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Dec 28 Thurs (W)⁺
A fine day. Went out to see
the sheep, fed them & on
g dog. Sheep oats The
weather is rather cool.
Still at the colors. The
Vacation is fast pass
ing away I am very
anxious to know how
the second term will
prove. As one casts
his eye over the vast
unbroken landscape
of these prairies he
is reminded of Old
Occum. His belief is that
farming is very easily
accomplished here
Mr Graves came up
saying Anna Borders
has just had a fit
Mother Porter went on

at evening as she had
another fit John went
after Goodbrooke a
fit - a periodical or
voluntary convulsion of
the limbs "was our
Deduction Frank and
I engaged in studying
the colors. We have off
our languages now
The snow is in good
trim - covers house
fence tree & field with
a coat of white. What
makes snow look white

Dec. 29. Frid
Another day spent at
Heriotston. Nothing
special. The world is
thus Col. Coll. Has
bought the Savage
property gave his
own house & lot D

\$4000, for the Savage
property of a good Brick
House & 20 acres of
land. Now that is
quite a change again.
Frank & I & Border
there next Spring term
I suppose. Don't we?
Miss Borders worse this
evening. another fit John
my went off the medicine
Plugging "odd or even"
I am working at the prob-
lem of the square in per-
spective. Rind offered the
great. Snow is still
in good quantity (1)

Dec. 30 Sat. (1)
This was a fine day
cool enough to be pleas-
ant. I wrote a piece
the forenoon on govern-
ment correspondence.

Went I have in print
Joe went to town Mr.
Joe D. Jr. also
went to town there
was no mail for
me. Reading & Can
versing as usual
Mr Allen was here
this afternoon He
is teaching & runs
a school here in the
District. He has
a 3 months school
at \$2 Dolls per mo.
He is tall & has black
or Brown eyes & has
a soft voice & seems
to be unusually kind
to Huldah. Mr
Allen has been out of
the army only a short
time He has been
stationed at Jackson

Miss Mr Beebe
73 came here this after-
noon He was on the
Hunt of his "fram"
His junior by 25 years
He thinks he could go
out to the timber and
cut more wood than
"Al" or "Johnny" either
At evening Frank &
Huldah went to Grove's
I found out a new
point the plane of the
Equator is inclined $23^{\circ}28'$
to the Earth's orbit or the
plane thereof. Hence
How many degrees is
the Earth's axis inclined
to the plane of the orbit?
Read some in History
Drew Frank's Portrait
Got Mrs Madders' (?)

Dec. 31. Sun. (1)⁺
A glorious day, which the
girls have gone to town
for George. This makes
the end of the year
Anno Domini 1865.
A year great in its
Results. To the Nation
& to me individually.
The Rebellion collapsed
During the Year. The Pres-
ident was killed Lee
& Johnson Surrendered
Jeff Davis Capt'd & such
Johnson came into the
President's Mansion
As to myself. I was
delivered from Captivity
& married two great
events to me at least.
I've taught one term
in the Clinton School.
Regained my lost money

Am in good Health
My wife is much Stronger
than she was 3 months
ago. Tom Deals gently
with us all. I have things
pleasant I enjoy life.
My kind friends take
pleasure in rendering &
my comfort. Providence
gives us health & plenty
to eat & wear. & good Books
to enjoy ourselves. With
We are opening new
channels of thought
I review life with
Pleasure. I have a
Salary of 100 Dollars
per month which is
good for me. I think
much better than I'd
have got if I'd remain-
ed at Home during the
war

My Father & Mother & Bro's
& Sister seem to be
well by the last acct
all is glorious. A
Brilliant future awaits
me if not of greatness
at least of usefulness
After Dinner George
and Grace came
We had eaten Dinner
I read Evening News
and commenced
asking most uninter-
estingly. We sat around
the checkers & love &
discussed questions
of importance. Frank
Grace, Hor P & Mrs
Geo. Holt, Joe & I sat
there Johnny Wedgan
to town. Matthew's
thinks if "A" & "B" were
partners and

a Bill should be presen-
ted to "A" & He should
pay it out of his own
private funds "B" should
pay him the full amt
of the Bill or put the
amt in the Drawer
The other ("B") claims the
Bill should pay "A" for the Bill
or put the whole amt in
the Drawer. A Thief
went to a Shoemaker's
Bought a pair of Boots for
\$7.00. The Shoemaker could
not make the change went
to the Bank took the Thief's
10 dollar Bill got the change
& returned gave the Thief 3
Dollars & the left. The
Bank Bro't the Bill Back
saying it is a counter-
feit. The Shoemaker
Hadt to make it good

How much is he out"
Went to Bed early. God
Grace on our side.
Frank & I on the other
We were awakened
after while By music
By many voices "Mary
to the Sherours womb"
Then the clock struck
12. We heard a movement
& "New Years gift" was
the cry. This inspired
in the Year 1866 (1)

Jan. 1 1866

Arose without a head
ache felt very well.
All was in good trim
We enjoyed life hugely
To day after Break
fast! George, Johnny
& I took a notion
to go hunting. I took
the Carbine George

The rifle & off we went
We followed the Hedge
northward. But found
no game. Went eastward
then crossed a corn-
field. Then George
found a track going
into the ground.

