

Jan. 1st 1881 Sat.

The Public Library opened to-day for the first time, it has nearly 1200 books I went in with Clarence Green and got Vol. 1 of the Waverley Novels by Walter Scott. This morning the thermometer was 3° below zero, sky clear.

I planted some fig seeds this afternoon don't know whether they'll come up or not.

Jan. 2^d 1881 Sun.

Nothing of importance occurred to-day.

Jan. 3^d 1881 Mon.

Went to school after a vacation of a week and a half. Miss Wythe and Miss McGraw were absent; In the afternoon Charlie Butler came up to see my coins and I went down to see his; I got better specimens of 1840, 1844, and 1845.

Clarence Green and I went down to Mr. Jenness' house to find out about the coins, but he was not in.

Jan. 4th 1881 Tuesday

In the afternoon I went down to see Ed Green's coins, but did not find him in.

Jan. 5th 1881 Wed.

After school I went down to the lumber yard of Mr. Broughton with Charlie Butler, he was going to fix his coins like mine, I then went home with him to get our 1819 Old Fashioned cent.

In the afternoon I went down to the Rooms and got a frame for a Butterfly case. Then I went round to get some boards but not find any, I got tired of tramping so I went to see George Sanderson's coins, I got his list and Butlers also.

Jan. 6th 1881 Tues.

Went down to Clarences to supper, he went out and got me some old coins, among them one of the famous Jackson medals and a two cent piece dated 1868.

Jan 7th 1881 Fri.

After school I went over to Charlie Clough's and saw his coins. I exchanged with him and got an 1807. I then went over to Will Bryant's and saw his collection.

In the afternoon Clarence got me [quite?] a number of duplicates.

Jan. 8th 1881, Sat.

In the afternoon I got an 1841 and four two-cent pieces. Clarence Green is going to get a collection.

Jan. 9th 1881 Sun.

This morning I went over to Charlie Davis' to see his coins; I got an 1828, a LaFayette token, a ½ penny token Halifax, 1816, a Gibraltar token 1820, and a ½ cent U.S. 1851 for my collection of coins, and a specimen of Green Mica, one of Green Tourmaline and one of Bloodstone. If I get 24 more U.S. coins I shall have a complete set.

I forgot to write yesterday that I went down to Mr. Paul's and carried my frame he will have it done for me tomorrow. I also went into Butlers and saw him. Sam Kingsbury was there too; then went up to Clarence Green's.

Jan. 10th 1881 Mon.

I have been reading the book that I got out of the High School Library, it is named A Hunters Life in S. Africa. I like it pretty well.

Jan. 11th 1881 Tues.

Today I bought some glass for my butterfly case.

I read a book from the Public Library called "The old Woman who lived in a Shoe".

Today I mounted about fifty United States Tokens, Army & Navy, advertisements & etc.

Jan. 12th 1881 Wed.

I had to speak a piece at school to-day. I managed to get through with it and that was all. I have had a violent headache nearly all day.

In the afternoon I went down to Clarence Green's, I got a coin from him 1871. I got a good specimen of polished granite at the Bank.

Clarence lent me "The Young Explorer".

At about 4 I felt worse so I came home.

Jan. 13th 1881 Thurs.

I felt so sick that I did not go to school.

Jan. 14th 1881 Fri.

Did not go to school to day.

I read "Voyage round Cape" also 'Sir Peter Crewitt' a book that Clarence gave me Christmas.

Jan. 15th 1881 Sat.

Got Clarence to get me a book from the Public Library he got "Good Words".

Jan. 16th 1881 Sun.

Went as far as Aunt Mattie's to-day.

Jan. 17th Mon.

The days now that a fellow can't go to school – I can pick up a few coins and stamps now and then if I go – are getting only of one use, they bring Spring

nearer. Last year I did not have much time, but this year if nothing happens, I'll have a collection of nests and litters that are fit to be seen; my eggs would look better with an addition of a few eggs – say a Golden-crowned Thrush or a better specimen of a Stright [Striated] Heron.

Clarence Green gave me a perfect specimen of a Long-billed Marsh wren, and I only need a Golden Robin and a Florida Gal[l]inule to get back all that I let “Toddy” have. I commenced last season on the first of May and ended about the second week in July.

My collection of butterflies need a few better specimens, to say nothing of new ones; to get these I want a field-box a larger mounting apparatus – if I may use that term – also a new handle and gauze to the net. I can add a beetle a day to my collection also a few darning needles may be had for the trouble of catching them. I may possibly get a Botanical collection when Spring comes.

A few other fellow with myself have concluded to preserve some fishes, snakes, lizards, frogs & Etc.

Jan. 18th 1881 Tues.

I have been reading all the morning.

In the afternoon I went over to see Mr. Hazlett, he was not in; I then went down to the Post Office and from there down to Clarence Green's.

Jan. 19th 1881 Wed.

Went to school to-day, got an old colonial cent issued by Connecticut, date 1787. Clarence Green was up and spent the evening.

Jan. 20th Thurs. 1881

Went over to Mr. Hazlett's; got my stamps and saw his coins, he had lost his 1821.

Jan 21st Fri. 1881

I got an 1831 for Mr. Hazlett and carried it down to the Bank at 2^d recess.

I paid Arthur Locke some stamps that I owed him and got a New Granada coin of 1847. Got a stamp from C. Watson.

I saw Charlie Davis and told him that I would be over on the 23^d.

Jan. 22^d 1881 Sat.

It is very stormy to-day, I did not go to school. I Got my Butterfly case this afternoon.

Jan. 23^d 1881, Sun.

In the fore-noon I went over to Chalie's and got five coins namely Newfoundland 1 cent 1876, 1 cent British 1773, another 1775, a French coin of 1861, and a Nova Scotia 1823.

He has a few new specimens since I was last there, among them a Massachusetts 1787 cent which is perfect in all respects. This afternoon as I

was writing a list of my coins George Sanderson came up to the house to see them; he has lost his 1795 U.S. Old Fashioned cent, I should consider it a serious loss if it were mine but he did not seem to mind it much.

Clarence left me his Sunday School library – I have read a part of it.

Jan. 24th 1881 Mon.

Miss McGraw was absent and Miss Lydson took her place.

Jan. 25th 1881 Tues.

Went down to Mr. Paul's and sot some staining.

Jan. 26th 1881 Wed.

In the afternoon I mounted my Butterflies Moths Dragon flies, and some of my beetles. We had a march up stairs this forenoon at school.

Jan. 27th Thurs. 1881

They are going to get Mr. Clarke a gift when he leaves.

In the afternoon I went down to see if Clarence had any coins for me, he had a Canadian token on the Bank of Mantreal 1844. In the store I saw Miss Tuckerman; she told me that she had a coin that I could have if I wanted it.

Jan. 28th 1881 Fri.

Went in and got that coin of Miss Tuckerman, it was a 1 penny token Bank of Upper Canada, 1850

Jan. 29th 1881 Sat.

Got a book out of the Public Library "Studies in Field and Forest" it is a first rate book.

Jan 30th 1881 Sun.

Clarence was up to-day and lent me "Switch Off", "The Grocer's Boy" and "Victory". I wrote a letter – Campello.

Jan. 31st 1881 Mon.

Joe Conlon lent me Ben the Luggage Boy.

Feb. 1st 1881 Tues.

Clarence Green was up this afternoon.

Feb. 2^d 1881 Wed.

Fred Martin and Jim Borthwick were up this afternoon. We played cards and checkers.

Feb. 3rd 1881 Thurs.

I mounted the rest of my beetles, and the case is ready for hanging.

Went down to Clarence's, I ordered 50 visiting cards.

Saw Fred Watkins and borrowed a book on coins.

Feb. 4th 1881 Fri.

Had to open my case to put a piece of camphor in.

Feb. 7th 1881 Mon.

Wrote a postal to J. W. Scott & Co. for a price list of coins.

Met Morris Green and let him have a coin on tick.

Feb. 8th 1881 Tues.

Read the book that I got from the Public Library call "Adventures in the Rifle Brigade", Also, Giraffe Hunters that Harry Wilson loaned me.

Feb. 10th 1881 Thurs.

Received J. W. Scott's price list in the morning. Will Bryant let me take the "Prairy[ie] Crusoe".

Fri. Feb. 11, 1881

Read my book that I got last Saturday "Following the Flag" is its title.

Fred Martin, Jim Borthwick and I took a short walk on the Rail-road in the afternoon; when we got home Jim let me take "Student & Schoolmate".

Jim and I went down to the Public Library – I got "Innocents Abroad" by Mark Twain.

Feb. 12th 1881 Sat.

Got "Fred and the Gorilla" from the High School Library.

Forgot to mention that I converted 4 coins into U. S. Government hard cash.

Poor Dice lost his money so I must wait.

Feb. 13th 1881 Sun.

Clarence gave me my cards to-day they are not exactly O.K.

Wrote to J. W. Scott & Co. and ordered 10 Roman & Grecian coins.

Feb. 14th 1881 Mon.

Received a valentine, checked the one who sent it and came home satisfied.

Feb. 15th 1881 Tue.

We all went in the Upper room to-day. Mr. Clarke had an Electric battery and I had four half a doz. shocks.

Feb. 16th 1881 Wed.

Read Junior Clerk.

Feb. 17th 1881 Thu.

Mr. Goodwin our new teacher, came to-day he was introduced by Colonel Vaughan. Ran against a few stamps namely ½, 1½, & 4 penny new issue of England and 1 centesimo of Uruguay.

