overcast. Col. Jonathan and M.P.G. spent most of the day with me.

Dixey Crosby came from Gilmanton in evening.

Received a newspaper from Jonathan T. Drake.

# 4 Wednesday

Regimented muster at Deerfield parade - rode Batchelder's pony. Started at 6 A.M. in Co. of Dr. and Mr. Curtis. had a hard days work.

At home by 7 P.M.

Dined at General Butlers - W.C. and Col. Jonathan there

Gen. Upham and Gen. Montgomery reviewed the Regiment.

Received a letter from Mr.K. heard that # is to return soon. Welcome news——

O that I could see her at this moment.

#### 5 Thursday

At home all day.

General McClary and wife took tea at Widows.

Was very tired. Went to bed 8 P.M. and thought # of friendship.

Dixey returned to Gilmanton.

## 6 Friday

At home. Some rain - visited the Dr. to post his books most of the day.

#### 7 Saturday

At home all day.

## 8 Sabbath

Attended meeting at Capt. Heath's. Mr. Curtis preached.

Mr. Tauiter preached in Meeting House in P.M.

Mr. Harriman in A.M.

Went to conference in evening. Dr. read sermon - Deacon Sanborn prayed and Mr.

Curtis —

#### 9 Monday

Went to Portsmouth with a load of Butter. Had Joseph Dows pony and wagon – commenced raining about an hour and continued to rain all day – tarried at Mr. Clarke's two hours & proceeded – tarried at Demeritt's in \_\_ all night – wet as you please.

## 10 Tuesday

Continues to rain. Arrived Wild's 2 P.M. Covered with mud and water and tired – having to walk most of the distance from home. Stopt at W's all night.

Jonathan Steele Esq. had a son born this morning.

# 11 Wednesday

Rained until 2 P.M., set off for home @ 3 in company with John Cate and Mr. Sherburne and at Durham by sunset. Tarried at Capt. B's all night. Called at W. Blyds – tarried 1 hour. No news from #.

## 12 Thursday

Fair weather. Rose at 5 A.M. Breakfasted at Furber's in Nottingham and at home by 2 P.M.

Called at Mr. Clarke's store but not at house. Mr. K. bought a bbl flour for at Portsmouth - @ 5 ½ \$ -

Intended to have called at Mr. Mead's but having company did not.

Met Samuel & Miss Sherburne at Furber's on their way to Portsmouth.

# 13 Friday

At home all day. No company of consequence.

Called at Mr. Steele's in evening and went up stairs to see Madam. Drank 2 glasses wine and Dr. 3.

## 14 Saturday

Fair. David Steele & sister went to Durham – Mrs. Lord & Miss Maria Melcher came to town form Portsmouth. At home until evening then went to School Meeting at Chesley's. Came home & to bed.

# 15 Sabbath

Rainy. At home A.M. At meeting P.M. Mr. Curtis preached Text Psalm 1-4 *Thought of dear # & that I could see her.* 

#### 16 Monday

Rained last night very fast an abundant supply of water fell and continuing to rain today.

Dr. called this morning between 3 & 4 A.M. to go to Ju. McDaniels 40<sup>th</sup> case of midwifery that he has had since 30<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1819.

O may kind angels hover around you and may you be blest with health, cheerfulness and contentment and may you soon return to Northwood in safety – Will you not dearest girl sometime indulge our thoughts on hours that are past hours that will ever be had in remembrance by the writer who will ever recollect with the most pleasing emotions the happiness enjoyed in this company of the friend his heart holds ever dear – to spend our moment in thy presence I affords superior bliss to ages spent in the society of all the inhabitants of Epsom – may the time come when we can be

united in the \_\_\_\_ & dearest of human consolations – live happily in this world – and supremely so in that world which is to come – not that I desire great wealth but a competent supply of the good of this life to render us comfortable and happy ~

## 17 Tuesday

Cleared off in P.M. yesterday. At home. Little company.

## 18 Wednesday

At home. Dr. Crosby went to Gilmanton & Catherine Gray.

At home all day.

David Steele & sister returned from Durham -

Business dull less than last year by 1/5

Received H. Tea from Rollins. Mr. Lord & Miss Melcher went home.

# 19 Thursday

Dr. Crosby returned from Gilmanton. At home all day. Weather pleasant.

## 20 Friday Octr. 20

At home, weather pleasant.

Mr. Wm Yeaton & Mrs. Langmaid visited at Mrs. M's.

Had but little company. Dr. has a severe cold.

Received a Hhd NE Rum

## 21 Saturday

Pleasant.

Mrs. McClary, Mrs. Sanborn & Sarah set out for North Hampton.

At home all day. – purpose to go to Northwood this evening – hope to see dear # but do not much expect to.

O Fortune why is it ordered that thy gifts are bestowed on those who abuse thy favours while those whom it could appear are now deserving are doomed to live in poverty – to struggle as it were through life – for existence – to die unheeded and unknown –

Went to Northwood in evening – had Mr. Steele's horse. At Mr. Clarke's by 9 P.M. # returned from NewMarket 19<sup>th</sup> inst-did not see # this evening, called at Mr. K's.

## Oct. 22 Sabbath

Pleasant. Attended meeting all day, rode in A.M. with Mrs. C., in P.M. walked.

Mr. Prentice preached from Psalm 2.12

# at meeting all day, first time have seen # for eight weeks, now interesting to her friend than ever-

O I could gaze on her forever with renewed emotions of delight.

Called at Mr. Mead's in evening.

# and Mr. M walked to Mr. K's & tarried ½ hour. # presented me with a pc of Wed cake. # as I thought was rather serious or not pleased. The reason I cannot tell.

Called at Mr. M's two minutes when we returned and then set out for Epsom, but finding Geo. Stickney at Mr. Clarke's at his request tarried all night.

Mr. Clarke and wife having gone to Mr. Coes. Mr. Blaisdell of Gilford preached at Epsom.

# 23 Monday

6 A.M. returned from Northwood early. Mr. Clarke and Mrs. Coe went to Hillsboro today.

At home all day. In the evening slipped down cellar and injured my shin very much.

#### 24 (Tuesday) Cool

Pleasant Sun. At home quite lame from the affect of last evening fall.

Had very little company. Mrs. Worth wife of Joseph Worth died this day of consumption.

## 25 Wednesday

Rainy. At home all day until evening. Rode the Dr.'s pony to Northwood in expectation of finding # at Mr. K's. but was disappointed. At home by  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 9 P.M. Expect that Mr. K was at Mr. M's. took up a stray horse and left home at French's. Mrs, M returned from Sas (?) –

## Oct 26 Thursday

At home all day – cold.

# 27 Friday

Went to Concord with Dr. Crosby, had Prescott's wagon – dined at my sisters – found all well. Returned by 7. Saw Geo. & Ann Stickney.

## 28 Saturday

Cold. At store all day, had some company. The L z got rather shiny as the saying is

#### 29 Sabbath

At home all day, intended to have been at Northwood in evening but was to lame could not – went to conference in evening – Dea. Prayed, Mr. Merrill read a sermon, Deacon made some remarks & Mr. Curtis closed with prayer.

#### 30 Monday

Pleasant sun and promise of a fair day.

Took tea at General McClary's with Dr. .

Called at Mr. Steele's.

#### 31 Tuesday

At home all day.

## Nov. 1 Wednesday

Pleasant. Dined at Capt. Gray's as did Dr., Capt. H & Mr. Curtis on baked pig and roast chickens. At home remainder of the day.

# 2 Thursday

At home. Rainy in evening. A child of Moses Lock died this day.

# 3 Friday

At home, had little company.

## 4th Saturday

At home all day, \_\_ rain in P.M. and evening so that could not go to Northwood.

Hope to be there tomorrow.

#### Nov. 5, 1820

Sabbath

Went to Northwood and attended meeting all day. # there. Mr. Prentice preached

Text A.M. John 3.0

P.M. Saml 3.7

In P.M. the sermon was addressed to the scholars of the Sabbath school. 100 in number this past season in Northwood. Dined at Mr. Clarke's, Catherine C. Johnston there. Tarried until 7 and then went to Mr. K's – thence returned to Mr. Mead's and had a very pleasant and social time with # - tarried while 11 – and then home. Brought a letter for A.G. Dearborn from Martha . Mr. Broadhead preached at Epsom. Mr. K. invited me to take supper with him thanksgiving day. Mr. C. and Catherine are to go to Hopkinton Thursday or Wednesday next week.

#### 6 Monday

Chilly. Meeting for choice of Representatives and Elections. Democratic ticket had 146 General Moderator had 101. No opposition. The spirit of the W.l exercised its influence with much effect. Had some company – at home all day.

## 7 Thursday

Moderate. At home all day. Had some company.

#### 8 Wednesday

At home. Overcast & light rain in A.M.

## 9 Thanksgiving

Pleasant. Took breakfast at home.

Dined at General McClary's, took tea at Mr. K's, walked there and spent the evening in company of #, Elizabeth & M.W>M., Matilda and Martha Prentice. Had a very pleasant time and the pleasure of walking home with # at 10 P.M. Returned to Mr. K's and tarried all night – heard that Mr. M was offended with # because I stopt so long Sabbath night. Attended meeting at Epsom, Mr. Curtis preached Text Psalms 78.29

## 10 (Friday)

At home all day. Little company at store from Mr. K's by 10 A.M. eat breakfast at Mr. Langmaid's. Dreamed of # - as # wished evening previous

#### 11 (Saturday)

At home. Weather moderate. Abby D. spent the evening at Widows and I walked home with her.

#### 12 Sabbath

this morning a severe snow storm commenced, the first this season. Should from 4 to 6 inches and cold. Attended meeting in A.M. Mr. Curtis.

Text Psalm 19.11

No meeting in P.M.

Took tea at Mr. Steel's. Dr. took tea at Capt. Grays.

Wrote to J.T. Drake & O.R. Greene dated 13th insts.

Continues very stormy this evening. Thoughts of dear # of love of friendship and of happiness never perhaps to be realized – Be content with the station in which providence has placed you and murmur not at his dispensations – doubtless all is for the best although man would fain be more wise than his Maker and think otherwise.

## 13 (Monday)

At home all day

#### 14 (Tuesday)

At home do

## 15 Wednesday

Went to Leander Badger's to see him – he gone to Portsmouth.

#### 16 Thursday

A.M. home. P.M. was deputized by General McClary to arrest Gilbert and succeeded intaking him on the evening of the same day near Mr. Benj Fowler's in Epsom.

## Nov. 17 Friday

Brought my prisoner before the Justice a General McClary at Chesleys – examination continued until Thursday next.

## Saturday 18

At home, little company. Was at L. Badgers all day and took all his property – for debt.

#### Sabbath 19

At home. Weather moderate. Attended meeting all day at Capt. Heath's. Mr. Curtis preached. No meeting at Meeting House for want of a minister. Isaac Towle \_\_ \_ 12 Wsoed – called at Mr. Steel's in evening Dr. Called at Curtis p

Moon shown beautifully.

#### Nov. 20 Monday

At home A.M. P.M. set out for Portsmouth  $\frac{1}{2}$  p 3 – arrived at Mr. Clarke's and tarried all night – took tea at Mr. Mead's and spent the evening with Mr. Clarke and wife – saw # pleasant and agreeable – went to Mr. Clarke's at 9.

Tuesday 21

5 A.M. set out for Portsmouth, in P.M. had a smart rain storm and was thoroughly wet – arrived Portsmouth 4 P.M., put up at Wild's Hotel.

Wednesday 22

In Portsmouth all day. Weather moderate and overcast.

Thursday 23

8 A.M. started for home. Traveling very bad, at Mr. Clarke's by  $\frac{1}{2}$  p 6 P.M., went to Mr. K's, heard that Mr. M and wife were at Newmarket and that # was at Col. S., took my horse from wagon. Spent the evening until 9  $\frac{1}{2}$  P.M. at Sammy's and took tea. Went home with the Ladies and tarried at Mr. M's until  $\frac{1}{2}$  p d – had a delightful and social time – Catherine gave us a couple of Glasses of Cordial and retired in good season. At home by 6.

Friday 24

At home all day. Rainy in Morning – overcast all day.

Mrs. Parsons buried - died at sea

Had a severe headache

Nov. 25 Saturday

Slept soundly last night. At home all day. Bad cold and headache.

Nov. 26 Sabbath

At home all day – read the Abbot. Was sick.

Weather moderate. Called at Mr. Merrill's in evening with Doctor.

Nov. 27, Monday

Weather changed from pleasant to severe cold.

Ann P. McClary went to Portsmouth with T.D. Merrill.

At home all day.

Nov. 28 Tuesday

Slight snow this evening. Two teams started for Durham tomorrow morning.

Weather cold.

Nov. 29 Wednesday

Weather cold. At home.

Nov. 30 (Thursday)

Very cold. At home, little company.

Dec. 1, 1820

Cold – at home all day

Dec. 2, 1820

Cold, at home.

Society pd Selectmen \$1109.47 in full for Mr. Curtis note.

I had \$kxx @ 6 pr AD.

Same sum

Mr. Steele & Dr. signed with me.

Sabbath Dec. 3, 1820

Chilly. Attended meeting at School House all day. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Deut 3.25

P.M. Psalms 106-24

Mr. Broadhead preached in Meeting House

I walked to Mr. K's in evening and back – hoped to have seen # but was disappointed.

Left a letter with Mrs. K for #.

At home by ¼ p 11. Tired enough and to bed.

#### Dec. 4 Monday

Moderate. Court day at J. Steele's office, respecting training fines –

Had considerable company & at home all day. Company were half drunk ½ sober –and very disagreeable.

Dec, 5 Tuesday

Chilly. at home – little to do, dull times.

Mr. Boyden, a medical student from Hanover called on Dr. and tarried all night.

I paid Mrs. H.S. Cash \$kxx

## Dec. 6, Wednesday

Engaged in making copies of Col. Jonathan of L\_\_Derry & Chester \_\_\_

Weather rather moderate. Went to Mr. Knox's and took tea, as did Dr. Crosby and David Steele. Stopt while 11 and came home. I went up at 8 – the others before dark.

# Decr. 7 (Thursday)

Dr. Crosby went to Concord and settled his business with Dr. Morrill – moderate weather, engaged copying ~ census.

At home all day, Had but little company, went to bed ½ 10.

#### Friday Decmeber 8, 1820

Moderate weather, at home all day. Engaged n copying all the leisure time I had and that was principal part of the day for had but little company to hinder. M.J.C. set off for Boston. Copied Raymond.

#### Saturday 9

At home until evening. Went to Northwood, had F. Locke's horse and slay. At Mr. Clark's 11 P.M., tarried all night. Snow in evening.

# Sabbath 10th

Attended Meeting all day. Mr. Prentice preached. # went to Concord (6) with G. Stickney, returned home this day with Mr. Coe.

Extremely cold – dined at Mr. K's, called at Mr. Mead's in evening and tarried while 9 P.M. Saw # and had a pleasant time. At home 11 P.M.

# Monday 11

At home, very cold – had but little company.

## Tuesday 12

At home, cold – little company.

## Wednesday 13

At home. Called at Mr. S's in evening. Mr. Steele is appointed \_\_\_\_ and Soliciter for this county.

# Thursday 14

At home, cold. # spent the evening at Mr. Clarke's.

#### Friday 15

At home. James Langley from Northwood called with a line from Mrs. C.

# Saturday 16

Cold, at home. Mary & Nabby visited at Widows and Dr. and I went home with them. Had but little company. Wrote to Mr. K by Mr. H.M.

#### Sabbath Dec. 17, 1820

Overcast and cold air. Up at ½ p 7, built a fire in store in morning.

O that I could see dear # and spend the day near her – but as it happens that I cannot, my thoughts will accompany her. # was at meeting last Sabbath at Northwood.

Mr. George preached in School House, Mr. Jones in Meeting House. I attended meeting in A.M., Text Hosea.

At home P.M. At Mr. Merrill's in evening.

Mr. William Brown Aet 22 and Miss Lucretia B. Gray Aet 38

Mr. Benjamin M. Towle and Miss Hannah Sanborn were published.

Attended conference in evening and read a Sermon by Burden. Dea. Sanborn commenced and Frederick (Sanborn) closed the exercises.

Monday Decr 18, 1820

Cold and windy. At home A.M. P.M. went to W.J. Pipers in Northwood – on a visit spent the P.M. and evening and at Epsom by 11. Mr. Curtis, Mr. Merrill and Ladies, Dr. Crosby, Catherine Gray and Miss Barker in Company. Miss G. rode with Dr. and Miss B. with me – had a pleasant ride, but cold.

I went to Mr. Clarke's and Mr. Mead's. # accompanied me to Mr. P's and spent the evening and Matilda Prentice was there likewise had the pleasure of attending # home which was worth more than all.

Dr. rode with Matilda.

The parson was rather unfortunate in breaking his sleigh but otherwise received no injury.

Tuesday Decr. 19, 1820

Moderate – at home all day, little company.

Wednesday Dec. 20, 1820

At home – very little company. Called at Mr. Curtis' and Mr. Merrill's with Dr..

Thursday Decr. 21, 1820

At home all day. Harriet and Dr. visited at Dea. Ira's (Sanborn). I was engaged in posting books all day and evening. John Yeaton and Lucretia McDaniel were this day married.

Friday Decr. 22, 1820

Cold and blustering – Centennial Anniversary of the landing of our ancestors at Plymouth Ms – being 200 years since the first settlement of New England. Mr. Curtis delivered a Sermon on the occasion from Psalm 78 – 1 to 7 verse – quite a full meeting considering the weather.

Dr. and I spent the evening at Mr. Merrill's. – Harriet – L\_C and Moses Parsons Gray and Mr. William Brown there. Christopher Blake Aet yrs and Rachel Griffin 52 yrs both of Epsom published.

Saturday Dec. 23, 1820

At home, cold – Dr. been at Pittsfield all day after Hay – his brother John of Sandwich tarried here tonight. Col. Jonathan called from Concord, said my sisters were well.

Legislature closed this session after being together 5 weeks and 3 days

Sabbath Decr. 24, 1820

Rather moderate, about 8 inches snow fell. Attended Meeting all day. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text A.M. John 21-16

P.M. Romans 10-16

At home all the evening. Wrote a few lines to # and sent by Mr. K.

Decr. 25 Monday

Mr. Jonathan Grant loaded with flax set for Portsmouth.

I was at home all day.

William Moody formerly of Epsom was cast away near Cape Cod and drowned.

Decr. 26 Tuesday

Cold. A.M. at home. P.M. at 2 o'clock set out for Portsmouth, had Mr. E. Locke's pony and slay. Called at Mr. Mead's, saw # and received 4 hdkfs that she had made for me. Called at Mr. K's. Tipped over the slay near Virgin's but received no injury myself. At Wilds by 9 P.M.

Wednesday 27, 1820

In Portsmouth all day. Took tea at Mr. Samuel Lord's, saw Ann McClary.

Cold.

Thursday 28

At 10 A.M. started for home. Called at Capt. R's, Durham, Mr. Blys and G. F's Esq. – but Mrs. Plummer between D. and Portsmouth. Called at Furber's, at Mr. Clarke's, and at Mr. Mead's at 7 and tarried while 9.

Had a very pleasant time with dear # - Mr. Mead and wife were visiting at Jonathan Nealey's. at Epsom by 11 P.M. Very cold. Bought cloth for Mr. K at coat at Portsmouth 11\$.

Friday 29

At home all day, very cold and storm of snow.

Saturday 30

At home all day. Very cold.

Sabbath Decr 31

At home. Cold. Mr. C's Wife and Susan, Catherine, came to Widows at 12 noon. Went to Meeting, School House in P.M. Mr. Curtis preached. Called with them and Dr. at the Parsons and Mr. Steeles & they went home in evening.

Wrote to # and sent my Mrs. C.. Mr. Merrill of Newmarcket preached in Meeting House. Went to conference in evening and afterwards called at Mr. Merrill's. Catherine and Moses P. Gray there.

Monday Jany 1, 1821

Mr. William Brown Aet 22 and Miss Lucretia Gray Aet 36 were this day married at Capt. Gray's by Reverend Mr. Curtis and then went to Brown's house and took tea – had a picked company – about 40 – I went in evening, had Mr. Steele pony and tarried 2 hours was very handsomely entertained.

At home by 9 P.M.

Tuesday Jany 2, 1821

At home all day, but little company.

Wednesday Jany 3

Cold. At home all day

Thursday 4

Ditto

Friday 5 Jany

Probate Court at Capt. Heaths. Sold 80 bushel oats to Maj. J. Cilley of North Hampton.

Saturday 6

At home. Cold. In evening went to Northwood, found Mary W. and # at Mr. Clarke's. There by 11~ had the privilege of passing 1/2 hour with # and sweet were the moments so passed. Went to bed at 1.

Sabbath 7 Jany

Up at 7 A.M. # took breakfast and went home at 11 A.M. Attended Meeting all day. Mr. Prentice preached Text A.M. Rev. 3-16, Text P.M. Prov. 27.1

Called at 6 P.M. at Mr. M's and tarried while 1 – had a pleasant and agreeable time with the friend who is dearer to my heart then every other created being – had the pleasure of receiving that mark of friendship from # that I never but once had before – O my dearest girl when I forget that this heart will cease to throb with an delightful emotion - - and every joy will be dead to the heart which is wholly devoted to you – lip1 s Hkp – O that your dear parents could know my heart then would they, would they be satisfied that its dearest wishes its best hopes are yours ever. Tarried at Mr. C's all night.

Monday Jany 8, 1821

At home by 10 A.M., very cold. Mary came to Epsom this day from Northwood with Mr. And Mrs. Clarke on their way to H. L.C.C. tarried at Generals this week.

Home all day until evening and spent that at General McClary's. James Babb began to board at Mrs. M's and to study with Dr. Crosby.

#### Tuesday 9

At home all day – little company. Hannah went to Mr. M's and I with her and tarried 2 hours.

## Wednesday Jan 10, 1821

At home. My sister Hannah came to Epsom from Concord with Mr. G yesterday. Ann McClary went to Saco and Eliza came home from S with Mr. Sanborn(?) and wife.

Mr. Merrill went to Boston Monday last.

At home all day. General and Mary passed the evening at our house.

# Thursday Jany 11, 1821

Benjamin M. Towle and Hannah Sanborn both of Epsom were yesterday married by Reverend Mr. Curtis. Dr. went to wedding.

This day is my birthday and am 27 years of age – may the time to come of my life be improved to better purpose then the past.

Mr. Storer and Col. Jonathan McClary went to Concord.

Copied census of Northwood for Col. Jonathan.

Took tea at Aunt Harriet's, large company – very uninteresting to for #, dear # was not there – and every thought, every wish of mine were with #.

# Friday Jany 12, 1820

Mr. Storer and Lady set out for Saco – Dr., Eliza, Harriet, Ann Steele and Coc – went as far as Mr. Pipers with them. I had an invitation to dine at General's but company prevented –

## Saturday Jany 13

At home, little company.

#### Sabbath Jany 14

At home – attended Meeting in P.M. Mr. Curtis preached. Dr. Jones in the Meeting House. Mr. Clarke and wife called on their return from Hh, went to General's with them and took tea. C.C.J-S.M.J and Mrs. Bartlett were there.

# Monday Jany 15

At home. Cold. Mr. Wood (?) called on us.

#### Tuesday Jany 16 -

Pleasant. Dr., D. Steele and sister, Col. Jonathan, Eliza, Harriet and Mary McClary, myself and sister spent the afternoon and evening at Mr. Clarke's. # there, had rather a so so time and returned to Epsom by 11 P.M. Catherine G came in Co. - - -

# Wednesday Jany 17

At home all day. Mr. Kelley and Mr. Piper called on me. Rather cold. Intended to have called at Generals in evening but company prevented.

Doctor Crosby tarried at General McClary's until past last evening and mentioned that Catherine told him that the bargain between his and G.S. was dissolved.

Wrote to # and sent by Mr. K.

## Thursday Jany 18, 1821

Pleasant morning – Northwood party expected at Epsom.

# this day 21 Years of age and may every blessing rest upon her. May every coming year be productive of additional happiness to the friend who is dearer to my heart than every other – and before many circling years have passed may I have the happiness of calling her mine – mine forever p but it so happens that I am to be disappointed. May Heavens richest blessings be showered around the path of my friend.

Mr. Clarke and wife, C.C.J, L.M.J and Miss B., Dr. and myself dined at Generals and took tea at Widows. I paid Mr. Clarke 50%~

They set out for Northwood at 9 P.M..

Set up while 12 and then to bed.

Friday Jany 19, 1820 (1821)

A.M. Cold – at home. Evening went to Mr. M's with Dr., arrived there at ½ p 6 P.M.. Took tea.

Misses C.C.J., L.M.J. and Miss B,, Mr. And Mrs. C – there. Had a pleasant time. Dr. went to Mr. C's with the L's. I tarried at Mr. Mead's while 12 M, had a pleasant and agreeable time. Had the pleasure of spending an hour with #. At home by 1.

Saturday Jany 20, 1821

Pleasant sun. Cold air. At home all day.

Gr. Stickney went to Northwood.

Sabbath Jany 21, 1821

Went to Northwood with Dr. Crosby, attended meeting all day. Mr. Prentice peached test Numbers 21-9. # not at meeting, went to Mr. C's at noon. In evening called at Mr. Mead's. Saw dear #, stopt an hour. Received of # copy of Versus entitled Summer Evening.

Called at Mr. K's and started for Epsom with Dr. ¼ before 9 P.M.. At Epsom by 10.

Mr. Arnold of Chester preached at Epsom.

Monday Jany 22

At home. Hillsboro ladies returned home this day. Called at Mr. Steele's in evening with Dr. Mary there. Tarried an hour. Mr. C. called in evening on his return from Concord with Catherine and Sarah M.J.

Robert Knox commenced store keeping this day at his house in Epsom.

Tuesday Jany 23, 1821

Moderate – at home until evening, then went to Uncle Babb's and Mr. L's with Dr. Saw Hannah . at home by  $\frac{1}{4}$  p 9 P.M.

Sent \$50 to Ichabod Rollins by Leathers

Wednesday Jany 24

Severely cold and blustering. At home – no company, dull times.

Thursday Jany 25, 1821

Last night was severely cold. I believe the coldest for the season.

At home all day. In evening went to General's with Dr. and Mr. Steele and tarried while 10 o'clock P.M.

Friday Jany 26, 1821

Weather has moderated – heard of several people being frozen on Wednesday last —————

Went in evening to Mr. Knox's at 8 P.M. and tarried while ½ p 11.

Col. And Mary, Jonathan, David and Ann S. were there.

Went to bed at 12 Midnight.

One week this evening had a much pleasanter visit at Northwood for then I saw dear #.

Saturday Jany 27, 1821

At home. Weather moderate. Little company.

Sabbath Jany 28, 1821

Pleasant. Went to Mr. Knox's in morning with Dr.

At meeting all day. Mr. Corser preached. Text A.M. John 3.14 P.M. Matthew 6.33

Mr. Broadhead preached in Meeting House.

Went to Uncle Wallace's and Philip's with Dr. and called at Mr. Merrill's in evening.

Monday Jany 29, 1821

At home all day. Called at Mr. Merrill's in evening. Pleasant.

Tuesday Jan. 30

At home. At home. Pleasant. Dr. Crosby and David Steele went to Deerfield south road.

Dr. C. of Gilmanton came to Epsom, tarried at Widows all night.

Wrote to # and sent by Mr. Parsons.

## Wednesday 31

At home. Dr. and his father went to Deerfield. Weather pleasant and warm. Dr. C. returned to Gilmanton.

# Thursday Feby 1

Last night most of the snow melted and left the hills and road quite bare. Dr. Josiah Crosby is 27 years old this day.

Spent the evening at General's as did Messrs Steele's – Mr. E. Libbey of Portsmouth and Mr. Page of Durham.

Pleasant weather and dull times – dreamed of # last night.

Friday Feby 2, 1821

Moderate. Dull times. At home all day.

In evening at Mr. Steele's with Col., Mary and Doctor.

At home by and to bed 11.

Have read the present week Silliman's Journal of Travels in England, Holland and Scotland – a very interesting work.

Saturday February 3, 1821

Weather moderate. At home until evening then went to Northwood, had Mr. Merrill's pony.

At Mr. K's by  $\frac{1}{2}$  p 9 ~ learned that Mrs. L.H.M, Misses M.W.M, E.F.M. and # had just gone home having spent the evening there – regrets that I had not arrived sooner. Went to Mr. Clarke's and tarried all night.

# spent today and yesterday at Mr. K's.

I slept with Samuel Buzzell.

Sabbath Feby 4, 1821

Some snow last evening – up at 7 – went to meeting. Mr. Prentice preached from Prov. 30-7.8.9

# there. Walked and went to Dr.'s at noon and went to Mr. K's. Took supper at Mr. Clarke's, called at Mr. Mead's at 6, tarried while ½ p 9. Had the pleasure of spending a few moments with dearest #.

# presented me with a pair of mittens knit by her own hand – O may riches and blessings be ever hers.

Mr. Merrill's horse was badly wounded by a kick from Mr. Clarke's. At Epsom by 1 and to bed.

Monday Feb. 5, 1821

Moderate weather. At home all day. Wrote to Mr. K. two or 3 lines and sent by Samuel Morrill.