Johnny went after
a ~~spade~~ or mattock
to Butten's. We Geo. & I
took a tour out around
relying on the Hole
Dug for game where
lo. Here was a Rab-
bit. We got him out
o' but he squealed.
George put him hors
de combat by sundry
strokes on his neck
We then proceeded
Back by the river
walking thro' the

tall grass. Nothing
came up. The saw
some prairie chickens
Came on. Home found
the girl down on
the ice. Went down
& A But we did
skate. The ice was
a little rough. The girls
would start then we
would follow & after
& set down & away we
would go. I gave Fran-
ces two or 3 tumbles
& held her hurt her
arm by a fall.
Frank & I turned
at the call for Din-
ner & took a few
wally movements
to discuss the
chickens & toward
evening we got

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in the wagon & with
the girls behind & we
on the seat. We took
a jolly ride along
the rough road to Clinton.
Mother & sister's family
seemed all well &
Aunt except Ben.
O But we are sore
tomorrow make
the commencement
of a new term.
I don't care (3)

Jan 2 Tues
Arose about 8 A.M.
after Breakfast we
went up to school quite
a goodly number of
scholars. The school
crowded full.
To day Miss Choppe
lear Spoke to me

about taking a day
I did not do much
to do I told Hark
wait till noon & we
would see the Doc-
tors. I told her I had
two my full bunch
of classes. Miss Mac-
don is full also
& wants to send
a lot up to Miss Chap-
man. I heard no
classes in the fore-
noon But Mac
arrange me to see
Mr Humphrey & Mr
Craw they think they
will come up & fix
the school up they
want to take Miss
Swick out of the Brown
corn House. I told

them something would
have to be done they
think of bringing the
other school over &
putting Miss Cheffels
in my room. Miss
Macdon was her
Miss Welsh vice her.
Hearl Geo. & Gram-
mar A. B. H. Frank
& Grace went to Kellys
Kellys are going to
be in charge of
the new house.
Miss Kate Woolf
& Mr Brown
were married this
evening & took the
cars at 5 P.M.
Went up to George's
store & saw Rich
Conklin & Am Williams
Harvey J. & J. H. Has gone

Went up town saw
Mr Henry Craig and
Mr. Whitwick (11) +

Jan 3 Wed. (11) +
This forenoon before
Recess Messrs. Craig
Humphrey & Adkison
Came up & staid with
me till Recess they
Arrested the classes in
Arith. Recite they Discuss
ed the various plans
about the small room
I had a Splendid
School. At evening
left the Directors & at
the Buildings At go
ing went up to Geo
ge's Stor. Cold and
Sharp night. It's
Did not study any.
Hear Harvey Jager & Dent
this night Kelly had accer-

Inc Connell disubing had
to Drythem up. (11) +

Jan 4 Thurs.
Very cold morning. Got
to School just as the Bell
rang. The School is rather
noisy. Had Map Questions
The Carpenter. Put a door
into the little Room. Miss
Til Chappelle as to recite
with Mollie. in french
as she she tripped over
the fence. Her feet slip
ped & she fell Back
against the Steps with.
Her shoulder. At eve
got a "public" George D.
"Sis" out of humor Cool
Kelly has been nearly
killed on the cars
toward Verona. Mrs
K will go to him
likely

Frank and I
playing Blind Mans
Bluff.

Jan 3- Fri.
This morning I went
up to School. The
Directors Have Con-
clude d to change
entirely the order of
the school. Miss Chap-
pel & Miss Madden
Both came to me to see
about commencing
to change the schools
& to make the change
so that Mollie Welch
could bring the school
from downtown.
I told them to find
out what pupils
had better change.
I just watched my

School to a limited
degree and meddle
tell what to do. At
or towards noon we
sent for Mr Humphrey
& thought we would
have his opinion on
the affair. After
Dinner Miss Chappell
sent her porter in
after I had got my
school to change
some. The scholars
viewed the change
as an innovation.
I think. Those left
acted queerly. Some
cried. Archy Lewis
took it hard. The rest
mocked. Some what
at it. But poor Archy
thought his fortune
gone.

After recess Miss
Holly came with
her flock and
entered into her
room. We were
visited by Mr
Humphrey who told
we were not scared
before we were hurt.
But he did not think
that Miss Mueller
thought she did n't
want to teach where
she was not wanted
& where the scholars
were crying for their
old teacher. But
she was informed
by Mr Humphrey that
she could not consent
Caster & wishes But
would have to go
when called.

At evening felt not a
bit like reciting. Went
home feeling rather queer.
The Carpenter put a
door in the little room
As I came down met
Mr Humphrey at
Crawfs we went to
Ephraim's and got the
promise of a carpen-
ter for the morrow.
He thought all was fin-
ished. As I came
past I saw Col Kelly
"Halloo Col. I thought
you was killed!"
Do I any. Give yet
Went up to his office
after supper he told
me about his escape.
It was before supper
Had a talk time in the
morning after supper

(11)^{xx}
The snow going off
Weather made sailing
fast. The Col told
me about the Sav-
age property. I am
glad the Col has done so
well. He gave his House
and lot for the Savage
House & 4000. dollars to
boot. Then he sold 20
acres off the west end
for 2500 Dols. & gave
2500 for the rest
showing that he has
made 1500 Dollars
counting his own
property at 2000
Then 1500 Dollars & the
Kelly Property 2000 Dols
is what the Savage property
stands the Col.

Jan 6 Sat.
Went about 7 Harrod

up to the Carpenter's got
the man put him to work
and came down to
Breakfast. After which
I went up to the School
House. Had the Rear Dicks
moved forward, put
benches in the little room
Put seats where we could
find room transferred
recitation Benches.
Had seats made of bench
is brot over by Rogers
from the Hovey House. I
put the Programme
under way, partially
when Miss Chappelle
came. She was anxious
to have my class in 3^d
Part Arith Metig &
my class in Geog.
I gave them 10 Rev
Moved in all the Benches

and used them.
At evening found my
wife very unwell
with colic. Went up
town to see Kelly
He told me about the
Snell scrape with Mor-
gan. He used his influ-
ence to quiet him & got
him pacified. I don't
feel well about the
success of my next term
of school. I've got to
put some Back Bone
in play. 3 months
will tell on the opera-
tion.