Received the coins that I ordered from Scott & Co.; five of them were good, of the other five, it may be said that they are bang-up ones; probably a day or two

ago – say 2000 yrs – a rhinoceros or some old heathen stepped all over them. They are not good for coins, but are A1 for old copper.

Sat. Feb. 19th 1881

Got “Five Years before the Mast” from our library and “Geology & Mineralogy of New Hampshire” from the Public.

Feb. 20th 1881 Sun.

Clarence let me take “Trials of an Inventor” and “Stephen and his Tempter” also finished “Ebenezer Crow” one of those wicked(!) Wide Awakes.

Feb. 22^d 1881 Tues.

Washington’s Birthday; celebrated it by demolishing three windows and a mirror assisted by Clarence Green. I’m ready for the next holiday.

Feb. 24th 1881 Thurs.

Exchanged stamps with Harry Wilson and procured one for my collection.

Charlie Watson has owed me some stamps for quite a while, and to-day he let me have some coins in payment, three that I hadn’t got, 2 cent Uruguay 1869, Japanese confound it! Chinese – that right, and an old settler 1790 that I don’t know its nationality (Brazil), also a few rare duplicates.

Smallest favors greatly received.

Feb. 26th 1881 Sat.

Clarence Green and I went up to see Ed Goodall saw his stamps, cards, etc. exchanged a Brazilian coin with him and got an English coin 1811 in good condition.

Feb. 28th 1881 Mon.

Got “Eye witness” from the Public Library.

Mar. 2^d 1881 Wed.

Fred Martin came up in the afternoon; we played cards; Went to the “Circus” in the evening, Fred liked cocoanut pie.

Mar. 3^d 1881 Thurs.

Got a 20, 25, 50, Bavaria and 50 Germany of Arther Locke. Clarence Green gave me a piece of Iron pyrites and a ½ ct. of 1809(?)

Got Magellan from the Public Library Went down to Jim Borthwick’s and played cards.

Mar. 4th 1881 Sat.

Went up the track with Toddy in the afternoon. Got “Recollections of a Policeman” from the Public Library and “Grandfathers Chair” from the High School.

Mar. 6th 1881 Sun.

George French was up to day. Calarence let me take "Lionel's Bravery".

Mar. 7th 1881 Mon.

Clarence let me take "Florence Rewarded".

Fred Martin, Toddy and I went down in Wendel's Woods and – Etc. Six months.

Mar. 9th 1881 Wed.

Fred Martin, Jim Borthwick and I went up on the Concord track as far as two-mile bridge. I got a scraped horn.

Mar. 10th 1881 Thur.

Fred Martin, and Jim Borthwick were up, we played card – did not cheat – and eat apples. Went down to the Public Library and got "Brazil & the Brazilians" then spent the evening at Fred Martins.

Mar. 12th Sat.

Got seven stamps of Charlie Watson namely 5 ct. 1880, 1 & 5 1881 Porto Rico, 1 & 5 1881 Cuba, 2 ct. Eng., 10 ct. Uruguay & 200^{rs} Brazil, also two coins of 13 of Bradford 1ct. Italy 1867 and a queer coin with no date. Morocco 1288? Got "The Castaways" from our Library. 5 ct. Uruguay from Will Todd.

Mar. 13th 1881 Sun.

Clarence let me take "Nat and his Chum" and "Elbert's Return". Czar of Russia killed.

Mar. 14th 1881 Mon.

Got a 15 ct. inter[nal]. Rev[enue]. from Arthur Locke.

Mar. 15th 1881 Tues.

Played ball – not much fun though.

Mar. 16th 1881 Wed.

Fred lent me "The Fur Country", Played ball; our side beat. Two stamps and coins from Locke and one from Watson.

Mar. 17th 1881 Thu.

Played ball again, no cheating – oh! No.

Got a coin of Ed. Goodall.

Mar. 18th 1881 Fri.

Examination in Algebra. Played ball as usual. Got 3 ct. Prince Edward Island and an unknown of Paul Lughton Persia.

Mar. 19th 1881 Sat.

Examination in Physical Geography.

Played ball saw George Butler; he was on crutches.

Mar. 20th 1881 Sun.

Spring came in with a snow storm.

Clarence let me take Life at [Children of?] Amity Court.

Mar. 26th 1881 Sat.

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Old Abe the Wisconsin war eagle is dead.

Mar. 29th 1881 Tues.

Read 'Two Brothers' & 'One of the Billinse's', and part of "Boy Hunters". Went to a small fire on Clinton St. near the creek, "it's a cold day when I get left".

Thur. March 31st 1881

Got 'Hiawatha' from the Public Library.

April 1st 1881 Fri.

Went over to the Navy Yard to see George Butler, got 5 stamps, 1 Alsace & Lorraine, 6p Queensland, 30c Italy 30ct St. Settlements, and 2p Turkey; also three coins, 2 centimes Italy of 1861, 1862 & 1867. Got 'China & the English' from the Public Library. Spent the eve at Fred Martins played 'high-low jack'.

April 3^d 1881 Sun.

Ordered some stamps of C. Buswell.

April 4th 1881 Mon.

Mailed a letter to Beverly. Got two golden winged woodpeckers, one kingbird, one blackbird, and one sand martin's egg of Toddy. Played ball.

April 5th 1881 Tues.

Went to George Huchins's [Hutchings] funeral.

April 7th 1881 Thur.

Fast day. Went down in the woods crossed a pond; and broke through. Played ball in the afternoon with Clarence Green has song [Bottom of page not visible]

April 8th 1881 Fri.

Got three stamps of Harry Yates, ten-cent Newfoundland; Italian official, and an internal revenue-match stamp.

April 9th 1881 Sat.

Clarence Green and I went up to Fox Hill about twelve o'clock and staid till six; amused ourselves by firing at hats, handkerchiefs, pocket-books & etc.

Saw the first butterfly of the season. We also saw a flock of red-winged starlings. Got 'Frank Powderhorn' from the Public Library. George French and I took a walk in the evening.

April 11th 1881 Mon.

Went to school after a vacation of one week; Mr. Goodwin changed our teacher in Latin, and make us have Algebra four times a week instead of twice, also one demerit counts 5/100 of 1. Such is life! Albert Drake let me take 'Round the World'.

April 12th 1881 Tues.

Got a three ct. Bavaria of Ed Goodall.

April 14th 1881 Thurs.

Wrote a compos[i]tion on subject "Postage Stamps".

April 15th 1881 Fri.

Re[w]rote my composition. Got 'Doesticks' from the Public Library.

April 16th 1881 Sat.

Got 'Fighting the Flames' from 'our Library'. Got an 1 p. Cuba 1878 from Watson also 200 reals Brazil.

April 17th 1881 Sun.

Went down to Old Wentworth Mansion with Hon. C. E. Green, saw some ducks.

April 18th 1881 Mon.

Got an Italian from Toddy, and 2^{ct} Spain, 1 shill. Eng. 3ct Telegraph and a French Unpaid Letter Stamp-owed- from Monroe Stewart. 'Not a good day for stamps neither'. George Butler came into school.

April 20th 1881 Wed.

Played ball, only knocked a 'foul' through Mr. Stackpole's bay-window.

April 21st 1881 Thu.

Joined an Archery Club, we expect to go Maying tomorrow. Came near being run over by a horse, his head touched my breast. Brewster and Moses were up in the evening.

April 22^d 1881 Fri.

Went "Maying", had a fine time, got a lot of flowers - of course.

April 23^d 1881 Sat.

Got George Elliot's Novels N, G.

April 25, 1881 Mon.

Got an inter[nal]. rev[enue]. Of C. E. G. and a Spanish one of Toddy. I did not go to school. Received an invitation from Miss J_____ to play croquet tomorrow.

Tues. April 26th 1881

W. P. Young Esq. has got the roscola. 'maybe that's not spelt right'.

Got 'Old Battleground' from Public Library. Hon. James T. Fields is dead. Died day before yesterday.

April 27th 1881 Wed.

Harry Tucker let me take Percival Keene.

April 28th 1881 Thurs.

Too sick to go to school but just sick enough to be out. Read 'Camp among the Foothills' in the 'Golden Days'. Got a 1p. Gt. Britain 1861, and a rebellion token from Clarence.

April 29th 1881 Fri.

Got Docter Ox from the Public Library.

April 30th 1881 Sat.

Got an 18?1 copper cent of Fred Martin. Got Belzoni in Egypt from school. Read 'Minding his own Business' in Golden Days lent me by Frank Moses.

May 1st 1881 Sun.

Read "Pepper Adams" also in Golden Days.

May 2^d 1881 Mon.

Read the Young Pioneer.

May 3^d 1881 Tues.

Played croquet at Miss J____'s

May 4th 1881 Wed.

Walked up to Newington in the afternoon with C____ G____, on the way we met F____ S____ and he came without an invitation. I got a fine specimen of the 'tiger beetle'.

May 5th 1881 Thur.

Obtained a 15 & 24 Interior, 12 & 15 Post Office, 90 Postage, 5 Newspaper, 1 & 2 Confederate States, and 3 & 15 Hungary.

Had a number of the Monthly Reporter sent me. Read Hunters Feast.

May 6th 1881 Fri.

Ordered 10 Postal Cards and 8 German Telegraph stamps. Got an Int. Rev. issued by the Rumford Chemical Works of H. W____.

May 7th 1881 Sat.

Received 8 German Telegraph stamps consisting of a 10, 25 & 50 pfennige, 2 ½, 4, 5, & 8 groschen, and 1 mark.