January Meeting in P.M. Levi Locke Moderator

James McCutchin chosen Grand Juror

Ephraim Locke and Frederick Sanborn Petit Jurors to serve at the Superior Court –

O Tempora!! O Mores!!!! [Note - definition: Alas for the times and the manners. Ed.]

Called at Mr. Merrill's in the morning to see about the pony.

Meeting at Abel Brown's this evening to choose delegates to attend Senatorial Caucus at Concord the 13th instant.

Tuesday Feby 6, 1821

Moderate. Went to Mr. Knox's in A.M. with a writ v Jo. Dow and sent it to Mr. Thorndike by Dr. Jhannon – at General's in evening and played whist. Mr. Butterfield of Westmoreland there – also Mr. Steele and wife.

Dreamed of being married to # last night

To bed by 11 P.M.

Wednesday Feby 7, 1821

Weather moderate. This morning at 1 o'clock a child of Robert Knox died Aet 1 year – occasioned by tripping a basin of hot fat into its bosom 2 weeks since.

At home all day.

Thought of # and went to bed at 10 P.M.

Thursday Feby 8, 1821

Cold. Went in A.M. to Capt. Batchelder's in Pittsfield with Hannah – had Aunts slay and pony. At home by  $\frac{1}{2}$  p 12 P.M.

Attended the funeral of Mr. Knox's child and assisted in conveying it to the narrow house. Mr. Knowlton of Pittsfield officiated. Sermon preached from James 1-5.

At home sunset.

Mary M spent the evening at Widows. I walked home with her. To bed 10 P.M.

Eat some porridge at Capt. Heath's.

Friday Feby 9, 1821

Pleasant morning. Isaac Towle yesterday bargained for John Batchelder's farm to give \$400 in four years and interest.

Saturday Feby 10, 1821

At home all day. Had little company. Weather chilly.

Sunday Feby 11, 1821

Pleasant. Mr. Knowlton preached in Meeting House. Mr. Curtis in School House. I attended at the latter place all day.

Text A.M. Jeremiah 17 – 5&6

P.M. do do 7&8

In the evening walked to Northwood and met # going to Mr. K's. Had the pleasure of passing 2 hours in the company of # and attended her home – then walked to Epsom arrived ½ p 11 – tired enough, to bed at 12. Capt. C. at Mr. K's.

Monday 12

Overcast, some rain. Went to Pittsfield with Mr. Knox and Steele to attend Dow's Vendue. Gone all day. In the evening called at Rev. Mr. Gwitt (?)

Dr. was very tired and to bed 10 P.M.

Tuesday Feby 13, 1821

At home, weather chilly. The ground is now quite bare and very bad traveling – there was one grand party at Capt. Sanborn's in P.M. Had an invitation, did not go. Among the guests were Aunt H, E.W., H.W, David S. and Ann and Dr. C.

To bed at 10 P.M.

Wednesday Feby 14, 1821

Appearance of Snow, but rather moderate. At home all day.

Thursday Feb. 15

At home until evening then went to Mr. Chesley's at 8 – took supper and tarried the remaining part of the evening.

Friday Feb. 16

At home in day time, passed the evening at Mr. Steele's – Col., Mary, Dr. there. At home by 10. Severe snow storm n P.M. and evening.

Saturday Feb. 17, 1821

At home and but little company.

Sabbath Feby 18, 1821

Cold and windy – attended Meeting all day Mr. Carpenter preached.

Text A.M. Romans 15.30

P.M. Psalm 107 1&2

Monday February 19, 1821

Set out for Portsmouth with Dr. Crosby's and Capt. Heath's ponys & Capt. Sanborns sleigh. Had a pretty good run, went from home at 10 A.M. Called at Mr. Clarke's at Mr. K's, at Furbers, Rich and Jons and at Wilds by 7 P.M. and tarried all night.

Weather moderate. Left a letter for #.

Tuesday Feby 20, 1821

Mr. Clarke and Mr. K arrived at 9 last evening. Rainy and warm.

In Portsmouth until 5 P.M. – and then set out for home in company with Mr. Clarke.

Wednesday Feby 21, 1821

Arrived at Mr. Clarke's at 3 this morning, found the traveling extremely bad. Went to bed and slept until  $\frac{1}{2}$  p 8 – took breakfast, walked to Mr. K's, saw # and tarried there two hours. Had a very pleasant time. Dined at Mr. Clarke's and set out for home at 3 P.M., at Epsom by 7 – tired enough ——

James took care of the store for me.

Thursday Feby 22, 1821

At home, little company. Weather moderate.

Friday Feby 23, 1821

Slight fall of snow but moderate. At home all day.

Saturday 24

At home, had not much company. Selectmen met at Mr. Chesley's.

Sabbath Feby 25, 1821

Attended meeting at Epsom. Dr. Jones preached in Meeting House. Mr. Walker, a missionary in meeting house. Text A.M. Ezekiel 33 – 11

P.M. Mark 16 – 15 & 16

Very crowded house.

Chilly – heard from Concord and intend to be there in one or 2 days.

In the evening went to Northwood with Mr. Sanborn. Called at Mr. Clarke's, - at Mr, K's and Mr. Mead's. Walked to Mr. K's with #, M.W.M. and E.F.M. (her sisters), tarried an hour then # and M rode home with me. Tarried while W (?) and had a very pleasant time and set off for Epsom.

Monday Feby 26, 1821

Arrived at Mrs. M's at 3 A.M. after going to Capt. S's with the pony. At home all day, weather moderate. Called at Mr. Merrill's in evening with Doctor.

Tuesday 27

Cold and high winds. At home until evening then to General's and spent the evening. Dr., David, Eliza, Harriet there.

Wednesday 28

A.M. Overcast. P.M. Snow. Walked to Uncle Babb's, took his horse and sleigh, went to Pittsfield. Dined at Mr. Jenness, found Hannah who went with me to Concord via Loudon, arrived at Mr. Green's at 7 P.M. Found my mother and all friends well.

Expt. 20 & for wool. Ex  $+ \sim$  which I have paid.

Thursday March 1, 1821

Rainy most of the day. Set our for my brothers at ½ p 8 and arrived home 12 noon. At home remaining part of the day. Cousin James attended store and took the pony home. Went to bed 11 P.M.

Friday March 2

Called to breakfast 1/4 before 8. Cold and windy.

At home all day and had but little company.

Saturday March 3, 1821

At home all day, moderate weather for the season. Wrote to # and sent by Mark Hile (?)

## Sabbath March 4, 1821

Weather chilly. Attended meeting – Mr. Curtis preached. Text all day Heb. 6-19 Went to conference in evening and called at Mr. Merrill's.

# Monday March 5, 1821

Chilly – at home all day. Learned that N.J. Esq. and Lady were at Northwood. Received a hhd molasses from Durham by Mr. Batchelder.

One grand Caucus this evening at Abel Browns. The W (?) and son – Mr. Dickey the Rep., Mr. Tandy, Judge White and tag rag? attended.

Town officers agreed upon at the caucus.

Hanover Dickey, representative

Jonathan McClary, Town Clerk

General M. McClary	)
Hanover Dickey	) Selectmen
Richard Tripp	)

# Tuesday March 6, 1821

Cold. Had a portable desk of Mr. Stokel.

D. Hoitt and Miss Grace R. Crosby came to Epsom from Gilmanton. L.J. Mead tarried with 3 hours and dined at Widows. At home all day. Mr. Merrill went to Portsmouth yesterday and returned this evening. Capt. Heath likewise – and John. To bed at 11 with Dr. and Mr. Hoitt

#### Wednesday March 7, 1821

At home, cold – but little company. Had a large party at Widows among others were the Parson and Rebekka, Mr. Merrill and Wife, Aunt Harriet, Mrs. Frederick Sanborn, Rachel S. and Mrs. James, Dr. Crosby and Wife of Gilmanton – Mr. And Mrs. Blanchard of Sandwich – and Catherine Gray. I visited on Mrs. M and Miss G. home. Dr's father came in town today.

## Thursday March 8, 1821

Moderate. At home until evening. Went to Northwood, had Mr. Yeaton's pony. Called at Mr. K's and tarried ½ hour, then at Mr. Mead's. # was at the door and was very pleasant and sociable. Invited me to call – Mr. James Batchelder and Wife, Mr. Sherburne and Wife were there, tarried while 1 o'clock P.M.

Had a delightful time, had permission of # to ask  $\sim \sim \sim$  concerning what is of more consequence to me then every earthly thing - - O my friend with you, to live with you - - to learn how pleasing the thought - -how unprotected may be its consequences - - - O that I were possessed of fortune gladly - O most willingly would I share it with you - - - - - Dearest O how much dearer to my fond heart that every other

O that I may have the wisdom to follow that course which shall be for the best – to make you happy is the dearest wish of my heart — to cause you to be otherwise shall never, no never – for a moment enter into the heart of him who esteems you above every other mortal - - - - - -

Party at Mr. Merrill's.

At home at 3 in morning.

## Friday March 9, 1821

At home. Party at Capt. G's, invited but could not attend.

Caucus at Capt. Heaths, was there a while.

Moderate.

# Saturday March 10

Moderate – at home all day, had but little company.

Dr. Hoitt and Miss G.R. Crosby returned to Gilmanton.

Went to bed 10 P.M.

Sabbath march 11, 1821

Moderate - at home A.M., P.M. went to meeting, heard Mr. Curtis preach from Psalm 115-3. Mr. Merrill of Newmarket preached in Meeting House. At Capt. Heath's, Mr. Chesley's and Mr. Locke's in evening and to bed at 10 P.M. Thought of dear #. Monday March 12, 1821 Pleasant, at home, little company - - live in hope of better time then the present then \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ Annual Meeting tomorrow. Tuesday March 13, 1813 (1821) Annual meeting. Weather pleasant, had but little company. Two tents and a bread cent (?) at the meeting house. General McClary, Moderator Jonathan McClary, Town Clerk ) Unan. Hanover Dicket, Representative – 62 Majority T.D. Merrill ran against him. Michael McClary) Hanover Dickey ) Selectmen Richard Tripp ) 77 Maj. T.D. Merrill J. Sanborn Esq. ) opposing candidates Jonathan Cate The M — - - - l and son were thiny (?) as the saying is – the latter home by 2 next morning. Dreamed of # last night. Wednesday March 14 Pleasant, at home, little company. In the evening Col. & Chesley called and tarried until 11 P.M. drunk or sober -Wrote to # Thursday March 15 Continues very pleasant. At home all day. In evening called at Mr. Steele's with Cr. And stopt 2 hours. Wrote to K. enclosed #'s and sent by Samuel Morrill. Friday March 16 At home. In evening at Mr. S\_s -Moderate. Saturday March 17, 1821 Smart rain last night and quite stormy and unpleasant today. Sabbath March 18, 1821 Very cold and uncomfortable weather. I attended meeting. Mr. Curtis preached Text A.M. 2 Tim 2.11 Text P.M. Job 11-20 Called at Mrs. Sanborn's in P.M., wrote to my brother Thomas in evening. David Smith began to board yesterday at Mrs. McClary's at s//upr Week and studies medicine with Dr. Crosby.

Tuesday 20

Monday 19

At home all day and had little company.

At home until evening then went to General's with David Steele and Dr. came a while after.

#### 21 – 22 & 23 (Wednesday – Friday)

At home and engaged in copying Census for Jonathan McClary. Had but little company.

## Saturday March 24, 1821

At home, weather overcast. Walked to Northwood in evening, very bad walking, wet and muddy. Saw a light at Mr. M's. At Mr. Clarke's by 10 P.M., Mrs. Simonds of Hh there.

## Sabbath March 25, 1821

Commenced snowing in A.M. and 8 or 9 inches had fallen in the course of the day –

Went to meeting in Slay A.M.. Mr. Prentice preached Text Isa. 30.25. # at meeting. I was at Mr. Clarke's in P.M., called at 6 P.M. at Mr. Mead's, saw dear #. Thought Mr. & Mrs. Mead were rather cloudy and after they had retired learned the reason - \_\_ had told # that she must dismiss her friend - - -well one thing he cannot prevent or control – and that is the sentiments and affections of the heart, they will last while I live.

Tarried while 1 P.M. and swiftly flew the hours to me – O my good loved friend, by all the pleasures and pains of that moment when we separated as you say for the last time – I promise to love and honor you as my hearts chosen friend to the latest moment of existence – and although a parents mandate may prevent our ever being united in this world, still will I hold thy loved image dear to memory and to love, and life's latest prayer shall be for your happiness. # gave me some peppt

## Monday 26 March

Walked from Northwood and at Mrs. M's ½ p 3 A.M., extremely fatigued. Called up at 6.

At home all day. Dudley Hill called.

Wrote to #

# Tuesday March 24

At home, snowed most of the day -6 or 7 inches.

Began to copy Londonderry. Mr. Hill at work for Dr..

Thought of dear # and to bed at 11 P.M.

## Wednesday March 28

At home, cold for the season. Finished Londonderry – sent my letter (dated 26/ to # by D. Hill.

Went to bed at 11 P.M.

## Thursday March 29, 1821

Pleasant morning and promise of a fine day.

Had but little company. Went to Abel Brown's in evening at 8. Returned 10 P.M.

#### Friday March 30

At home, some company, Mrs. C., Sarah and R. Barker took tea at Widows, did not see them. Col. Was at S. all day and so. So. . Walked home with him – weather moderate and pleasant.

## Saturday March 31

At home, pleasant – Col. Here most of day pretty well.

Heard a Robin sing the first of the Season.

9 P.M. thought of dear # and that I could be near her – to see one smile – to hear one word would to be to me far more pleasant than an age with all the Epsom folks. And am I to see her no more, no more rest beside this and enjoy the sweet endearments which flow from social intercourse with loved friends – well time must determine – let me endeavor to be content with its decision.

O # how can I forget #, ever will I fondly cherish thy loved image in my bosom.

## Sabbath April 1, 1821

Weather moderate, attended meeting all day. Reverend Mr. Wells of Deerfield preached.

Text A.M. Jeremiah 4-22

P.M. Acts 17-16

Singed the Constitution of the Epsom Branch of the Rockingham Charitable Society and paid to Dr. Crosby the treasurer 3/- for one year's subscription.

Called at Mr. Curtis in evening and saw Miss S. Barker of Concord.

## Monday April 2, 1821

Snow and rain most of the day. At home, cleared off, cold at night.

## Tuesday April 3, 1821

Froze considerably last night and is quite cold this day. Drank tea at Mr. Curtis'.

Thought of dear #. O that I could behold her ————

## Wednesday April 4, 1821

Cold and windy. At home. Drank tea at Mr. Merrill's as did Doctor, Moses Parsons Gray and sister and Miss Barkers.

Thought of dear # and that I could be near her. Went to bed at 11 P.M.

# Thursday Apr. 5, 1821

Annual Fast. More pleasant than yesterday. Attended meeting, Mr. Curtis preached from Jonah 3-5-10 all day. Considerable number of people attended meeting.

In evening walked to Mr. K's and had the pleasure of seeing # for a few short moments and allowed the privilege of attending her home —— swiftly fly the happy minutes devoted to friendship.

At home by 1 A.M. tired enough.

## Friday April 6, 1821

Moderate. A.M. attended Vendue at Levi Browns and dined at Uncle Babb's. Returned to Store by 2 P.M. and at home the remaining part of the day.

Party at Capt. Gray's, had a stool but did not go.

#### Saturday 7

Warm. At home all day. Mr. Fowler died aged 87, also his granddaughter aged 11 Yrs – In the evening called at Mr. Merrill's with Doctor.

## Sabbath April 8, 1821

Weather moderate and showers all day.

Attended meeting all day, Mr. Curtis preached, Text Jeremiah 8-21

Elder Dyer preached in Meeting House.

## Monday April 9, 1821

At home, had but little company – commences taking invoice of stock.

# Tuesday 10 April

Engaged as yesterday.

## Wednesday 11

Ditto

# Thursday April 12, 1821

Finished Invoice up to this date. At home all day and had but little company. 6 inches snow fell. Dr. Crosby went to Concord.

# Friday 13th April

Mark W. Piper buried this day at Meredith.

At home all day, little to do.

# Saturday April 14, 1821

Went to Northwood in P.M., settled al partnership and other concerns with Mr. Clarke to this date and purchased the whole of the Stock in Trade demands \_\_ at Epsom and find myself indebted to him the sum of \$kaaox for which have my note and nd Jntt.

# Sabbath April 15, 1821

Attended meeting all day at Northwood. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text A.M. Job 14-14

P.M. Psalms 34-6

# at meeting all day, walked. Had the privilege of seeing her and that was all – wanted to call after meeting very much but dared not —

Called at Mr. K's and Capt. Heaths by 8, had his pony.

Monday April 16, 1821

At home, cold and windy. Little company. Stage commenced between Portsmouth and Concord.

Tuesday April 17, 1821

Went to Portsmouth – had Mr. D. Sherburne's pony and wagon.

Called at Mr. K's and Mr. Mead's, saw # a few moments. At Wild's by ½ p 5. Good traveling. Commenced snowing in P.M. and 6 to 8 inches fell.

Wednesday April 18, 1821

In Portsmouth all day and tarried at night at Jonathan Chase's.

Thursday 19 April

Very unpleasant weather and bad traveling. Set our for home at 7 A.M., arrived at Mr. Clarke's 4 P.M., dined. Called at Mr. Mead's. was invited to stop to which invitation I accepted. Dear # was pleasant and agreeable, had the privilege of two minutes converse with #. O how swiftly they passed.

Called at Mr. K's.. Stopt and hour, called at Dr. S's. At home 11 P.M.. tired enough.

Friday April 20, 1821

At home, weather moderate.

Saturday 21

Ditto

Sarah M.J. Came to Northwood from C with a Mr. Gilman of Exeter.

Sabbath 22

Moderate

Attended meeting in A.M. Mr. Curtis preached Text Job 21.14.

P.M. at home.

Monday 23

Wrote to # and sent by Mr. Odell. M.W.M. 17, M.A.M. 12 yrs this day.

Thought of dear # of love friend ship and happiness.

A.W.M. called on for \$250 for P&G and J&JBB of P, settled by his father

Tuesday April 24, 1821

Warm & pleasant. At home. Col. Jonathan 36, Eliza M 27 this day.

Was at General's this evening, eat some very fine apples and drank some cider.

Went to bed at 10 P.M.

Mail brought by Stage for first time.

Wednesday April 25, 21

Morning overcast. At home.

Thursday 26

Went to Deerfield, James attended store.

Meeting of Officers of 18 Regiment, dined at General Butler's Ex 2/Hour 9

Up by N., called at Mr. Clarke's , tarried a few moments then at Mr. K's and took tea then at Mr. Mead's, tarried a few moments and saw #. At home by  $\frac{1}{2}$  p ( P.M.

Doctor in company, had E. Locke's pony and procured a certificate for him for the use of it.

Grant and Brackett went to Durham.

## Friday 27 April

Pleasant. At home. David Steele left Epsom for Peterborough in Company of his pa and sister Ann.

Had a meeting of E.R. Society and sold the publications I bought Athenaeum and N.A. Review @ 6/ea

Dr. Ed. Rw @ 6/Col. Plough Boy @ 55 cts & Regr @ 30cents and closed the concerns of the same.

Joseph Knowlton of Deerfield sued last week. Owes \$1000 more than he can pay.

## Saturday 28

Pleasant. Teams returned from Durham. Received a letter form Mr. K and one from S. Rollins.

At home all day.

#### Sabbath 29

P.M., at home, windy, no meeting, Mr. Curtis preaches at Pittsfield.

Attended at Meeting House in P.M. Deacon Locke led in prayer – Mr. M read a sermon and Deacon Sanborn closed. Called at Mr. M's in evening with Doctor.

#### Monday April 30, 1821

A fine warm rain commenced this morning. At home all day.

## Tuesday May 1, 1821

Continues rainy and moderate. At home, went to Mr. Knox's in P.M.. I attended training, returned at 5 P.M. At home evening. Pleasant.

## Wednesday May 2, 1821

Dr. Crosby went to Gilmanton. Mr. K and another called in A.M. on their way to Warner.

At home all day. Pleasant.

John Batchelder moved to Loudon.

## Thursday May 3, 1821

Weather cooler. At home. Lemuel Parker and Isaac Towle moved.

Dr. returned – received ie\$ of S.G. Batchelder for my mother by Doctor Crosby.

#### Friday May 4, 1821

Chilly. At home. Probate Court at Capt. Heath's.

Dreamed of # last. O that I could have seen her.

Evening walked to Mr. Kelley's, arrived at ½ p 8. # there, had a pleasant interview with her who is "lovely to soul and to eye" Tarried while a A.M. and walked to Epsom there by ½ p 2. Had one K from # Dark and showers.

## Saturday May 5

Showery. At home all day. Mr. K called and took tea, rode with him to his house. # there. Tarried until 10 P.M. – swiftly flew the moments and ever will they be remembered.

# tarried all night – I went to Mr. Clarke's, all abed – but Mary – I soon followed their example.

## Sabbath 6

Stormy. Rode to Meeting in A.M. with Mr. Clarke and Sarah. In P.M. with Mrs. Clarke. Mr. Prentice preached. Text A.M. Judges 3-7

P.M. Song of Solomon

Called at Mr. Mead's ½ hour. Saw # and bid her evening. # at meeting and rode home with us at night. Tarried at Mr. K's all night.

Mr. Dyer preached in Epsom Meeting House.

# Monday 7

Walked home, arrived  $\frac{1}{2}$  p 5. Went to see Mr. Langmaid in A.M. who had a fit yesterday and threatened with a fever.

At home the remaining part of the day.

#### Tuesday May 8, 1821

At home, pleasant. Capt. C called at store, sent some pear scions by him to Mr. Clarke.

## Wednesday May 9

Pleasant. At home, little company, dull times – and Cash scarce.

# Thursday May 10

Pleasant. Set up last night with Mr. Langmaid. Appears much better this morning.

At home all day. Mary came from Mr. Clarke's after Epsom, who went with her to Northwood.

Wrote to Mrs. C and to S.K. Intended to have written to #, but want of time prevented.

#### Friday May 11, 1821

Wrote to #. At home all day. A severe rain storm and cold.

#### Saturday 12

At home all day and had but little company.

# Sabbath May 13, 1821

At home, pleasant. Communion Day - attended Meeting. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Luke 14~

Called at Jonathan Godfrey's with Doctor and took tea at Mr. Steeles.

Went to Mr. Langmaids in evening and stopt all night.

## Monday May 14, 1821

Chilly. At home, very little company. Sent letter to # by Dr. and one to Mr. C. Doctor and Mary rode to Mr. Clarke's in P.M. and took tea. Returned in evening by 10 – received a line from Mr. K. Large party at Mr. C's. The parson's 3 daughters and # E.F>M. and M.W.M, Miss F. of Exeter also arrived to begin their school in that District. Out frd - ?? – no matter.

# Tuesday May 15, 1821

At home, Dr. Merrill called this morning – expect Eliza from Northwood Thursday. Dr. M is on his way to Gilmanton to see his family.

## Wednesday May 16, 1821

At home, little company.

# Thursday May 17, 1821

At home, Eliza returned from Northwood with Doctor.

## Friday May 18, 1821

At home. Mr. C and wife are to set out for Boston.

Went fishing with Col and Chesley in P.M.

# Saturday May 19, 1821

At home. Chilly. Little company. Widow planted her corn this day.

# Sunday May 20, 1821

Chilly. Attended meeting. Mr. Curtis preached Text Acts 26-28.

Elder Knowlton in Meeting House. Called at General's and Mr. Steele's in evening.

# Monday May 21, 1821

At home. Chilly and little company. In evening went to Northwood. Had Dr.'s pony. Called at Mr. K's, hoped to have found # but was disappointed. Went to Mr. Clarke's, # there and A.M. J. Tarried only one hour, wish too much longer but dared not.

Returning called at Mr. K's, stopt a few moments and home at 12 midnight.

At home. Sent enclosed 50\$ to S. Rollins by Jonathan Chase. Mary M. drank tea at Widows. Thought of # and wished that I could be where # is. Had an invitation to drink tea at Mr. Merrill's with Dr. Chadwick's girls and Catherine G. Doctor C., but company in store hindered.

Received a letter from Hannah. D reamed of # last night.

## Wednesday 23

Chilly. At home. Received a letter from David Steele. Had but little company.

# Thursday 24

At home – warmer, dull times.

Called at Mr. Steele's a few moments in evening, then at home and to bed.

3 passengers down in stage viz Edward A. Libbey, Caleb Parsons and Mr. Sparhawk.

# Friday May 25.

Warm. At home all day. No company. Wrote to Hannah and send 12/s

Mr. S. Lord and wife from Portsmouth arrived in town. 4 passengers up today in stage.

# Saturday May 26

Rain most of the day.

1 passenger down in the stage.

At home until evening then walked to Northwood at Mr. K's by 11 P.M. and tarried all night.

#### Sabbath 27

Attended meeting all day. Mr. Prentice preached Text Jeb 6-25

Walked to Mr. Clarke's at noon and at night and took supper. Saw # AT Mr. K's in the morning for a moment when going to Sabbath school - # at meeting all day. Had the pleasure of walking in Company part of the way form Meeting at night at 5 P.M. Set off from Mr. Clarke's, called at Mr. Mead's, went into the E. Chamber and tarried an hour, then to Epsom. At home ½ p 8. Drank tea. Had Francis Locke's pony and wagon and set our for Mr. Clarke's at ½ p 10, arrived 1 A.M. (28). Pleasant except one or two showers in P.M.

Uncle Geo. Wallis died at Deerfield this day. Had a fit. Aet

#### 28 Monday

Pleasant. Started at ½ p 4 A.M. in company with Mr. C for Portsmouth. Had his wagon. At Portsmouth ½ p 9 A.M. Commenced for home ½ p 6 P.M., at Mr. Clarke's at 1 A.M. (29)

Went to bed at 2

Engaged 100 bbl to Mr. Day @ 55.cts Cooper Portsmouth to be d\_?\_.

#### 29 Tuesday

Pleasant. Tarried at Mr. Clarke's all day waiting for team. Called at Mr. Mead's in A.M. and tarried ½ hour. Saw dear #. Bought straw for Catherine, gave 24 and she paid me.

At Mr. Clarke's the rest of the day until 11 P.M. then set out for Epsom and arrived 1 A.M. (30). Found all well.

## 30 Wednesday

Pleasant. Rose at 5 A.M., much fatigued. At home until 7 then started for Northwood. Had Mr. Yeaton's pony. Met a smart shower and got considerably wet. At Mr. K's ½ p 8 P.M.

Mr. Mead and wife went to Newmarket this day. Went there from Mr. K's at ¼ ante 9. Found dear # and passed some of the most pleasant and happy moments that a kind parent bestows on his creatures. O friend beloved and endeared by all that is dear and lovely in this life to thee are the best affections of my mind devoted and my heart is ever yours. Received some pxxxxx from # with # name inscribed dated 20 Apr 1821

# 31 Thursday

fair. Arrived at Epsom 3 A.M. Rose at 6. at home all d ay. Much fatigued. Dixcy Crosby and Mr. C.H. Peaslee arrived from Gilmanton. Worked on road in this District.

Rain in evening and continued all night.

## June 1, 1821 Friday

Rainy and warm. Up at 7 A.M., dull times, no company.

Mr. Peasley returned to Gilmanton, heard that his sister Eliz is to me married sometime the present month to Mr. Thomas M. Taylor Macht of Sanbornton.

#### 2 Saturday

at home, had some company, not very profitable however.

Mr. Merrill returned from Boston. Dr. Rowell arrested for taking up a child in Allenstown and recognized in the sum of \$500. To appear at Judge Burgin's in Allenstown 9<sup>th</sup> day of July nest A.M. 10. Thought of an \_\_\_ friend and to bed at 11 P.M.

#### 3 Sabbath

Pleasant – attended meeting all day and conference in evening. Rev. Mr. Farley, a missionary, formerly of Claremont, preached. Text A.M. Mark 10.25 – P.M. ditto 10.27. – Evening John 5.10

Between the hours of 4 & 5 P.M. a loaded wagon from Portsmouth bound to Loudon belonging to Mr. Brown, wagon of the former place, was overturned on the south side of the road descending the hill not far from Jeremiah Prescott's in this town and both horses were killed and the driver considerably injured. The load was partially damaged.

Walked to General's in evening with Dr., Dixcy and James. Returned and to bed by 10 P.M.

Mr. Demeritt of Lee preached in the Meeting House.

#### 4 Monday

Weather delightful this morning and spring appears decked in all her beautiful variety.

Hope to hear from 3 this but probably shall be disappointed.

Mr. John griffin 3d of Northwood and Miss Mary McDaniel of Epsom were published yesterday.

Wrote to #.

At home all day. Stage went by the gate.

#### 5 Tuesday

Fine weather. Dr. went to Concord to attend medical meeting – Serious Annual meeting of the trustees of the N.H. Missionary Society at Epsom this day. Services to commence at 3 P.M.

Paid Uncle Babb \$25., lent Aunt Harriet \$5 – sent 2.08 by Dr. to pay Mr. Hill 9/ - and the remainder in Lumons(?)

Mr. K and Deacon B. called at 11 A.M.. Mr. K. dined with me.