Jan 7 Sun.
Frank in deep sleep
slept last night
out plain. "I don't
want to stay here"
"Hildah!" Her colic

is miserable in the
extreme. I went to
church at 11. Heard
Rev. Moore. On the
centenary of Methodism.
John XXIV. 4. The
Roman Catholic Calvin-
istic Lutheran & Meth-
odistic. Frank went
to Bed this afternoon.
Her back aches. She
feels sick. Frank very
unwell. Had a bad
cold. My mind is a little
worn the stretch about run-
ning the school. This week
But it has got to go if
it takes the hair off.
Rather cold this evening.
Nothing very special in
going down to Clinton
Tues. & Mon.
Arose early went up.

to Hunt & Hand's got my
clock and went to the
School House. put it up
Got my Breakfast and
Returned to School. We
Had a full term out
this morning Read
the Rules No Drinking
No whispering No leaving
seats No etc. We read them
off & told them what they
must do. We had rather
a busy time arranging
I am about to get a class
in Book Keeping. I
am disposed to perse-
vere... I flogged self
Wood & Malt. Counsel
with my hand Went to
Miss Madden's Room
& flogged 3 in there
Just then Miss Mollie
Witch's Room. Heard

part of my classes. I
am bound to have order
What am I? Just as
much as any other
man! Pretty cool
again. Miss choppe
War has considerable
system. With Her Skill
I will succeed I
know. At evening
Wrote off a programme
& wrote off the names
on the Register
Males & females
separate. At 11
P.M. went up to find
a Book at Phillips
Store on Book Keeping
Frank had gone to
Bed when I came
Back about eleven
Elle est dans Malt. Dan-
te. le bois

Jan 9 Tues

Coal this morning got
to school as the 1st Bell
was Ringing Corn
menced like this
morning. All went
along pretty well.
Called Fannie Clark
out on the floor for
whispering she chid
I visited Miss Rogers
school she takes con-
siderable care with
her school in read-
ing. I visited Miss
Knadler she was ex-
plaining Birdology
or Natural History.
At evening I had
a list handed me
by Miss Chappelen
for whispering I
told them to remain

after school. Miss
Hazel started for the
Dove I told her
to remain. I talked
to her she was very
impudent. I talked
to each one. They
promised Reform
Mollie Green, O. Wood
and Fannie Clark
Maudie Miss
Devoice Julia Buntz
Rowland Belle Borders

Hazel attempted
to go out I stopped
her & told her I did
not permit impudent
I wanted to know
what she intended to
do she thought she
would not whisper
if she staid in school
and if she did not she

wouldn't. Impudent.
At last she promised if
she could she would
do it. I ought to just
put such scholars
out of the house.
I am bound to
make it go if it takes
the hair off. Frank
went with young
Horne Sleeting.
I went up to the Gro-
cery. Talked to Mr.
Geo Conklin & to
George went up to
Mr. Cravens & to
Mr. Humphreys.
But found them
both gone. Repaired
to the Grocery. Mr.
Ad. L. Courier &
Gazette for to read.
The news is good.

Saw A statement
or administrators
notice from Jim
Foley on the effects
of "Robert Hanson
Deceased" and one
from Mrs. Aler
wife of Frederick C
Aler. He ceased
Post. Fellow. He paid
the debt of nature
found a wound recd
in defense of his
country. Retired
after battling a while.
Weather Stotts on the
school. I found my
mind running on
the status of the school
and also on my
trials. I found my
mind excited and
in much disorder.

Jan 10 Wed
Cross found the
sleet turned to rain
ing. I ate my Break
fast of Cold Butter
& Tough Beef & went
on my way to the
School House. I
wrote my Copy in
Both rooms.
We had no trouble
to day I stood 3 or
4 on the floor for
whispering. We
had considerable
skating to day on
the ice block in
front of the School
House. Not much
trouble. Miss Chap-
man said she had
to tell Isaac Death
to take his seat.

He was leaving with
out permission &
was going to leave
for home. Miss
Lizzy. Leeds Miss
A. Winton. (Miss Hull)
& Fannie Clark
Must Be watched
to morrow. & Dealt
with in earnest
As I came to George's
grocery saw Mr. Wise
Carver & Mr. Ark Ryan
He wanted me to put
his children through
and he would back
me. I shall certainly
do the same.
Shraw. Does not
come this evening. I
know most she is
crying her dear eyes
out for to see me.

Saw H. Thurs.
Found the Snow still
melting. Bounced from
my bench cot and
ate in a hurry &
went to the School
House. Found
none there. scarcely
I went to writing my
copies on the Boards
as usual. Misses Mac-
den & Chapplear were
soon on hands. We
commenced as usual
But had no time to call
roll. Went right to
work. Talked to Mrs
Maggie Wright she was
whispering. I asked
her about it she pre-
tend she did not know.
That was the rule.
The room was pretty

noisy considering but
Dick Hickman & Geo
or I others on the floor
But it did n't hurt a
Bit. At noon Miss
Chapplear said to
me I won't take any
more names then
don't care a Bit for
standing on the floor
Miss Macden is mad
about you whipping
her scholars & not
doing any thing to the
large ones & whacking the
small ones. I saw the
justice of the thing or
rather the injustice.
The Skating was grand
at the playground.
The Boys with them
Skating went through
it with a gusto

After dinner I went
through the parr to
Cotton Creek & on the
right of the Bridge
I cut a Bundle of
thorn whips & mar-
ched to the School
House. It made a
flutter I assure
you. At the taking
up of School I made
a few Remarks. Now
I want to notify this
School if there is not
a change in this
school then will
be some Body Hurt
Now Beware! If
you do it you you
do it with your ears
open. Now remember
It is a shame to
Have Scholars of this

size making trouble when
they should be an exam-
ple. And left the
room. I am on verbs
Do, Draw, etc. Had a
School this afternoon
that was a School.
At coming Back after
while I found two names
I took out the rock
& gave Mike & Alf.
Wood a whipping &
then laid the piece
in the desk.
We laught. The girls
dried up that noise.
Visited Miss Rogers's
room Had gymnastics
Had writing in Miss
Madden's room. Good
copy. Wrote Copies
after school. Miss
Chappell, Mark, Maps

At evening I went to
Phillips & I got a
Slate and Ruler ~~at~~ but
Came on Down & went
to Studying Banking
At a late hour I got
back with the oil for
the lamp. At a late
hour I went to Beer
Say then thinking I am
for the Harper Monthly
5.00 dollars the Snow
is going off as fast
as possible.