Also 10 postal cards namely 5 centimes Belgium, 2 cent Canada, ½ penny England, ½ grochen & 5 pfennige Germany, 21/2 cent Holland, 10 centesimi Italy, 15 reis Portugal, 6 ore Sweden, and 20 pfennige Wurtemberg. Tried to

sing. Took a walk up round Newington met J_____ G_____; had some sport with a cat-bird. Read my composition.

Sun. May 8th 1881

Went to walk with Fred Martin and Jim Borthwick.

May 10th 1881 Tues.

Got a ten ct. inter. rev. issued by Dougherty of New York of Clarence Green. Read 'Trip to Tokio'. Went 'dandyioning'.

May 11th 1881 Wed.

Went dandyioning again. Got a 3 ½ p. England of Clarence Green. Bought a watch and chain.

May 12, 1881 Thur.

Read "Skinny the Tin ped[d]lar". Ordered a few post cards and stamps.

May 13, 1881 Fri.

Examination in Arithmetic this forenoon.

May 14, 1881 Sat.

Examination in Algebra after a few remarks by Mr. Goodwin. Went up to Newington, found a nest in No. 2 and one in No. 3 with three eggs and a bunting's. C____ G_____ and I got one apiece. 1878 my first one was a robin's from the P____. 1879 blue-birds from the P____. (same tree as last), 1880 crow's from R____, 1881 phoebe from No. 2 Newington. Received two Mexican 5 & 10 both red and some unused Post cards from B____, 10ct Servia, 5 ct Switzerland, 5ct Luxemburg, 3ct Heligoland, 2ct Bavaria, 3ct Spain, Wurtemberg, 5ct and one with indistinct figure, two from Holland (no value) and 2 ct Doprsmica, also 5 old fashioned WS from C____ G____. Got 'Hudson's Bay' from our library, got Bret Harte's Poems last time. Saw a bobolink. Forgot to mention y_____ a_____ for yesterday.

May 15th 1881 Sun.

Read "Robert Coverdale".

May 16th 1881 Mon.

Examination in English Grammer. I put my bird house up on the side of the barn. Spent the evening at Fred Martins.

May 17th 1881 Tues.

Examination in Latin. Got 5.05 in Arithmetic. Read "Bob and Rob" and "Blown out to Sea".

May 18th 1881 Wed.

Examination in Spelling, got 7.60. Frank Moses and I went down to see the

whale that was cast up near Rye Harbor. I got a piece of the substance in his mouth. Know as whale bone and some sponge. He was 66 ft. l.

May 19th 1881 Thur.

Examination in Physical Geography. Got 2.25 in Algebra & 5.50 in Latin. Think C___ B___ (not grand ?) want to get two dollars probably he wants to die.

May 20th 1881 Fri.

F___ M___ and I went down near R___ B___. I got a litter-4- of b___ t___'s eggs. Came home soon after and went down to the f___ c___ but had poor success. Got a letter from Chas. Watson.

May 21st 1881 Sat.

C___ G___ and I went to Newington got p___ b___'s apiece at No.2 and C___ G___ got one at No.3 and I got a c___ b___'s. Took refreshments in the shape of a cocoanut – furnished by C___ G___.

May 22^d 1881 Sun.

Went to walk with C___ F___ got 2 c b's eggs but did not bring them home. Wrote a letter C___ and one to Charlie Watson – upset my devilish ink bottle all over the table cloth.

May 23^d 1881 Mon.

First blow out of the season – seven. Went up on the R.R. – got a chewinks?. Went back of J___'s got 3 c___ b___s e___.

May 24th 1881 Tues.

Went down on the r r to the W___ got 2 c___ b___'s e___ that I hid Sunday. Also went down in S___'s Woods near the r to the P___s.

Mar. 25th 1881 Wed.

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my trouble -- worst place I ever saw.

May 26th 1881 Thur.

Went up to N___ on the road near R___'s went into a swamp and got 4 b___ t___'s e___. First strawberries of the season.

May 27th 1881 Fri.

Rather warm. Did not go e___g.

May 28th 1881 Sat.

Started for Elliot with C___ C___ and E___ F___. We got about half way up when the latter individual backed out. They we went on the island near B___'s house – poor luck.

May 30th 1881 Mon.

Memorial Day no school, went down by the Wentworth Lookout and S____'s Woods – got three e____'s ____ e____s. Had a time of it in the afternoon. Saw a fellow – with sawdust in his hair drunk on a pint of peanuts. Clarence Green and Charlie Grey went with me to Music Hall.

May 31st 1881 Tues.

Got a ½ ct 1828 fine specimen of Mr. Laskey.

June 1st 1881 Wed.

Got a coin ship token 1813 of “Nig” Webber and a 2 ct. Peru of Fred Watkins.

June 2^d 1881 Thurs.

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of Charlie Butler, then went up to see Harry Libbey.

June 3^d 1881 Fri.

Got a half-penny token with the words “Fisheries and Agriculture” on one side and steamship on the other and a 2ct[?] Inter. Rev. issued by the New York Pharmacal Association of C. E. Green. Read “Shorty or kicked into Good Service” lent me by Will Brayant and “Shorty in Luck” lent me by Will Kelly – no relation to John Kelly. Clarence sent me “Starry Flag” the other day. Cold and damp.

June 4th 1881 Sat.

Read “Shorty Jr. on his ear” and the “Boys at Bra____ School. Met Brewster and Moses in the evening. B____ and I went to see our friend D____ H____.

June 5th 1881 Sun.

Read the 1881 edition of ‘Uncle Toms Cabin’.

June 6th 1881 Mon.

Went to Newington, found 3 p____ b____ e____ in No.2, let them alone.

Got 1 ct. Turks Island of Charlie Gray.

June 9th 1881 Thurs.

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sublingual gland and tongue swollen. Got an “owl” yesterday, wish I’d given Clarence a piece.

June 10th 1881 Fri.

Frank Moses __ age before beauty __ and Fred Martin came down, and played cards – score Moses 13, myself 13, Martin 9, we tossed up a cent and I got it.

June 12th 1881 Sun.

The undersigned has reached “sweet sixteen”.

June 14th 1881 Tues.

Star Spangled Banner is 104 ys. Today.

June 16th 1881 Thurs.

Met _____.

June 17th 1881 Fri.

Received my Inter. Rev. Album.

June 18th 1881 Sat.

Got an inter. rev. of Frank Wright – tropic fruit.

June 19th 1881 Sun.

The world's going to burn up to-day – where will I be? Went down to the Wentworth and up home via Newcastle with Fred Martin and Borthwick. Read Peter Clinton n____ b____ g____.

June 20th 1881 Mon.

Hurra! I haven't got to sizzle quite yet.

Went down to Newcastle fishing with Chas[?] Russell {?} and Fred Martin – beat
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June 22^d 1881 Wed.

Went down to Wentworth with Clarence Green, Jim Borthwick & Fred Martin. I got home about midnight, saw the electric lights for the first time.

June 23^d 1881 Thur.

Went down to the Rockingham to get my share of the outdoor concert, and also to a fire – didn't get anything.

June 24th 1881 Fri.

Had a grand march(?) the first since Goodwin came. Read "Tommy Bounce". I went and saw the laying of the corner stone of the new Christ Church, it inclosed a 'States and Union', 'Times' 'Chronicle', 'Gazette' 'Portsmouth Journal', all the coins of '81 Etc.

Also went down to the Wentworth with Fred Martin. g____ e____. Saw a sick one of Nature's illustrious works(?) Got home in 'the wee sma' hours'.

June 25th 1881 Sat.

Mr. Goodwin let us deliver invitations to the Exhibition – had a fine time – first went with Ed. Green saw the Street Parade of the Circus and went down on the grounds before going back, then went back got some more and went out with "Speed" Tucker we demolished some peanuts without getting intoxicated.

Saw the free exhibition at one o'clock. Read Lost in Australia.

Got Pink & White Tyranny from the Public Library. Got Don Quixote last time.

June 26th 1881 Sun.
Read the Governors Pardon.

June 27th 1881 Mon.
Got 5 r____, 6 e____ S____ 2 c____ s b____'s e____ of Toddy. Bought his revolver.

June 28th 1881 Tues.
No Lessons in school to-day – we all helped to take the desk and chairs from the Girl's Room, and bring settees in their place and to decorate the room. I came within an ace of fainting. Of course we spent some of our time in fooling – some blessed fellow tied me to the blind – pull down the blind! tied the bell on A____ G____'s coat tail and hooked some minerals and put in S____ K____'s pocket. Some of us went down stairs to dance and have a good time generally - Miss V____ played the 'pianna' all right until she got to P i n a f o r t then E G. B____ B____ and F____ M____ tried to stop it. Mr. Goodwin came down to join in the chorus, but the door was locked after a while he came in, and I went out – so did the rest. We came home about twelve.
Had some fun with a c____ f____ c____ p.
Forgot to mention the comet – it came in sight last Thursday – its nucleus is only a 1000 miles, its coma 12000 and its tail 4000000 long – its distance from the Earth on the 24 inst. was 27000000.

June 29th 1881 Wed.
School commenced at 8.45 – we went upstairs and rehearsed for exhibition.

June 30th 1881 Thurs.
Went to the Exhibition; only six graduates one boy and five girls – Elwyn Carter, Celia Blaisdell, Anna Conner, Anne Gilbert, Nellie Pickering and Helen Plummer.

Programme
May day song?