I attended meeting in P.M., Rev. Eli Smith of Hollis preached a Sermon from Matthew 24-14 – it was expected that Professor Shurtleff(?) of Hanover would perform the services but he did not attend.~~ Matilda Prentice of Northwood drank tea at Mrs. McClary's

At home – Miss P. took a \_\_\_\_ bush home.

Wrote to # by Mr. K.

Went to bed at 10-

Stage passed down, no passengers.

#### 6 Wednesday

At home, pleasant, no company. Dr. Crosby returned from Concord at 7 P.M.

General Election, Concord, Ichabod Bartlett Esq. chosen Speaker House Representatives.

## 7 Thursday

Very warm. James and Dixcy went to Concord. Mr. Campbell and wife stopt at Campt. Heath's, he is sick of a consumption – tarried all night.

High go at Knox's. Col. Jonathan and Dr. Chesley attended.

## 8 Friday

Pleasant. At home. Mr. Campbell and wife started for N. Portsmouth.

Settled all accounts with him to this date.

Went into the river in P.M. to wash first time for the season with James and Dixcy.

Reuben Sanborn had a bad wound make in his left leg by broad axe 8 inches long. Frederick Sanborn was hewing with the axe with which it was done.

#### 9 Saturday

Warm attended with rain, fine weather. Wrote to Capt. Francis Quarles of Salem respecting Shook – Dr. and Dixcy went to Chichester.

At home all day, dull times, getting rich very slowly.

O # may I not expect soon to have the pleasure of beholding you – thou art the sweet soother of every sorrow tho goal to which my dearest wishes are pointing - - - - to have your hand and property sufficient to maintain you as you deserve is all I ask of the bounteous giver of all good.

Walked to Northwood in evening. Called a few moments at Mr. K's and arrived at Mr. Clarke's at 1/4 past 10 P.M.

## 10 Sabbath

Weather pleasant. Up at 7. Mr. Clarke and Sarah went to Hh Thursday last. I attended meeting all day, dined at Mr. K's. Saw # there a few moments at noon and intended to have walked in company, but # rode with Mr. Clarke – Mr. Prentice preached Text A.M. Matthew 19-17, P.M. Job 36-18

Drank tea at Mr. Clarke's, called at Mr. Mead's at sunset and tarried an hour. Saw dear #, had the head ache – the evening was lovely. How did I long to have the pleasure of passing an hour with the friend my heart ever dear but that privilege was denied me.

Arrived at Widows ½ p 11 P.M. Tired.

## 11 Monday

at home – warm.

Animal show at Capt. Heath's. Very little company at store.

Had an invitation to attend at F? office tomorrow evening to unite in celebrating independence - - - - -

Thought of friends that are dear and of pleasures that have fled forever.

Went to bed ½ p 10.

Mr. Knox and wife went to Portsmouth.

#### 12 Tuesday

Pleasant. At home, up at 8, stage passed – 2 passengers.

At home.

Mr. Merrill went to Portsmouth.

Dr. received catalogue of C.Ct for C.C.S. and one for Mary McClary

# 13 Wednesday

A.M. Pleasant. P.M. slight showers.

At home, 5 passengers up today, among them Hon. Wm. Plummer Jr.

Dr. took tea at Capt. G's. Mr. Knox and wife returned from Portsmouth.

Mr. Thomas Moore Taylor and Miss Eliza Peaslee of Gilmanton are to be married this day.

Had cucumbers and melons.

## 14 Thursday

Rain – warm. At home, received a few lines from Mr. K saying he had gone Concord. Intend going to Northwood this evening.

P.M. rain prevented was extremely sorry for I had hoped to have seen #.

## 15 Friday

Pleasant. At home. Wrote to #. Little company.

# 16 Saturday

Moderate weather. At home all day.

Thought of # of love and of happiness distant far, I fear, and these blessings – sent letter to K. by Mr. Stokel – Mr. Steele and wife went to Peterborough. Dixcy and I set up at General's with Eliphalet Wiggin.

#### 17 Sabbath

Pleasant. Slept in A.M.

In P.M. attended meeting at Capt. Grays – the first time it has been holden there. Mr. Curtis preached from Matthew 25.19 Mr. Dyer preached in Meeting House.

Called at Mr. Merrill's in evening.

## 18 Monday

Pleasant A.M.

P.M. showers. At home, Stage passed up, 1 passenger.

## 19 Tuesday

Overcast, warm. Hannah came in stage from Sanbornton Expst/d is much out of health – Mary took tea at Widows. My sister tarried at Capt. Heath's all night. Called there in evening.

# 20 June Wednesday

At home all day with the exception of walking to Uncle Babb's in A.M.

Rainy in P.M. and considerable thunder. Had very little company. Dull dull dull times!!!

Thought of #. O when will the time come that we shall be united never more to separate —— sweet is the hope that this may someday happen.

Hannah tarried at Mr. Merrill's.

This night rained hard. To bed 10 P.M.

1 passenger up in stage

## 21 June Thursday

Hazy. Hannah went to Uncle Babb's in morning – at home A.M. and but little company.

3 P.M. set out for Portsmouth in Company with Frederick Sanborn. Called at Mr. Clarke's, did not see # and at Portsmouth Bridge 10 evening.

## 22 June Friday

Moderate. Borrowed lx \$ of General yesterday, set out from Bridge at ½ p 5, at Wild's by 7 A.M. Mr. C. called at my shop yesterday.

In Portsmouth until 6 P.M., then came to Durham and tarried at Capt. Richardson's all night. Had Francis Locke's wagon and Moses Osgood's pony.

Bought 1 1/4 yds 13 d cloth of Mr. Jones @ aj/d for self.

#### 23 June Saturday

Arrived at Mr. Clarke's Northwood 8 ½ A.M., took breakfast. Called at Mr. Mead's, saw dear # a few moments – and at Mr. K's - - -

At home by 2 P.M.

James attended store for me.

Thought # rather serious.

Weather warm.

# June 24 Sabbath

Warm. Attended meeting all day. Mr. Carpenter preached.

Text A.M.

Text P.M. Psalm 73-24

Went to Uncle's in evening to see my sister. Called at Mr. Merrill's and at Isaac Towle's.

## 25 Monday

At home. Warm, little company. Wrote to #. Stage passed up.

# 26 Tuesday

Warm. At home. Timber all hauled for building hall to meet in.

Conclude to proceed with the celebration of 4th July.

Stage down, no passengers.

#### 27 Wednesday

Extremely warm.

A.M. went to the river and bathed. P.M. James and Dixcy went to Northwood. Sent letter to # by James.

At home, hope to hear from # this evening. Received a line from Mr. K. # well

#### 28 Thursday

Began to frame Meeting House. Rainy ½ day. At home, little or no company. Received letter from K. by Mr. Cate. Jonathan M. went to Portsmouth.

## 29 Friday

At home. Warm. Col. Returned from Portsmouth. Continued framing meeting house. Free Willers rather miffy.

## 30 Saturday

A.M. overcast. At home. New Hall for meeting of the Congregational Society raised near Capt. Heaths.

## Sunday July 1, 1821

Weather Pleasant. Attended meeting at Capt. Gray's. Mr. Curtis preached. Mr. Knowlton in Meeting House.

## Monday July 2

At home, little company.

## Tuesday 3

Moderate with some rain. Capt. Heath went to Portsmouth.

At home all day.

# Wednesday 4

Independence celebrated at Epsom – dined at Chesley's, 150 in number. Mr. Steele read Declaration of Independence and Mr. Osborne of Lu made prayer. Mr. Clarke and Mr. Kelley were present – company broke up about sunset and I was tired enough – went to bed at 12 midnight.

## Thursday 5

Dixcy Crosby went to Gilmanton. At home, very much fatigued.

#### Friday 6

At home. Pleasant. Drank tea at Capt. Heath's. Committee decided that the new road should not be made.

## Saturday 7

At home, dull times. Walked to Northwood in evening, at Mr. Clarke's by ¼ p 11 P.M.

#### Sabbath 8

Pleasant. Up at 7. Took breakfast at Mr. Clarke's and at meeting all day. Reverend L.A Spofford of Gilmanton preached. # at meeting all day. Dined at Mr. Clarke's on roast pig and green peas. Saw # for a moment. At Dr. S's and after tea went to Mr. K's and stopt while 8 P.M. then walked to Mr. Mead's. # was in the door and with M.W.M. — walked to K's and# and I walked as far as the brook and returned. Called at K's and then to Mr. Mead's by 4 ½ P.M. The evening was beautiful and the company delightful. I could have tarried there forever — bade # good eve and at Epsom by 10 minutes p 12 midnight. Tired enough.

## Monday 9

At home, little company. Mr. Brackett hauled hobbles to Durham and Francis Locke 72 Shook – Ann Mc began school in North District.

# Tuesday 19

At home.

# Wednesday 11

do – quite rainy. At home.

#### Thursday (12)

Pleasant. At home. Hannah and Mrs. Langmaid set our for Hampton Falls.

# Friday 13

Cool, nothing new or interesting. At home. Wrote to Mr. Green and to Dr. Carr and enclosed 10\$ Bilo Concord Bank to Dr. Carr for mail

## Saturday 14

James went to Gilmanton. At home all day.

Sunday July 15

At home A.M.

P.M. went to Capt Gray's P.M. Mr. Curtis preached Text Isa. 1.3. Mr. Boody was in Meeting House.

Went to Dr. Chadwick's in evening with Dr. Crosby, took tea, eat some cherries and at home by 11.

Col. C. of Exeter and wife there.

Wrote to # in A.M.

Monday 16

Pleasant. At home, little company.

Tuesday 17

At home. Sent letter to # and to K by Pillsbury. Wrote to Hannah and to Jonathan Brown.

Wednesday 18

This morning about 2 o'clock, was called up by Richardson who said some person was breaking open Mr. Merrill's store. Went over with Dr. and found Mr. Steele forced the window open and the man in the store and when came out we secured him and took him to Capt. Heath's. I went for Mr. M. He came with me to the Store, went in and found 12/ missing from the draw which the follow give up to Mr. Steele at Capt. Heath's. He says his same is Samuel Libbey, that he is in his 21st year, that his parents are both dead, that he belongs to Plattsburgh, N.Y. and has lately arrived at Portland Me. From the island of Cuba. He was arraigned before General McClary this day, plead guilty and was committed by Mr. Knox to the gaol in Exeter.

Wrote to Mr. K by Samuel Morrill.

At home all day. Mr. Merrill sent to me in AM to go over and take some punch at his store.

Thursday July 19

Weather pleasant, at home. Capt. Clarke called in forenoon and tarried an hour.

Mrs. Merrill visited at Widow's in P.M. and took tea.

Friday July 20

At home. Little company. Wrote to # and sent by Mr. Tasker.

Mr. Brackett went to Durham for me, hauled 61 Barrels for fish.

Saturday 21

At home A.M.

P.M. went to Pleasant Pond for bathing with Dr., Mr. M and Mr. S.

Miss Chadwick and Miss Gray drank tea at Widow's and T.T. march.

Sabbath 21

Pleasant. Mr. Wheeler of Candia preached in A.M. from John 1838. Attended meeting A.M.

P.M. at home – Dr. took tea at Mr. Merrill's. Evening he and I walked to General McClary's

Died at Newburyport on Friday last of consumption Mr. John Campbell – he formerly traded in the store now occupied by me. His remains were committed to the tomb this P.M. at Newbury New Town.

Monday July 23

Moderate. Little company. At home. Capt. Heath reaped 1400 Sheaves of Rye

Tuesday 24

Rainy. At home.

Thought of my dear friend and wish I could be near her to pass one pleasant hour in company so valued would afford more real enjoyment than forty years spent with such a race of mortals as we have in Epsom, but adverse fate prevents our wishes from being granted and perhaps it is best so to be.

9 P.M.

Rainy. At home. Levi Libbey died this afternoon of consumption Aet He has been maintained by the town for several months past. Has left a numerous progeny in indigent circumstances.

Thought of dear # of love, of friendship and happiness - few are our days and soon will they be forever past.

#### Thursday 26

Overcast. At home, dull times. Deacon Sanborn hauled a load of Boards to Capt. D. Clarke for me. Mr. Stokell and Samuel Crockett called at store. Heard that L.H. M was to move into his new house this day. Went to bed 11 P.M.

## Friday July 27

Warm, at home all day, nothing to do, and little hope of better times.

O that Providence would smile on my exertions to acquire property sufficient to maintain myself and the friend I love.

## Saturday July 28

Pleasant. Mr. Clarke and wife came to Epsom in A.M.. Mr. C. went to Concord and Andover and his wife spent the day at Mr. Steele's. I took tea there. Mr. Clarke passed the night at Aunt Harriet's. In evening went to Mr. K's, had Mrs. Sanborn's pony and chaise. How much I did wish to see #, but could not – tarried at Mr K's ½ hour, walked to Mr. Mead's, saw Madam uadayne(?) bible – *dear # may you be ever happy* – wrote a line to # and left at Mr. K's. At Epsom by Midnight.

# Sunday 29

Warm, no meeting a Meeting House.

First meeting at Union Hall 4 or 500 attended. No meeting at Northwood. Mr. Curtis preached text A.M. Mark 14-15&16. P.M. Mark 14-7. I attended all day.

Mr. C. dined at Widow's and Dr. S. and wife and took tea at General's M. Returned after meeting and took tea at Mr. Mead's and I rode with him to General's. Walked back and called at the Parson's and Mr. Merrill's.

# Monday July 30

Very warm, at home all day – little company.

Wrote to Jonathan Brown. Called at Mr. Merrill's in evening and drank some tea.

Wrote to cousin James and received a letter from Hannah. To bed at 10-

#### Tuesday July 31

Warm fine weather for farmers, dull times for traders.

Wrote to S. Rollins and enclosed \$100 bill Massachusetts Bank date March 1, 1811 Check Letter S.

At home.

# Wednesday Aug. 1

At home

## Thursday 2

Ditto

# Friday 3

Ditto

## Saturday 4

At home until evening, then walked to Northwood at Mr Clarke's ½ p 9 and tarried all night.

#### Sabbath 5

Pleasant. Breakfast at Mr. Clarke's, dined at L.H. M's and tea at Mr. Clarke's.

Attended meeting all day. Called at Mr. Mead's in evening and saw # for a few moments. Started at 9, called at Mr. K's. At home 12 midnight.

# Monday 6

Went to Pittsfield and Barnstead. Had Chesley horse.

At home by 6 P.M. Wrote to # and to Mr. Clarke.

#### Tuesday 7

At home. Deerfield Association met at Epsom.

Rode in evening to Mr. Piper's with his wife and Dr. with Oliver Avery. Some sharp lightning by the way.

## Wednesday 8

Warm. At home all day, dull times.

Mr. Clarke called in P.M. and I went to David Sherburne's with him. Bargained for his pony to give st\$.

Mr. Clarke went to Concord. Called at Mr. Merrill's in evening with Dr., gave my note to Mrs. H.S. for ai\$ CcprC5.

#### Thursday 9

Sent tub butter to Rollins. Warm.

Mr. C. passed hours this P.M., Catherine S. with him. Didn't call at any of the Guttos(?) in Epsom

# Friday 10 August

At home. Pleasant. Had little company.

## Saturday 11

At home. Little company. Rode Mr. C's pony to Northwood in evening. Saw # at L.H. M's and had the pleasure of attending her home.

## Sabbath Aug 12

At Mr. Clarke's A.M., attended meeting P.M.

Rode with Mrs. C. and C.C.J. Mr. Well's preached. # there .

Walked from meeting, called at Mr. K's and at L.H.M. and took supper and passed a few delightful hours in the company of that friend who is ever dear to my heart and had the pleasure of walking home with her.

At Epsom ¼ p 11. Walked.

Dr. Jones preached at Epsom Meeting House.

O # when will the time arrive that I can call you mine forever?

## Monday 13

Went to Portsmouth. Had Francis Locke's wagon and pony. Called at Mr. Mead's, did not see #. Dined at Mr. Clarke's. At Wild's by 7 P.M.

## Tuesday 14

In Portsmouth until 7 P.M. then set out for Epsom. At Mr. C's by 2 A.M. (15). Tired as you please. Abrm Hill and wife and Mr, Sherburne in company from P. Bridge.

## Wednesday 15

Up at 7, Capt. Jaquith and wife of Newburyport (Mary's sister) tarried at Mr. Clarke's last night.

Set our for Epsom at 9. Called at Mr. Mead's. Saw # a few moments and said good morning.

Called at Mr. K's, L.H. M's (Levi Hilton Mead) and Dr. Smith's. He is quite sick.

Joseph Stickney and Ann came to Mr. Clarke's Monday – and C.C.J. accompanied them to Exeter on Tuesday.

#, M.W.M., E.F.M., Matilda, Miss Folsom and Mr. Marsh were of the party at Mr. Clarke's Monday.

At Epsom 1 P.M.

#### Thursday 16

At home, little company, dull times.

## Friday 17

At home, little company. Dr. went to Gilmanton in P.M.

Wrote to S.H. and T.H. for Hh ur and enclosed 10\$

## Saturday August 18, 1821

At home. Beautiful shower of rain in P.M.

Dr. returned from Gilmanton and James ½ p 11 P.M.

Samuel Locke went to Eastport or rather started for the purpose of going.

Col. Jonathan at the store for the first time this 6 weeks.

Mrs. McClary has been sick for a week past.

## Sabbath August 19, 1821

At Epsom, pleasant morning. Attended meeting all day. Mr. Spofford of Gilmanton preached. At conference in evening at the Hall chamber and afterwards rode to the Gate with Ann in Widows chaise.

Monday August 20, 1821

At home, little company,

Dr. Crosby called to Northwood to Paul Davis'.

Mr. Hill came to Epsom to work.

# Tuesday 21

At home, little company. Wrote to Hannah.

#### Wednesday 22

At home, Bonus spent the day or rather part of it with me.

Wrote to # and sent my James L.

## Thursday 23

At home, pleasant.

#### Friday 24

At home. Dr. returned from Northwood. Received a line from K – and went to his house in evening with Mr. Harvey's pony. Walked to Mr. Mead's – saw # a few dear delightful moments at the door. Then for Epsom and there by 1 P.M. (25). Dr.

## Saturday 25

At home. Had my license renewed by Selectmen. Rode in evening to Northwood with Mr. Hill – at Mr. Clarke's by 10. Mr. Clarke badly wounded by Drew.

To bed 12 midnight.

# Sabbath 26

Mr. Carpenter preached at Northwood. Mr. Piper in the Hall at Epsom and Mr. Harriman in Meeting House. Mrs. M and wife gone to North Hampton, her father sick – passed the A.M. with # and dined there. No other person in the house. Mr. Mead arrived about 2 P.M. much to my regret and I went to meeting in P.M.

Dr. Crosby came to Mr. Clarke's after meeting and Mr. Merrill with him to Dr. Smiths. I took tea at Mr. K's and went to Mr. Clarke's. Soon after Mr. Mead called, I then started for Epsom.

Called a few moments and saw dear # - she presented me an apple and a bumch of Pinks – and I then rode to Dr. Smith's with Clarke. Drank tea and walked with the exception of 2 miles, to Epsom. Very dark and rainy. At Mr. Merrill's by 9 evening. Wet as I could wish.

Dr. Smith sick of a fever. Dr. Rice of Montreal and Mrs. Girard published.

# Monday 27

At home. Weather pleasant – Col. At store and Chesley.

## Tuesday 28

At home all day, very little company and dull times.

4 P.M. my thoughts roam to a dear and highly valued friend – O may happiness and contentment ever be the inmates of her gentle bosom – may Heavens richest blessings be scattered in her path in rich profusion – and O may I one day be so fortunate as to posses the hand and the heart of her my heart holds ever dear honored and beloved.

# Wednesday 29

At home all day, dull times and little company.

Thursday 30

Pleasant, at home. Eliza and Ann went to Gilmanton.

Wrote to Dixcy and to #. Nothing new. Received a letter from S.K.

### Friday 31

At home, little company.

# Saturday Sept. 1, 1821

Pleasant. # and L.F.M. went to NewMarket, girls returned from Gilmanton about noon.

Received a letter form Dixcy.

#### Sabbath 2

Pleasant in A.M. - rode to Dr. Smith's in Northwood with Dr. Crosby in the parsons chaise and heard Mr.

Prentice preach a sermon from John 16.13. returned to Epsom at noon attending meeting in P.M.

Mr. Curtis preached from Romans 8~16 – at conference in evening Mr. Curtis read Prof. Wood's sermon on the death of Dr. Worcester of Salem.

#### Monday 3

Wrote to Bro. E. Green and enclosed \$20 for my mother per mail.

At home al day, severe gale of wind in evening – blew down the Gilead Tree near Capt. Heaths.

Thought of dear # of love and happiness - -

## Tuesday Sept. 4

Pleasant morning, at home.

### Wednesday 5

At home. Training 2 company's out.

Had some company.

### Thursday 6

At home. Went to Philip Wallaces in evening with Dr..

Mrs. Clarke came to Epsom with Mrs. Gookin.

#### Friday 7

house.

Probate Court at Capt Heath's. Read Lt. Leon - Mr. Clarke and wife dined at General's and drank tea at our

At home all day.

### Saturday 8

At home, pleasant.

In evening went to Northwood with Mr. C's pony – there by 9 P.M.

Mrs. Girard married by Mr. Curtis to Dr. Rice of Montreal

Dr., General, Col., Mary, T.D.M. and Aunt Harriet went to the ceremony.

Mr. C's pony found at Deerfield and I rode home to Northwood in evening. Tarried all night and bathed in Brown's pond.

### Sabbath 9

Mr. Curtis preached at Northwood. Attended all day.

Text A.M. Luke 15.17

P.M. do 15 18-19 & 20

Mr. Prentice preached in Hall and Elder Boody in Meeting House at Epsom.

Went to Mr. K's at noon. # at meeting in P.M.

Supper at Mr. Clarke's and rode Mr. ?'s pony home. Called at Mr. Mead's in evening. Severe showers of rain and hail broke several pains of glass. Saw dear # a few moments – family present.

Mr. Mead quite sick.

Lucretia Brown had a daughter.

At Epsom by 10 P.M. – all abed.

### Monday 10

At home, pleasant. Mr. Clarke dined at Steeles. Wrote to # by him. Nothing new.

## Tuesday 11

Received a letter from Amelia - all well.

In P.M. Dr. Rice and Lady visited at the Generals. Dr. and I went in evening, took tea and tarried while 11 P.M. Moses and Ann Locke there.

Our folks not invited, much disappointed – we had a pleasant time.

Rain in evening which continued all night. Mr. Steele and wife, Mrs. Sanborn and Rachel there. Moses and Ann tarred all night at Generals.

#### Wednesday 12

Raining. At home, little company. Up at 7 A.M.

# Thursday 13

At home, little company.

#### Friday 14

Regimental Muster at Deerfield Parade. Fine day. Went from home at 6 A.M., dined at General Butler's.

Went to Northwood in evening, tarried at L.H. M's all night. Saw dear # at her brothers a few moments and was allowed the privilege of attending her home.

Dear to my heart are moments such as these.

Had Ephraim Locke's pony.

### Saturday 15

At home by ½ p 6 A.M., very tired.

At home the remaining part of the day.

Dr. Eastman came to Widows.

### Sabbath 16

Pleasant. Attended meeting all day at Epsom – communion day. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. 1 Cor 8-17

P.M. Acts 10-21

Walked to Turnpike with Ann. In evening intended to have gone to Northwood, but rain prevented.

Mrs. Kelley had a daughter born this day.

# Monday 17

Rainy. Cousin James sets out for Hanover in P.M. in stage. At home.

# Tuesday 18

Went to Exeter in Stage. Dr., Thomas D. Merrill, Mr. Knox and several others at Exeter by ½ p 11. Mr., Merrill and myself put up at Mr. B's. I went to Portsmouth in Stage and Dr. with Mrs. S. Tarried in Portsmouth all night.

### Wednesday 19

Returned to Exeter in A.M. with Dr. in Mr. Steele's chaise, there by 1 P.M.

# Thursday 20

Continued at Exeter, went to Hampton Falls in evening. Tarried at r. P's all night. Had Mr. S's pony and chaise. Saw my sister, is much better.

# Friday 21

Dr. and Mr. Merrill returned to Epsom in stage.

# Saturday 22

I came to Northwood with Mr. B. of Pittsfield. Called at Mr. K's and Mr. Mead's. Saw # - tarried all night at Mr. Clarke's.

# Sunday 23

Attended meeting in A.M. Mr. Prentice preached. # there and called at Dr. Smiths at noon. I called but did not see # and then walked to Epsom.

Monday 24

At 4 A.M. set out on for Exeter and walked to within 5 miles of that place – arrived at 11 A.M.

Rainy

Tuesday 25

Continued at Exeter

Wednesday 26

Ditto

Thursday 27

Ditto - Samuel Libbey sentenced to 3 years State Prison

Friday 28

Came home in stage.

Evening Mr. C and wife and Col, and Mary returned from Hillsboro. Went there on Monday last. I spent the evening at Mr. Merrill's, Nathan Crosby and Miss R.M. Moody there.

Saturday 29

At home. In evening went to Northwood, had Mr. Yeaton's pony. Called at Mr. K's. tarried at Mr. Clarke's for the night.

Sabbath 30

Attended meeting in P.M. Mr. Prentice preached. # there. Had the pleasure of waling a part of the way from Meeting with # and in evening called at Mr. Mead's. Saw # a few dear delightful moments and the returned to Mr. Clarke's at 8. Tarried all night.

Monday October 1, 1821

At home. Wrote to #. T.W> Thompson died at Concord this evening.

Dr. and Col went to Concord.

Tuesday 2

Sent letter to # by Mr. Nealey. Dr. and Co. returned.

Wednesday 3

Mr. Clarke dined at Widow's and George.

At home. Evening at Mr. Merrill's/

Thursday 4

At home – evening at Generals and played Whist and Mr. Steele.

Friday 5

At home – evening at home – wrote to James.

Saturday 6

At home, fine weather. UCL, ox came by stage driver for Mr. Clarke from Concord 13-k – he soon after called and took it. Received a letter from Mr. K, his mother went to Northwood yesterday.

9 P.M. Delightful evening, thought of dear # and wished I could be near her.

Sunday 7

At home, attended meeting at Hall, Mr. Curtis preached. Mr. Knowlton in Meeting House, Communion Day.

Monday 8

At home. Little company. Court between Philbrick and Marston.

### Tuesday 9

At home.

### Wednesday 10

Went to Portsmouth, hauled butter, had Mr. Osgood's pony, Mr. Locke's wagon. Called at L.H.M.'s, Mr. K's, Mr. Mead's, saw # a few moments, dined at Mr. Clarke's. at Portsmouth Bridge by 9 P.M. and tarried all night at Martin's.

### Thursday 11

Morning went to Portsmouth, tarried there all day, put up at Wild's. Tarried there all night.

#### Friday 12

Set out for home in A.M. and arrived at Mr. Clarke's by  $\frac{1}{2}$  p 4 P.M. Rainy. Tarried there all night. Called in evening at Mr. K's and at Mr. Mead's.. Saw dear # a few moments.

Mr. Smith attended store while absent.

#### Saturday 13

Arrived at Epsom 12 noon. Mrs. M called me when I passed and sent a pr of flannel by me to Mr. Lord. Saw #. Mr. Clarke and George went to Hillsboro.

#### Sabbath 14

Attended meeting all day, Mr. Curtis preached.

### Monday 15

At home.

Mr. Brackett went to Durham for me.

#### Tuesday 16

Mr. Kelley called on me and tarried ½ of the day. Wrote by him to #.

At home all day.

#### Wednesday 17

At home. A.M.

Went after my wagon in P.M. and brought it home. Dr. went to Gilmanton – at home same night.

# Thursday 18

Agricultural fair at Exeter. Mr. M., Mr. Curtis and General attended. Mr. J.C. and wife, Capt. C. and wife, Mr. M. and wife, Judge H. and others from Northwood attended.

I went to Stokells in evening with my wagon to get painted. Had Mrs. Sanborn's pony. Went to Mr. Mead's in evening, had a pleasant time with the friend my heart holds ever dear. Tarried while ½ p 1 and then for Epsom. Home 3. Snowed first for the season.

### Friday 19

At home. About 1-2 inches snow fell last night. All melted today.

At Steele's evening, played whist - Col. And Dr.

# Saturday 20

At home. Dr. C and Dr. Weeks cut off a boys leg at Loudon. Mr. Steele went up with Dr.

# Sabbath 21

Attended meeting. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Eph's 5-14 all day

Mr. Harriman preached in Meeting House.

Went to conference in evening. Dr. read.

Called at Mr. M's, heard that Mrs. M. of Northwood obtained the first premium for hearth rug - suppose it was # premium kaps

Monday 22

Windy but not cold.

At home.

Tuesday 23

At home.

Mr. Rockwood and wife came to Northwood.

Wednesday 24

At home. Sold Widow's low to Mr. Hill for 8\$

Sent letter to # by Jethro.

Thursday 25

A.M. Home

P.M. attended Vendue at Philip Wallace's.

Friday 27

At home.

Mr. K and wife set out for Lynn.

In evening went to Northwood found # at L. Hills. Tarried there while 3 A>M. (28). Had a very pleasant time. Went to Mr. Clarke's and to bed. Rain in night.

Sabbath 28

Up at 9 – went to meeting. # there all day. Mr. Spofford preached.