Jan 12 Frid.
Arose this morning
& got ready I was up
at 7 am. After which
went to school the snow
is growing bad I
am sorry that it has
melted by the snow & ice.
The school went along

finely today. Went to
see Mr Humphrey about
dismissing at 10 to
go to the funeral of
Mr Bentz a Soldier
But He told me that
those who wanted to go
might as I was so kind
ly, that He thought it best
to keep the school going
After dinner Miss Chap
Pleasant took a class into
the room "Class A" Arith.
I spoke of Declama-
tion Composition &
Reading to my school
Miss Anna M. Far-
land was appointed
Editress she was elected
By the Boys. She chose
"Minnie" Assistant
Put 8 Boys on Dec.
Luncheon in 2 weeks

And 8 girls on Ready
The paper is to come
next week the other
in two weeks. At noon
Frank & Her mother
were at Sports as I came
Home. After Supper
Frank and I went
up to Col. Kelly's the mist
was pretty thick as we
went but when we
came back I had
dried up. Col. Kelly told
me his troubles about Riley
wanting to the dance
& that he reasoned him
out of it by telling him
if he went in 20 years
Uree would get Bids
from young men & then
he as father would have
to step in then he would
rebel probably and

would refer him to
Riley as vindication of
her conduct. At last
he gave in. The Col.
spoke of my conduct
in the school read thru
his week's diary. Riley
came & read me the
Review & more of Poe's
poems. We had music
by Uree. We then came
home & found it
freezing fast & cold
Jan 13 Sat
Went up town after
breakfast which was
about 10 A.M. Signed
for a book at Hanch's
(gro & store) from N.
York City Educational
Monthly National
At noon Mr. Jno. Foster
& Uncle Thomas Sanders

Came. Thomas knew
most all the people I
knew. He was on the
Hunt of his Son's Horses.
3 which were stolen.

He had already spent
100 Dollars on hunting.
He is a Brother of Jam
Dodds man Sam.

After dinner and evening
I studied South 4th Part
Frank & I washed in
the Kitchen in about
17 spoonfulls of water.
Winch day. (1)⁺⁺

Jan 14th Sun. (1)

Frank & I arose late.
Did not go to church
to day at all Sat
By the Store reading
Diaries Saw the gay
flames white & red
on their way to church

At evening Frank
& I took a walk
out past Campbell's
Church past Ageley
Makans to the mill &
returned. I had the
pleasure of carving
the turkey to day at
noon. Very cold this
evening. Wrote a piece
"On dirt" in pencil
at mother's slats table.
Went to bed pretty early.
I don't like this not
going to church. (1)⁺⁺

Jan. 15th Mon.

I crawled out leaving
Frank in the arms of
Morpheus But after
nearly 9 awoke her &
told her she should
arise take and put
her clothes on & come

Down Stairs I red
to her the "Ondit" Found
the Sleet had fallen and
After Breakfast as I went
up I found the trees all
loaded with ice and Dr
Warners Peach trees were
bending over in the way. I
cast my eyes up at the mag-
ic work overhead every
twig had a coat on. The
Scene was enchanting the
Pines were bent over
and looked like a woman
with a shawl on. Left
my production with Rog-
ers who said he would
give it to Dr Lewis West
or up to the School House
The Bell froze up & sounded
lips pounding in old pot
It had a bad cold sure
I wrote my Copies on the

Board as usual. The
water is coming through
the Ceiling. The School
went along very well
They were a little noisy
Did not get around
much till afternoon
Miss Rogers School when
I went in and found
her out as a quiet as
mice. Of real mice
School. Heard noise &
laughing in Miss Kna-
dler's room When Mrs
Rogers came Back she
said she guessed they
were "playing School in
there" I went in and
found 6 or 11 Boys
standing on one foot
& of all the grimaces
I laughed at one large
Boy Miss Knadler

would go to him & slap
him over the ears & jaws. He
would laugh and look
so mischievous

After School was out I
came on home. lost
my hat at Madden's. At
noon I saw Irlwin
He gave me fits for writ-
ting with a lead pencil
& writing on two pages
of one leaf. He is putting
in Smith's pencil also
He showed me part of
my piece in type. He
thought that the principal
would give "on dit" fits
"less begetting" Ha! Ha!
George & I ate enormous
portions of Turkey
At noon. As we went
up town the wind blew
as clear off of the sea

walk just beyond
the P.O. It was a wind
that came up from Rogers
Got Can of Cysters &
1 lb Crackers 1.15
We had to leave & set
as we came on down
home I feel awful well
How strange (1)

Jan 16 Tues
Arose early and went
to school early. wrote
my copies. School went
along pretty well. Miss
Manning Miss Chapple
Leat thought she was
treating coolly. By
Mr. G. about the Haw
Bill. That was hand-
led in. We let it
pass. School went
on about as usual
We nearly forgot

our spelling. The house
was not leaking to day.
The ground was frozen
hard. Some of the Boys
went skating got a
letter from W. P. Ford
about Richard being
abused by Winslow.
At evening had punch
in the little room. At
Haynes & Riley Kelly
took dinner with us.
At evening Read
Poe's Raven &c.
Rather cool this eve-
ning.