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| 1. Salutory | Carter |
| 2. Essay – Geological Records | Miss Plummer ?? Farmers – Maiden's Lament |
| 3. Recitation Dream Legend | Miss Pickering |
| 4. Essay | Miss Conner |
| 5. Essay | Miss Gilbert |
| 6. Essay Sailors Chorus | Miss Pickering |
| 7. Recitation Delight of the Sailor | Miss Connor |
| 8. Oration Pianno Duet | Carter |
| 9. Valedictory Ocean's Lullaby | Miss Blaisdell. |

The medals were awarded as follows
Second Class – Young ladies – first medal Helen G. Pender, second medal Carrie A. Drake. Young gentleman John W. Kelly.

Third Class – Young ladies - first medal Ella F. Goss, second medal Mary P. Thompson, third medal Mary E. Vaughan. Young Gentlemen, first medal Bennie Green, second medal, Fred Church, third medal John D. McCarthy.

Fourth Class – all got a medal.

The medals awarded by the S.P.C.A. for the best composition on Cruelty to Animals.

Boys – Bennie Green – third class.

Girls – Grace Townsend – third class.

Of course I went to the Reception – was introduced and “promoted” with Miss Pickering. – had a fine time. Skipped out. Wanted to shoot myself.

Had poor luck all the evening – my chances spoilt every time.

J changed “dips” and had a little fun.

John Kelly hurt somebody!

July 1st 1881 Fri.

Bought a Black crowned Night Heron, Florida Galinule and little one of Toddy. now I want a Golden Robin's.

Got “Marco Polo” from the Public Library.

July 2^d 1881 Sat.

An attempt was made to assassinate Garfield at about A.M. The fellow who shot him is known by the name of Chas. Guiteau, he fired two shots - ? calibre – one penetrating his arm, the other his bowels as he (Garfield) was in the Ladies waiting room walking arm in arm with Blaine.

Telegraphs are being received every little while, first very ill – then o.k. and vice versa. Got acquainted with C. Curtis.

July 3^d 1881 Sun.

Clarence lent me J__I[?]__J forgot!

July 4th 1881 Mon.

Independence day – the day we celebrate.

J__ B & F__ M__ woke me at 12 midnight. We unhooked blinds, changed peoples' gates, woke them up, etc.

Went down to see the fun which consisted of a “walking match”, “potato feat”, fat-man's race, “bicycle riding”, “three legged race”, “backwards”, “go-as-you-lease”, “Jumping match”, “wheelbarrow race”, “go-as-you-please”, and a “sack race. [bottom line cut off] find out the particulars. Went home with Misses M__ & M__ W__.

July 5th 1881 Tues.

Went up on the Ports. Dover R. R. bridge, made the acquaintance of Miss H__.

July 6th 1881 Wed.

Read Lelias Hero. Went down river with Miss H___ and others. Met the ones I saw Fourth.

July 7th 1881 Thu.

Went up to the P. & D. R.R. bridge with Clarence Green and "Tutor[?]" Hatch, tide to low for swimming – went back got a couple of lines – then went back C___ G___ caught a frost fish and a cunner[?]. Made the acquaintance of Miss B_____.

July 8th 1881 Fri.

Fish – day – went fishing. Mighty poor luck got acquainted with F___ F___ and an A___ fellow.

July 9th 1881 Sat.

Walked a little ways with Miss A___ (I don't know which one). Went down to R___ B___ read "One of the Boys of New York" and c___ s___ f___ c___.

July 10th 1881 Sun.

Hottest day yet 80° at 7 o'clock P.M. Met Henry Moulton accepted an invitation to go "camping out". We are trying to raise a 'crowd of six'. Also went with Brewster and French.

July 11th 1881 Monday

Read the Floating Camp.

July 12th 1881 Tues.

Went down to R___ B___ (s___ H___) and read "Shorty in Search of his Dad". I used all my s___ f etc. Commenced to read Omaha Oll. (also went up P&D. R.R. to find C___ G___.

July 13th 1881 Wed.

Missed 7.55 train – instead of being a cold day when I get left it was a hot one – but I went up at 12. Mrs. Wyott was shot with an arrow. The picnic was held by the Middle St. church at Stratham. Saw F E's stamps.

July 16th 1881 Sat.

Got Tennyson's Poems yesterday. Got 6p. Turk Island of Chas. Gray and an inter rev. S___ G. Green's of C. G. Tuesday. Went down to R___ B___ read Silver Star, the other day. I read Navajo Wick at the same place.

July 17th 1881 Sun.

Went down to Wendel's Woods with C___ & M___ in the forenoon, and up to the plains with J___ B___ he wants to camp near White Mts. next year. Read Captain Mask and Skeleton Horseman.

July 19th 1881 Tues.

Went to Wendel's Woods for some loam. Also up to Pierce's at Greenland with Jim Borthwick – tried a bit of bathing for the first time. Was introduced to Justin Ambrose.

July 20th Wed.

Went to the Methodist picnic at Stratham. Got acquainted with M____ M____, A____ F____, and A____ H____, quite a fun time. Carved my initials on the bridge at H[?]____.

July 21st 1881 Thurs.

Brewster and I had some sport with "Toddy" – sent him to M____ for w____ when he came out he saw the H____ fellow & J____ so he said.

July 22^d 1881 Fri.

Read 'Prairie Phil' and last Wednesday I read 'Joe Phenix'. Got some loam at Wendels. W____ H____, G____ F, and J got some currants. Done a little sawing etc.

July 23rd 1881 Sat.

Met Fred Martin – just home from Boston. Frank Jones sailed for Europe today, and Daniel Marcy returned; Oscar & Danny Ross have also got back. Old Jim Garfield is worse. Met L____ H____.

July 24th 1881 Sun,

Read Grace Ashleigh's Life work.

Went over to Charley Davis but he was not home. Went down to Devils' Den and walked around via Newcastle to the Aquarium. Mr. Urch was on his bicycle. I got acquainted with E____ G____. Met L____ H____.

July 25th 1881 Mon.

Went over to the hot houses with L____ H____, J____ & A____ K____ and E____ P____ - also over to the new church. L____ H____ and I went to the fire – Sowserby bake-house. I forgot to mention a fire on Court last Friday the 15th inst.

July 27th 1881 Wed.

Went berrying for the first time. I got 4 quarts; afterwards I went down to Clarence's – staid to supper and spent the evening.

E—P--, C K , C L -- s, F & R K s were there.

July 28th 1881 Thurs.

Had the "crowd" here to-day – played 'casino'.

Read "Outward Bound". Commenced a game of 'casino' with Clarence -- it now stands Clarence 165 – myself 215. Got 'Principals of Zoology'.

July 30th 1881 Sat.

Went "berrying only" got a quart. Our match game stands C. 329 – W 361. Got a German coin of Clarence date

July 31st 1881 Sun.

Read 'Black Bear' and vol. 1 of Dred.

July 32 Oh! The devil!

Aug. 1st 1881 Mon.

Went down to the Wentworth with Ed Green and Will Bryant.

Aug. 2^d 1881 Tues.

Spent the day at Newcastle A. H; went to Sandy Beach in the forenoon and afternoon, and to the Wentworth in the evening where I met a couple of fellows per agreement. City ele[c?]tion today. Got a letter from George Meredith.

Aug. 3^d 1881 Wed.

Went 'berrying' got 5 quarts. Read 2 vol of Dred. Got a postal from Ed, a postal from Geo. Meredith and a letter from Carrie, how's that?

Aug. 4th 1881 Thurs.

Played more on our match game.

Aug. 5th 1881 Fri.

Rather warm a forerunner of the future. Played cards again.

Aug. 6th 1881 Sat.

Sick as a horse - sick horse I mean. Brewster wants me to go 'camping out'. They had a time at the Wentworth, I didn't go.

Aug. 7th 1881 Sun.

Read "Smith's Saloon". Brewster & Green came up.

Aug. 8th 1881 Mon.

Got two match stamps of F. W.

Aug. 9th 1881 Tues.

Went to Boston with Arthur Green, we went in the first car, had a pleasant chat with an ex-alder man (?). When we arrived there we went to the "Old State House" but George had dusted and Mr. Butterworth gone out to Nebraska I left my valise and went over to the common where I lunched; I then went to Jordan Marsh and Co's to see Will Flanders but he was on a vacation.

About five o'clock I took the "horse cars" for Charlestown. I stopt with Mr. Amazeen. I went to walk in the evening with Charley I was introduced to Will Squires and Sam Howard; we walked over to the Bunker Hill Monument, the fellows left us for Oakland Gardens, and Charley and I went to the bank of the Mystic.

Aug. 10th 1881 Wed.

Went with Charley to Back Bay saw the school where Charley goes and the building for the Merchants Fair.

We then found George after little difficulty and from there we went to the Public Gardens. In the afternoon I went to see Bert Dennet but he was out of town. I also went to the Soldiers Monument to meet Arthur Green by appointment but he failed to make an appearance. In the evening I went with Charley to the Boston Museum, where we witnessed the play entitled "The Mascot".

Aug. 11th 1881 Thurs.

Saw the Soldiers' Monument at Charlestown, then went over to Quincy Market from there I went to the top of the Equitable Building, then to the Common. Took wrong car in the evening and had to walk the length of Bunker Hill street. Maud S. beat her best record to-day at Rochester, she went a mile in two minutes ten and a quarter seconds. A pretty fast record.

Aug. 12th 1881 Fri.