Text A.M. Ecclesiastes

P.M. Luke

Called at Mr. Mead's, saw dear # a few moments and at Mr. K's (dined with him), at home by 8 P.M.

Brought my new wagon home.

Mr. Carpenter preached at Epsom Meeting House.

29 (Monday)

At home, little company. Let my wagon to Mr. Dickey to go to Thornton.

30 Tuesday

At home until evening, then went to Maj. Drakes to see about staves.

31 Wednesday

At home. In evening wrote to #

Nov. 1, Thursday 1821

Rainy. At home all day. Heard that Flour was 10\$ at Portsmouth. Sent letter to # by Mr. Steele.

To Deerfield reference there between Pierce and Knowlton - Mr. W. Melcher called on me today from Portsmouth.

(end this diary)

# **JAMES BABB DIARY June 16, 1822 – Oct. 19, 1823**

Sabbath June 16, 1822

Attended meeting in Epsom at the Vestry all day. Rev. Mr. Curtis preached - Elder Knowlton in the Meeting House. After meeting, went to Northwood and had Capt. Heath's pony. Called at Mr. K's at L. Hills and Mr. Clarke's left my horse and walked to Mr. Mead's. Found # and tarried while 12 Midnight. Had a pleasant and social evening. Tarried At Mr. Clarke's all night.

17 Monday

Started for Portsmouth at 4 A.M. At Durham by 6, breakfasted at G. Frost Esquires. At Portsmouth 9 A.M.. Stopt at Wilds — Bought of Joseph Lowe 1 lth Molsasses. at 1 R.O. Shook per General and put on board his vessel -

Brigadier, Elisabeth, Capt. Lowe 113 12.0. Shook to freight to W.S. and received 1/2 of net proceeds. Mr. S.C. and Capt. C. went to Concord.

### 18 Tuesday

Set out for Epsom at 9 A.M. at Durham 11.

Attended meeting and heard a sermon by Rev. Mr. French of North Hampton. Called at Mr. Blydenburgs - started for Durham 3 P.M. At Mr. Clarke's by 6. Walked to Mr. Mead's, drank tea then went to Mr. Clarke's. Took my pony and rode to the cottage. Found # at L. Hills. Tarried 1/2 hour and went 1/2 way with #. Presented # with a comb e/d and gave kfd to Mr. .K. for monthly Concord.

At Epsom 1/2 p 11.

# June 19 Wednesday

Dr. Crosby went to Concord yesterday, returned same evening. Mr. Clarke and Capt. returned also. At home all day. Received goods from Durham.

### 20 Thursday

At home - some rain in P.M., all over. Family drank tea at Mr. Steele's as did General, Mrs. L. and Mary - Mr. Clarke and wife expected but did not come.

Subscribed in Company with J.S., S.A.H. and Dr. Crosby for 1 share in P & C Mail Stage Co. ix \$-

### 21 Friday

At home all day, little business. Giving 14 cts for butter - paid General // a ox, Interest on my note 1 year.

### 22 Saturday

Pleasant. Mr. Steele went to Portsmouth. Mrs. Lord went with him. ~ Ann visits at Mr. Yeatons today. P.M. went to the river with Dr. Crosby., James and Mr. Merrill and bathed. —

Wrote to Messers. Norcrop and Co. to see if they had received of the 10th instant (with 52 \$ enclosed) and sent it to Portsmouth by Mr. Steele. - Wrote to David Brown about salt.

Went to bed at 10 P.M.

# June 23 Sabbath

Rose at 7 A.M., quite too much time spent for sleep—The morning is delightful, a fine breeze from North West and not very warm - hope to rise earlier in future—.

Attended meeting Mr. Wheeler of Candia officiated.

Text A.M. Proverbs 16.9

" P.M. Isaiah 55~8 & 9

The preacher was not remarkably eloquent or the fault was in the hearer - probably the later. Signed a petition for Thomas D. Merrill to be appointed a Justice of the Peace. Wrote to #

### 24 Monday

Very fine rain, commenced at  $6\,A.M.$ , accompanied by distant thunder. Ceased raining at  $2\,P.M.$  In afternoon attended a conference at William Yeatons between Enoch Brown Jr. and Benvoli Sanborn - referees T.D. Merrill, John Page and myself. Decided that Sanborn pay Brown 10\$ and each pay their cost. It was a very unpleasant case to decide - but from the evidence offered could not do otherwise  $\sim$  rode over with Steele, returned with Doctor.

Spectators very much dissatisfied with the report which was signed by Mr. Merrill and myself only.

# June 25 Tuesday

At home all day - weather pleasant.

Sent a line to # by mail. Had but little company - paid Reuben Sanborn of Northwood lp on condition for him to return it if his statement is in correct.

## 26 Wednesday

Pleasant ~ first meeting this day at Nottingham of Portsmouth and Concord Mail Stage Company ~ for the purpose of making the necessary arrangements respecting it.

At home all day.

### 27 Thursday

Pleasant ~ at home.

Received letters from Colonel Rogers, J. Kelly and David Steele.

Joseph Lawrence and wife this day parted by mutual agreement and she quit his house with her two children and moved to the village to a small house owned by Mr. Merrill.

Understand that all the stage shares are taken up.

Had some company today.

June 28 Friday

Pleasant morning ~ wrote to James Prescott of Hampton Falls.

Wrote to D. Steele and Harvey Haseltine ~

29 Saturday

At home A.M.

P.M. went on a fishing excursion to Suncook Pond with Steele and Chesley - caught very few fish. At home by 8, quite tired. Learned that Nathan Crosby and Miss Mary Jane Moody dined at the Widows - found Dixcy and Grace at our house.

30 Sabbath

Warm ~ Mr. Boody of New Durham preached at Meeting House. Mr. Curtis in vestry. At meeting all day. Text John 16.8

Walked to General McClary's after meeting with Dixcy. Received a letter from James Day and Son.

July 1 Monday

Very warm ~ thermometer at 91~

At home. Dixcy and Grace set out for Gilmanton at 9 A.M. ~ letter from G.P.C. being an acknowledgement of Mr. C. account for quarter ending April 1822 which I enclosed and sent to him by Abn. Drake this P.M. ~ received this day~~ Wrote to # this evening.

July 2 Tuesday

Pleasant, light winds.

Wrote to Mr. K and enclosed #'s letter ———

Mr. Clarke and Wife and Mr. Edward Kent and Sarah S. in town today. Was introduced to Mr. K at Mr. Steele's by Sarah. Think him a respectable looking young man but rather dandy - he went to Northwood with Sarah last Saturday from Concord, was returning this day. Mr. Clarke tarried a short time and went home. Mrs. Clarke mentioned that # was sick. O that (I) could see her - - at this moment at home until evening then called at Aunt Harriet's a few moments - 10 P.M.

# 3 Wednesday

Commenced with fine showers of rain which continued until 1 P.M., then cleared off. This evening is delightful, moon at the full and all nature appears to be rejoicing ~~ O my dear friend, how much do I wish that I could be with you at this moment ~~ at home all day 10 P.M.

Dr. called up last night and has been absent ever since.

July 4th Thursday

Anniversary of American Independence ~ weather warm - thermometer noon at 82.

Dined at General McClary's on roasted pig ~~ At home the remaining part of the day.

Received a letter from friend K. Hoped to have an enclosure from #, but did not.

Capt. S's company of light infantry met at Towle's in Chichester ~ Mr. Butler made a speech as many got drunk as chose and burnt quite as much powder as was necessary.

Went to bed 11 P.M.

5th Friday

Warm. At home all day.

Preparatory lecture in P.M.

Carriage passed up in A.M. with 6 Shakers, 2 males, 4 females.

10 o'clock evening - thought of #, of love and of happiness and could wish to be near # - pleasant evening.

S.M. Johnston, who has been one quarter at Mr. Blakes school in Concord, went to Hillsborough this day with her Pa.

July 6 Saturday

Warm, Shower in P.M.

Went to Northwood in afternoon with Dr. Smith, drank tea at his house at 7 P.M.

Called at L. Hills at the cottage.

At Mr. Mead's and tarried while 1/2 p 9 ~ # has been quite sick for a week, some better this evening. At Mr. Clarke's by 10 P.M. and tarried all night.

Misses Steele and Gregg came to Epsom from Durham.

### 7 Sabbath

Warm - Called at Mr. Mead's in morning. Attended Sabbath School and at meeting in A.M.

Went to Mr. Clarke's at noon and spent the P.M. with # at Mr. Mead's. Had a pleasant time.

Dined at Mr. Clarke's and called at Mr. Mead's at 7 P.M.

At 1/2 p 9 walked to L. Hills with # and tarried while 1 A.M. (8) and walked to Epsom, arrived at 3.

Mr. Prentice preached at Northwood. Had a very pleasant time in evening.

Paid Mr. S.C. ex//

Mr. Jonathan Locke of Concord and Miss Rachel Sanborn of Epsom published.

### 8 Monday

Rain A.M. Overcast P.M.

At home all day. Quite tired with my walk. Eat no breakfast or dinner. No mail up today.

### July 9 Tuesday

Pleasant. Mail went up at 1/2 p 6 A.M.

Durham ladies went home this morning. Dr. Crosby went as far as Mr. Pipers with them.

Nathan Crosby set out on his eastern journey in the Dr.'s sulky.

South Road stage is to commence running on this road next Monday and to continue twice a week through the season - Mondays and Tuesdays. Paid 46 and 9d and gave up my 1/4 share in the new Company. Hired lx // of General McClary and gave my note. Sent aixx to P. and Sherburne - by Johnson -

Wrote to Mr. Clarke and gave him an account of Stage and received a letter from S.H.M. Haseltine

Wrote to James Day and Son ~~ at home all day.

#### 10 Wednesday

Slight shower A.M.. At home all day.

Ann and Mary went to Concord in chaise.

Sent yesterday to C. // 1/2 1/2 x for Mr. C. by Butler and received and returned?? from Mr. Sparhawk for check and interest to Sept. 3

A.M. pleasant - called in evening at Mr. Steele's ~~ went to bed at 10 P.M.

Made out quarterly P.O. account dated 9th and sent \$/ Salem Comment 13k - \$a,SS deed - profits last Quarter \$k,ox~

### July 11 Thursday

Rainy all day - distant thunder.

At home all day. Rose at 5 A.M. Business dull.

Received two lines from friend K. Wrote to him and to #.

Received a receipt from P&S for // ai-

William Green of Sanbornton called at store in P.M.

Sent Mr. K the Cambridge Platform borrowed of Mr. Curtis.

John Grant died this evening in the 67 yr of his age, of Intemperance.

### 12 Friday

Continues to rain. At home.

Purchased a Hhd of N.E. Rum of Oliver Locke of Kingston and paid in tow cloth.

Very little company.

### 13 Saturday

Warm. At home. Mr. Grants funeral in afternoon ~ had very little company. Mr. .Steele quite sick in A.M., evening is better.

#### 14 Sabbath

Rain in morning. Mr. Knowlton preached in Meeting House. Mr. Curtis in Vestry. I attended meeting all day. Text Isaiah 57.15. Subject <u>Eternity</u>.

Nathan Crosby arrived in A.M. from Eastern journey and attended meeting at Epsom.

Went to bed at 10 P.M. Thought of dear # and wished that I could be seated near the friend who will be ever dear to my heart.

#### 15 Monday

Rose at 5 A.M. - warm and pleasant ~ overcast in morning, but promises of a pleasant day.

Nathan Crosby went home in A.M.

Wrote to S.G. Batchelder, Mr. Badger Jr., Judge Gookin, my sister Hannah and #.

The acknowledgement of Mr. Cilley's account from April 1 to May 9, 1822 this day received and taken by Samuel Cilley. Occasional showers through the day.

Stage passed up for the first time, 2 passengers.

Mr. Samuel Cate paid me xd for his paper and I handed it to Mr. Curtis. Fine evening.

Wondering wrote to Mr. Maion for his opinion respecting collecting the taxes due Mr. Curtis.

## July 16 Tuesday

Warm. Stage passed down at 7 o'clock.

received a letter from my sister Hannah.

In P.M. went to the top of McCoy's mountain with Dr. Crosby and Mr. Curtis. Mr. Curtis killed 9 pigeons. Went out at 3 o'clock, returned at 7.

### 17 Wednesday

Pleasant. Cousin James gone a gunning. At home all day.

James killed 6 pigeons. Took 2 of Lee's pills.

#### 18 Thursday

Pleasant. At home. Mr. Steele and wife went to Mr. Clarke's in P.M. Wrote to Mr. Clarke.

# 19 Friday

Warm. At home. Bathed in P.M.. At night took 2 of Lee's pills. Thermometer at 88.

#### 20 Saturday.

Very warm. At home.

Mr. Curtis cut his Rye yesterday, Capt. Heath today. Have been quite unwell the present week. Should like to be at Northwood this evening, but do not expect to. *O #, dear #, could I behold thee I should be well -* went a gunning with Steele. No luck. Dr. rode to Deerfield with Ann M. and Angelique?

### July 21 Sabbath

Pleasant. Attended meeting. Mr. George preached.

Text A.M. Eccles 9.10

P.M. Luke 13.34

At conference at 5 P.M. Frederick Sanborn led in prayer.

Jonathan S. Sanborn read a sermon and Deacon Sanborn closed.

David Philbrick Jr. and Jonathan Godfrey Jr. at conference.

Rode to General with Mary and walked home.

#### 22 Monday

Pleasant. At home. Stage passed up 1/2 p 4 P.M. 1 passenger.

Ann Locke and Mary McClary visited Widows in evening.

Walked to Generals with our girls. Ann L, Dr. and cousin James eat gooseberries and returned.

Wrote to #.

#### 23 Tuesday

Warm. At home.

Stage passed down 1/2 p 6 A.M. 2 passengers.

Sent 30/ by Marden for Capt. Sanborn to Portsmouth to pay a note to Ezra Young.

Received a line from Nathan Crosby.

Dr. Smith's wife very sick of a fever, considered dangerous.

July 24 Wednesday

Warm - at home. Dr. went to Northwood.

July 25 Thursday

Commenced raining at 9 A.M. and continued until 12. Afternoon rained fast. At 5 P.M. Dr. Crosby, James and I, Eliza, Ann and Anne Locke set of for Northwood. At Mr. Prentices by 1/4 p 6. I went to Mr. Mead's and # rode to Mr. Prentice's with me and tarried while 9-there. # went home with me and the whole party arrived at Epsom 11 P.M.. Had a very unpleasant time particularly in returning.

The arrangement was to dine at Mr. Mead's and take tea at Mr. Prentice's but were disappointed in both. The girls E. & A. M were as contrary as could be wished and the friendly families whose it was our intention to visit were much disappointed if not disgusted. Eliza rode with me and was rather lugubrious - the others pleasant and I guess all of us took a <u>little</u> cold.

When I see N. again I hope to have a pleasanter visit.

July 26 Friday

Cold. Up at 6 A.M. Rather fatigued with last nights voyage. James went home with Anne L. At home all day. Thermometer at 55 6 P.M.

27 Saturday

Cool for the season. At home. Saw Mr. Prentice on his way to Pembroke. Mary, Ann M. and Hannah P. with him. Said Mrs. Smith was better and that # and Matilda set up with her last night. Intended to have been at Northwood this night but could not. Merrill, Heath quarreled with Mr. Lord and left him today.

Evening tolerably pleasant 9 P.M. Doctor has not had a call for a week and I have had but little business.

Mrs. Sanborn went to Concord and Nabby Dearborn returned with her to Epsom.

28 Sabbath

Rainy all day - attended meeting. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Psalm 119.97

P.M. Psalm 119.5

Mrs. Sanborn wore a new Leghorn. It would have given me pleasure to pass this day at Northwood but I could not conveniently.

Called at Mr. Merrill's in evening with Doctor and James. Anne Locke there.

29 Monday

At home, pleasant. Dr. Crosby went home with Anne L. Wrote to # and sent by Mary Ann when she returned from Pembroke in the forenoon. Said that E.F.M. and M.W.M. were well. Doctor went to Narrows in P.M.

Stage passed 1/4 p 4 P.M. 1 passenger.

Received a Blank bond from Mr. Parker.

30 Tuesday

Fair. At home. Mr. Steele spent the day at Mrs. McClary's.

Stage passed at 6 A.M. 4 passengers. L. Hill came for Dr. at 3 P.M. an Obs. case I suspect.

Mr. K. met Doctor near Hines Hill and gave information that Dr. Smith had arrived.

Wrote to D. Cilley - Copy

"Epsom July 30, 1822 Sir, I find a small balance in my favor on account which has been due nearly two years-. If you can make it convenient to pay it soon you will much oblige"

"J.B."

directed "Mr. Dan1 Cilley, Epsom

July 31 Wednesday

Fair hay weather ~ at home.

Dr. Crosby at Deerfield ~~ all day ~~ dull times for traders ~~ pleasant evening, moon shines brilliantly.

O#, how I should admire to be seated near thee or take a walk accompanied by thee - 10 P.M.

August 1 Thursday 1822

Warm. Received a line from J.K..

L.H. M. has a son born 30 July

In P.M. went to Pleasant Pond with Dr., Mr. Steele, cousin James and bathed. Had a fine ducking.

Knox went to Portsmouth.

# 2 Friday

Warm. Thermometer 86- At home.

Aunt Harriet and Nabby returned from Stratham. Dull times. Went to bed at 10 P.M.

### 3 Saturday

Moderate - Nabby and Harriet went to Concord via Pembroke - hope to see Mr. K. today.

Dr. called to Mr. Eastman's at 2 A.M.

Mr. K. came at 11 A.M. and I rode with him to Northwood. Saw # at Mr. K's and walked home with her and Mary Ann.

#### Sabbath August 4

Attended Sabbath school and at meeting all day. Mr. Wheeler of Candia preached.

Text A.M. Ga, 1.10

P.M. Isaiah 55 - 8 & 9

### # at meeting in A.M.

I went to L. Hills at noon. # called. I walked with # to Mr. Nealley's. # called and tarried while 6 P.M. Mrs. Nealey died at ½ p 4 P.M. Ate supper at Mr. Clarke's at 1/2 p 6. Rode to Mr. K's with Mr. Clarke. Tarried 1/2 hour and then walked. Had the pleasure of finding # and passed a few delightful moments in her company. Set out for Epsom 1/2 P ka. Arrived I (5)

Never have I passed hours more pleasantly. O that could last ever.

### August 5 Monday

Chilly. At home all day, little company.

### 6 Tuesday

Pleasant. At home. Dr. went to Gilmanton in morning. Little company ~~~

James at his fathers. Received a line from M.P. Locke dated at Norfolk, Va. and a newspaper.

Alpheus Crosby came with the Dr. this evening to Epsom.

# 7 Wednesday

Went to Portsmouth. Had Capt. Steele's pony, own wagon. Called at Mr. Mead's , saw # a few moments. In lo with Mr. Cofran his house. At Portsmouth by 3 P.M. Put up at Wild's, saw there in the evening Counselors Chauncy and Rodgers-

### 8 Thursday

In Portsmouth until 5 P.M. , then came to Durham. Met Jonathan Berry near Judge Steele's - tarried all night at Kelly's Inn.

# 9 Friday

Set out for home at 5 A.M. At. Mr. Clarke's by 1/2 p 8 A.M. Eat breakfast, called at Mr. Mead's and tarried while near noon. # wanted me to dine but I declined - was sorry afterward that I did not.

Bought bbl of Market(?) for W. M. and he paid me \$ 6ia today.

At home 2 P.M. The Epsom Gentlemen went to Pleasant Pond for bathing.

### 10 Saturday

Warm, at home all day.

Was extremely sorry that I had not tarried longer yesterday at # dwelling -

O that I could ever be near her  $\sim$  to perform all those kind offices that friendship should dictate or love invest.

August 11 Sabbath

Pleasant. Joseph Emerson and Eunice Hilliard to be married this day at Chichester. John Heath and Nabby C.,

Jonathan B. and Sally B., Jonathan Haseltine and Betsy Heath \_\_ \_\_\_ just set out to attend the "ceremony."

"How vain are all things here below" Dr. Watts

Mr. Knowlton is to preach in the Meeting House. Attended at the Hall all day.

Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Isaiah 28.16

P.M. Matthew 21.44

At conference in evening and after rode to General McClary's with Dr.

Wrote to # to send by Dr. Crosby.

# 12 Monday

Very warm. Thermometer at 2 p.m. 90. Dr. Crosby and Alpheus set out for Portsmouth at 1/2 p 6 A.M.

Wrote to T. G. Berry for Dr. Wrote to Nathan Crosby per mail.

### 13 Tuesday

Moderate ~~ Matilda and Martha Prentice went to Pembroke, passed at 6 A.M. # alone ~ examination at the Academy at Pembroke today.

Received letters from J. L Sanborn, S.G. Batchelder, C. & Leaver and Emery Norris.

Wrote to R. Jenness and J. Clarke. At home all day.

Heard that Capt. Jonathan Green, formerly of this town, died at sea, on his passage from New Orleans.

Steele turned his chaise over. New Stage and New Driver this week.

# August 14 Wednesday

Moderate, cool air in morning. At home all day.

Ladies from Pembroke for Northwood passed at 4 P.M. Did not call.

Dr. returned from Portsmouth at 1/2 p 11 P.M.

Got his n. dist for \$ lxx to pay k4 per ct Checks? in E (Epsom?) Mo - dated 13th

James went home in P.M., returned in evening.

### 15 Thursday

Rainy in morning. At home.

In P.M. a very smart shower. Never saw it rain faster that I recollect.

### 16 Friday

At home. A.M. pleasant weather.

P.M. went to Northwood with Dr. Drank tea at Mr. Clarke's.

#, E.F. M., M.W..M., L.F.M., M.J.M, A. and M. P there. (Mead and Prentice sisters)

Tarried while 9. Very pleasant time. Walked home with # and soon after Dr. was sent for and had to be off. Dixcy met us at Dr. Smith's in Sulky and Dr. took it, Dixcy and I came in wagon. At Widow's by 11.

# told me that I was expected at Pembroke Tuesday  $\sim$  was sorry that I did not go.

### 17 Saturday

At home all day - little company.

Mr. Clarke went to Concord yesterday.

Daniel Cilley called in evening and twitted me about signing the Petition respecting his character.

# August 18 Sabbath

Moderate ~ attended meeting all day. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. 2 Corinthians 12.10

" P.M. Revelations 20.13

# Wrote to #.

Robert Knox and wife at meeting in P.M.

Capt. Green's funeral sermon preached ~~~ in P.M.

In evening went to Widow McCrillis' and attended conference.

### 19 Monday

Overcast - some rain - at home.

Sent letter to # by Dea. Sanborn. Had some company. To bed at 9 P.M.

#### 20 Tuesday

Overcast. Up 1/4 before 5 A.M. At home.

Dr. went to Exeter at 4 P.M., his father remains here to see to his business.

Wrote to J. Kelley. Very little company, Thermometer 80 2 P.M.

## 21 Wednesday

Moderate - at home - little to do.

### 22 Thursday

Overcast A.M.

Freewill Quarterly meeting at Deerfield commenced yesterday.

Miss Frances McClintock of Portsmouth came to General McClary's Tuesday with Richard Bartlett from Concord to spend the week, is expected at Widows this P.M.

Little do I can about it — one smile from dear # is now highly prized by me than a thousand such fine ladies~~~~

## 23 Friday

Cool. Dr. returned from Exeter and his father went to Gilmanton ~ wrote to Dixcy ~ Miss M. of Portsmouth and Mary visited at Widows. Dr. and I walked with them to Poplar Hill ~ Matilda Prentice at Exhibition of P/E Head Jr. (22 inst) Martha Hale and Elizabeth Weeks. to bed 10 P.M.

### 24 Saturday

Overcast A.M. At home - intend to see? Northwood? this evening ~~ and dear # I hope ~~~ ~~~ Rode to Mr. Clarke's in evening. General's pony. Called at Mr. K's,, his brother there and wife. Attended prayers at Mr. Clarke's, by 10 P.M. all abed but Mary.

# 25 Sabbath

Pleasant. Attended meeting all day. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. John 16.8 P.M. ???? 9

# at meeting all day. Walked home from Mr. Prentice with her. Dined at Mr. K's, took supper at Mr. Clarke's, went to Mr. Mead's at 6 P.M., there to L. Hills.

# and M.W.M. there. Their brother gone to Barrington. Tarried while 9 P.M. then to Mr. Mead's and tarried while (k A.M. 26/ at home 1/2 p a)

Had a very pleasant and social call. # was kind and cheerful. M.W.M. much out of health.

Bade # a good evening and O may Heavens best blessings ever be the portion of my friend. # had the head aches this evening.

### August 26 Monday

Pleasant. At home until evening, then drank tea at Generals. Ann Locke, our girls and Aunt Harriet there. Wrote to # and to S. Rollins, enclosing // and a N date Aug. 30 to W.S.B. for // ??xx Up at 5 A.M.

Wrote to N.J. Esq. and enclosed a subpoena in Wilson Case. At night 9 P.M. looked at Luna and thought of #. James went home with Ann Locke.

#### 27 Tuesday

At home, pleasant.

Doctor, Mary and Miss M went to Northwood in A.M., sent letter to # by mail, also to Mr. Clarke. Received a letter from Adjt. White respecting Muster which is to happen the 4th of October.

# 28 Wednesday

Cool. Went to Lawrence's in A.M. and to G. Brackett's to get him to go to Durham. Party at Aunt Harriet's in evening. I did not attend.

### 29 Thursday

Went to Lawrence's to see his field. (He) would not let the regiment parade in it. Wrote to Col. Bartlett informing him thereof and sent by C. T. Hilliard~~

Knox went to Portsmouth. Dr. and Ann went to General's this evening. Brackett loaded and set off for Durham. (There) is to be a party at Mr. M's at Northwood this evening. Should like to have been there but could not.

#### August 30

Chilly A.M.. At home all day, very little company. Pleasanter P.M.

On this evening James Wilson of Hillsboro cited me to attend the taking of Deposition on Friday the 6th Sept. next at S. A. Kendall's office in Concord at 2 P.M. and at Hillsborough at Solomon M. Neil's Store at 10 A.M. on Monday the 9th of Sept. aforesaid.

Miss McClintock and Mary, Aunt Harriet drank tea at Widows and Dr. and trada (?) went home with them at 9 P.M.

## 31 Saturday

Cool morning. Mr. Clarke called on his way to Concord, is to call again in evening.

Went into river in P.M.

James went to Mr. Hills in Northwood to get pantaloons made.

Mr. Brackett returned from Durham, received a line by him from Mr. K.

#, E.T. M. and E.F. M went to Epping on Wednesday last, returned to Northwood on Thursday.

The last day of summer this ~~ O how short and fleeting is time ~~ a little space and vanishes forever ~~ how important the concerns of Eternity and Oh how much neglected by me - O that I might improve that which is to come to better purpose—-

Dreamed of # last night.

# September 1 Sabbath

Pleasant (rode to Northwood last evening with Mr. Clarke, at his house 1/2 p 12 P.M.). Attended meeting all day. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text Ephesians 2 - 6 & 7

# there all day. Went to Mr. Clarke's at noon and took supper there. Called at Capt. C's, then at Mr. Mead's at 1/4 p 6. Saw # and tarried while 1/2 p 9. The evening was beautiful. I had a pleasant time. Walked home.

#### 2 Monday

Steele was sued for // ox which General settled - his furniture and other personal property was twice attached ~ must have been a distressing time to his wife. From my heart I pitied her.

Rode to Northwood to Mr. K's in evening and it coming on rainy. Tarried all night.

Tendered Bennett Lawrence //c,ai in full for his fathers a/c v Widow D.L. or what she says it is. He refused the money before Mr. Chesley and Jonathan Yeaton.

#### 3rd Tuesday

Warm - Mr. Steele had a son born.

At home from Northwood by 5 A.M.. Mary and Frances M. went to Northwood in P.M.

Dr. and Elvira after tea.

Wrote to J.K., Mr. M and wife are to go Newmarket today.

Wrote by mail to Mr. Clarke.

# 4 Wednesday

At home all day. Pleasant.

Miss McClintock and Doctor rode to Deerfield South Road in P.M.. Miss M intended to tarry there but not finding her cousin returned.

Wanted to go to Northwood this evening but could not.

## 5 Thursday

Chilly - at home. Intended to have been at Northwood this evening but could not. Francis Mc drank tea at Widows.

9 P.M., dear #, I doubt not that at this moment you are at the "cottage" and with all my heart would I be there also but cannot conveniently. O my friend I trust the time is not far distant when we may be united by those ties which will be

lasting as time ~ durable as eternity —with such a friend who would not wish to live - and for such a friend who would not even dare to die.

Fine evening.

## Sept. 6 Friday

Pleasant. Probate Court at Capt. Heath's ~ took out a letter of Administration on Loudon Dailey's Estate - paid Register 12/-

General McClary and Dr., Bondsmen - Mr. Mead called about noon and dined at Widows. Ann M went to Northwood with him. P.M. wrote three depositions for Daniel Cilley ~~ Steele's had <u>headache</u>

Mr. Mead was sociable and pleasant - intended to have seen # this evening but Ann's going prevented.

Matilda Prentice, E.F.M. and M.W.M. went to Pembroke - Matilda and Martha returned this morning. E.F.M. tarried at the Academy.

Received a letter from P.M.G. and from Mr. K. Mr. Clarke and wife went to Hillsboro this day.