Jan. 17 Wed
I got up to school
wrote my copy. School
went on as usual
and just after I
had called Higgin
Arith. 3 names were

given me Miss bundiff
Beath & Truelden. I
talked to them that
I guessed I would
have to whip them.
I then as they began
to cry changed my
plan. I asked sever-
al their opinions of
the rule on whis-
per. There was a diver-
sity of opinion. & also
about the punishment.
The girls cried just
before 12. I sent them
home with their books
& told them when they
could come back
& do their duty as
scholars they could
by making the proper
acknowledgments.
They took their books

I pitied poor Miss
Grindiff as she cried
in the Hall. The school
ars were discussing
the thing pretty exten-
sively. Julia thought
she did not care if
she did not come to
school any more as
she was n't learning
anything. Miss Grindiff
was willing to take a
whipping. But I thought
the right way was to
send them home &
suspend them
from the school for
a while. Well I came
down to Dr Madelen's
saw Miss Madelen &
Lo. was crying Her
eyes out. I was
asked what must

be done for them to
get Back. I told
them I would tell
as I came Back
I felt "grand, gloomy,
and peculiar." at
noon Went up to
Madelen's. The girls
were there I told the
Dr the only way I sup-
posed was to have
them come up & do
as I required. He
said that was right
& all He wanted me
to do was to stick
up to my rules.
School went on as
usual. Miss Jennie
Anders on called. She
is teaching as assist-
ant at Mt. Pleasant.
At evening I was

trying to get the french
class going. But we got
to talking about the
school. The Snow is
going a little to day I
tell you this school is a
hard one sure But most
think I am all right
Dr Madden thinks Miss
Chappelle thinks she knows
it all. But he says she
is a good teacher. Mr
Beatty Hailed me as I
went along the Street
He wanted to know what
was the matter with
Julia. I told him he
told me to do my duty
& He would send her
back the Boys thought
they would come if I
taught them & also they
say they can't do as

they would the School
is so crowded. I told
him my trials.
Huldah came down
& we had Algebra (D)
Jan 18 Thurs
School went along well
to day this morning the
fire was bad I had to
send the School into the
little room by turns to
warm. Miss Julia was
on hands this morning
after recess she made
her acknowledgments
I was sorry that it had
to be done. But I can't
help it the Directors
were up & seeing that
the School was in order
as they heard that all
was going wrong and
the Scholars were sit

ting 4 in a seat. He
advised they were sat-
isfied. that all was
right and went on
their way home well
pleased. Mr Adkris-
son was kind enough
to promise me that he
would come back to
talk to the School. All
went along as merry as
a marriage bell. I had
to hear the adv. Geog.
as Miss Chappellier
was hoarse. Came on
down to Kell's office
as a man asked me
about the tax on that
lot. I went in the
office and to here was
quite a party of men
earnestly debating a
question. The Col was

glad to see me and
showed me a piece
in the paper on file
in his office. He show-
me "on dit" and ask-
ed me if I knew that
man. I told him "no".
I didn't know that man.
He said it was a mean
thing. I read it and
here came in Squire
Green says he that
Article is a base low
& scurrilous thing I
wouldn't have my
children read such
a blackguard thing.
It isn't decent. The
man had n't better
try such a thing. It is
a mean, spoiled
thing and is a bad
sign that the writer is

no hand at writing the
murders the King's
English. All con-
demned it Col Kerly
was mad as fury
O But I felt as they
read it over & com-
mented on it. I'd
have taken one cent
for my self. I'd have
sold it out cheap. I
came on out Col K
followed me that is
a secret attempt to
ensure you I do
wonder who it can
be. Has anyone been
up to visit the school
 lately "Yes Col Rev
Downs was yes a
good man have
been up to visit the
school lately I to

I say aint it Col?
But you know its a
poor country" The
Col named several
But And to give it up
I got the paper from
Charles Stokes and
took the thing home
I could hardly eat
supper I felt as if
Doctors & the printers
were telling it all around
town. George & I went
up as usual I hur-
ried up to Dr Lewis
as fast as I could
go I met him just
going back into the
rear of the house
"Whose there?" "I need
without the Cornlisse
I told him the whole
He said He would

Just keep shade and
referred to a case in
court in which a "wo-
man was stabbed 6
inches above the dif-
ficulty" & about Queen
Victoria going to bed
in England at night
and making water in
China. He discour-
aged the idea of my
replying to that article
for said it would blow
over. He advised me
to tell "Kelly" & "Steve" &
to lay low. I came on
down & called Col. Kelly
out He & I were here
talking. "Col." I said a
we got out in the hall by
the door, "I wrote that fool
article." You did? Well
that beats me, You did?

"Yes I did." Well it's all
right then. I will do. I
think it will do good. You
is given it fits. Well I
'll keep it straight &
serm as I did before.
We have been discuss-
ing it for two or 3 hours
& we had viewed it in
40 different shapes.
Then went over to
Phillips store & got as
first word "Cop" when
will you be written to
leave town? Have you
seen the Public? etc.
One day Dr Morris &
others thought it rough
thought "Oh Sir" toward
I was low. Came on
down with George &
studied awhile on
Book Keeping (1)^x

Jan. 19 Fri
Went up to school as
usual all went
along well this fore
noon gave my Book
to Col. Lyon to study
Miss Chapple gave
topics on Dr. Whome
the. Came on down
for dinner found
Frank & Grace gone
to Kelly's. Went up
as far as the new house
& met Mollie Welsh
she said she was glad
to see me as she thought
the second Bell had
rung I didn't know
But Muriel Back
He had some visitors
Anna McFarland & Min
nie Chapple read the
Paper. Then we had music

Rev. Downs gave us a fine
speech Mr. A. K. ASSOUR spoke
He gave a few remarks
then we dismissed &
I went to Col. Kelly's
Frank & Grace & Mrs.
Kelly in the fam. Bus
ness. We came on down
Frank & I Home. Frank
and I discussed the cor
ners of Houses (Mrs.
Madden at M. C. Farland
etc at School House) on
perspective. She got
tired of the waiting
or of the cold. At eve
ning I went up town
Had a long talk with
Morrison and Rogers
on Whaling & Voyaging
Frank heard that Mrs.
Chapple was Prin
cipal & that I am ^{asst} -