Went to the Charlestown Navy Yard, saw the Museum which is a very good one, among other things we saw a ship made of corned beef bones, it was made by an American who was captured by the British, Stone shot from Dardenelles, and some war implements from the South Sea Islands. We could not be admitted to the Warship but we went on board the Ohio an old cuss gave us some chin but we didn't give a continental, we saw the ships in the ship houses and then went through the rope walk – said to be the finest in the country. I took the 4.30 train for East Holliston and got off at Whitneys, I then started to walk to the house, and met Arthur on the way. Eat some leira[?] alba and chocolate. Eat supper with Mr. Whitney; after which I went to walk with Carrie, Arthur and Dud, saw their uncle Sylvester. Played croquet in the evening.

Aug. 13th, 1881, Sat.

Went after the cows with Arthur, eat apples, d____ c____, and played croquet. Went over to see George Alger. Ed, Arthur and I went to find a hornet's nest we didn't find that one but discovered another one.

Aug. 14th 1881 Sun.

Arthur, Ed and I went down the road for a walk, we soon cut through the woods on the rail road. Saw Jim Bennis, also cut and wrote my name all over the depot. Jim came up in the afternoon and Ed and I went in the woods with him, Ed had to leave about four and just as he got to a tree which had hornet's nest in it, Jim fired a ledge at it Ed. walized out of the way like a streak of greased lightning. I lost my knife but found it again.

Aug. 15th 1881 Mon.

Went back to Boston, changed cars at South Framingham, went to the depot

and met Jim Borthwick, we went up on Tremont St. and took cars for Mt. Pleasant, we looked round the place and after dinner went over to see Charley Clough but were not admitted, we went over to the Mechanics' Fair Building and spent nearly two hours looking round there, then went in the Boston and Providence RR depot, dropt into Geo's office. Mr. Hunt gave me a ? George introduced me to Mrs. P____. Jim and I went to walk that evening.

Aug. 16th 1881 Tues.

Jim and I tried to find E. 2^d st. which we accomplished after walking 1000 miles "more or less". We saw Justin Ambrose and went over the building – Hersey Bros' Iron Works with him. We then went to the Old Colony R. R. depot. Jim went to Brockton. I went to Marshs' and bought a pack of cards, box of writing paper, doll, pens, penholder and mackerel zig. Also went to a pawn brokers to get some coins – but we couldn't agree on prices – then went over to the common from there to Geo's office, went to supper with him at Mrs. P____s' stopt over night.

Was introduced to Miss P____, I went to walk with her. Met Geo. Sanderson.

Aug. 17th 1881 Wed.

Took breakfast with Mrs. P____ walked over to the city with Geo. Went to the Common and met Jim we went up on Court St. and took cars for Cambridge, we saw the building's belonging to Harvard and walked over to East Cambridge, we came back and went to see Prof. Longfellow's residence attained a couple mementos and walked over to see the Washington Elm. "Geo. Washington took command of the American Army under this tree on July 3^d 1775". It is surrounded by an iron railing in front of which is a marble tablet bearing the few words recorded on the top of this page.

I got up on the railing to secure a piece of this venerable relic & obtained quite a fine piece – but in getting down I slipt – "and great was the fall thereof" – after using a few choice selections and quotations I proceeded to Agassiz Museum which has a very fine collection. I wanted to see Peabody's Museum and the Cambridge Observatory but did not have time. We walked back to Boston and on the way obtained a couple of new specimens for my collection of minerals. Took the cars for Mt. Pleasant and then rode back to Boston – after eating supper of course – where I called for Miss P____ and went to the Opera the play was "Billee Taylor". As I had left her at her house a fire-alarm was sounded at S. Boston, I tried to get there but I couldn't so I went over to Mt. Pleasant, where after a little hard work on my part I succeeded in arousing Jim and inducing him to let me in, I then went to bed and soon afterwards went to sleep. Obtained a match stamp. Hon. W. S. Hancock passed through Portsmouth to-day. Wish I could have seen him.

Aug. 18th 1881

Mechanics Fair opened to-day – it was a foggy sort of a day. We – Jim & I –

went down to the city and wandered round.
In the evening we tried to play "45" but with poor success.

Aug. 19th 1881 Fri.

Played casino with Jim – beat him 5 games out of 7. He then learned me how to play euchre. Went over to Geo's office and then back for my valise got it and bid good bye to the folks. I then went to see Miss P____ stopt with Geo. Had a pleasant time. Oh! Certainly!

Aug. 20th 1881 Sat.

Took 10 o'clock train for Beverly after enquiries & found Miss W to whom I introduced Jim, had a pleasant chat.

At 4 I started for the train and got it, however: I took the 4-05 train for Wenham I walked over and saw Genl Hamilton's residence I've got part of the fence in my pocket now – left Jim and went back to the depot after waiting a few minutes the train came and when it went it had me with it. I arrived home at 7.10 all right but fearful hungry. After supper Uncle Charley and I rode to Jim's house to see his – Jim's father but he wasn't home.

Sun. Aug. 21st 1881

Went to walk with George French.

Mon. Aug. 22^d 1881

Went "fishing" with Jim Borthwick, met Fred and came from there with him.

Tues. Aug. 23^d 1881

Went "berrying" got nearly a dozen.

Wed. Aug. 24th 1881

Got some raw peanuts from Wallie G

Fri. Aug. 26th 1881

Clarence Green and I started on the 7:35 train for Hedding Camp grounds. I stood on the platform of the last car so that I could see George French.

Somehow or other we went to Epping instead of East Epping so we hoofed it back and waited at the depot until "hash time".

During the course of the day I got acquainted by introduction or otherwise with Sam Edgely, Misses Castle, Garland of Great Falls, N. H., Arthur Williams of Manchester, George Garland of Lowell, Mass., Allie Durgin of Gt. Falls and Carroll Bartlett of Kittery, Me.

Went over to the river (?) while the fellows went in swimming. Had some sport with Exeter fellows and Mrs. Black's tongue, I then turned in. – and your . . . with . . .

Sat. Aug. 27th 1881

Got acquainted with a fellow in the Post Office. I think his name is Barber.

Played croquet and got with Abbi Bracket, Marion Clarke of Manchester and Warren Abrams of Kingston. Frank McIntire went back home to-day. Went up to "Big Rock". Then went back to Portsmouth tent and when Mrs. Black read the Bible – I skipped for bed and picked up an acquaintance of Frank Marden of Portsmouth.

Sun. Aug. 28 1881

Walked over from the Camp grounds to Exeter. We tried to get some milk on the road but some would not sell it on Sunday – got some after a while.

Went to A. S. Wetherells' and got some of the "Old Judge" also bought some matches and got a stamp for my collection.

Mrs. Black had a very peaceable time at home.

Mon. Aug. 29th 1881

Went to morning services. F____ and I went back of the "Forest Home" and played cards. Made the acquaintance of Prof. Chapman of Newmarket. Charlie Stevens came up in the forenoon, and Arthur Green in the afternoon. Got acquainted with Bert Gage of Haverhill. Put [drawing of 6 of clubs card] in Mrs. Black's Bible.

Tues. Aug. 30th 1881

Woke up at 5.30 cause a cussed fool ringing a cussed bell, would like to (w)ring his cussed neck. After breakfast Arthur Green and I had a game of cards, in a car, near the depot but we were stopt. Went over to "Forest Home" with Stevey and got some "Iron Duke"s and "tonic". Met Miss Thompson of Exeter and she introduced me to Miss Mayall and another young lady – I didn't catch the name. Had a game of high-low jack before going to bed.

Wed. Aug. 31st 1881

Saw "Ted" Noyes' collection of cards. Went to Brentwood with Stevey, F and Clarence after registering our names we went all over the building including bake house, prison and asylum on the way home we made three short cuts. Stevey introduced me to Miss Baker and Miss Thompson – both of Exeter we went up to Big Rock.

Thurs. Sept 1st 1881

The great day! Went down to the depot with Stevey he introduced me to Miss Woodman of Boston. Went over to the river with Geo. French, 'Dud' Varelle & F____ met a little fellow by the name of Tommie Cherry – from Lawrence – who went in the water for the first time he walked in boldly and didn't seem to mind it at all, he was only six years old. Got acquainted with Bart Noble and Miss Woods. Met Miss Edmunds. Chapman, Frank, Stevey and I are enjoying a social time when A____ poked her head out of the window.

Witness a burglary Oh! My!

Fri. Sept. 2^d 1881

Rain! Rain! Rain! All day. We all the fellows played cards. Mr. Chapman called in. Most all the folks went home. I went to the depot with them.

After supper I went to prayer meeting with another.

Sat. Sept. 3^d 1881

Rainy again. Started for home got there all right. Went out in the evening with 'Frenchy'.

Sun. Sept. 4th 1881

Went to walk with Jim Borthwick and Fred Martin – we feasted on elder berries and barberries.

Mon. Sept. 5th 1881

Went to school a quite a long vacation.

Tues. Sept. 6th 1881

A Day of Darkness

The Black Friday of 1780 Duplicated Artificial Light needed at Mid Day.

This morning saw the city enveloped in a peculiar mist or smoke, which between five or six gave a decided green tint to the sky, and when Illuminated by the rays of the sun at a later hour presented a golden appearance. Colors were everywhere. Grass appeared of a beautiful blue tint. Foliage was tipped with new and gorgeous colors. Gas jets resembled electric lights.

Lights were kept burning in main stores and houses throughout the day; the street lamps we left lighted in the evening, and the moon – nearly full looked like a slice of boiled carrot. The cause of the phenomenon is as yet unknown – as yet – though many suppositions are current. "Teddy" Locke was up and brought his stamps, I obtained one for my collection. Commenced to study Natural Philosophy and Caesar.