Harriet M. returned from Concord and Pembroke last evening. I went to Cato's this morning and am tired and sick this evening, so good bye Journal.

### Sept. 7 Saturday

Pleasant. At home A.M.

In P.M. called at Generals and had Cato sworn - and in evening called with Doctor and tarried while 10 P.M. Made of Jethro's and Francis Locke's papers ~

#### 8 Sabbath

Quite warm. Attended meeting in the Vestry all day. Benjamin Sargent of Pittsfield preached.

Text A.M. Mark 6.12

P.M. Ephesians 5-11~

The eldest son of Mr. David Sherburne (William) died this morning at 6 A.M., aged 14 years. Been sick about 3 weeks ~~ Purpose to go this evening to Northwood after Ann ~

Went to Northwood at 5 P.M. at Mr. Mead's by 7. Tarried all night. Saw # still lovely and interesting is my friend. Had Aunt Harriet's Pony and chaise.

Mr. Knowlton preached in Meeting House.

### Sept, 9 Monday

Warm. Set out from Mr. M's at 1/2 p 5 A.M., at home 7 - continued at home all day.

Mrs. Knowles, wife of Mr. Josiah Knowles died this day of consumption aged years. They had been married 40 years this day.

Funeral of Mr. Sherburne's child this day.

### Sept. 10 Tuesday

Pleasant. Went to Portsmouth. Cousin James accompanied me. Arrived at Wilds 6 P.M. Had Mr. Osgood's pony and carried 6 tubs butter.

Mr. Clarke and wife returned from Hillsboro. Saw # a few moments. Called in evening at Mr. McClintock's. Heard Frances and Caroline play on Piano forte ~ tarried an hour.

# 11 Wednesday

Warm. Set out from Portsmouth at 6 P.M. and came to Kelly's in Durham and tarried all night.

### 12 Thursday

Pleasant. Set out from Durham at 1/2 p 5 A.M. At Mr. Clarke's by 9, eat breakfast.

Called at Mr. Mead's tarried ½ hour. Saw # and M.W.M. Called at Mr. K.'s and at Epsom by 2 P.M. Very tired.

### 13 Friday

Warm. At home. Little to do. Wrote to #.

### 14 Saturday

Warm, some showers. At home, took a bond for a deed from Capt. Heath for the Dickey House and gave my notes for \$40/-.

Bennett Lawrence paid \$41.47 in part of his fathers note to Dorcas Lawrence which \_?\_ thereon. Esq. S. and Sarah expected at Northwood today.

Sent letter to # by Mr. Hill.

## Sept. 15 Sabbath

Warm. Dr. W. Farland preached at Epsom. I attended meeting all day.

Text A.M. John 16-8

P.M. Psalm 81 - 11 & 12

Received a billet from Ann Locke by Dr. Mc. and wrote an answer.

Saw Dudley Hill and his lady Miss Lawrence of Epping pass after meeting, was introduced to her ladyship~

### 16 Monday

Pleasant, at home all day.

Congressional election in P.M.

Hanover Dickey was chosen moderator and William Ham Jr. Town Clerk pro-tem - General McClary being absent. The following is statement of votes in Epsom for Members of Congress.

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Ichabod Bartlett	.80	Arthur Livermore 12
Matthew Harvey	.89	Edward Parker 13
Aaron Matson	91	Jonathan M. Page
Thomas Whipple Jr.	87	Richard Odell 7
Charles Woodman	62	William Hale 4
Estwick Evans	35	Jonathan Dolloff )
William Plummer Jr.	32	Jonathan Locke )
Jonathan Bell Jr.	15	Nehemiah West ) 1 vote each
		Jeremiah Prescott)
		Aaron Lamprey )
19 Candidates		Capt. William Barton)

Congregational Society met at 4 P.M. and voted to propose to all delinquents that if will pay all arrears due to the present year they shall be discharged from all further obligation to the Society - and if they refuse to comply with this proposal - voted that after the 1st of January next someone of the Collectors be directed by the Wardens to collect the taxes from some one of the delinquents and proceed with the others as they deem expedient.

Voted also that Mr. Curtis shall have leave to be absent on a mission three months paid.

Cousin James went to Hanover.

# 17 Tuesday

At home all day. Had no company, business dull. Paid 30/ to Leander Badger left to me by Mr. F. Sanborn and Mr. James Brown last evening. Nathan Crosby and Alpheus tarried here last night & have gone to Exeter today. Mr. Steele, Captain's Heath and Sanborn, Mr. Cate, Mr. Goss and others gone to Exeter.

### Sept. 18 Wednesday

At home. Severe frost last night. Mr. Stevens and wife from Effingham called at store today. Doctor called in P.M. to visit Hannah Bennett of Northwood. Jos q came after him - rather drunk. Nathan P. Fletcher of Ludlow, Vt. in town today and carried Mary to Pembroke.

# 19 Thursday

At home. Dr. S.? sick - took an Emetick and kept home all day. I went to Langmaid's in evening.

#### 20 Friday

Rainy - at home A.M. Nathan Crosby arrived from Exeter and tarried all day. In P.M. went to Northwood after Dr. Smith, found him at Hannah Bennett's funeral - tarried while the services were over and returned via Mr. Clarke's. Called at Mr. Mead's and L.H.M.'s, tarried only a few moments at either place - did not see #. Saw Sarah M J.. At home, tea - rainy day.

### 21 Saturday

At home all day. Little company. Pleasant weather

# Sept. 22 Sabbath

Went to Northwood in A.M. Had Mr. Chesley's pony. Went to meeting all day, # there.

Mr. Prentice preached.

Text Luke 13:24 ~

Dined at Mr. Clarke's at 6 P.M.

Called at L. Hills, found #. Tarried while 1/4 before 8 and then returned to Mr. Mead's with #.

Saw M.W.M., tarried while past midnight Had a delightful visit.

At home 1/4 before 2 - cold night for the season.

Happy moments devoted to friendship long will they (be) remembered with pleasure.

### 23 Monday

At home, little to do. Paid Leander Badger 6/- and Mr. Merrill paid him 6/-

Ann Locke came to Epsom from Concord with Mr. Gray. Wrote to James.

#### 24 Tuesday

Received a letter from cousin James.

At home all day - little to do.

### 25 Wednesday

Training. Capt. Lord, Lt. Goss and Ens. Sanborn swore into office - Hanover Dickey qualified to act as Justice of the Peace by General McClary at my store or rather in the house. Had some company. Killed the cat (& 2 kittens yesterday).

### Sept. 26, Thursday.

At home A.M.

P.M. went with Doctor to see Langmaid who has been crazy two or three days.

Called at Uncle Babb's. Mrs. McClary had her corn gathered today~

Doctor and I walked to the Generals in the evening, all abed, then went to David Griffins and stopt 2 or 3 hours to a husking. The evening was very pleasant and should have been happy to have had the privilege of walking with dear # - moon shone brightly.

At home and to bed 10 P.M.

## 27 Friday

Very warm for the season. At home all day and had few customers to trouble me. Husked the Widows corn in evening.

#### 28 Saturday

Warm. At home all day. Pierce the painter and Edward Kent called at the house in P.M. on their way to Northwood. Mr. Steele arrived from Exeter sometime in the night.

I assisted the Doctor in posting books a part of the day. Went to bed at 9 P.M.

# Sept. 29 Sabbath

Moderate weather attended with showers.

Mr. Woodbury is to preach at Northwood this day. Should be pleased to hear him, but cannot conveniently.

Attended meeting all day. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Isaiah 5-12

Wrote to cousin James. S. Fletcher Esq. of Concord at meeting here.

### 30 Monday

At home. Little company. Mr. Clarke., Mr. Kent and Dr. Steele called at 4 P.M.

## Oct. 1 Tuesday

Chilly. At home. Received a letter from Cousin James - went to Northwood in A.M. with Dr. and Richard Steele. Saw # at Mr. Clarke's. Mrs. Smith there and Pierce painting Mr. and Mrs. Clarke's portrait. Saw Mr. K. At home 1 P.M.

### 2 Wednesday

Doctor went to Concord. Borrowed Col. Long's bridle for me. At home 8 P.M.

Nathaniel K. Badger commenced store keeping at short falls this day.

### October 3 Thursday

Rather pleasant. At home - little to do except to prepare for muster.

Evening went to Mr. Chesley's to husking and tarried while 10 P.M.. John Locke the sailor arrived in town.

### 4 Friday

Pleasant  $\sim$  at 1/4 p 3 A.M. set out for Deerfield, rode Dr. Crosby's pony. Had a fine day for training. Dined at Dudley's. Major General Upham reviewed the Regiment. Major Cutter read an address from General to the officers of the Regiment. Returned to Epsom by 1/2 p 7 P.M. tired.

### 5 Saturday

Chilly. At home all day. Little to do~

#### 6 Sabbath

Went to Portsmouth with General McClary. Called at Mr. C's, all at meeting. Dined at Furber's. New Hampton(?). Called at Kelly's, Durham. At P 1/2 p 6 P.M. put up at Wilds. Went to Mr. Parkers Meeting House and heard a most excellent sermon by Dr. Nichols of Portland.

Text Psalm 102-26-: As a vesture shalt thou change them \_" ~

Called at Mr. Lord's, all well. Saw Mary McClary. Went to bed at Mr. Wilds 10 P.M.

Mr. Foss of Barrington and Ruth Grant of Epsom published this day.

### Oct. 7 Monday

Continued in Portsmouth. Received at the U.L. Bank \$ai,xd for Loudons pension. Had to leave my letter of administration with Mr. Cutts.

Called in evening at Mr. McClintock's. Saw Charles Francis &c - tarried an hour or more.

### 8 Tuesday

Set out for Epsom but proving rainy. After coming 3 miles returned to Portsmouth and tarried all day.

### 9 Wednesday

Returned to Epsom. Dined at Mr. Clarke's. Saw Mr. Kelly. Mr. Symond's set out for Boston this day. After dinner called at Mr. Mead's and passed a pleasant hour with #.

Called at Mr. Blydenburg's at Durham.

#### 10 Thursday

Pleasant, at home all day, at Mr. Curtis in evening husking.

# 11 Friday

At home, very little company.

# 12 Saturday

At home, rainy A.M.

P.M. fair.

### 13 Sabbath

Pleasant. Attended meeting. Mr. Spofford preached.

Text A.M. Romans 5-6 P.M. 1 Peter 2-7

Evening Habakkuk 3-2

Wrote to #

#### 14 Monday

At home, little to do. Mail went West 4 P.M. No news.

In evening wrote to Mr. K and enclosed #'s letter to send by mail in morning.

### 15 Tuesday

Chilly. Received a letter from cousin James. F. D. Johnson fell from Knox's shed and broke his leg - staging gave way. Doctor and Eliza went to Gilmanton. Doctor returned in evening - solus

Conference of the church at Gilmanton belonging to Deerfield Association sent a box of Carroles(?) to J.B. Whidden by Johnson.

#### 16 Wednesday

Overcast and windy, very dull weather. Went to General's mill in A.M. and loaded two load board of Mr. Nealey teams which I buy of Jonathan Grant Jr. at Durham, survey at 6\$ per M~

This day and tomorrow is the Annual Agricultural fair and Cattle show at Exeter. Mr. Merrill and Mr. Gray attend.

Thomas D. Merrill, Jonathan Clarke and James Rundlett committee of Domestick Manufacturers.

Very dark evening, went to bed 10 P.M. and thought of #

#### 17 Thursday

Weather moderate and pleasant.

Went to Concord in A.M. after Dr. Chadburne to visit Polly Grant.

Went over in 1 hr. 10 m. Returned in P.M. by 4-

At home remaining part of the day.

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October 18 Friday

Pleasant. At home - Mr. P.G. here most of the day - very little company.

### 19 Saturday

At home until evening then went to Northwood. Had Mr. Steels pony - called at Mr. Kelly's. # there, pleasant and cheerful. Tarried while 11-P.M. there to Mr. Clarke's and tarried all night - rained very much.

### 20 Sabbath

Attended meeting A.M. Mr. Prentice preached in P.M.. Went from Mr. Mead's with # and M.W.M. to funeral at Mr.B. Hills - Mr. Prentice preached from Isaiah 9.13 - took supper at Mr. Mead's. Called at Mr. Clarke's and then returned to Mr. Mead's - and passed most of the evening with #. Was so unhappy as to offend # - O that I had never lived until this day - tarried while a A.M. (a1/2#) and then went to Mr. Clarke's and came to Epsom. The night was dark and rainy and pardon me a merciful providence for wishing that I might never see the light of another morning - day light when I arrived at Epsom - did not sleep any.

### 21 Monday

Such a day I never knew - sorrow and trouble ever the inmates of my bosom and my heart appears as though it were sent in twain - wrote to # on this letter depends all my hopes of happiness in this world if I receive an unfavorable answer, and I richly deserve it. O God, what will become of me. My name will be branded with dishonor and I shall be deservedly despised by all whom I have had to fore been happy to consider as friend ~~ O my beloved friend, how deeply have I injured you - and made myself wretched forever. You will not, you cannot forgive me ~~ I will go far hence where my name and my person shall be forgotten and those that have known me shall know me no more. O may the Almighty ever bless and protect Susan - and may every moment of her life to come be productive of additional happiness - and when I shall be banished forever from a place in his remembrance, may she enjoy every earthly food and may heavenly mercy ever hover around her dwelling. O how dreadful the sentence - "will you not go - leave me - or I shall retire."

I solemnly promise in the name of <u>him</u> who is the <u>author</u> of my being never to love another and when I must depart this world, my last prayer shall be for my beloved, my much injured friend~

O Susan, how cruel I have been thus to destroy your happiness -While you are pure and innocent as the angels around the throne of their Maker, I have destroyed every hope that remains for me and shall ever be deservedly miserable and wretched.

#### October 22 Tuesday

Sent my letter by mail to #, enclosed to Mr. K - and wrote to him - will # condescend so far as to comply with my request - O I fear not, and if my fears are true, hope has fled forever——

Evening ~~ # has probably received my letter perhaps now reading it ~~ O will the person who was my friend forbid me ever to see her more?

"O wretched man that I am" 9 P.M.

### 23 Wednesday

10 P.M.. Have been at home all day and have been trying to employ myself in writing that my thoughts might be diverted from the distressing subject that wholly engrosses them - how vain the attempt. I fancy that I behold # in tears and my heart aches to think that I am the cause of sorrow to the friend to whom I would willingly offer my life, could I thereby expiate the injuries I have caused #. Hear not a word from Northwood.

Dr. gone to Gilmanton to his sisters wedding. Caleb Haynes married today.

General McClary at the store this evening and mentioned about the Meeting house - and about my being married - - O did he know - did the world as they soon will - that I am despised by that friend whom I love far more than all things else - they would tell a different story.

O happiness farewell forever - I do believe I am the veriest wretch that lives —

O thou Almighty Parent, if I could dare I would ask thy forgiveness - and implore - humbly implore thy pardoning mercy on thine erring child—and O wilt thou ever bless her who will never forgive me—
(New Concord Stage began running)

### 24 Thursday

Evening 9 P.M. Dr. Enos Hoitt of Northfield and Mrs. Grace R. Crosby by this day have been married. No news yet from Northwood. O my beloved friend ~~ how does my heart bleed when I think of thee. Soon, O too soon, will my sentence be received and I shall be banished from thy presence forever. O God, forgive me - - whatever you may say ~ what way so ever you may decide, my heart shall ever bless thee and its dearest wishes shall be ever yours—

O should I be called this night to enter upon an unknown and an untried world, my own mouth would condemn me and I must receive the just reward of my conduct and be consigned to mansions of ~ unutterable woe and missing forever ~~ while your pure spirit, dearest Susan, would be conveyed by kindred beings to the bosom of its heavenly parent, there to dwell forever with the spirits of those that are happy. O may kind angels ever extend their guardian care around and protect from every ill, her whom I love. Should it be my misfortune to wander over the world in future, sweet will the thought be that you were my friend - but O how bitter the reflection that you have justly banished me from your presence never, O never to behold you more. 10 P.M.

### 25 Friday Evening

Dr. returned from Gilmanton. Mr. Hill brought my clothes from Northwood.

No news yet from #. I am anxiously expecting to hear - yet dread to know the result — if it should be as I fear I must fly far hence where I shall be forgotten and my name be no more remembered. Some other man, more deserving than I, will obtain the hand and win the heart of her I love—and I shall be no more thought of - O whither can I flee - in what corner of the earth shall I be hid - or how can the virtues of that friend be obliterated from my bosom.

O I do not wish they should, were it possible - - -. Her image is engraven on my heart, there it will remain to life's last hour -and the last sigh shall be given. The last prayer of James shall be offered at the footstool of heavenly mercy for the happiness of my beloved, my much injured friend. 9 P.M.

# 26 Saturday Evening

Have been at home al day and but little to do.

Hear nothing from #. Wrote to Mr. K by Mr. Hill. Thought of going to Northwood this evening, but did not dare to go until I hear from #. O whither shall I fly from the painful sensations that I know experience, or where shall I find a resting place. She whom I adore as the dearest best of friends has, I fear, determined never more to behold me - - - O Susan, will you not forgive your humble - penitent - unfortunate friend and bid him — hope — for one kind word, one endearing smile?

## October 27 Sabbath

Mr. Curtis preached. I did not attend meeting.

At 2 P.M. set out from home and walked to Northwood. Called Mr. Gove's and drank some cider and at no other place. Went as far as Mr. Mead's, hoped to have seen a light or to have seen # through the window, but did not. Light at Mr. K's, at L. Hills. At home 1/2 p 9.

Evening, fatigued - in body and distressed in mind.

### 28 Monday Evening

Snow Storm and rain. All day at home. Wrote H.J. How and Co. - enclosed 84. Doctors, also to Moses Eastman of Salisbury for Locke. Doctor gave me two letters, one for M.W.M. and the other for #. Wrote a note and put in the latter. Hope it may elicit one kind word from #, from whom as yet I hear nothing.

Intend to forward them by Johnson tomorrow. 10 P.M.

### 29 Tuesday

At home. Storm ended, moderate weather.

Received a line from Mr. K, but none alas, not a syllable from #. O my beloved friend, you who once professed to have some regard for the writer, am I never more to hear from you, never more to have the privilege of passing an hour with you. O happiness, I ask thy no more if such is to be my fate. O ye hours of unalloyed felicity spent in the company of the friend whom my Lord loveth are ye gone forever - fled like the transient hue of the rainbows - If providence should add years to my span of existence, how often will ye be remembered with melancholy pleasure ~~ how often will the dear image of Susan be present to my view - her gentile kindness, her amiable temper and disposition and the virtues which adorned her character - will be loved and how sincerely - to life's last moment.

Ah, how distressing, how painful the thought that Susan is lost to me forever — that I must no more hold social converse with her - no more hear her angel voice in tones of sweetest music whisper happiness - no more behold that smile which is a balm for every sorrow.

O happiness farewell forever — O how truly does inspiration assure us that "This life's a dream, an empty show" 11 P.M.

## Oct. 30 Wednesday

Moderate, high winds.

Mr. John Locke of Concord and Miss Rachel Sanborn, born of Epsom, are to be married this day ~ I have been invited to attend but have no inclination to go.

O my beloved friend, could you see my heart, could you behold every thought that activates it you would, I am persuaded be convinced that it never exercised a wish or harbored a thought to injure you. Pure and holy as virgin innocence have my intentions ever been toward #. O may God forgive my transgressions - never can I forgive myself ~~~ Can I live and behold # the wife of another ~ my brain is distracted - at the thought - - is it possible that I can see her no more - does she despise me and will she never speak or write one sentence to me.

O that the tear of penitence could efface from the memory of my friend my past conduct and indeed # to award a pardon.

A woman by the name of Winslow, a town pauper of Chichester, left that place a week since and came to Epsom. Her friends alarmed for her safety commenced a search for her and this afternoon she was found in the woods opposite Mr. Chesley's, having been there without any sustenance since Thursday evening last.

This P.M. have been to a wedding at Capt. Sanborns ~ Mr. Curtis performed the ceremony in a solemn and impressive manner ~ took tea and returned soon after. Cold and windy this evening, did hope to hear from # but have been disappointed.

Will that time ever arrive dear # when I can lead thee to the Temple and there pledge the most Solemn vows to you which can be offered by man. Long have I ardently hoped that this event would happen — but alas how are my fondest hopes destroyed. My dearest wishes withered - gone - forever - as I fear.

### 31 Thursday

Pleasant for the season. At home.

O that this day may not pass without news from #. My thoughts, my wishes, all my hopes of happiness in future rest on a single sentence to be pronounced by # and what will it be? If banishment forever I must submit — if one kind word

- I trust I shall humbly adore that <u>Being</u> who disposes of all events according to the council of his own will

Evening ~There is a report that General Joseph Low of Concord was yesterday killed by a fall from his horse. He is considered a man of talents and of very industrious habits ~has been for some time Postmaster at Concord, was Adjt. General and acting Inspector General of the militia of this state. Director of Concord Bank the present year and agent for the Aetna Fire Insurance Company of Hartford Conn. and was formerly an officer in the United States Army during the late war - and by industry and attention to business had acquired a handsome property.

Evening ~ the above news is not confirmed ~ presume it is incorrect ~~not dead.

No news from #

10 P.M.

November 1 Friday Evening 1/2 p 9 P.M.

Weather has been cold and chilly. Went this P.M. to have Loudon's Estate appraised. Amt \$17.93. Wrote to cousin James. Have been anxious by expecting to hear from # today - but have not. O may that being who knoweth the hearts of all in mercy forgive and pardon me.

Col. Chadwick called this evening. Mr. Steele and Msr. McClary went to Portsmouth this P.M. at 4 o'clock.

November 2 Saturday

Mr. Steele went to Portsmouth last evening at 4 P.M. with Mrs. McClary and returned at 5 A.M. this day bringing news that Mrs. Nancy D. Lord (General McClary's daughter) died last evening at 9 o'clock. Also that Charles Woodman Esq. of Dover died on Wednesday last after an illness of 24 hours, disease inflammation of the bowels. Hope to hear from # soon.

### 3 Sabbath

Chilly. Have attended meeting at the Vestry. Benjamin Sargent preached.

Text A.M. Genesis 4.7

Text P.M. Psalm 50.22

Mr. Knowlton officiated in the meeting house.

In evening wrote to # and enclosed to Mr. K - humbly do I hope to receive <u>one kind word</u> in answer. Nothing of # have I yet heard - hope deferred maketh the heart sick - confirmed joyful - disappointed, wretched indeed.

# received my letter this evening

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November 4 Monday Evening

Have been at home all and had but little company - Sent letter to # by Jonathan Locke Jr.

Prayer Meting this evening - did not attend. Wrote to Mr. Clarke about oats and to my sister Hannah and Dixcy Crosby. \*Dear#,

Where are you this evening? - My thoughts rest with thee - gladly would I pour into thy bosom the sorrows of my aching heart - gladly, joyfully would I receive the welcome news that I could be restored to your favor and friendship. Should the lines which I have this day sent you make no impression in my favor, I greatly fear that my case is hopeless - and that I must ever remain the most wretched of men.

Pardon and peace are thine to bestow on a impertinent friend - O may providence incline your heart to the side of mercy~

9 P.M.

# 5 Tuesday

At home. Received a letter from # which bids me hope for better days ~~ may heavens richest blessings ever attend # in this favour.

1822

November 6 Wednesday

At 5 A.M. set out for Durham. Had Doctor Osgood's pony. Took breakfast at Mr. Clarke's , arrived there before the sun rose. Major Drake called and I went in Company with him to Durham. Dined at Capt. R's. Could not sell my staves as I expected. Arrived at Mr. Clarke's in Northwood at 7 P.M. Called at Mr. Mead's, saw Matilda Prentice, # and M.W.M. # cheerful and pleasant. Walked with the ladies to L. Hills and called a few moments. Returned to Mr. Mead's with # and Mary Ann and tarried while 9 P.M. What thanks do I owe my friend for all her kindness.

Went to Mr. Clarke's and tarried all night.

### 7 Thursday

Called at Mr. Mead's at 6 A.M. # set out for Portsmouth to return with E.F.M. Drank a cup of tea with # and would have given half my fortune to have gone with her to Portsmouth. Eat breakfast at Mr. Clarke's and tarried while 10 A.M. for the Stage. Mr. Clarke. did not come - I then came to Epsom instead.

# set our at 7 A.M. Wrote to G. Frost by stage.

### November 8 Friday

Rain A.M. Overcast P.M. At home - wrote to #, but little company.

### 9 Saturday

At home all day and but little to do.

### 10 Sabbath

No minister attended at the Vestry.

I heard two Sermons read ) Mrs. Marden an aged lady at the West end of the # spent the evening at the cottage ) town was buried today

### 10 Monday

At home, received a letter from Mr. K and sent D(ear) # a letter by D. Smith in evening.

## 12 Tuesday

Received letters from Dr. Carr and cousin James and 2 Newspapers from C.R. Green.

In P.M. attended Patty Locke's funeral. William Swain attempted to perform the services but made rather a bungling piece of work -

Drank tea at Mr. Merrill's ~ as did Dr. and Mr. Curtis. Rain in evening.

### 13 Wednesday

At home Little company

#### 14 Thursday

At home Nothing new occurred

## 15 Friday

At home A.M. Went to William Rowe's with Mr. Merrill in P.M.

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November 16 Saturday

At home until evening then walked to Northwood. Called at L. Hills. #, M.W.M. and L.F.M there. It was 1/2 p 8. Tarried while nine and had the pleasure of walking home with # who was pleasant and social. Did not call. Went to Mr. Clarke's and tarried all night.

# 17 Sabbath

Attended meeting all day, so did #.

I walked home with #. P.M. at Mr. K's, noon at Mr. Clarke's to dine. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text Matthew 5.13

Called at Mr. Mead's in evening, had some pie and apples, and the pleasure of passing a few fleeting but happy moments with a beloved friend.

Set out 1/2 p ka at Epsom 1/4 p 1 (18). Tired.

Elder Place preached at Epsom. Some rain fell - no meeting in Vestry. # invited me for Thanksgiving.

### 18 Monday

At home A.M. In P.M. went to Rowe's with Thomas D. Merrill - rainy. I went to P. and had a writ made by Mr. Stevens, but unluckily could not find an officer and Rowe had been beforehand with us - very dark evening. At home 11 P.M.

# November 19 Tuesday

I went to Portsmouth with Samuel Cate via Deerfield, Nottingham and Newmarket. Arrived at Wilds 10 minutes p 8 P.M. Tired.

Eat supper at Wine Cellar and called at Mr. Lords. Saw Ann G. McClary.

# 20 Wednesday

In Portsmouth until 1/2 p 4 P.M., then set out for home. Came to Andrew Demeritt's in Lee and tarried all night. Mr. Merrill set out for Boston this P.M. Nicholas Dolbeer Jr. died in Epsom this day in the 20th year of his age. Consumption.

### 21 Thursday

Started from Demeritt's at 7 A.M., raining all day and got a thorough soaking before I arrived at Epsom. Dined at Mr. Clarke's, called at Mr. Mead's, tarried 20 minutes with # in Middle Kn.

At Epsom 1/2 p 5 P.M. Tired. Set up most all night reading "Sir Andrew Wylie of that Irk(?)"

#### 22 Friday

At home all day. Little to do. Rained in evening and chief part of the night.

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November 23 Saturday

At home. Some company. A child of Mr. John Lake died this day. The barrister has not called since my return from Portsmouth. Mary M. drank tea at our house yesterday.

Sarah Barker goes to Concord this P.M. having been at Epsom more than a week.

Edward Kent set out from Concord on Tuesday the 11th inst for Brunswick to pursue his studies at that place. thought of dear # and should be happy to be with # at this hour.

#### 24 Sabbath

No minister attended at the Vestry all day. Two sermons read by Frederick Sanborn.

### 25 Monday

Pleasant weather, at home all day. Sold Nealey a lot of Poultry. Wrote a letter for Capt. S. to G. Tilton Esq. respecting a Surtout pawned with D. Cilley.

Mr. Merrill returned from Boston.

# November 26 Tuesday

At home, rather chilly, had some company.

#### 27 Wednesday

At home, Ann G. McClary returned from Portsmouth in Stage with Mr. Lord. Stage came round by store.

### 28 Thursday Annual Thanksgiving

Took breakfast at home. Dr. went to Gilmanton. I went to Northwood, had Ephraim. Locke's Pony - left him at L. Hills. Attended meeting, Mr. Prentice preached.

Text Exodus 15.11

# at meeting. Took supper at Mr. Mead's, called at Mr. Clarke's, drank tea at Mr. Mead's and spent the evening until? A.M.

#

(ac) had a pleasant and very agreeable time - rained in P.M. and most of the night.

#### At home 5 A.M. (ac#)

# was kind and pleasant. How grateful is my heart to her for all her goodness to me.

# 29 Friday

Dr. returned from Gilmanton. At home all day, little to do and rather sleepy.

November 30 Saturday

At home. Much rain has fallen the past week and the weather has been uncommonly mild for the season. Had very little company today and have done quite a little business.

Ruth Grant of Epsom and Mr. Foss of Strafford were married at Epsom by Rev. Mr. Curtis Thanksgiving Day.