Jan 20 Sat
Last night as
George & I went up
to town the lightning
and thunder & sleet
piled down strong
After we left the P.O.
It came raining
very cold rain. The
lightning would
flash the thunder
would roll. As we
sat in the grocery I
came Sal Gazel & an
other girl met they
put on airs they
said they were go-
ing to church
I arose early this
morning and built
on a fire as soon as
I could in the old
stove But O But

it was cold I got
the room warm after
while went to work
on Book Keeping
Frank Had & River
of White last night
Morrison's wife &
Miss Rogers guess-
ed me as the writer
of these papers. Toward
noon I took the old
clock down & clean-
ed it. After dinner
Mr Gow of Sherwoods
store in Chicago called
to see me. I went to
Mrs Lewis with him
He showed me his
maps Sherwoods
& edited them. Mr.
showed me some
of his Book's "Sargents
& Gymnastics" \$3.50

I went up with him
to see "Steve." Came
on down again
after I'd "told" Steve
Steve was running
a K. L. Muz. Co. ⁷⁸ Tex
Who wanted a Certif
I came to teach school
Can a K. L. Lunch?
Took Cow to Brang
Lunch Him introdu
ced to Prof. Edmunston
Whitnack & Gray
He & Edmunston were
chums at Washington
Pa. He was a teacher
at Washyton & at
Rock Island His
Bro is principal
there now. He went
with Edmunston Home
At their leaving I star
ted for Kelly's office

fell down & I went
across from the corner
to Kelly's tho I'd had
a long talk with
K. K. Brang about
Raising Miss Chap
pel's wages. He
is decidedly opposed
as He says it takes
more talent to teach
the lower grades
than to teach the
Higher & they hired
Her to teach where
ever they pleased
and they would not
give Her any High
wages. I told Him
I thought Her deal
was a little turned.
He said she must
be reasonable. I
had a long talk with

Norfolk, Cam on home
for supper went
Back to Phillips
sloop got some
cement plaster &
some lumber on
my Sore Throat.
Most an awful
cold day our
stove could n't
keep us warm
at all. At evening
it was awful
cold.

Jan 21 Sun 11^x
My arm pained me
Nothing of note.
Frank washed me
I read some today
I found my paper
his glove contain-
ing the Rev. Article.
Well I am sorry

but can't help it
It went out doors from
whence I should n't
like to bring it forth
As evening as we were
thinking of going to
church I drew out I came
to the conclusion to go to
Kellys met Riley on the
street asked him if
the Col. was at home
He said he did not know
as he had n't been home
lately found the Col
at home Mrs Kelly
is n't at home Riley

soon came and gave
me a problem to work
the waterman. We got
the answers. Rate of
Current = $\frac{1}{2}$ Dif of Rate
up & Down per Hour
Rate of Rowing = Differ

of Miles Down per Hour &
Rate of Current = Sum
of Miles up per Hour &
Rate of Current."

We (Riley) was enthusi-
astic in his pursuit
of the truth. He is
really quick in his
conclusions. About
8 I came on down
Horn found that
doh nearly well
Soon went to Bed (11)*

Jan. 22 Mon
School is about as
usual there is a dis-
position to break
over the rules. I will
have some more sus-
pending. I presume I
feel well & hearty
My arm is getting
along finely. The

clock goes along fine-
ly. My Class in Men-
Arith is going along
finely. I am getting
along with them
finely. George & Grace
Haller gone sleighing
snowing at noon
The ground is frozen
We can skate any
place if snow falls
on the ground now
we will have snow
long & long.

I went back after
dinner the snow fell
thick and fast I
had my class in
back to reciting this
afternoon the last
recitation. I went
into Miss Muddens
room found 14 Boys

Kept in for murderman
as he concluded at
last to let them go
I then was called into
the other room by Mrs.
Chappelen. Mrs. Hoorn
wouldn't do as she told
her I told her she
would have it to do
she said she would do
it for me but not for
Mollie Chappelen. I
told Mollie she would
have to control her
temper if she wan-
ted to go to our school
As we got 100. Doll.
from S. F. Lewis gave
Kell 30. Dolls. Offer
him 40 Dolls. Cam-
on down I gave Mrs.
Stots 40 Dolls with
the 10 Dolls this morn

ing & the 30 Dolls
I gave her before makes
80 Dollars I've got
Mrs. Stots Col
Kell wants us to
come and live
with him next March
when he moves I
rather think we will
do so. Saw Mr Col.
Bond has 1000
told him about Dick
& Al Hurshaw. Study-
ing Book Keeping
that an introduction
by Dr Adams He told
me of his son Park
that he would like
to come to school.
I told him to send
him on even if
he was Big Kelly
Says Edmuntson's

order is Poor. (11)+

Jan 23 Tues.

The snow is glorious it
has been snowing all
day. It is about 6
inches deep. Sleigh
bells enrich the
winter scene. I cast
my eyes out of the
window & look over.

The white park far
away. The houses
loom dark against
the sky. Their snow
covered roofs are
very much height-
ened in brightness by
the very darkness
of the lowering heav-
ens. School went
along fine. Parke
A. Winsor & Daniel H.
seem to be glad of

the chance of going to
school. Hornel, Isaac
& George at Horn at
noon. Went to tell
Mr Isaac Beatty as he
was just drinking that
he must quit drink-
ing as he was lifting
the cup to his lips.

I am in good spirits
Miss Madden would
run my school she
is so bustling and
nippy. The Courier came
no news. I am writing
off a form for my Gram-
mar class also one for
me. I don't know.

Stern winter is on us
Frank & I are still
in good feeling toward
each other when she intends
to apply for a divorce I
don't know.