Thurs. Sept. 8th 1881

Went with Ed Green, Frank Moses and Will Bryant down to Arth Green's and raised the devil in general. Had a time trying to get a moth. Finally he was caught by Paul Lughton's net that I borrowed for the occasion. Received an Invitation to join a secret society – it will meet to-morrow.

Fri. Sept. 9th 1881

Went to the meeting of the society it was christened S____ O____ of the H____. It will probably be a failure. Intro. to Miss M____ E____ & G____. Went home. Immense sport.

Sat. Sept. 10th 1881

Dusted my minerals and then went out "bumming" with Ed, Frank, & Will. Got a coin Newfoundland 1832 of Will. Borrowed Ed's coin book. Met Charley

Guild. Ed, Will and I "took a tumble to ourselves". Saw Will's coins. Ed & Will
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Sun. Sept. 11th 1881

Went over to Charley Davis's saw his collections and got a British coin 1853, obtained four specimens of albite idocrase and pyroxene; and last but not least an Golden crown thrush's egg. Copied a number of things from Ed's book. Charley then came over to see my things. Read Skeleton Saul N.G.

Mon. Sept. 12th 1881

Read Shorty Jr. Goodwin changed my seat, for talking with "Mosey". Got 'flanked' by Kate. Went up to Frank's house Ed and Will went with me, after we got there, we found Brewster. After listening to a few songs, and instrumental pieces performed on violins, guitar, piccolo, we went to see our mutual friend "Dickey" and demolished p___ l & t.

Tues. Sept. 13th 1881

Read "Dot boy Fritz". Brewster, Will, Ed, "Mosey" and Joe Cunningham came up to spend the evening. Got a coin of Will Eng ½ [??]

Wed. Sept. 14th 1881

Bennie Green came over to see my collection on minerals. I went over to the Navy Yard to see Dice Wilson's brickbats, ledges, boulders &c. He gave me some. I got [bottom of page cut off] Ed, Will and Brewster came over after me, we got some pears and after the fellows went Arth & I went down to the Printing Office and he printed a list of coins wanted by me.

Thurs. Sept. 15th 1881

Bob Bradford promised to get me an 1857 also a specimen of barite. Read Rube Ray and "Steele Treasure". Went down to Will's.

Fri. Sept. 16th 1881

Got my specimen of barite of Bob Bradford but not the coin. Sam Kingsbury and I went down round Sagamore after minerals got a few among them the best specimen of feldspar that I ever saw; after I got home I went up on the C___ R. R. track for feldspar. Sam came up after I had been there a little while. Ed & Will came up for me in the evening and Will let me have an 1825 U.S.

Sat. Sept. 17th 1881

Frank and I were going down to Wallace's Sands at 10; Bennie Green came over after me to go after 'brickbats' and Fred Martin and Fred Martin wanted me to go fishing, so Ben waited for Frank and we went after spending quite a while at the "Sands" we went round to Ordions' Point and from there home. Went over to see Frank's min. George French and I went out and met Will who joined us then Brewster do went down to the Printing Office and fixed

something for the new 'founte??y that Bill Sise kicked over. Read "Paul Blacke's Adventures". Got New Brunswic 1 ct. 1866 of Will.

Sun. Sept. 18th 1881

Devoted part of the time to letter writing. Will and Ed came up and then Brewster walked down town with them, Will went over to the "Shore"; Ed & I told Brewster that we'd go to church but backed out and finally went with Frank. Ed was on the bust not a bust and I thought I should die, but after a while concluded to live --- and here I am.

Mon. Sept. 19th 1881 [entry totally surrounded by black line]

Garfield died at 10.35 P.M. Was informed of it by the tolling of the bells. Went down to Pryser's to see Billee, had some high sport about a coin. Saw Ed's collection and got a Russia (1813) on tick. Went down town in the evening, Trumbull was there with a counterfeit nig and dog, fine time, boss jokes &c.

Tues. Sept. 20th 1881

Went down to Newcastle for Gussie. Read "Bert Haven". Saw Trumbull again. Chester Arthur took the oath of administration at 2 o'clock A.M.

Wed. Sept. 21st 1881

Went down to Pryser's to see Billee, then went up to Ed's. Went to see Geo. Fernald's coins but he was not in. Stevey promised me some coins. Read Tenney's Geology. Arraigned my minerals in a different manner. Mrs. & Miss Hazlett we in and saw my collections.

The "missing bullet" was found back of the heart - only two feet from where the surgeons looked for it.

Thurs. Sept. 22^d 1881

"Stevey" came up to see my collections and I got two coins of him 1 ct. Peru 1863, 5 cts. French Colonies 1825, and English 1825. - not a mistake - got the first two of him, and the last one of "Mosey". Saw Geo. Fernald's coins. Joe Conlon was up to see my things. Went to "Humpty Dumpty" nearly killed myself when the "engine" came out, the "sky rocket" and the "serenade".

Fri. Sept. 23^d 1881

Had a boss time during writing hour. Was introduced to Miss Piper of Boston who saw my collections. Went over to Mr. Hazlett's saw his collection of coins and obtained specimens of 1800, 1801, 1806 and 1812. Saw Arth's collection got his and a better specimen of 1835. Spent the evening at Miss Fletcher's and the rest of the club except Ed.

Sat. Sept. 24th 1881

Got a coin catalogue of Mr. Hazlett.

Went round with Clarence and got some coins - New Brunswick ½p. Token 1854, Canada 1 ct. 1858, England 1p. 1865 and a Liverpool token - Sam

Roberts. Went up to Frank Millers with Miss Piper and also to Lookout Mt. and the cemetery. Saw Mr. Kidder. Got England ½ penny 1879 of Arth.

Sun. Sept. 25th 1881

Went to church with Ed & Will.

Mon. Sept. 26th 1881

Got an U.S. 1829 of Mr. Hilton. Saw Arthur's eggs and got an English coin 1852. Went after minerals with Miss S____, Miss B____, Miss F____ Will Arth Ed and Frank we went down by the Wentworth.

Garfield was buried at Cleveland to-day.

Tues. Sept. 27th 1881

Arthur Locke and Joe Conlon (Got stamps of Watson) were up got a piece of red tourmaline of "Freddy". Got two coins of Brewster Portugal 1754 and English 1806. Spent eve at Pranks. Ed [?]

Wed. Sept. 28th 1881

Read Perseverance Parker.

Thur. Sept. 29th 1881

Went to "Camp Fire" pretty fair that is some parts of it. Think I saw a friend of mine - Miss Peasley - but am not certain.

Fri. Sept. 30th 1881

Will, Ed & I pitched cents to-day at recess. Let Miss Thompson have a few of my minerals to take in the class. Saw Mr. Locke's collections of coin. Got a piece of smoky quartz. Saw or heard the band concert.

Sat. Oct. 1st 1881

Went down to see Clarence Green and then went out to see Mr. Johnson - got an English farthing 1806. Got a "langle" (?) and some cards for _____

Sun. Oct. 2^d 1881

Wrote a letter to Miss Peasley. Went down to R. B. with Arth. Ed & Will came up and then Arth. We got some "peaches" N.G. Went to lecture with the fellows. Went to Arth's house and staid all night.

Mon. Oct. 3^d 1881

Wrote to Scott & Co for some coins. Got an English of "Esqui" regular issue 1826 and an English token haven't settled yet. Saw Carroll Burtlett.

Went over to Arth's and down to "Esqui" and "Mike". Esqui gave me the coins.

Wed. Oct. 5th 1881

Went over to Johnson's with Clarence Green, we went "nutting". Mr. Johnson gave me an old French coin. Got an 1810, 1816 & 1897 of Scott & Co.

Thurs. Oct. 6th 1881

The fellows staid after school for Algebra – I did a little while. Went down to Joe Conlon's but he was not in. Saw "Toddy" promised me some coins. Went down to the printing office with Arth, Ed and Will – played euchre casino and high-low jack – also learned to play poker.

Fri. Oct. 7th 1881

Went over to Joe Conlon's saw his collection of minerals and obtained specimens of marbles and onyx – went with him over to "Teddy's" and saw his canoe. Wrote to a Providence fellow. Spent the evening at Mrs. Hazletts saw Mr. Hazlett's stamps, Miss H played a few pieces on the piano. Got "Julien Home" at school.

Sun. Oct. 9th 1881

Arth came over in the forenoon also in the afternoon – we went down to R___ B___ p___ ?, e___ Arth.

Wed. Oct. 12th 1881

Got a postal from Mr. Rhodes and ans. it. Went over to Charley Meloon's and got some stamps. Called for Arth – he was not quite ready – amused me with "Between the Acts", we went down and saw – 'free gratis' – some tight rope walking. Got a coin of Henry Montgomery. Saw the "Garfield quarters" also Mollie Garfield's photograph. Not bad looking at all.

Thurs. Oct. 13th 1881.

Elwyn Carter came over to see my coins – went down to the Atheneum with him and copied some things about coins. Arth was not to be found.

Fri. Oct. 14th 1881

Went down to the Athaeneum again finished about my coins and looked over Mormon Bible, Koran and Swedenborgen's book. Went up to the top of the building.

Sat. Oct. 15th 1881

Got 2 "41s, 3? 36 of Tom Rhodes. Paid Ed and Arth. Also a Com. ct. of Fred Watkins ?

Sun. Oct. 16th 1881

Arth & I went down to R___ B___ r S___ H___ I t___ m_ f___ c___ w_ r___ s___ . Read "Tom Newcomb". Went to church with Ed, Will, Arth, Geo. French and "Esqui". Had a little spat with a "cop".