#### December 1 Sabbath

Rain A.M. and warm. Attended meeting in Vestry. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text John 12-37 & 38

Elder Knowlton preached in meeting house. Drank tea at Mr. Steele's with Ann G. W. Began a letter to #.

# 2 Monday

Pleasant morning but colder than yesterday. At home all day. Finished letter to # and sent by mail. Received a letter from H. Gray and Co. and wrote to T.H. & Mansfield's, J.C. Proctor and Crockett and Seaver.

### 3 Tuesday

Chilly, about an inch of snow fell, the first this season except a slight squall Thanksgiving Day. Received two letters from James and 1 from Dixcy.

Nathan Crosby came to Epsom via Northwood. Had but little company.

# 4 Wednesday

Chilly. At home all day. Received a letter from H.G. and Co.

### 5 Thursday

Nathan Crosby went to Dover in Stage. At home all day, little company.

# 6 Friday

Chilly ~ at home.

### 7 Saturday

At home. Cool weather.

### 8 Sabbath

Pleasant. Attended meeting. Mr. Curtis preached from 1 John 1.13 "I write unto you young men" Conference in evening at Vestry. Did not attend. Ann Locke attended meeting and dined at Widows. Mr. Curtis is to be absent 4 weeks. At Salisbury Village from next Sabbath.

# 9 Monday

Chilly, at home. Wrote to C.R. Green.

# 10 Tuesday

Pleasant. Received letters from Hill and Moore, J.C. Proctor, T. & Mansfield and Cousin James. Had little to do - went to Mr. Brackett's in P.M.

### 11 Wednesday

Went to Meredith Bridge, had Mr. Tarlton's pony. Fine day. Never there before, arrived 6 P.M. Found my brother well and tarried at Mr. Tewkesbury's all night. Went into the Cotton factory. Called at Uncle Blakes.

# 12 Thursday

Thomas went with me to Sanbornton, dined at Dr. Carr's and spent the afternoon at Mr. Greens. All our family together and in good health. Let Dr. Crosby have two notes a Samuel G. Batchelder payable to my mother viz.

Note: Date July 3, 1819 sum \$50 in 3 years Interest after 6 months

" July 3, 1819 sum \$100.00 in 4 years Interest after 6 months

and took his receipt and gave it to my mother.

Drank tea at Mr. G's and came to Dr. Clarke's by 6 P.M., tarried while 10 P.M. and arrived at Bridge 1 P.M. (13th) and stopt all night with my brother.

### 13 Friday

Chilly. Returned to Epsom via Pittsfield and arrived 9 P.M. Found all well.

### December 14 Saturday

Rainy. At home A.M. In P.M. went to Israel Dow's in Deerfield with Dr. Crosby and wrote his (Dow's will). Is not expected to live long. Appeared perfectly rational and capable of disposing of his property. Witnesses were myself, Dr. Crosby . and Jonathan Eastman.

Bradbury Cilley left \$8.56 with Ann to send to General Post Office - considerable company in P.M. while I was absent and requested that I left the store.

Thought of dear # and would with all my heart have been near her at this moment, but it was raining fast and I could not prudently venture to travel east.

#### 15 Sabbath

Went to Vestry A.M. Mr. Merrill read a sermon - P.M. at home. Chilly. Mr. Gray at Widows in P.M. Elder Place preached in Meeting House.

### 16 Monday

At home ~ wrote to # by mail ~ wrote 6 P.O. Department and enclosed \$8.56 and 44 for self. In all\$/9.00. Wrote to Y & M Boston respecting Badger. Little company.

### December 17 Tuesday

Received a letter from Mr. K stating that L.H.M. and wife, # and M.W.M. were of late very serious. Also received a letter from Cousin James.

About 2 inches snow fell last night ~ at home until evening then went to Isaac Towle's and drank tea. Harriet, Ann, Doctor, Mr. Weeks and wife, Betsy Blake and Drusilla Sanborn

#### 18 Wednesday

Chilly, at home. Sold Neally a lot of poultry. Walked to General McClarys in evening with Doctor.

### 19 Thursday

Snow most all gone, moderate. Alpheus Crosby arrived from Exeter and Cousin James from Hanover. At home all day, little to do.

#### 20 Friday

Chilly, at home, little to do. General McClary has been absent at Exeter and Portsmouth all the week and returned this evening.

# 21 Saturday

At home all day, very little company. In evening rode Mr. Steele's pony to Northwood. Called at Mr. Kelly's house, learned that L.J.M. and wife, # and M.W.M had of late been seriously impressed with the importance of making preparation for another world - Mr. K conversed very seriously to me. # and M.W.M had been to a conference this evening at Mr. Wiggins.

# December 22 Sabbath

Tarried last night at Mr. Clarke's. Went to meeting all day and heard two solemn and impressive sermons by Reverend J. Prentice.

Text A.M. Luke 23.28

P.M. Psalms 17-15

# at meeting. I went to L. Hills at noon and eat supper at Mr. Clarke's at 5 P.M.. Went to Mr. Mead's, # at L.H.M's. Went there and tarried while 9 P.M, then attended # and E.F.M. home and tarried while 1/2 p a (ald)

# was pleasant but serious ~ had a very agreeable and pleasant visit. # gave me a watch paper.

Dear #, how rapidly do those moments fly spent in you endearing company — O how dear to my heart is my beloved friend ~ not time can efface the <u>sentiments</u> that are engraven on my heart - <u>sentiments</u> of esteem and friendship lasting as life, durable as eternity —

May the time soon arrive when I shall embrace the savior and accept the terms offered in the gospel.

### December 23 Monday

Arrived at Epsom at 1 A.M. - very cold.

Received a letter from J & J.B. Ball enclosing a note v A. W. Marden - wrote an answer in evening to go by mail tomorrow. At home all day, very tired and had but little company. To bed 9 P.M.

#### 24 Tuesday

Chilly, at home, little company, dull times.

Purpose to go to Portsmouth tomorrow. Was to be a meeting at Mr. Prentices last evening for those who wished to make inquiry on serious subjects — # and Mr. Mead intended to go. Should have liked to attend and O that I could have so done with suitable feelings of heart - but alas! my heart is very hard and nothing short of Almighty Power can rouse it from its deathlike slumber.

Dear #, may you soon obtain a hope in that friend who will support you under every affliction and at last receive you to himself in that world of happiness where sorrow can never come. 9 P.M.

# December 25 Wednesday

Cool. Set out for Portsmouth. Had Capt. Sanborn's horse. Called at Mr. Mead's, saw # and tarried a few moments. Called at Mr. Clarke's. Arrived at Portsmouth by 5 P.M.. Put up at Wilds. Young Marsh of Northwood rode with me from Northwood. Called at Mr. Lords in evening.

### 26 Thursday

Rather moderate, in Portsmouth all day. Called at Mr. Lords.

# 27 Friday

Chilly. Agreed with Samuel Furber to haul Hhd rum and box sugar to Mr. Clarke's for 20 cents per Ccops. Set out for home at 11 A.M. and arrived at Mr. Clarke's at 8 P.M. Tarried all night.

Lecture at Lt. Buzells. I walked down but the meeting had almost come to a close. Mr. Wheelock and Mr. Prentice were there and Elder Merrill and Deacon I. Sanborn.

Had the pleasure of walking home with #. Called at Mr. Mead's and tarried a few moments.

Mr. Mead had just returned from Newmarket

### 28 Saturday

Cool. Returned home. Called at Mr. Mead's, saw # a few moments and Mr. Wheelock - talked very seriously to me. Dined at Mr. Yeatons. At home 1/2 p 1 P.M.

# 29 Sabbath

Cool. Went to Northwood with Dr. Crosby. Dined at Mr. Clarke's and returned to Epsom after meeting. Heard two solemn and interesting sermons by Rev. Mr. Prentice from a clause in the 8th verse in the 14th Chapter of Mark "She hath done what she could." In the A.M. directed to professions of religion in P.M. to sinners. # at meeting all day. Saw her for one moment and inquired whether she was well (17 Deaths in Northwood 1822). Inquiring meeting at Rev. Mr. Prentices in evening. # there. At General McClary's in evening.

Elder Knowlton preached in Epsom Meeting House.

### 30 Monday

Chilly ~ At home. L.H.M. called in A.M. and dined at Widows. I drank tea at Mr. Merrill's. Eliza, Catherine G., Ann L, Moses Parsons Gray and Dr. Crosby. likewise.

Wrote to # and sent by L.H. M.

### 31 Tuesday

Cool - no snow - at home. Conference at school house. Wished to attend but could not on account of company. Dr. Crosby went to Gilmanton.

Another year is just closing. How rapidly has it passed from my view gone forever- and alas to what useful purpose have I improved it - none. I have lived as though I were to continue in this world always - perhaps I may not live to begin a new year - and should my eyelids be closed this night never more to be unseated, how wretched must be my situation ~~~ O may the kind author of my being influence my cold and stupid heart to attend to the all important and interesting concerns of eternity ere it be forever too late.

To make preparation for that better world where none can hope for happiness without just securing an interest in the Savior.

Should I be spared to behold the close of another year, may I have the unspeakable joy and satisfaction of becoming a humble monument of Divine Mercy—and to place my whole dependence in the pardoning merits of the Redeemer.

Such is my prayer - will God grant my petition for his sons sake.

10 P.M.

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January 1 Wednesday

Severe storm of snow, nigh 6 inches. Dr. Crosby went to Gilmanton yesterday, returned this evening.

# 2 Thursday

At home. Weather pleasant. First sleighing for the season.

Misses Cates and Miss Locke et al visited at Widows. Sent 50 bushel oats to Mr. Pipers. I had my Rum and Sugar hauled from Mr. Clarke's.

### 3 Friday

Moderate. At home. Simeon Towle died of <u>Intemperance</u> in the 71st year of his age. Wrote to J& J B Ball and enclosed A.W. Marden's note.

### 4 Saturday

Rather Chilly. At home A.M.

P.M. went to Mr. Towle's funeral. Mr. Prentice preached a sermon from Micah 6th v 9th chapter

Appearances of snow this evening. Invited to have gone to Northwood this evening but could not. Mr. P dined at Widows and mentioned that Mrs. Stokell of Northwood died this morning at 1 A.M.

Dear #, I should be happy to see you this evening- but it so happens that I cannot.

9 P.M.

#### January 5 Sabbath

Cold, snow A.M. Attended services at Vestry and read a sermon in A.M. Mr. Merrill in P.M.

Deacon Sanborn dined at Widows.

James Critchett and Sally Green, David L. Lang and Lydia Babb, all of Epsom, were published.

In evening wrote to # and to my sister Hannah. Intended to have gone to Northwood this day, but storm prevented.

#### 6 Monday

Cold. At home ~ Mrs. Stokles buried at Northwood. Dr. Crosby and Ann McClary went to funeral. Attended prayer meeting at Mr. Prentices and drank tea t Mr. Clarke's and at home by 10 P.M.

Sent #'s letter enclosed by Dr. to Mr. K. Wrote to Hannah, Thomas and Edward of Stateman.

#### 7 Tuesday

Cold. Up at 5 A.M. At home all day. Dr., Eliza and Harriet went to Dr. C's in Deerfield in P.M. Returned 10 P.M. Thought of dear #, of love and happiness. I went to bed at 11 P.M.

1823

January 8 Wednesday

Moderate ~ at home, business dull.

# 9 Thursday

Overcast, some snow in evening. At home all day, little to do.

#### 10 Friday

Moderate and some snow. At home all day. Probate Court at Capt. H's.

# 11 Saturday

Very cold. At home.

Caucus at Abel Browns and Richard Tripp and Robert Knox were chosen delegates to attend a Convention in Concord to nominate a Senator for District No. 4 on Monday next.

Rode to Northwood in evening with Mr. Hill. Called at Mr. K's and at L. Hills. # there. I tarried 1/2 an hour and went to Mr. Clarke's and slept.

### 12 Sabbath

Cold. Attended meeting all day, so did #. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text A.M. 2 Corinthians 3.12

ditto P.M. Deuteronomy 30.19 "Therefore choose life"

Dined at Mr. Clarke's at 6 P.M. Went to L. Hills and found # stopt while 9 and had the pleasure of walking home with # and E.F.M. Tarried until 1/2 p k A.M. (klth) and then walked to Epsom arrived 1/2 p 1 A.M. (klth). The weather severely cold and windy. Had a pleasant and very delightful interview with my friend. O hours of happiness - how swiftly did ye pass, but memory will cherish them while life shall last.

Dear #, O may you be ever happy - may sorrow never come beneath the roof where you reside.

# January 13 Monday

Very cold. At home all day and very much fatigued with this mornings walk.

Dr. Crosby of Gilmanton and Alpheus arrived this evening for a N.H. Republican.

Wrote to # by mail and to Mr. Cutter.

# 14 Tuesday

At home, up at 1/2 p 5 A.M.

Stage came at 1/4 p 6. Dr. Crosby of Gilmanton went home.

Dr. Crosby., Eliza and Alpheus set out for Portsmouth via Exeter and North Hampton.

Died in this town a child of Mr. Worth.

### 15 Wednesday

At home. Learn that Nathaniel Martin Esq. of Loudon was selected for Senator in No. 4. Weather cold. Mrs. C arrived in the stage and tarried all night at Widows. Wrote to # in evening.

### January 16 Thursday

Cold. At home all day, little business. Dr. Crosby returned from Portsmouth.

# 17 Friday

At home. Moderate weather. Little company. Drank tea at General McClary's with Mrs. C. and went to Northwood with her in evening. Had the Steele's slay and pony. Called at Mr. Mead's, old folk gone to NewMarket. Had a very pleasant call and tarried while (1 A.M. ksth) # social and pleasant. Was allowed to hope that we might one day be x\_\_\_\_\_d. —... Mr. Clarke mentioned that he had sold my staves for 12\$ to Charles Cushing.

#### 18 Saturday

Moderate. At home by 1/2 p 2? A.M. and continued at home the remainder of the day. Mary M(?) drank tea and tarried all night at Widows. # d 23 years old this day.

### 19 Sabbath

At home, pleasant - Attended meeting. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Amos? 4.7

P.M. Luke 11.13

At home the remaining part of the day, Cousin James dined and drank tea.

### January 20 Monday

At home, overcast.

Wrote to N. Willis enclosed /\$3.00 also to Crockett and Seaver and enclosed /\$40~

Was much afflicted with the tooth ache. Rainy in P.M. and windy.

Doctor absent this evening  $\sim$  thought of dear # and to bed. 1/2 p 8 P.M.

### 21 Tuesday

At home, snow 2/3 of day.

Mr. Merrill and wife and Capt. Heath dined at our house. Little to do.

### 22 Wednesday

At home. Dr. Crosby and J.Steele Esq. went to Sandwich.

Little business.

## 23 Thursday

Cool. Dr. Crosby and Mr. Steele returned.

No company of consequence.

### 24 Friday

Cool - fine evening - drank tea at Mr. Mead's in Company with the Parson and Lady. Widow M. and Dr. at home in day time.

### 25 Saturday

At home. Moderate.

Lent General McClary /\$30 for Mr. James Hook.

Had but little company. Thought of # and to bed. Cousin James called in evening.

# January 26 Sabbath

Moderate ~ at home ~

At meeting. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Hebrews 3 to 8

P.M. Acts 18.16

Mr. Harriman preached in Meeting House. Went to Aunt Babb's in evening with Dr.

### 27 Monday

Samuel Peabody Esq. of Sandwich exchanged places with Mr. Steele to give \$oix, to pay \$ixx in one year and aix\$ in 3 years - and came into possession immediately - Mr. Steele agreeing not to practice Law in Epsom after the next term of the Superior Court ~~~~

Some snow today. Sent letter to # and J.K. by mail.

### 28 Tuesday

At home, little to do.

Cool weather. Girls visited at J. C. Wallace's.

## 29 Wednesday

At home - Doctor went to Concord. Moses P. Gray with him to start for Boston tomorrow. Rebeckah Barker returned with Dr. in evening. Mr. Clarke and wife gone to Hillsborough. The Marshal was d\_\_\_k this evening. Had been to Dopkins & Mardens.

### January 30 Thursday

At home all day, little business.

### 31 Friday

At home, little to do.

## February 1 Saturday

At home, little to do. Israel Dow died at Deerfield of consumption and intemperance.

In evening went to Northwood via Deerfield and Nottingham. Very cold. At Mr. Clarke's by 12 M.

# 2 Sabbath

Attended meeting all day. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text A.M.

" P.M. 1 Corinthian 11.28

Dined at Mr. K's, called at Mr. Mead's at 5 P.M. and tarried while k A.M. (3rd) Saw # was sick, so was Mr. and Mrs. Mead. Had a pleasant time. Went to Mr. Clarke's, took Horse and slay and at home 20 minutes past 6 A.M. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke at Hopkinton

At Dr. Smith's at noon, Mrs. S. mentioned that Geo and Catherine had dissolved partnership.

# 3 Monday

At home, little business. Town sued Mr. Steele for \$kxx - Mr. Dickey and Mr. Steele had a great dispute. Snowy and chilly.

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February 4 Tuesday

At home all day. Little business.

Our girls visited a John Cates this P.M. I had an invitation but could not attend. Doctor was there.

#### 5 Wednesday

At home all day. Little to do. Drank tea at Mr. Chesley's. Dr., General and Mary and Harriet and the trader made the company.

### 6 Thursday

At home. General received notice of his reappointment to the office of Marshall and met at my store to execute the bond for 20,000 \$. Cilley, Chesley, Knox, Merrill and Capt. Sanborn bondsmen.

Our folks rather squally because I had a fir in west room to entertain company.

Gave Daniel Cilley his receipt for \$8.56 form General P.O. (post office) to close his account.

# 7 Friday

Very cold. Walked to Uncle Babb's in evening and drank tea. Returned with Dr. Crosby. Thermometer at 10 below zero. Mr. Steele returned from Sandwich, went there on Wednesday ~ heard that Mr. Clarke was at Meredith Bridge yesterday morning.

#### 8 Saturday

Cold. Mr. J. Steele 31 years old to day.

At home. Little to do. Moses P. Gray arrived from Boston.

### 9 Sabbath

Chilly. At home A.M., at Vestry P.M.

Elder Harriman preached in Meeting House.

Went to Aunt Harriet'? this evening, Mary and Ann there. Came home and set up while 12 Midnight. Thought of dear # and to bed.

# 10 Monday

Rather moderate, at home. Jury Meeting in P.M.

D. Philbrick Jr. Grand Juror, Jonathan Chesley and Eleck Brown, Petit Jurors, William Yeaton Jr., Moderator.~

Stage passed 1/2 3 P.M. - 4 passengers - nothing interesting occurred this day.

Wrote to Mr. Curtis. Capt. Heath went to Dover.

### 11 Tuesday

At home, little company. Mr. Wheelock dined at Mrs. McClary's and preached a sermon at William Brown's in evening.

Text Genesis 32+26. I attended.

Mr. Curtis arrived from Salisbury in evening.

1823

February 12 Wednesday

At home, considerable snow fell, say 6 inches.

# 13 Thursday

Cold. Dr. Crosby and myself went to Exeter had S. Rand's pony) to prove Israel Dow's Will.

We gave bonds for Executor for lxxx\$. At home 1/2 p 10 P.M.

Dined at Col. Chadwicks - lost my mittens.

# 14 Friday

At home, severe snow storm from North East. Timothy Parsons and wife, Samuel, William and Eliza Wallace visited at Widows. Mr. P and William walked home, the others tarried all night.

## 15 Saturday

Cold, had some company and very dirty and unpleasant company they were. Had a jaw tooth extracted. (paid Knox, paid for Jethro) paid Mrs. Libbey's tax \$4.13

### 16 Sabbath

Chilly. Reverend J.W. Clary preached at Epsom.

Text A.M. Deut. 3.25

P.M. Acts 4.12

At meeting all day. At Mr. Merrill's in evening with Doctor.

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Monday February 17

At home all day, had but little to do. Mr. Steele went to Portsmouth.

Uncle Babb and the Widow settled for James board found due the Widow \$lk,ie which I paid (it was 18th they settled) Mr. Steele went to Portsmouth.

### February 18 Tuesday

At home, cold. General McClary moved Mrs. Steele into the Moody house.

Dr. sent for to go to Allenstown to assist in amputating a leg tomorrow - proved so cold he does not go. hired \$ki of Widow Lawrence @ 0 1/2 pr cts —

#### 19 Wednesday

Settled with Mrs. M. and paid for my board to 20 inst and Store rent to June 19, 1823. Due me \$22.28. Very cold day and was at home, very little company.

### 20 Thursday

Set our for Portsmouth. Had Uncle Babb's pony and slay. Called at Mr. K's, at Mr. Mead's and Mr. Clarke's and dined. Saw # a few moments in the sitting room alone. At Wilds 7 P.M.

Saw Mr. Kelly, Mr. Steele and others. Went to Oyster Shop and took some Oysters.

## February 21 Friday

In Portsmouth all day. Paid Mr. Jones \$kx, Mr. Ball \$7 - Mr. Rollins \$lx, Misses Hall \$kqil.

Bought of Simes and Lunt 3/4 yards plissed cloth @ kap and sold them 7 yards fulled cloth @ e/p for Mrs. M, reckoned it at if when I returned.

Went to the Oratorio in evening at Mr. Putnam's, 700 tickets sold. Fine music ~ tarried at Wilds all night, eat 1/2 puck oysters.

### 22 Saturday

Cold. Set out for home. Mr. Jonathan Berry came with me to the bridge – Exp at W's \$ aio. Called at Kelly's, at Frost's Store and at Blydenburg's, at Demeritt's and Priest's, at Clarks, at Mr. Mead's and drank tea and tarried while Midnight with #. Had an interesting and pleasant interview with my friend. at home ½ p k A.M.

#### 23 Sabbath

Attended at Vestry, Mr. Thomas D. Merrill read. Mr. Knowlton preached in the Meeting House. At home remaining part of the day. Mr. K. returned from Portsmouth last night with Judge H.. D. Smith of Hanover visited Capt. C. yesterday.

## February 24 Monday

At home, little business. Severe storm of snow. Mail went up at 5 P.M.

Dr. called up at 10 and gone all night Cousin James began to board here.

### 25 Tuesday

At home, little to do. Cold and Windy.

### 26 Wednesday

Cold. At home A.M.

In P.M. Mr. David L. Lang and Miss Lydia Babb were married by Reverend Mr. Curtis. I attended the wedding. None others but Mr. L's two sisters. Uncle quite sick, sent for Doctor in evening.

# 27 Thursday

Blustering. Fred Sanborn hauled 8 bushel beans to Portsmouth and 15\$ in cash. Sent for bbl N.E. Rum. He bought 30tt clover seed for Mr. M.

### 28 Friday

Cold at home until evening then went to Northwood with Doctor. Had Mr. Merrill's pony. Arrived, all visiting at Mrs. Buzzell's. Went to Mr. Mead's and drank tea - all at L.H.M's but # who has been sick two or three days. At Capt.'s 2 hours. Called at Mr. J.C.'s a second time saw Mary M, Returned to Mr. Mead's and tarried 3/4 of an hour. Margaret B......p there.

At Epsom by 1/4 ante 12 Midnight.

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March 1 Saturday

Mr. Wheelock preached at Mr. Clarke's Thursday Evening. # did not attend. He tarried last night at L.H.M's. Chilly weather, at home all day.

#### 2 Sabbath

Went to Northwood, had Generals slay and pony. Attended meeting all day, Mr. Prentice preached Text John 5/40

# at meeting A.M., at home P.M.

Mrs. C. rode too and returned from meeting with me in P.M. Called at Mr. Mead's at noon and # gave me some tea. Dined at Mr. Clarke's as did Doctor Crosby who attended Meeting at Northwood.

Called at Mr. Mead's after dinner and tarried one hour. Had the pleasure of seeing # but not alone. Would gladly have tarried a while longer but had to go and bear Mary M home much against my will.

Arrived at General McClary's 7 P.M.

#### 3 Monday

Severely cold and high winds which caused the snow to drift very much - the stage found it difficult to get along.

Thought of dear # and O how happy should I be to be with her at this moment. 9 P.M.

At home all day and no company.

# March 4 Tuesday

Very cold. Mail passed at 6 A.M.

At home all day and had but little company.

### 5 Wednesday

Moderate weather, at home. Mr. Steele arrived from Portsmouth Superior Court.

Capt. Heath gave me a deed of the Dickey house.

# 6 Thursday

Last night commenced a warm which has continued with little intermission through the day. The snow has vanished very rapidly, about 3 feet on the ground and I suspect more than half melted. The water runs like a river. Wrote to # but had no chance to send.

At home all day and little business. Mr. Chesley had a Hhd Rum yesterday.

Eliza and Ann drank tea at Generals last night. This evening appointed for a Caucus at Abel Browns, I presume but few will attend.

#### 7 Friday

At home all day, chilly weather, storm of rain ended. Meeting of Society folks at Capt. Heaths. Thomas D. Merrill Chairman, J.B. Secretary

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### March 8 Saturday

At home, little to do. Caucus of free-willers at Abel Browns. Called there in P.M.

#### 9 Sabbath

Attended meeting at Vestry, no minister. Elder Place officiated in Meeting House.

S. Peabody Esq. arrived in town today with his family and moved into the house recently occupied by Mr. Steele. Called there in evening.

# 10 Monday

At home - made a clothes line for our folks - little business, weather moderate.

# 11 Tuesday

Annual Meeting. Had some company. Attended meeting - Hanover Dickey, Moderator.

Votes for Governor - L. Woodbury 81 S. Dinsmoor 140

Counsel H. Penhallow 219 Treasurer William Pickering 219

Regr. Seth Walker 220

Representative to Congress Livermore 65 Odell 118 Parker 1

Richard Tripp Representative to State Legislature by a Majority of 40 over

Thomas D. Merrill.

General T. Clark unan. 103 votes

Hanover Dickey, William Ham Jr. and Jonathan Chesley, Selectmen by about 40 for 2 first (?) and 27 for cast over Merrill

I was chosen Measurer of Wood-Hogruve (?)- Culler of Hoops and Staves and one of school committee.

### March 12 Wednesday

At home until evening than rode to Northwood. Had Esq. S. Pony and Slay. Called at Mr. K's and passed a pleasant evening at Mr. Mead's. Dr. Smith and wife there and Miss B. Had a few pleasant and agreeable moments with #.

Arrived at Epsom by ? A.M. (kl)

# 13 Saturday

At home - quite sleepy and rather lazy. Weather moderate and pleasant - - -

Doctor gone to Loudon and Ann McClary. Eliza visits Aunt Harriet's. Widow at Mr. Peabody's. Mr. Enoch French of Pittsfield and Miss Eliza Cate of this place married today by Rev. Mr. Curtis.

#### 14 Friday

Overcast in morning. Rose early, took Mr. Steele's horse and pony and set out for Durham. Called at Mr. M's, took Miss B. and # for company. ? from? Durham it commenced and continued to rain until after midnight. Had a safe and pleasant ride (except rain) dined, drank tea and tarried all night at Mr. B's. Alfred Smith and Dennis Garland of Lubec, Maine, passed the evening there. Had the pleasure of #'s company from kx to 1/2 p kk - # was very social and agreeable.

## 15 Saturday

Rose at 5 A.M. Rather Chilly ~ # up at 6, cheerful and pleasant. Breakfasted at Mr. B's and set off for Northwood with #. Called at Furbers and tarried an hour. At Mr. Mead's by 11 A.M. and dined. # was rather cold when we arrived. Called at Mr. Clarke's, saw Mr. K and also Esq. S. and Lady and Sarah. They go home on Monday next. Mr. Mead and wife pass the P.M. at Mr. Clarke's. I returned to Mr. Mead's, drank tea and set out for Epsom at 1/2 p 7. At Widows 9 P.M.

Had an agreeable and pleasant P.M. with #.

Saw Marthas's map.

#### 16 Sabbath

Cool weather ~ attended meeting al day at Vestry. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Genesis 24.49

Called at Mr. Peabody's, Captain Heath's, Mr. Steele's and Aunt Harriet's and Thomas D. Merrill's in evening. Dr. Carr and wife came to Mr. Mead's from Sanbornton and tarried their all night.

#### 17 Monday

At home. Dr. Crosby went to Northwood, Portsmouth. Wrote to #, sent by Mr. S. Mrs. Carr went to Uncle Babb's in evening with James.

### 18 Tuesday

At home. A.M. dined at Generals on Turkey - social and pleasant. Doctor dined also.

At home remaining part of the day. Quite a storm in evening. Mrs. Carr visited at David L. Lang's with Uncle and Aunt Babb.

### 19 Wednesday

At home, rather chilly. Dr. Carr arrived at 1/2 p 5 P.M.. Mrs. Carr returned from Uncles 2 P.M. with her husband drank tea and tarried all night at Widows. Nothing new - dull times and no business.

### 20 Thursday

At home. Dr. Crosby and wife set out for home. Quite a snow storm today from 8 to 12 inches fell by 8 P.M. and continues to snow - very light and dry.

Harriet and Ann drink tea at Mr. Peabody's.

### 21 Friday

At home all day, very little business. Cold and windy, snow drifted considerably.

### 22 Saturday

At home, little to do. Mr. Clarke and wife and George came to Widows, also Ann Locke, Dixcy Crosby, Mary W. and Mrs. Michael - Mr. C. and wife drank tea and tarried all night.