Miss Chappelle has
full authority in
my old room. There
should be no partner
ship Business in
the thing. She is
very clever. She
don't know that
Frank thinks she
wants my pants
on. (1)+

Jan. 24 Wed.
The snow fell till
after 12 last night.
This morning as I
went past Hump-
reys store I found
him out sweeping.
Seems to me I'd like
to write an article
against him about
selling out & commen-
cing Business for

the same place. The
weather is pretty
cool. I like this
winter weather. I
am glad I can ap-
preciate health & in-
joyments and all
the comforts of home
even if it is a poor
one. Better than being
in prison. School
went along fine. got
Frank Haynie & Bol
Chappelle a few strips.
Had a long talk with
Kelly & Goss about
Abraham Lincoln. Found
supper over when I
came on home. Harriet
has a lot of Valentines
just arrived.
Sleeping fine I'd
rather.

Studied Partial Payments
Till late My mind was
entirely engaged in my
School I wonder how
We are well Success
Snow good (11)+

Jan 25 Thurs.
I arose at 7 this morning
ate breakfast. Went
up to School found
that the snow was going
to melt got a few Boys
went up we cleared it
off the roof with spade
& pans. School went
on well till noon. There
was an immense amount
of snow carried in & thrown
in the Hall I told them
I wanted, & stopped
After school was dis-
missed I kept Mol
Greene & Jim Kirk.

"Mol" was saying she
said she came to me &
did n't start to come
to "Mol" Chapplecar.
They had words for some
time I could n't help
But laugh at last
I told Miss Mol Green
she would have to take
her books and leave
School, as she had
whispered when she
knew the Rules & also
had used highly offen-
sive language.
I gave Mol Greene
her walking papers.
Looked around & there
was Miss Chapplecar
crying. She said she
was sorry to quit
teachy that school she
would rather be in

old place ten to one
for there were several
in the school working
against her. I told
her she would have to
take it easy and not
let it worry her. She
stated that she did
not get any sleep of
nights as she was
thinking of the school
all the time. She
went to Hiram's
to make complaint
Went to Church
with Huldah & the
girls Huldah there
for supper. Got to
Church at the 2^d.
Bell rang got down
1/2 past 9. Rev. Moore
gave us a sermon
on us all being sinners

Mr. Drown made a
speech about being a
personation. He stated
that he joined the Church
to throw around him
the influences of the
Church to keep him
from swearing.
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Jan 26, Friday
Sleeting this morning
looks like falling
weather. Miss Chapp
pelcar gave me some
names or shooever
me some. At the
writing exercise I
gave them the Commandments
1, 2, 3. They did not do
it as I ordered or as I
commanded. I then
told them to go over

At again (As Andrew)
glanced over to where
Miss Mills sat As I
gave out "3" I told them
to lay their pens down
She flung hers down
upon the desk making
quite a disorder I
then folded her arms
and looked as I
thought all the impe-
dence she could
"I asked her what
she meant" and
grasped my stick
went to the desk &
laid the stick upon
her severely. As I
finished I heard
"Hold On You've gone
far enough". I went
to my desk and order-
ed the 3 that were

up and coming to-
wards me to take
their seats - I re-
pent it and they
did so. We did
nothing till recess
I went on as usual
At recess I caught
the remark to Park
relays "What did
you think of it?"
He said he was never
so mad in his life
"You don't think I
did wrong in whipp-
ing her" I think
you went too far"
At noon when
I came back I
understood there
was a terrible
hubbub about
the matter

In the afternoon
We had some read-
ing Exercises &
one declamation
out of eight. I read
some from Sargents
work on Teaching.
Part of the school
went to Edminstown.

I kept two after
school for whisper
my game then a
slight Corporal.
At evening went
down to Kelly's
office met Mr. John
He told me to
go to Kelly's with
Frances I found
Haddah & Will read
we got Ready and
went out to Mr. P's
taking her along

our team went very
slowly. My mind
is in an excitement
I understand Dr. Mad-
den intends to prosecute
me. and that it is
characterized as a bru-
tal assault becoming
a brute. After supper
Johnny Hatched up
the fire sticks and
Her and Wm Butler
in front & the girls be-
hind we went to
Mr. Allen's School House
was introduced to
Mr. Teacher
I spelled before recess
It put me in mind of
Old times After recess
Erre came Wm Moore &
Miss Mills Ann Munton &
two or 3 others After recess

Mr Allen would have me
give out which I did
Nor let them choose up
Some of the Scholars
made some noise Mr
Allen without making
any inquiries to get
there was one chuffy
lucky there He had an
tion to speak to I
told him that was
Miss Mills. Nor. noon
did not act very well.
We had fast going
home the Bridle broke
Got Horn safe warm
ed & went to roost
Jan 27 Sat.
Skated with skates
for the first time Will
and I cleared off a
space for for to skate
Frank came down

Talked the matter over
my Father in law advised
me to just go on as
if nothing had happen
ed. After while Johnny
came saying there was
great excitement in
town & the Board meet
to night & want to see
you in town.
We gathered up and
Johnny took us out of
town. Went to Kelly's He
did not know how the
thing would go as He
did n't know the facts
I told him He did n't
know what to do I
went to Crang's the
Hour having arrived
We went to Lewis's of
fice Messrs Taylor
Rogers Direc.

Two S. Lewis & Miss
Chappelle were there
they asked the facts
I told them as near
as I could They
proved I was angry
that I was too
By Miss Chappelle
They claim I had no
right to whip as large
a scholars as that &
that the Boys did
right in interfering
Also I had better
be kept from Bill
Andrew said Mr Tay-
lor that I thought
they ought to be punished
Mr Cray asked me if
I would repeat the
thing if a similar
thing occurred Mr
Humphrey thought Mrs

Jimmie was an ex-
emplary girl as she had
belonged to his S. S.
class for 7 years
and Mr Kison thought
there must be order
kept by reasonable
means. But thought
if they didn't support
the teachers in whole
some orders that they
'd better take them
out of schools & put
it where it would do
more good Cray was
indignant & Humphrey
was none behind him
& thought I did wrong
in whipping at all
Egner Lewis thought
she should've been
kept after school & whip
ped dispassionately

They remained the
Board) and will
let me know their
Decision. We left
I went to George's
grocery. (Where I'd
been before Robinson
that he'd shoot a man
that'd whip one of his
girls & Batts "You was
sorry for it wasn't you
offa it was over".)