Thurs. Oct. 20th 1881

Went up to the Trotting to see the races with Fred Martin & Joe Conlon. Examination. Went in the Athenaeum with Arth.

Fri. Oct. 21st 1881

Went to the "dime show" with "Frenchy". Bang up!

Sat. Oct. 22^d 1881

Got an English coin 1802 of Toddy. Saw Elwyn Carter's collection of coins. Good! Saw Will and passed a few circulars for him. Went to a fire Rider & Cotton's sight!

Sun. Oct. 23^d 1881

Went down to R. B. S.H. with Arth. Will & Ed came down too.
Read "Billy Bunce".

Mon. Oct. 24th 1881

Read "Caffir Diny" V.G. Tatn[?] almost G. B.

Tues. Oct. 25th 1881

Went to Court with Ed. Green - had a pile of fun.

Wed. Oct. 26th 1881

Went to dancing school. Called for Miss V____. Was introduced to Miss Stillings. Got left on my own accord. Got "flanked".

Thurs. Oct. 27th 1881

Got flanked again. Mosey got the devil! Borrowed "Isles of the Sea" of Will Waldron.

Fri. Oct. 28th 1881

Went to a party at Miss Mudge's had a fine time. Got acquainted with Misses Ayres and Vaughan.

Sat. Oct. 29th 1881

Met 'Speed' Tucker we went down to the police court to find out and see the fun of Mason's case - But it didn't occur; so we loafed round till noon.

Sun. Oct. 30th 1881

Read "Seek & Find". Ed & Will came up - had a circus.

Mon. Oct. 31st 1881

Went over to see Ben Green's minerals, got a specimen of felcite.
Went to "dancing school" with Miss H_____.

Tues. Nov. 1st 1881

Went down to Clarence's - Read "The Boy Trapezist" and "Prince Whirlwind".

Wed. Nov. 2^d 1881

Read "Billy Bang's Schooldays" and "Wonders of Pompeii".

Thurs. Nov. 3^d 1881

Got my report. Ed, Billy, Fred & Joe Conlon were up & played cards.

Fri. Nov. 4th 1881

Went to a party at Miss S___'s with [bottom of page cut off] fair time.
Introduced to Miss Ryder.

Sat. Nov. 5th 1881

Went to the Sands with Joe Conlon and Fred – after specimens. Geo's birthday.
Pope Night! Auth and I had some t___ g___ and "little dots". Slept with him.
Read "Queen of the Road" and "Sawdust Charlie".

Sun. Nov. 6th 1881

Ed & Will came up, went to church with them stuck a pin in my finger. Hi!!
Stop!!

Mon. Nov. 7th 1881

Spoke before the school Oh!! Dear!
Read a composition a month ago. Went to "dancing school" again – Danced
with De R___ whom I was introduced to.

Tues. Nov. 8th 1881

A year ago I tried m___ f___ e___ - on Vaughan St.

Wed. Nov. 9th 1881

Out in the evening with Arth & "Stevey". Gave myself away slightly!

Fri. Nov. 10th 1881

Got an English inter. rev. of Charlie Richards.

Mon. Nov. 14th 1881

Read "Black Horse Billy" Wrote letter to Geo. F. Went to "dancing school" called
for Miss De R___ who introduced to her sister. Danced with Miss D.

Tues. Nov. 15th 1881

Read "Kit Carson's Last Bullet".

Wed. Nov. 16th 1881

Had experiments at school. Rehearsed a little at Ed's. "What are you talking
about?" "Ain't that right?"

Thurs. Nov. 17th 1881

Read "Long-Paw". Went down to Miss Tuckerman's, saw her coins - among
them some English models.

Fri. Nov. 18th 1881

Read "Denver Dan Outwitted" "Volver Foot" and "All Aboard". In the evening I
tried to find Ed while he was trying to find me. Finally we met and visited

'Dicky' when we came out our pockets were considerable lightened, but other ways we were all right.

Sat. Nov. 19th 1881

Read "Black Hills Jezebel" & "Cartre Shot". Wrote two postals to some fellows in answer to a notice of exchange. Got "Joseph Noirels Revenge" from Public Library.

Sun. Nov. 20th 1881

Wrote a letter to Beverly. Read "Readpath, the Road Agent", "Gold-Dust" "Monteagle" and "Duel in Mask".

Mon. Nov. 21st 1881

Went down Sagamore Road after tourmaline. I got only a few pieces. Read "Mad Blundon". Went to "dancing school" Mr. Ham "grinded out" music for us.

Tues. Nov. 22^d 1881

Went down to call Clarence Green and then over to Rayne's for flint, got quite a lot, went over the "new" road, and over to Wm. Whipple's tomb after getting a few pieces I went down to Clarence's and borrowed some "vle[?] liter a time". Gold 5000° below freezo!
Read "Hundred Faces" & "Old Invincible".

Wed. Nov. 23^d 1881

Met a "man" from Biddeford.

Thurs. Nov. 24th 1881

"Thanksgiving Day" Went down to Ed Green's not in, his sister said he was down to Will, so I went down saw Charlie Clough, went "round" with him and saw all the fellows. Then we found Arth, "Mosey", Fred Ward, Charlie Hanscomb, Arth Martin and Johnny Bary and went "bumming". Same programme in the afternoon. Also saw Bob Rand, Johnny Tebbets, Elwin Carter, Arthur Gerrish and Arthur Blaisdel.
Poor turkeys! I pity them. Coin of Henry Montgomery. Read "Bison Bill" and "Dan the Danite".

Fri. Nov. 25th 1881

Hunted up Billy and Charlie Clough found them at Ed's. Stepped in to see Fred Ward. Got some stamps of C____ C____ among them a 2 & 4ct British Guiana. Saw Clint Berry. Went to the Alumni, saw Wm. R. Foster who recited a part of "Tale of Two Cities". Pfeiffer read an original poem, Miss Wendell sang and was encored. In the dance Ed and Billy "sailed in" Joe C____ came near going over. Hon. Dan Teat and I tried to get a partner for the intermission – but ignominiously failed so we went out ourselves and visited Coleman's. I got home rather early on the 26th inst. I met "Pere" Pray there. Read "Masked Rider" & "Smoky Ned".

Sat. Nov. 26th 1881

The first thing I did this morning was to go home – then to bed. Saw M____ W____ in the evening. Went down town to raise the crowd, succeeded in getting Billy up, we went down “en mass” to find Fred Ward. In the afternoon I bummed round a little then went over on Dennett St. with Will. Went down to Clarence’s. Read “Forest Rovers”.

Sun. Nov. 27th 1881

Arth. Came over a little while. Met the fellows at 4 at N____ Church, Clough was not there. We went up to the new church went up to the top and had to come down again. Billy got a deal about \$.50.

Read “N[?]zer, “Begger Prince”, “Shawne? Sam” and “The Man from Texas”.

Mon. Nov. 28th 1881

Went to “dancing school” Went through the new quadrille, and tried waltzing.

Tues. Nov. 29th 1881

Went to the auction. The fellow “bid up” a box which was bid on – when opened it was found to contain \$5.

Wed. Nov. 30th 1881

Read “Cost Away” Was examined in spelling.

Thurs. Dec. 1st 1881

Was examined in Philosophy. Got 86. We had to swear to the “rightness” of our papers. Read “Ned Temple”. Ed was taken sick. “Stevey” & I went down to Clarence’s a short time.

Fri. Dec. 2^d 1881

Was examined in Algebra & Latin.

Got a postal from C. F. Marinaes[?].

Sat. Dec. 3^d 1881

Wrote to Claude Ashbaugh. Went out with “Frenchy” had a cussed fool with us that we couldn’t drop. Went into Dickey’s and got some s____ c____. Got “Vestal”.

Sun. Dec. 4th 1881

Wrote a composition in my book. Geo. French came in so did Charlie Stackford[?] & “Hutchy”. Read “Winged Captain”. Went to church with Johnny Berry & Frenchy at the Middle St. Church.

Mon. Dec. 5th 1881

Wrote to Charlie Watson & Prof. Foote. Had some sport, at school, the endless class. Ed in the rear. Read a composition. Went to “dancing school” A____ V____, N____ S, & L__ G__ were expelled, got G. B 4c. Tried waltzing with Ed’s

big sister, then tried the "Lancers", then I went out to get a drink of water with Ed. Whitehouse, and while we were out the "Portland Fancy" was formed and the same partners were engaged for the "circle" and march. Ed. W___ sailed in and got a partner, and Arth & I not to be outdone "followed suit". I got Bertha B_____.

Tues. Dec. 6th 1881

Rather dull day. Loafed round till eve then Ed & I went up to see "Dicky" (If a fish & a half &c & dozen 12¢ for eggs &c) [?] we indulged in a bottle of c____. Then we got Frenchy and started for town when we heard _ _ _ _ from Billy who joined the gang, we walked round and finally brought up in Arth's office, here [?] we found him and "Zek"[?] Hatch, then "[?] & "Esqui" came in. Arth [?]cessed me a price list from Torfel's[?]