## 23 Sabbath

Moderate. Mr. C. and wife returned to Northwood immediately after breakfast. Elder Knowlton preached in Meeting House. I was at meeting in Vestry all day. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Psalm 40.10

Catherine Gray and Ann L. drank tea and tarried all night. Moses P. Gray called in evening.

## March 24 Monday

At home. Wrote to # by mail.

Dr. Crosby set out for Portsmouth in sulky. Stage passed on runners, very bad traveling.

At home all day, rain A.M., P.M. cool and fair.

### 25 Tuesday

Moderate - at home. Let Marden have my wagon to go to Nottingham for Stage Company.

Mrs. Peabody drank tea at Mrs. M's and Aunt Harriet.

# 26 Wednesday

Snow 3 inches. At home. Jethro bid old Hogan off for one year at 69 cents. The amount of the poor bid off amounted to between \$114 and 115.

Dr. Crosby returned from Portsmouth.

#### 27 Thursday

At home, little to do. Read 1st Volume of "Pioneers".

In evening went to Widow Gray's and tarried while 3 A.M. (as#)

Moses P. Gray and myself read the 2nd Volume of Pioneers and had Catherine and Ann L. for hearers. Mr. Steele returned from Sandwich and Dixcy Crosby returned to Gilmanton.

#### 28 Friday

At home, little business. Mr. S brought my letter to # written a week last Monday back with him. Mr. Peabody returned from Sandwich. Drank tea at Capt. Heaths and paid him \$lk? So1/2 for Amount of Cato's note.

March 29 Saturday

Pleasant. Little to do, dull, very dull times.

O #, I did hope to have the privilege of being united with thee by the nearest and most endearing ties the ensuing Autumn, but I greatly fear that I shall be disappointed.

In evening rode Francis Locke's pony to Northwood, at Mr. Clarke's by 10 P.M., tarried all night.

30 Sabbath

Moderate and overcast. Took breakfast at Mr. C's and walked to meeting. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text A.M. 1st? Peter 1.16

P.M. Lt? Luke 17-7 & 18

(# not at meeting) At Dr. Smith's noon, called at Mr. K's after meeting and at Capt. C's before meeting - he is very sick. Dined at Mr. Clarke's at 5 P.M. and went to Mr. Mead's. Saw dear #, sat up while (k A.M.), went to bed in the west chamber and slept 1/4 before 1 A.M.. There to Mr. Clarke's, took pony and came to Epsom. Very bad traveling, part of the way snow storm.

31 Monday

Chilly. At home all day, little to do.

April 1 Tuesday

Chilly. At home. Mr. Nealey offered himself to Mary M (or W?) and was refused.

Mr. Steele went to Portsmouth in Stage. Stage passed down 1/4 before 6 A.M.

Received a line from Mr. Kelly written a week ago.

April 2 Wednesday

Pleasant, saw the first Robin for the season. At home all day, little business.

3 Thursday Annual Fast

At home. Attended meeting at Vestry al day. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. 1st Samuel? 7.2

P.M. 1st??? 7.6

Mr. Samuel Blake excommunicated.

Drank tea at Aunt Harriet's with Mary and Harriet Mc.

At home evening.

4 Friday

Cold and windy. At home all day

5 Saturday

Moderate and rather windy. At home all day.

6 Sabbath

Pleasant. At meeting all day. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Psalm 19-10

William Demeritt preached in Meeting House and had a conference at Mr. Chesley's in evening. Called at Mrs. Haseltine's in evening. Merrill, Heath and William went to Amesbury.

7 Monday

Overcast and warm. At home.

Evening attended prayer meeting and Meeting of Epsom Branch Rockingham Charitable Society.

Voted to appropriate the avails the present year to pay the arrears due Mr. Curtis.

Tuesday 8

At home, little business.

April 9 Wednesday

Went to Portsmouth. Had Capt. Sanborn's horse and wagon. Called at Mr. Mead's and Mr. Clarke's and at Mark Hills and carried him to Portsmouth. Arrived at Wilds 7 P.M. and tarried all night.

### 10 Thursday

In Portsmouth all day. tarried at Walter Hills at night. Snow and rain principal part of the day.

### 11 Friday

Chilly. Set out for Epsom at 10 A.M., extremely bad traveling. Arrived at Mr. Clarke's 8 P.M. and concluded to stop. Went to Mr. Mead's and had a pleasant social interview with # - stopt while 1/2 p k A.M. (ksth)?. Returned to Mr. Clarke's and tarried the remaining part of the night. Alpheus and Charles went to Exeter.

#### 12 Saturday

Came to Epsom arrived 1 P.M. tired-. Called at Mr. Mead's and left some linen and Hhp for # to make and stopt an hour.

#### 13 Sabbath

At home A.M. . At meeting P.M. Mr. Curtis preached. Text {blank spot} and at home the remaining part of the day. Mrs. Merrill's mother died this day at Concord. Aet. 69.

John M. Heath and Nabby Cate of Epsom published this day.

# April 14 Monday

At home - pleasant and little to do.

#### 15 Tuesday

At home, no business. John Perkins of Loudon died.

### 16 Wednesday

Pleasant, at home. Party at Mr. Peabody's. Moses P. Gray, Catherine, Angelique, Mary, Eliza, Harriet and Doctor made the\_?\_. Had an invitation but did not attend.

Weeks raised his tannery - went to assist.

#### 17 Tuesday

Very fine weather. Mary tarried at our house last night.

## 18 Friday

Rainy, at home.

#### 19 Saturday

At home, fair weather.

Borrowed of Mrs. D. Lawrence \$uk @ 072 pr cr

### 20 Sabbath

Overcast. Attended meeting. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Numbers 24.17

Mr. Knowlton in Meeting House.

Wrote to # P.M. Evening called at Mr. Peabody's.

Phoebe Wallace published to a Mr. Jenness of Chichester.

### 21 Monday

At home, little to do.

Enclosed # letter by mail. Wrote to Tappan & M. and enclosed kxx//~

Town Meeting. Voted to repeal the bye Law respecting cattle going at large.

Nathan Bickford and Eliza Dickey published.

## April 22 Tuesday

Mailed T & M's letter for Boston

Went to Abel Browns in A.M. to record reference - continued to June 2nd at same place. Jonathan Harvey, J. Clarke and Thomas D. Merrill referees. Steele for Plaintiff, Peabody Defendant

At home P.M. Wrote to Mr. K. Yesterday.

### 23 Wednesday

At home. Overcast, little business. Jesse Emerson had his left hand badly wounded in Sawmill.

### 24 Thursday

At home A.M., at Mr. Jonathan Cates P.M.

John M. Heath and Nabby Cate married.

In evening rode to Mr. Peabody's horse to Northwood. Called at Mr. Mead's, saw #, tarried while 1/2 p A.M.(aith). Had a pleasant time. At Epsom by 1 A.M. (aith)

25 Friday

At home, little to do

26 Saturday

At home, pleasant.

27 Sabbath

Attended meeting all day in Meeting House. Mr. Carpenter preached.

Text A.M. Hebrews 11.5

P.M. Matthew 10.28

In evening walked to General McClary's with Mr. Peabody, two Mr. Woods and Doctor Crosby.

April 28 Monday

At home, little business. Stage passed west 1/2 p 2 P.M.

29 Tuesday

Pleasant. At 8 A.M. went to Northwood in stage to attend Mr. C's reference.. Tarried all day. Dined at Mr. Clarke's, drank tea at Mr. Mead's and Mr. K's - passed this evening at Mr. Mead's, had a pleasant and social interview with my friend. Tarried while 1/2 p Midnight and walked to Epsom.

Received letters from Tappan and Mansfield. J.H. and E.G. Parker - sent \$isas to U.S.B(ank) by Northwood Stage and left it with Clarke to send Thursday.

## 30 Wednesday

At home. Little to do. Mr. Peabody went to Sandwich, Dr. Crosby to Gilmanton.

Party at Mrs. Grays yesterday, at Aunt Harriet's today. Before received invitations to both but did not attend.

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May 1 Thursday

Dr. returned from Gilmanton. At home and little to do. Received "Perceval of the Peak"

Received a line from J. Kelly.

2 Friday

At home all day.

Mr. D. Taylor called in evening from Portsmouth. Commenced writing a letter to #.

May 3 Saturday

Windy and Cool. At home, dull times, hope soon for better.

Old Bug - is to be buried today at Loudon~~

4 Sabbath

Moderate. At meeting~ Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Mark 15.42

William Demeritt preached in Meeting House.

### 5 Monday

Chilly - at home. P.M. annual Meeting of Congregational Society. Adjourned to Tuesday 27 instead and a committee of 7 chosen to arrange the concerns and affairs of the Society consisting of Josiah Crosby, Thomas D. Merrill, Moses P. Gray, Ira Sanborn, Simon A. Heath, Jonathan Cate and Jonathan Babb - My opinion is that Mr. Curtis will leave Epsom.

Sent letter to # and J. K. by mail

#### 6 Tuesday

At home, cool and windy. P.M. training. Little business-to do-

## 7 Wednesday

Rather pleasant - at home, Mr. Clarke, Wife and Susan, Catherine, called in evening on their return from Hillsboro. Went up Saturday, drank tea.

Alpheus came here from Exeter.

## 8 Thursday

Chilly. Mrs. Moody, Mrs. Crosby and Son and Mrs. Burleigh came to Widows

I went to see Widow Rowe in P.M. and left a copy of Mr. M's and my demand agt her husband Int. missing note 175 abt (illegible line)

## May 9 Friday

Probate Court at Capt. Heaths. Mr. Merrill appointed Guardian to Daniel K. Prescott and Daniel Ingalls. James Sanborn to Joseph Wood and John Cate to Widow Wood.

Mr. Merrill and wife, Widow Sanborn and Mrs. Peabody drank tea at Widows

Fine rain coming last evening.

### 10 Saturday

Overcast. Dined at Thomas D. Merrill's. Mrs. Crosby, Alpheus and Stephanie went to Gilmanton.

Had some company. Thomas C. Upham called on Doctor Crosby and at Widow McCrillis' was not introduced to him. Rain continued.

## 11 Sabbath

Attended Meeting. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text 1 Corinthian 13 - 4 to 8

Dr. M.F. preached at Northwood

Called at Aunt Harriet's and drank tea. At Mr. P's and Mr. Mead's in evening.

Dr. Chadbourn and wife arrived in evening. Mr. Boardman has 60 Scholars in Concord.

Rained at night.

### 12 Monday

At home - moderate.

Mrs. Moody and Mrs. Burleigh went to Gilmanton in P.M.

Turnpike Stage passed by the City. Mr. Clarke on board and Mrs. Steele and Ch's

### 13 Tuesday

Rather Chilly. Caravan of animals exhibit at Capt. Heaths, about 150 came to see them I should think. Rain in evening and most of the night. Received letter from Hannah.

## Wednesday 14 May

At home - rainy most of day, little business.

Went to Capt. G's in evening after papers. None came.

Thought of # and to bed 10 P.M. General McClary returned from Portsmouth on stage.

#### May 15

Pleasant - at home - posted 21 pages of day book.

Dr. and Mrs. Peabody went to Concord in chaise.

9 P.M. dear #, how grateful should I be to have the privilege of seeing you this evening — but my wishes cannot be realized and I must be content.

(Capt. Heath planted his corn today)

#### 16 Friday

At home, pleasant weather.

### 17 Saturday

Pleasant, at home until evening, then went to Northwood with James Hill. Called Judge Harvey, saw Charles ~ he died about sunset, 15 minutes after I left.

Called L. Hill's, Mr. K's and at Mr. Mead's. Saw #, tarried while 1/2 p 9 - then to Mr. Clarke's and tarried all night. Mr. Mead quite sick in consequence of a fall. Trial at Chesley's - Ham v. Yeaton - Anna recovered 5\$ and cost of reference.

### 18 Sabbath

Attended meeting. Walked with #. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text Daniel 12-2

Went to L. Hills at noon - to Mr. Clarke's. Dined at 6 P.M.

Called at Mr. Mead's and had an agreeable interview with # until 1/2 p ka - then walked to Epsom. I arrived at 1/2 p a A.M. (ksth). Found Dr. quite sick. Took his bed yesterday.

-(I) was much fatigued - went to bed and dreamed of #.

## 19 Monday

At home A.M., P.M. went to Mr. C's with Mr. P. Saw # at window, did not call.

Aunt Harriet and Mary went to Charles' funeral and drank tea at Mr. C;s. Weather pleasant.

#### 20 Tuesday

Pleasant——at home - little to do. Had lxs of Genl and 2 ajt ~

## 21 Wednesday

Widow planted her corn. Mr. N.K. Badger stopt payment and had his goods attached and moved from his store~~

Fine Weather. Anniversary of the 2nd Century of the first settlement of this state celebrated at Portsmouth. Mr. Kelly, Mr. Clarke and Mary, others attended.

## 22 Thursday

Pleasant - went to Mr. Badgers with J. Peabody to try to secure P. & Taylor's demand, but did not effect anything.

Dr. has recovered. Wrote to Mr. Kelly by Mr. Peabody.

#### 23 Friday

At home, little business to do.

### 24 Saturday

Pleasant, at home. Dr. C and James went to Deerfield to operate on Daniel's eye - did not succeed.

#### 25 Sabbath

Attended meeting, Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Luke 2.28

P.M. Amos? 6-1

After meeting went to Northwood with Ann McClary, had Mr. Peabody's pony and chaise. Called at Mr. Clarke's and at Mr. Mead's. Saw # and took two shirts and 2 handkerchiefs that # made for me.

## 26 Monday

 $Cool, at home A.M., in P.M. \ went to \ Badger \ Auction. \ Called \ at \ D. \ Lang's - returned \ and \ drank \ tea \ at \ General \ McClarys.$ 

Dr. Crosby and Alpheus came to Epsom from Gilmanton.

## 27 Tuesday

Set out for Boston. Mr. Dickey's pony and my own wagon. Called at D. French's, Mr. Mead's, Saw #. At Mr. Clarke's and Mr. Prentices. Mr. Clarke set out for Canada yesterday.

Received \$40 of Mr. Kelly to pay the Treasurer of American Ed. Society to constitute Mr. P. a life member. A Mr.

Shepherd of Boscawen member of P.E. Academy rode with me from Northwood to Epping. Arrived at Haverhill and drank tea at Whites. 6 P.M., rode to Mayo's in Andover and tarried all night.

Saw Merrill Heath.

#### 28 Wednesday

Overcast with slight showers. Eat breakfast at Burnham's in Reading - poor tavern.

Arrived in Boston 1/2 p 10 A.M. and put up at Boydens City Hotel. Leonard W. Kimball bar keeper. Board 6/ horse 3/9 per day. General election is Mass. Could not do much and was very tired. Went to theatre in evening.

# 29 Thursday

Violent rain continued all day, done most of my business.

Called at William Parsons - bought # a leghorn gave ka.ax - also a straw for M.W.M. gave e\$.

Went to Union Prayer Meeting in evening at Mr. Wayland's meeting house - very interesting.

### 30 Friday

Pleasant. Finished my business and left Boston at 4 P.M.. Came to Locke's, Andover, and tarried all night.

## 31 Saturday

Fine day for traveling - breakfast at White's, Haverhill. eat not more until I arrived at Mr. Charles at 1/2 p 9 P.M. Called at Mr. Mead's and carried #'s and M.W.M.'s Bonnets — & Crape tomorrow. Found Mr. & Mrs. Cobb and child at Mr. Clarke's. I tarried all night.

Drank tea t Mr. Mead's prepared by #.

### June 1 Sabbath

Pleasant. Attended meeting at Northwood. Communion Day. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text A.M. 1 Corinthian 1.18

# at meeting. At L. Hills at noon - drank tea at Mr. Clarke's. Called at Mr. Mead's at 7, tarried while 1/2 p ka. Passed the time happily in the best of company. # and M.W.M. went to Epping last Monday.

Rev. T. C. Upham preached in Hall and Mr. Caverno in Meeting House in Epsom.

## 2 Monday

Pleasant. called at Mr. Mead's, saw #. Arrived at Epsom 12 Noon. Wrote to Jonathan C. Proctor to send tomorrow.

#### 3 Tuesday

Dr. Crosby went to Concord. Dr. Babb and brother At home all day, some business.

## 4 Wednesday

At home. Dr. Crosby returned from Concord. Election Day.

# 5 Thursday

Dr. Crosby and Mr. Peabody went to Concord, returned at night. Cousin James and John went to Portsmouth. At home all day. Mr. Clarke returned from Canada this evening with Dr. Smith from Concord.

#### 6 Friday

At home. Wrote a note to # and I sent 1 dozen Pearl buttons and 3 skeins silk - by Holt Leavitt.

## 7 Saturday

At home, pleasant weather. considerable company. Wrote to Mr. Stokell for Catherine.

#### 8 Sabbath

Overcast and showery A.M.

Attended meeting, communion day. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text A.M. Solomon Songs 8.5

tarried in at communion service. Same text in P.M.

Walked to Johnson's in Northwood with Isaac Towle to conference and there to Dea. Sanborns with Dr., Mr. Prentice and Mr. Mead. Went to bed without my supper, rather tired.

### 9 Monday

Rather pleasant. Thomas and Hannah came to Epsom from S. At home all day. Party at Mr. Merrill's, had an invitation but did not go.

### 10 Tuesday

Brother and Sister went to Hampton Falls.

At home all day, received a letter from Rev. Mr. Jenks of Boston. Some Company.

### 11 Wednesday

At home. Bracket arrived from Durham. S. Blakes Farm sold to Mr. Chesley for \$1700 at auction. Shower P.M.

## 12 Thursday

Pleasant, at home. Thomas arrived from Hampton Falls - sold his wagon for \$20~

# 13 Friday

Thomas set out for Meredith. Pleasant, at home.

### 14 Saturday

A.M. fine rain - at home - P.M. 6 - Mr. Kelly called, had been at Concord. All the work reporting the proceedings of Hall of Representatives, I went with him to Northwood Exhibition of Animals at Mr. Clarke's. Drank tea at Mr. K's, called at Mr. Mead's, saw # while 1/2 p kx P.M., there to Mr. Clarke's and tarried all night. Mr. Prentice went to Sandwich.

### 15 Sabbath

Fine day. At meeting al day, so was #. Had the nose bleed and (had) to leave the Meeting House. A.M. Mr. Wells preached.

Text A.M. Genesis 6.3

P.M. Acts 3.19

Called at Mr. Mead's 7 P.M. and tarried while 1/2 p k A.M. (kd/) then went to L.H.M's and tarried while 1/4 p –E A.M. and arrived at home 1/4 ante 7 A.M. 16th. All well - walked.

Mr. Harriman preached in Epsom Meeting House, Mr. Courser in Hall.

#### 16 Monday

Moderate. Mr. Clarke called on his way to Hillsboro. At home all day. Stage went South Road.

### 17 Tuesday

Very warm, thermometer @ 84. Went in swimming for the first time this season with Dr., James and Thomas D. Merrill. At home.

## 18 Wednesday

Very warm, at home, little business. Thermometer at 12 noon 92

#### 19 Thursday

At home, little to do, thermometer 82 noon.

## 20 Friday

Dr. went to Gilmanton, little business, at home all day.

## 21 Saturday

At home. Dixcy came to Epsom. Dull times, at home. Gave Mrs. L ap for \$———?

#### 22 Sabbath

Pleasant. At meeting. Benjamin Sargent preached.

Text A.M. Matthew 28.50

P.M. Joshua 24.15

Drank tea at Aunt Harriet's - A miss Sally Veasey of Stratham came to Mrs. M's yesterday, aged 12? years, rather a pleasant girl and takes to Dixcy very much.

### 23 Monday

Pleasant. Rose at 4 A.M. Dr. returned from Gilmanton and Dixcy went home. Little to do. Dixcy rode in A.M. with Miss Veasey, and tipped the sulky over and was some injured.

#### 24 Tuesday

At home, little business to attend to.

### 25 Wednesday

At home A.M. P.M. assisted Miss Halls school over the mountain. 40 Scholars, 22 female, 18 male. Appeared very well. School had been keeping 5 weeks.

Mr. Curtis. and Mr. Merrill attended with me.

Jonathan Godfrey brought my Duck home.

### 26 Thursday

At home. Painted \_\_Sk once over.

Dr. C, and Dr. B went to Concord. Aunt Harriet and Drusilla Sanborn returned from Concord, went over yesterday. Pleasant and warm.

## 27 Friday

Pleasant. Thomas D. Merrill and S. Peabody sworn as Justices of the Peace for the County of Rockingham by Justice McClary and Sanborn. Sent petition for Capt. Heath for Coroner.

### 28 Saturday

Pleasant at home, some business. Dr. Crosby and Ann rode to Mr. Pipers in evening and returned at 10 P.M.

#### 29 Sabbath

Windy and rather cool. Attended meeting. Reverend Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Habakkuk 3.2

Elder Perkins preached in Meeting House.

Attended conference at Jonathan Tarlton's with Ann and Harriet.

#### 30 Monday

Reference Abel Browns between Jonathan and Richard Rand. Did not attend.

Have been at home and had but little to do. Mr. Clarke called at night in company with Judge Harvey.

Doctor rode to Mr. Pipers at 6 P.M. Chilly A.M. Pleasant P.M.

## 1 Tuesday

Pleasant. Visited the school in the center district. 58 scholars, 33 Female 25 Male. 12 in Reader, 14 Testament, 32 Spelling Book, 13 Writing, 5 Geography, 9 Grammar. Miss Ann G. McClary instructress. Principally small scholars and appeared tolerably well. All of these spoke low and indistinct. Mr. Curtis made some remarks and closed with a prayer. A.M.

P.M. Intended to visit(ed) the school in Mr. Cilley's district but having some business to do with Samuel Blake, Mr. Curtis went alone.

## 2 Wednesday

Warm and dry. Went to Portsmouth. Called at Mr. Mead's, saw #. Called at Mr. Clarke's , all well. Mr. Mead lost his cause with Nealey. Cost him ex\$ and Nlx\$ . Arrived Portsmouth 7 P.M.

#### 3 Thursday

In Portsmouth until 7 P.M., then came to Durham and tarried all night at Kelly's.

## 4 Friday

Set out from Durham at 5 A.M.. Arrived at Mr. Clarke's at 9 A.M. Called at Mead's at 11. Dined and tarried while 1/2 p 5 P.M. Mr. Mead and wife went to James Batchelder's in P.M. and I had a pleasant interview with a beloved friend.

#### 5 Saturday

At home, warm. Bathed in P.M. Little business - and dull times.

1823 July

6 Sabbath

Fine rain in A.M. Attended meeting. Text in A.M. Romans 2 C. 7, 8 & 9 Verses

Mr. Curtis preached Text P.M. same.

Overcast P.M., but did not rain. Wrote to #

## 7 Monday

Warm. At home A.M., went to Deerfield Parade in P.M. Officers met. Nathan Crosby and Rebecca M tarried at Widows all night.

## 8 Tuesday

Moderate - at home all day. Nathan and Rebecca went to Gilmanton.

#### 9 Wednesday

Warm - at home, little business.

## 10 Thursday

Very warm, drank tea at Knox's.

#### 11 Friday

Warm in A.M., fine rain in P.M.

#, M.W.M and E.F.M., Matilda, Mary Ann and Miss Aunt (?) drank tea and passed afternoon at Widows and I accompanied them as far as Narrows on their way home, and Ann G. McClary. I rode with #-

#### 12 Saturday

Warm and little business. I received a \_\_\_ of clothes from Portsmouth.

## 13 Sabbath

Fine morning. Attended meeting in the vestry. Mr. Wells preached.

Text A.M. Titus? 2.13

P.M. Ephesians 5.8

Mr. Knowlton preached in Meeting House.

David Griffin of Deerfield and Ann Ham of Epsom published. He a "non compos (?)" and she worse.

### 14 Monday

At home, little business. # went to Durham with her father.

### 15 Tuesday

At Knox's. Vendue of Dopkins and Marden's Goods. Received a letter from C.R.G.

#### 16 Wednesday

At Knox's all day.

## 17 Thursday

At home - L.H.M. dined here.

## 18 Friday

At home. Evening went to Northwood, rode Mr. Peabody's pony. Mrs. Rockwood and Sarah M J at Mr. Clarke's. Did not see # nor know # was at Durham. At home midnight.

### 19 Saturday

At home A.M. P.M. went to Mr. Osgood's funeral. Text in Joshua - words "Moses my servant is dead."

### 20 Sabbath

At meeting A.M.

Text Leviticus 19.30

P.M. at home. Called at Mr. Curtis and Mr. Merrill's in evening.

#### 21 Monday

Pleasant morning - at home.

## 22 Tuesday

A.M. bathed in the river, warm and pleasant. P.M. drank tea at Mr. Clarke's in Northwood as did Dr. C., Matilda, Mrs. Piper, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Rockwood and Sarah. Then called at Mr. K's and at Mr. Mead's. Heard that # was going to Newmarket in a day or two. Had the pleasure taking a letter from Mr. Clarke's from # to M.W.M. At home by 11 P.M. Wrote to C.R. Green.

#### 23 Wednesday

Mr. Peabody went to Sandwich. I at home. Little business. Mrs. G. & Catherine arrived from Boston.

#### 24 Thursday

At home. Wrote to M.W.M. enclosed to Mr. K. Dr. took Mr. L's horse on trial.

## 25 Friday

Pleasant, at home.

## 26 Saturday

At home, rainy. Sent M.W.M's letter by Jonathan Nealey. ~ in morning - and at night some rain.

### 1823 July

27 Sabbath

Mr. Curtis preached at Meredith Bridge.

Attended at Vestry, Mr. F. Sanborn in A.M. and Mr. Merrill in P.M. read a sermon.

Mr. Caverno in Meeting House.

Thought of dear # and wished I could be near her at this moment.

At Abel Browns to meeting in evening and heard Mr. Caverno

#### 28 Monday

Very warm. Bathed. A.M. at home. Received letters from Patten and Taylor, Nathan Crosby and General P.O. Wrote to Amelia and Hannah.

Stage passed South Road today - Mail came in Wagon.

Hope to hear from # in morning - O that I could be near her this evening. 9 P.M.

# 29 Tuesday

Moderate. Considerable rain in P.M.

Dr. Crosby went to Gilmanton. Did not hear form #. At home.

## 30 Wednesday

Rainy all day. Doctor returned. At home.

Officers of Light Infantry J.Co, Qualified by Mr. Merrill, at my store, drank about 2 gallons wine.

Rose at 1/4 before 5 this morning. It is now 1/2 p 9 P.M. Heaviest thunder for the season today and great fall of rain.

Dear #, where are you at this moment? O may kind angels bless and protect you from every danger.

# 31 Thursday

Overcast. At home all day, had very little company. Rose at 5 A.M., regret that I can not hear from #. Should like much to go to Epsom for her if I could but know it would be agreeable to #.

3 weeks tomorrow since I have seen #. Oh how long -

Mr. E. Wood and Miss Mary Spofford came to Mr. Peabody's this P.M. Dr. Crosby exchanged horses with Mr. Lovejoy and gave lx\$. 10 P.M.

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Augt 1 Epsom County of Merrimack N.H. Friday

Overcast and some rain - at home. 3 Weeks this day since I parted from #. Sweet was the hour. Went a gunning in P.M., killed nothing. S. Locke went with me.

### 2 Saturday

At home, overcast A.M., in P.M. heavy shower and severe thunder, loudest this season. Mr. Peabody returned from Sandwich. Thought of dear # 10 P.M.

#### 3 Sabbath

Overcast - at Epsom. O that I could be with #.

Communion Day. Attended meeting. Mr. Curtis preached.

Text Revelations 3.5

In evening called at Mr. Peabody's with Dr., Harriet and Eliza.

### 4th Monday

Warm. Shower 1/2 p 3 P.M. and some thunder. At home all day. Hope to hear from # this day or tomorrow.

#### 5 Tuesday

Pleasant, at home A.M.., in P.M. rode Dr. Crosby's pony to Northwood, called at Mr. K's and drank tea. then at Mr. Clark's, received a line from M.W.M. by Mr. K, returned by Narrows.

## 6 Wednesday

Pleasant. Went to Epping, had Mr. Knox's chaise and Capt. Sanborn's pony. Arrived at Honorable Mr. Prentice's at 3/4 p 11. Found # well, dined and drank tea there. Called at Governor P's. Mrs. Mead and Mrs. Cheswell of Newmarket there. After tea had a delightful ride to Northwood with #. Arrived 1/2 p 9 evening and tarried all night. Had the pleasure of #'s company until ka Midnight. Slept in west chamber.

## 7 Thursday

Took breakfast at Mr. Mead's. Called at Mr. Clarke's, Mr. K's and L. Hills. Went to the garden with # and eat some fine gooseberries. At home 1/2 p 11 A.M.

### 8th Friday

At home all day and had but little to do. Went to General McClary's in evening. Mrs. Hill of Concord, Eliza and Ann there. Tarried 1/2 an hour.

## 9 Saturday

At home. Pleasant. Dr. Crosby returned from Portsmouth. Mr. Clarke and wife called at our house in P.M. Had been to Pittsfield. Susan C. Clarke has been at Widows since Wednesday. Sent 4 Old Registers to Mr. Kelly.

#### 10 Sabbath

Pleasant, at meeting all day. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text Galatians 3. 24 & 25

Mr. Knowlton in Meeting House.