Wed. Dec. 7th 1881

Fred Martin & I thought we would "take in" the entertainment at the Methodist Church, we did so Toddy went too after we had been there a little while "Billy" came down, and "skinned in". As things were rather dull at first Clarence – by way of a change – put his best foot in "Toddy's" pocket, which it all to smash. Poor Toddy! He couldn't move the rest of the evening (till supper time). The performance was varied by either Toddy getting a crack with his cane at Albert Yeaton, or Billy sticking a shallol[?] pin in the rear of his pants, or Fred kicking in the same place, where Billy stuck the pin, or my zaps across the skull – which would have killed any ordinary men. We had a most magnificent supper consisting of equal parts of pure water, coffee – devilish weak -, tea price 9cts pr lb. – dish water, and slops, with a spoon full of sugar to the gallon, and cake. We played that we were Dr. Tanners. I tried to live on faith but did not succeed.

Thurs. Dec. 8th 1881

There is a "kid" on Austin St. – ask G___ who it belongs to, (but be careful). Got a postal & specimens of graphite from F. A. Hoar.

Fri. Dec. 9th 1881

Got dismissed and went to the depot to find Ed, but after waiting a little while and not seeing him, I returned home. Went again in the afternoon and waited from 2-15 till 3-. Old fellow had missed the first train and was delayed on the second.

Sat. Dec. 10th 1881

Ed & I started for the post office and on the way – found Clarence E. Green, Esq. who wanted me to go to Johnson's with him. Afterwards we (Ed & I) went down to see Mrs. P___, and then to Newcastle. I went down to the beach and the tower with him, and after dinner went down to find Ed Whitehouse, but did not succeed. Saw Will Preble. Just as we reached the gate – here – an alarm of

fire broke out; we did not go. After supper we went down town, but did not stay long on account of the cold. The wind was blowing from all points of the compass.

Sun. Dec. 11th 1881

Ed gave me a \$5 and a \$20 Confederate bills. And an unknown one, a one issued by F. L. Grey[?], and one issued by J. L. Gragin. Wrote to Miss Howland. Had the d___ of a time with Ed. Kicked out twice.

Mon. Dec. 12th 1881

Received a postal from J. S. Han. Went down to Clarence's I commenced to read "Building Himself up". Went to "dancing school" danced the "Lancers" "Portland Fancy" and Circle March with Miss Barre. Lost my hat over in the chryard and had to devil of a time in finding it.

Tues. Dec. 13th 1881

Got a letter from Wm. R. Nichols. Went down to Clarence's again. Got a postal from A. P. Holden, a circular from W. K. Fowler, and a letter from Beverly.

Wed. Dec. 14th 1881

"Stock holder's Day". Clarence Green, Ed and I went up on shares. Had a little chin with conductor on C. R. R. but got to the Junction all right. Went through to South Lawrence and changed cars for Lawrence. Walked round a little and then went to see Miss Moers a friend from Portsmouth. Went back and waited quite a while in the at S___ L___. Saw an elderly lady take hold of the platform of a car and at the same time drop her valise. Just as our patience was all exhausted the train came. Had some more fun with a conductor, gave him some chin, and Ed shelled out a quarters worth which he paid for. Left the cars at Haverhill and went up Merrimac St. I hunted for "Issy" went into fifteen or sixteen millinary stores for her and finally found her at 10 Merrimac Street. She did not know me. Went back to the depot and after waiting a while went back to see my sister again. Then back to depot and after waiting a few centurys we departed. When we got to the Junction the train did not stop but carried us on to Dover, where we thought we had got to stop: but the devil takes care of his own, and after waiting an age in the worst depot I ever saw we departed for home and arrived all right – but fearful hungry. When we got off the cars at Dover I started on the run for the cars, and stumbling over some thundering lager beer bottle got a fall worse than that of the Roman Empire. Got a postal from Ned Ewer.

Fri. Dec. 16th 1881

Got Don Quixote from the Public Library.

Sat Dec. 17th 1881

Went to Collis's 99 Cent store, to work during the holidays. Had the devil of a time getting home with some bundles. Went again in the evening.

Sun. Dec. 18th 1881

Arth. Called for me, so I went down to the Post Office, and over to his office. We undone some minerals, belonging to his father. He gave me a piece of Jasper from Yosemite Valley, Colorado, do from Argentine Republic, and some Copper from Alaska. Ed. and Billy came up and after staying a little while, we went down town with Ed.

Mon. Dec. 19th 1881

Ed went home to-day. I went down to the store in the afternoon, but got off in the evening and went to dancing school. We tried some new dances, I had Miss DeRochmont; and then Miss Barri for the circle and the Lancers. The next meeting will be Dec. 28th.

Tues. Dec. 20th 1881

Went to work in the afternoon and evening. School closed 'till January 3^d 1882.

Sun. Dec. 21st 1881

I have been so busy that I have not had time to do anything. Made the acquaintance of Miss Marden, Miss Nutter, Mrs. Collis, Miss ____ and "Steve". "Steve" is a good fellow who will die if he don't get three stale jokes, in sideways, every day. The place is very easy one. I had to sweep out one day and then Teddy would the next. Sometimes we had to carry bundles out beyond civilization. Woodbury St. for instance! Ed and Billy came over to see me, after staying a short time we started for town and met Geo. French at the back door. The Middle St. Church was full, so we walked round – with the exception of Ed who had a bad cold so he went home. Billy had a rather serious talk – that is for us. Had sort of a Christmas. Mattie gave me a knife, Charley a gold dollar, Gussie a half dollar, a razor, and a watch pocket.

Mon. Dec. 26th 1881

Another Christmas!

Worked in the forenoon and got a dollar more than I expected, however I didn't make a fuss about it. Clarence gave me his collection of stamps among them I got a 12ct Justice and a 20cm. Italy for my collection. Annie gave me a bottle of cologne, a book "My Roses" haven't read it yet so I can't say whether it is good or not, and a mighty fine pocket book with a quarter in it.

In the evening it was rather rainy. Clarence and I tacked casino, in which I beat, high-low jack, do, checkers six games Clarence beat three, and so did I. Forgot to mention that I saw Geo. Huss yesterday also that I went over to see Charley Davis. Got some 'muscovite' ahem! and some garnets & iron pyrites.

We have had bang up weather this year. Only one snow storm that staid anytime at all. And that only two or three days at most.

Tues. Dec. 27th 1881

Wrote a postal to Mrs. Smith for Colonial and Confederate money. Went down to Clarence's played high-low jack and casino – beat him as usual. Being rather moist out I came home and played checkers with Gussie.

Wed. Dec. 28th 1881

Went down to Ed's. Alice bought a postage stamp and because it did not stick good – bought another. Saw some coins that Ed bought. Met Morris Green, Engaged to see him at 7.30 to-morrow. Went to Billy's and borrowed "Down South". Went to "dancing school". Went the "Lancers" with Miss DeRochmont. Then tried polka and schottisse – Oh Lord! – but did not make a success of it. Then tried "Portland Fancy" with the other Miss Rochmont (N) also the march. Got a postal from Willis Raymond.

Thurs. Dec. 29th 1881

Answered from the postal of Willis Raymond and sent on some minerals. Rather moist out, and as I had to go downtown in the afternoon, I dropt in to see Frank Shannon. We buzzed each other till dark. Did not go over to Morris Green too devilish rainy. Went over to Paul Lughton's to get George – not quite ready, so I went in and saw the last act of a s-h-o-w (?) Was rather surprised to see Miss S____ there.

Fri. Dec. 30th 1881

Went down to Clarence Green for a change – but found him busy so went and hunted up Ed & Billy. Saw "Stevy" and got some c____ for the crowd. "Stevey" & I and took a walk. Poor Cuss! He had been to Boston. Went down to Clarence Green's again, paid up my debts with him – and got a letter written by a soldier during the "Seven Days before Richmond" Went down to the public library and got "Uncle Remus". Saw Morris Green's coins and purchased five namely 1862, 1863 [?] 1854 cinq France, 1 ore 1878 Norway and 1285 A. H. Morocco.

Sat. Dec. 31st 1881

The last day of the year!

Also the last day of the world according to "Mother Shipton's Prophecy". I have concluded to repent, and am expecting to hear Gabriel to-night at 12. Reserved ticket for sale at the door. Went down to Ed's. We finally caught up at "Dicky". Went down to Clarence Green's but not finding him in, I went down to the store where I read the larger part of "Bad Boy". Went out with Geo. French in the evening. Used up all my c____ & c____ Went into "Dicky's" and got some cider. Good Bye" old year - Will Gabriel appear with his penny whistle!

1881

Eighteen hundred and eighty one A.D. has witnessed a few remarkable event, and a few worth my remembering – The Assassination of J. A. Garfield and the Czar of Russia, the death of Old Abe, the Wisconsin War eagle, of Geo. Huchin's, and J. T. Fields.

The mini affairs Charley C____, Elwyn C____, Charley W____, John T____, Arthur G____ and Bob Rand have gone to Boston and have procured different situations. The Public Library of Ports. has been thrown open to the public.

I have increased in my collection of stamps, have bought an album for my internal revenues; have had a case made for my butterflies; have begun a collection of postal cards and didn't do very bad; have obtained several rare curiosities; have obtained a few new eggs among them a Golden Crowned Thrush's; have also added to my collection of minerals, have got all the W. S. Cents except 14, mounted the whole, both foreign & domestic.

We have changed our teachers at school. Mr. Clark going into jewelry business at Manchester, and Mr. Goodwin coming from the High School at Farmington. I have picked up a little of the art of dancing.

Have found an Archery Club, Secret Society of the H____ and a Dramatic Club (neither of which amounted to anything). And last but not least I have visited many new places, and have made the acquaintance of many friends wh[?] [?] highly.

There is an end to everything, consequently there is an end to this diary and here it is.

Allow me to subscribe myself _____

Very Truly Yours for the fun of the [?],

W. P. Young