Mr. S. Hill of Concord in town and attended at Meeting House in A.M. and at Vestry in P.M. His lady at Vestry all day. Attended conference at Mr. Tarlton's in evening.

#### 11 Monday

At home all day and little to do. Overcast.

### 12 Tuesday

Overcast, at home - business dull.

### 13 Wednesday

Dull weather and dull times. Walked to General McClarys in evening.

### 14 Thursday

Went to Portsmouth, had Uncles pony. Arrived at Wilds 6 P.M.

#### 15 Friday

In Portsmouth all day or rather until 4 P.M., then came to Priests in Nottingham and tarried all night. Dull weather. Mr. Knox in company with me.

## Saturday 16

Took breakfast at Mr. M's and at home at 1/2 p 11 A.M., all well.

#### Sabbath 17

Went to Northwood, had Widow P's horse and Mr. Peabody's chaise, Susan, Catherine with me. Attended meeting all day. Reverend T.C. Upham preached.

Text A.M. Mark 8.34

P.M. 2 Corinthians 4-6, evening John 14.15 at S. House near the Wind Mill.

# attended meeting. I rode to Mr. Clarke's at noon with Miss Nichols and Susan, Catherine. At night # and Miss Nichols rode home with me. # went to Dr. Smith's at noon and sound of the wise folks undertook to talk to # on my want of politeness. I walked to Mr. Mead's after the evening lecture with # when # told me of what was said and thought on the subject. I was grieved to know that I had offended #, rather would I have had my right hand severed than intentionally done anything to injure #'s feelings .~~~I cannot write the feelings of my heart at the sight of #'s sorrow — and the conduct of which I had been unconsciously guilty of. -

My pony took it into his head to run away and I had to walk home and did not find him until next morning. Tarried at Mr. Mead's while k A.M. ksth - at home 5 A.M. Went to bed and slept 2 hours.

### 1823 August

Monday 18

Overcast, at home - much fatigued.

## 19 Tuesday

At home. Johnson hauled 55 barrels to Durham, received letters from D.M. enclosing \$20 to Miss Haseltine.

#### 20 Wednesday

Wrote to #. Dixcy tarried at Widows all night. Mr. Peabody borrowed \$kxx of Mrs. S and gave note to me which I handed to Mrs. S. this day.

Pleasant and warm, at home, little company.

## 21 Thursday

Mr. Peabody went to Portsmouth. Pleasant morning. Sent # letter by Mr. Peabody. Mr. K called same day and I received by him a line from # and wrote to # by him. He dined at the Widows.

### 22 Friday

Pleasant, at home all day, little to do.

## 23 Saturday

At home all day, little business. Uncle let James ????? #

#### 1823

## August 24 Sabbath

Mr. Wood of Boscawen preached in Vestry. Mr. Demeritt in Meeting House. I attended meeting all day.

#### 25 Monday

At home, pleasant, drank tea at General McClarys. Mr. and Mrs. Peabody, Doctor C, Miss S\_d and our girls present.

#### 26 Tuesday

At home. M.W.M., E.F.M and \_\_ called in P.M. on their way to Pembroke. Ann Locke was at Widows and with Mrs. M. drank tea. Mr. M and Mr. Chapman called in evening.

## Wednesday 27

At home, little to do.

#### 28 Thursday

Little to do, pleasant. at home.

### 29 Friday

Went to Jonathan Rand's in A.M. to see Levi Brown Jr.

Promises fair. At home the remaining part of the day.

### 30 Saturday

At home A.M. P.M. Dr. Crosby, Mr. Chapman, Ann McClary and Miss Spofford rode on horseback, I met them when I was returning from General's Mill from loading boards. Uncle paid James in Cash \$ il- Went to Northwood in evening. Had Francis Locke's pony. Mrs. Carr and Green came to Epsom this evening, did not see them. Arrived at Mr. Clarke's 10 P.M. Mr. Kelly has a young daughter

### 31 Sabbath

At Meeting House all day, no minister, # there in P.M.

Called at Mr. Mead's in morning and tarried 3/4 of an hour. Saw no one but Mr. Mead. At Dr. Smith's noon, dined at L.H.M's. Called at Mr. Mead's at 1/2 p 5, drank some milk, saw #, tarried while ka 1/2 Midnight. Had a delightful interview with my beloved friend.

At home 1 A.M. (1st Sept.). Mr. Clarke and wife attended meeting at Epsom.

### September 1 Monday

James set out for Hanover to continue 3 months.

15 passengers in stage today.

## 2 Tuesday

At home, pleasant. Mr. Chapman set out for Boston. Mr. Peabody for Gilford.

Sent \$ and note for //ksx to U.G.B. by stage driver to Portsmouth.

### 3 Wednesday

At home, little to do and nothing new happening.

## 4 Thursday

Pleasant. At home. Recorded 7 pages in Town Book for General.

# 5 Friday

Pleasant. At home, little business.

#### 6 Saturday

At home.

## 7 Sabbath

Mr. Knowlton., Mr. Curtis in vestry. At meeting.

Text John 12.37. Sermons not written and rather inspired.

Called at Mr. Curtis' and Mr. Steele's in P.M.

Rain in P.M. and evening.

### 8 Monday

At home, little to do. Wrote to #. S.S. Sanborn set out for Hanover. Wrote to James.

### 9 Tuesday

My sisters tarried at Aunt Babb's last night and called on me this morning. Their child being very sick they tarried but a short time and set out for Londonderry at 1/2 p 10 A.M. Regretted they could not tarry longer. Received letter from James.

## 10 Wednesday

At home, little business, dull, dull times.

### 11 Thursday

At home A.M. At Miss Halls school mountain district in P.M. with Mr. Curtis and General McClary. Much pleasure with the appearance of the school.

### 12 Friday

At home.

### 13 Saturday

At home, little to do, no company.

1823

September 14 Sabbath

Slight rain in morning, up 1/4 before 6.

11 A.M. appearances indicated pleasant weather. Called at Mr. Steels in morning.

Attended meeting, Mr. Curtis

Text A.M. Romans 7 - 9

P.M. Philippians 3-6

Wrote to James B. after meeting.

### 15 Monday

At home, little to do.

#### 16 Tuesday

Went to Portsmouth, Mr. Knox in company. Had Levi Cass' pony. Hauled 10 kegs butter, arrived 5 P.M.

## 17 Wednesday

Started for home at 4 P.M., arrived at Priest's 9 P.M., very rainy and got wet through.

### 18 Thursday

At Mr. Clarke's 1.2 p 8 A.M., eat breakfast. Called at Mr. Mead's, saw dear #, tarried an hour. At Epsom 1 P.M.

## 19 Friday

At home, little to do.

# 20 Saturday

At home, some business.

#### 21 Sabbath

At Epsom, attended meeting all day. Mr. Curtis preached, Mr. Caverno in Meeting House.

## 22 Monday

At home

## 23 Tuesday

At home

24 Wednesday

At home some company

25 Thursday

ditto and little to do

26 Friday

ditto ditto

27 Saturday

Went to Deerfield to attend officers meeting, had Generals pony - then to Northwood at Mr. Clarke's 8 P.M., tarried all night.

28 Sabbath

Attended meeting all day. Mr. Prentice preached.

Text A.M. Psalm 20.3

P.M. 1 Corinthians 15.35

At Mr. Mead's in evening, saw #, walked with me to Mr. K's . I then went to conference to Mr. Prentice's and returned to the cottage, tarried while 1/2 p k A.M. (ac#). Had a pleasant and agreeable time.

29 Monday

At home, tired and sleepy, little to do.

30 Tuesday

At home, little business.

October 1 (1823)

Dr. went to Concord with Eliza.

2 Thursday

At home, company training in P.M. Little to do.

3 Friday

At home. Mr. Simond's called in P.M. Dr. went to Deerfield with Jane Bolton?

4th Saturday

Home, little business.

5th Sabbath

Attended meeting, Mr. Curtis preached. Mr. Knowlton in Meeting House.

Text A.M. Isaiah 44.5

P.M. Romans 2-4

Rainy in evening, read the Wilderness and Braddock Times.

6 Monday

At home, little to do.

7 Tuesday

Ditto, nothing new. At General McClary's husking.

8 Wednesday

At home. In evening Widowed husked her corn, had 30 bushels.

9 Thursday

Regimental Muster at Deerfield, was there, dined at Rundlett's and paid 3/-

Rainy A.M., Pleasant P.M. At home by 7 P.M., heard # was quite sick, hope to see # soon.

10 Friday

At home , Chilly. Mrs. Mead and Mrs. Smith dined and spent the P.M. at Widows on their return from Pembroke. Wrote to # by Mrs. M.

Mr. Clarke and wife called on their return from Hillsborough.

11 Saturday

Finished papering sitting room and at home all day.

12 Sabbath

Attended meeting all day, Reverend E. Courser preached.

Text A.M. John 3.3

P.M. 1 timothy 1-15

Went to Jonathan Grants with Doctor in evening, Deacon Sanborn there and made a prayer.

13 Monday

Rainy, at home.

1823

October 14 Tuesday

Went to Northwood, had Mr. Steele's pony. Called at L. Hills and put horse in his barn. Called at cottage. Saw Mrs. Clarke, Mr. Clarke at Portsmouth. Called at Mrs. Hills and Mr. Clarke, then at Mr. Mead's and had a pleasant and agreeable interview with #.

At home 1 A.M. kith safe.

15th Wednesday

At home, little to do. Moses P. went to Exeter last evening with his sheep to the show.

16th Thursday

Dr. went to Gilmanton. Mr. Merrill, Mr. Peabody and others to Jonathan Perkins Vendue at Loudon. General McClary arrived from Dover.

17th Friday

At home. Ann G. McClary went to Northwood after Mary, did not find her and brought Mary Ann Mead home with her. I went to General's with chaise.

18 Saturday

First snow for the season, about 3 inches. At home A.M., P.M. at Knox's Vendue - overcast and some rain.

19th Sabbath

Pleasant morning. Mr. Caverno preaches in Meeting House. Attended meeting at Vestry, Mr. Curtis preached. Text A.M. Mark 10.49

P.M. Mark 10.50

## [last personal entry in Epsom diary]

### Addendums from the Massachusetts Diaries

Monday, March 8, 1852

My mother died this day at Meredith Bridge aged 89 (Dec. 23/51)

Saturday, Dec. 18, 1852

My <u>beloved Wife</u> Susan S. Babb drew her last breath this day at 20 M. before 5 P.M. caused by her dress taking fire from the Stove while alone in the Kitchen between 11 & 12 A.M.

She was 52 years & 11 months old today.

Truly - Gods ways are not ours!

Pity one, pity me, O ye my friends, for the hand of the Almighty hath indeed touched me.

# SCHOOL REPORT from JAMES BABB DIARY

1825 May 27

Visited the School in Short Falls District in company with M.P. Gray and William Ham Jr., instructress Miss Almira Hall.

47 Scholars, of which

20 were unclasped scholars

19 clasped in spelling

7 Grammar

47 1 Geography

Appeared well.

Also on same day visited the school in the Mountain District.

38 Scholars

14 in English Reader

16 unclasped Scholars

8 Spelling Book

Miss Betsy Hall, Instructress, Appeared Backward

May 28 District No. 1 = whole number 75

18 Spelling Book - ordinary

21 English Reader - well generally

36 Unclasped

3 Grammar

Miss Kimball Instructress

District No. 7 by Messrs. Ham and Gray

25 Whole number

10 Unclasped

(3 Writing)

(1 Arithmetic)

4 English Readers

2 Testament

2 Easy lesson Spelling Books

7 in two syllables

Miss Nancy Lock, Instructress

## VITAL RECORDS FROM JAMES BABB, TOWN CLERK, DIARY

Deaths in Epsom, N.H.

1823			Aged	
Janua	ıry			
	3	Simeon Towle	70	Intemperance
	14	Child of Joseph Worth	5	Caukers?
Febru	ıary			
	1	Child of James Dow	1	Scald?
May				
,	9	Child of James Sherburn -		Stillborn, male

June				
July	4	Wife of Winthrop Jones		Lumbar Abscess
Augusi	18	Moses Osgood	73	Old age
Septem October Novemb	14 17	John Pettengill Arthur Dailey (Negro)	16 months 4	Dysentery ditto
	13	Child of Richard Webster	2	Dysentery
		Child of Timothy Blake	1 week	premature birth
Deceml	24	Child of William Marden Jr.	6 or 7	Typhus Fever
Decenn	28	Child of Eleck Brown	3 Female	Croupe
Deaths	in Epson	n, N.H.		
1824			Aged	
January	<b>y</b>			
	9	Child of John Lane		Croupe
	~ 25	Wife of Richard Libbey Jonathan? Dolbeer	12	Consumption Throat Distemper
Februar		Johannan Politicel	12	Tilloat Distemper
1 001 000	24	Child of Samuel Cass	16 months	
	26	Wife of Jethro Pettengill	57	Consumption
March				
	23	Enoch Brown Jr.	39	Consumption
	24	Cato Fisk (Negro)	66	Typhus Fever
	27	Michael McClary Esq.	71	Paralytic
April	_			_
	2	Wife of Richard Rand	75	Dropsy
3.7	26	Widow Bickford	90	Old age
May	21	Dania 19 A 11 an	24	E
Luma	31	Daniel? Allen	24	Fever
June	21	Nicholas Gordon	61	Pulmonary Affection?
July	21	Nicholas Gordon	01	Pullionary Affection?
July	11	Wife of Reuben Sanborn	27	Consumption
Augus	t			•
	4	Child of ???? Prescott		Hooping Cough
	18	Child of John Lake	4 weeks	Hooping Cough
Septem				
Oatak	18	Charles Henry Lord	6	killed in fulling mill?
Octobe	r 16	Abigail, wife of David Griffin	59	Dropsy
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Consumption

Deaths in Epsom, N.H.

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November

1825 Aged

Ruth Dolloff

Mrs. Samuel Goss

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January	3	Ebenezer Fisk (African)	Aged	Dropsy	
	13	Widow Sarah Dolbeer	Aged ~	Consumption	
	20	Infant Child of William Marden	25 days	Consumption	
March			,		
	22	Widow Moses	83	old age	
	26	Child of David Marston 5 or 6 v	weeks	Lung Fever	
April					
	19	Child of Caleb Haynes	3 yrs	Lung Fever	
		T A		C	
Mov		Isaac Ames		Consumption	
May	5	Mrs. Susannah Tarlton		Consumption	
June	3	Wis. Susuman funton		Consumption	
o arre	21	Mrs. William Rand (buried June 23)			
July		,			
•	22	Child of Silas Green	2	Lung Fever	
	24	Child of Winthrop Fowler 4 w	reeks	Bowel Consumption?	
August					
	2	Child of B.O. Bartlett	3	Cholera/???	
	3	Judith Pettengill	49	Typhus Fever	
		(had lived 33 years at Michael McClary Es	•		
	4	Child of Eleanor Brown 10 mor			
	23	Child of William Foss	2	Dysentery	
C 4	25	Wife of Samuel Langmaid		ditto	
Septem	ber 4	Child of Jonathan Yeaton			
October	•	Ciliid of Johathan Teaton			
Octobel	11	Simeon Chapman	83	Old age	
Noveml		Sincon Chapman	<b>&amp;</b>	Old age	
	3	Boy of Timothy Blake	abt 1	Dysentery	
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Deaths	in Epson	n, N.H.			
1826			Aged		
T	_				
January	16	Ann G McClory		Consumption	
	10	Ann G. McClary buried 17th, services by Rev. W.? Boutin?		Consumption	
Februar	v	buried 17th, services by Rev. W.: Bouthi:			
recruui	18	Child of Benjamin Bickford	2 Female		
		Child of Levi Robinson			
		Child of Joseph Robinson			
March		•			
	4	Child of Isaac L. Ham	Male	Influenza and measles	
		funeral March 6, 1 P.M. attended by Rev. A	. Smith		
	8	Mrs. Susanna Gray 7 o'clock PM	73	Influenza & Lung Fever	
		funeral March 11, 1826	0.5		
	11	Widow Fowler	86 50	T - F	
	20	John Stevens	58	Lung Fever	
	26	funeral 21 by Rev. A. Smith, no sermon Francena Malina Babb	4 months	Lung Favar	
	20	dau. of Mr. James Babb Jr., buried 31st, atto		Lung Fever	
April					
p.m	6	Widow John Brown	65	Lung Fever	
	-	funeral Apr. 8 at 2 P.M. by Rev. A. Smith		G - · · <del></del>	
	15	Ebenezer Brackett	83	Old age	

	18 24	funeral Apr. 17 by Mr. Caverno Boy of Stephen Johnson funeral attended by Mr. Caverno Boy of Daniel Buzel funeral 25th by Mr. Caverno	2	Measles	
May	15 18	Child of John Lane (boy, John Lang) Daughter of Samuel Prescott	5 abt 5	Quinsy? Measles with fever	
July August	12 25	Mr. Jon Curtis John Philbrick	79 aged	Consumption	
Septem	23	Oliva Pierce	aged	Fever	
Septem	15 18	Lois Bartlett Daughter of William Tarlton Mr. Caverno attended funeral	62 3	Dropsy Dysentery	
	30	Luther Martin Son of Reuben Sanborn Jr. funeral by Mr. Caverno Oct. 7	4 ???? 9	Dysentery	
Octobe	6 26	Mary Sanborn daughter of Reuben Sanborn Jr. Wife of Samuel Davis	9	Dysentery	
Deaths	in Epsom	ı, N.H.			
1826	continu	ned	Aged		
Novem	ber 3 10 23	Widow Moses Ephraim Davis Martha H. Jenness died Lowell Ma. and brought to her fathers	78 abt 90 27 in Epsom 25th (Mr	Consumption . D. Philbrick Jr.)	
Deaths in Epsom, N.H.					
AD 182	7	Aged			
January Februar	3	Child of John Babb Jr.		Stillborn	
March	7 22	son of Benvoli Sanborn John R. Hogan	1 day 89	old age	
	7 17	Mrs. Chase Child of Joseph Brown	44 1 week	Lung Fever	
April	27	Mr. George Robinson	50	Consumption	
May	25	Samuel Langmaid  Margaret Sagria?	50	Intemperance	
July	9	Margaret Searle?	23	Dropsy	
	3 9 19 30	Child of Joseph Yeaton Child of Stephen Johnson Son of John S.? Brown Daughter of ??? Allen	10 4 months 3 4 weeks Croup	Dropsy on the brain Quinsy	

Septe	ember				
•	11	Mrs. Hannah Grant	44		
	24	child of B.O. Bartlett		Dysentery	
Octo	ber				
	29	Child of Asa Prescott	3 weeks		
Nove	ember				
	15	Joseph Babb	24	Consumption	
	20	Lydia Quimby			
Dece	ember				
	19	Mrs. Allen	74	Palsy	
	23	Child of Winthrop Fowler	5		
		Child of Jeremiah? Tripp			
Deat	hs in Epso	om, N.H.			
AD 1	.828		Aged		
Janu	ary	W' 1. Ol' . W 1	00		
		Widow Olive Wood	98		
		Mrs. Olive Towle	Aged		
Dont	hs in Epso	m N U			
Deat	ns m Epso	711, IN.11.			
AD 1	829		Aged		
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Janu	arv				
	16	Widow Mary Sherburne	80		
May		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
7	13	Child of Winthrop Jones	4		
	14	Child of William Foss		Stillborn	
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### PUBLISHMENTS IN EPSOM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

1824

February 22 Ezra Chandler of Concord and Charlotte Wood of Epsom. Certificate given and 3/paid. Married March 22, 1824 by Mr. Curtis.

February 29 George W. Marden, Epsom and Nancy Langley, Deerfield. Cried. Certificate given and 3/ paid. Married April 15, 1824 by Mr. Wells.

April 11 Charles Flower of Ashfield, Mass land Hannah Lawrence of Epsom. Paid 3/~~ Cried. Certificate given May 15, 1824.

May 7 Mr. John Foss of Northwood and Mrs. Hannah Berry of Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3/- paid.

June 13 Mr. Daniel Drake Jr. of Chichester, Miss Lydia Prescott of Epsom. Certificate given and 3/ paid July 7. Published. married July 8th 1824 by Mr. Curtis.

June 13 John Langley of Hooksett and Loisanna Salter of Epsom. Certificate given June 28, 1824 and 3/~ paid. (debt. Webster Salter) Cried. Married July 8th 1824 by Mr. Curtis.

July 11 Nathaniel E. Smith, Chichester, Mary Wood, Epsom. Certificate given Sept. 28, 1824 and 3/paid by Benjamin Towle. (Cried). Married Sept. 30, 1824 by Rev. Curtis.

July 25 Simeon Towle and Hannah Yeaton, both of Epsom, Certificate Aug. 30, 3/ paid - cried Married Aug. 3 p 1824 by Rev. J. Curtis

August 22 Samuel Weeks and Betsy Heath both of Epsom, Certificate given Oct. 23, and 3p paid. Published. Married October 23, 1824 by Rev. Mr. Curtis

August 29 Josiah Knowles and Martha Cate, both of Epsom. Certificate given Sept. 14, 1824 and 3/-paid and published. Married in Sept. 1824 by Mr. Knowlton.

September 26 Samuel Bixby, Pembroke, Nancy Martin, Epsom, Certificate given Oct. 22, 1824 and 3/- paid. Published. Married October 28, 1824 by David Culiver.?

October 1 William Willey of Northwood, Susan McDaniels, Epsom. Certificate given Nov. 11 and 3/-paid. Published. Married Nov. 11, 1824 by Mr. Curtis.

October 24 Chase Prescott Jr. and Lucy G. Prescott, both of Epsom, certificate given December 10th and 3/- pd. Published.

October 31 Winthrop Jones and Judith Marston, both of Epsom. Certificate given December 20 and 3 p paid. Published. Married by Reverend J. Curtis December 23, 1824.

## PUBLISHMENTS IN EPSOM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

1824 cont.

November 7 John True of Chichester and Betsy Towle of Epsom. Certificate given Jan. 15, 1825 and 3 p paid. Cried.

November 21 Josiah Brown, Epsom Mary Garland, Bow. Certificate given Dec. 15, 1824 and 3/pd. Published.

1825

January 2 Reuben Sanborn, Epsom, Sally Sanborn, Chichester. Certificate given January 9th 1825 and 3/~ paid. Cried. Married January 26, 1825 by Reverend J. Carpenter.

January 9 Richard Libbey Epsom, Abigail Chase, Deerfield. Certificate given January 26, 3/by B.O. Bartlett. Cried Twice. Married January 27, 1825 by Reverend Mr. Wells.

paid

February 20 Simeon Philbrick, Allenstown, Olive W. Bickford, Epsom. Certificate given March 21, 1825 and cash paid 3/~ Married March 23m 1825 by Arthur Caverno

March 27 Benjamin L. Lock, Hannah P.Moses, both of Epsom. Published. Married May 5, 1825 by Rev. J. Carpenter. Certificate given April 14, 1825 and 3/- paid

May 15 Samuel Wells Jr., Eleanor Dickey, both of Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3/-paid Oct. 31, 1825. Married November 3, 1825 by Arthur Caverno.

#### June James Babb, Epsom & Susan S. Mead, Northwood, married Aug. 24, 1825 by Rev. J. Prentice at Northwood.

September 4 Isaac Dowst, Sally Robinson of Epsom. Published first? Cried 2nd. Married by Elder Caverno, Nov. 24, 1824. Certificate given and 3/- paid Nov. 12, 1825

September 11 James Babb Jr., Annah Maria Lang of Epsom. Cried. 3/1 paid and Certificate given Sept. 27, 1825. Married Sept. 28th 1825 by James Babb.

November 27 John Babb Jr., Salome Rand of Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3/- paid Jan. 19th

December 11 Samuel Perry, Epsom, Sally Maxfield, Chichester. Published. 1826 April 19. Certificate given and 3/- paid.

December 11 Jonathan Jenness, Loudon Martha H. Philbrick, Epsom, Published. Certificate given January 11, 1826 and 3 p pd. Married by Mr. Caverno Jan. 12, 1826

December 25 Ebenezer Gove, Kensington, Nancy Locke, Epsom. Published. Certificate given Jan. 18, and 3/- paid. Married February 15, 1826 by Josiah Carpenter.

1826

January 8 William Bickford, Chichester, Polly Rand, Epsom. Cried Sabbath. Certificate given January 24th 1826 and 3/pd. Married Feb. 2, 1826 by Ebenezer Knowlton.

February 12 Mr. David Griffin of Epsom, Miss Mary Gilman, Newmarket. February 27, 1826 certificate and 3/ pd Published.

May 14 John Proctor, Catherine L. Gray of Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3/- pd June 1st 1826. Married June 1, 1826 by Rev. N.? Wells.

May 28 John C. Ross, Elizabeth Pettengill of Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3/- paid August 2, 1826. Ross was formerly of Haverhill, Ms., now of??? Constitution a soldier?

July 9 Ebenezer Griffin, Epsom, Sally E. Brown, Northwood. Cried. Certificate given and 3/paid Oct. 19, 1826. Married Nov. 1, 1826 by Mr. Prentice at Northwood.

August 27 Douglas M. Heath, Rebecca F. Currier of Epsom. Cried September 11, 1826. Certificate given and 3/paid. Married Sept. 27, 1826 by Elder A. Caverno.

September 3 Amos Prescott, Epsom, Lydia H. Durgin, Gilmanton. Cried. Certificate given 3/-pd. Oct. 13, 1826

October 1 Francis Libbey, Epsom, Anna Sanborn, Deerfield. Published. Certificate given and 3/paid March 22, 1827.

October 8 William Robinson, Epsom, Nancy Ladd, Deerfield. Published. Certificate given and 3/~ paid. Married Nov. 23, 1826 by Rev. James Barnaby.

October 22 Samuel Goss and Wid. Elizabeth Cochran of Epsom. Published. Certificate and 3 paid Nov. 7, 1826. married Nov. 16, 1826

November 5 David Philbrick, Epsom, Eunice Tilton, Pittsfield. Published. Certificate given and 3/paid Nov. 21, 1826. Married by Elder Knowlton Nov. 3, 1826.

December 3 Stephen Avery, Strafford, Ann McDaniel, Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3/paid January 8, 1827

December 17 Samuel Davis, Epsom, Mrs. Betsy George, Concord. Published. Certificate given and 3/- paid Jan. 18?, 1827. Married Jan. 19th 1827 by Arthur Caverno.

- January 14 Bradbury Cilley, Mary Smith of Epsom. Certificate given and 3/- paid Feb. 2, 1827. Married Feb. 8, 1827 by Arthur Caverno.
- January 21 Aaron Pingry, Groton , Mrs. Deborah Campbell, Epsom. Cried. Certificate given and 3/- paid Feb. 13, 1827.
- February 18 George W. Grant Epsom, Sally Foss, Strafford, Published. Certificate given and 3/paid April 18, 1827. Married at Strafford by Mr. Place? April 19, 1827.
- February 25 Samuel Hoag, Epping, Hannah P. Philbrick, Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3/pd April 5, 1827. Married April 5, 1827 by Mr. Caverno.
- March 10 Asa Prescott and Sophronia Bunker of Epsom. Certificate given and 3/- paid March 18, 1827. Married March 19th by Mr. Caverno.
- April 8 Mr. John Goss and Miss Eliza H. Wallace of Epsom. Cried. Married May 16, 1827 by Mr. Caverno. Certificate given and 3/~ paid May 7, 1827
- April 8 Hiram Parker and Martha Jones of Epsom. Cried. Certificate given and 3/ paid. Married Nov. 29, 1827.
- April 29 Lewis F. Currier, Epsom, Abigail Leavitt, Chichester, Cried. Married May 17, 1827 Mr. Corser? Certificate given May 7, 1827 debt? D.M. Heath 3/paid
- June 24 Richard Chesley, Sally Davis of Epsom. Published. married Oct. 30, 1827 by James Babb. Certificate given and 3/ paid July 25, 1827.

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- August 26 Joseph Lawrence, Epsom, Hannah Reed Bickford, Portsmouth. Published. Certificate given and 3/- paid Sept. 10, 1827.
- November 4 Daniel A. hardy of Chester, Polly Pettengill of Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3/- paid Nov. 27. married Nov. 29, 1827 by Mr. Putnam.
- November 4 Samuel Brown of Pittsfield, Betsy Page of Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3 paid Nov. 24, 1827. Married Nov. 26, 1827 by Mr. Caverno.
- November 9 Samuel P. Cilley, Hannah W. Critchett of Epsom. Published. Certificate given and 3/paid. Married Dec. 20, 1827 by Elder Howe.
- December 2 Simeon C. Goss, Epsom, Susan C. Badger, Deerfield. Published. Certificate and 3/paid.
- December 2 Samuel M. Chesley, Sarah Lang of Epsom. Cried. Certificate given and 3/ paid Married Dec. 20, 1827 by Mr. Putnam.

1828

- January 6 Aaron Critchett, Epsom, Mahala Noyes, Bow. Published. Certificate given and 3/paid.
- February 24 Greenleaf Allen, Epsom, Fanny Langley, Deerfield. Published.
- October 12 Mr. William Pettengill and Miss Sarah Parker both of said Epsom, married by James Babb, Justice of the Peace, by virtue of a certificate from B.L. Locke, Town Clerk of said town stating that the parties had been legally published. Certificate dated Oct. 11, 1828.