Kelly was there He did
n't know what he'd
be in hot water He
thinks tho' I did right
We saw the light going
still in Kelly's Office
and he went up there
He said he'd come
down in the morning if
anything serious was
happening. (11)*

The Snow is melting
today and sleepily
is heavy. The Directors
told me the town was
all excitement about
the affair & wanted the
facts.

Jan 28 Sun
Arose at Breakfast
went to Church look
with Frank a High
seat in the Synagogue
Rev Moore gave the
Ladies Creed for dodg-
ing the rules of the Church
By Wearing Brass-
Miss Milled came to
Frank's with Mrs
Frank Mrs Frank
never noticed me
tho she sat next to
Pamela While we
were discussing

Mother starts venison
Hm Funk came over
& in great trepidation
Spoke to Mrs Starts to
Come over (& see)
right away She got
up thinking It was
one of the Children
that was Sick But
I knew what it was
I knew at a glance
as I saw two or 3
neighbors going to
Funks that Mrs
Jimmie was on exhi-
bition with that
famous arm and
that dreadful shoul-
der too terribly to be
shown. I wish
events to morrow
will show. I look
for a suit for

assault & partly for
a proscrition in
reference to my pow-
ers in that school &
I will probably be in-
vited to leave as
they are trying to make
me in as bad odor
as possible The mad-
dens are all mad
The Wrights think I
ought to've been killed
in the Army Others
think I'm a Brute
People may get me
out of concert of
myself Well I don't
like the situation
If I was up to this
time (8 P.M.) tomorrow
night! I guess I'll
teach the School if
they keep me

Also I can pay my
fine. There is I think
no use of making
a stand. I don't
suppose they will offer
personal injury to
me. I don't want
to injure the Commu-
nity. I may be on
the way to Ohio be-
fore two weeks! (1)

Jan 29 Mon
Arose with misgivings
washed at a few
Bites put my overcoat
on Left Frank as usual
went to Bell's Office
He spoke to me about
going to see Mills I sat
there awhile thinking
then arose and went
to M^c Irwins & Co's
Carriage shop oppo

Site Crahool's I open-
ed the door saw a man
in the shop asked him
if Mr Mills was in
He said that was his
name I told him my
name was Armstrong
& I wanted to speak
to him about a thing
between him & myself
says He I want nothing
to do with you get
out of my shop you
or treated my girl
most scandalously
I went on to expos-
tulate & I wanted to
ask him just to lis-
ten and I would tell
him what I came down
for He called then for
a man above that
man came down on

the steps Listen to
what he has to say Mr
mills I went on telling
him that I had purposed
his daughter in a passion
& consequently did it
in a manner unwar-
rantably severe. That
I did not want to do
him an injustice
nor the Community
either I knew how
he felt as father of
the girl etc. Then Mr
Carr Adkisson and
Mr Mills asked
me if I would make
a statement in the
Paper in Reference
to the affair. Certainly
Well I'll leave it to
the Directors said
he Mr Adkisson

objected to putting it
in that Paper. For
he thought he would
rather keep out of that
paper. I bade him
Good Morning Won-
dering at the changes
of life went as fast
as possible to the
school house. 10 min
after time All in
Readiness & order
Miss Chopin
that we'd better have
Brevotional Exercise
I read nearly a
chapter of Matt.

Went on the even tenor
of my way. The Direc-
tor Mr Adkisson &
Mr Humphrey came
in as I was rear-
ing my class in

Algebra I told Miss
Chappelan to set them
to writing as I went
in the little room
Mr Adkisson & Humphrey
had a "war talk"

We then went in &
I addressed them by
commencing I owe
this school an apology
for what has happened
here lately etc
Mr Adkisson then
followed in a good
speech saying Order
should be & would be
enforced & scholars
must obey the rules
if they attend school
here. Mr Humphrey
concurred. Mr
Humphrey thought
of speaking to the

Boys But concluded
to let it go. Mr Ad-
kisson acted the true
man. Then Harvey
Gazel was told by
Miss Chappelan to
take up his Books
and leave school
"What for" I told him
to get ready and go
He got ready left his
Books & started His
sister spoke to me
about going to give
him his Books He
was on the steps
I told him his sister
wanted him to take
the Books The Saxon
a letter I repriman-
dised him. He got
mad & went on
down I followed

him and told him
that was no way for
a boy to act going away
from school.
Got 2 Harpers & Petter
at noon I saw them
at morning But was
not enough interest
ed. All went along
finely. Mr Ad Kisson
came around the loan
schools this after noon.
Had some whisperers
at evening in Miss
Maddens Room Mrs
America does not
seem so better this
evening. Called on
some of the teachers
Miss Chappell
kept two classes in
Cant out of the school
House with Mr Ad

Kisson. Says he you
may thank me for
keeping you from
being dismissed
for there was an ef
fort to do so. I like
that man Ad Kisson
came on down saw
George & John saw
Cool North Office full
he came out. I gave
him the particulars
he said the Rubicon
is passed for a while
you saw Mells your
friends had no case
Ad Kisson came to him
this morning to get him
to get me to go to Mells
when he hears I'd
already gone he claps
his hands & came
on down

Cool Kelly said (yes
Arday all was curs
ing & Bitter Drum
cration But to day
said He all I've seen
say you are a man
& they will support
you to the last The
Magills have changed
He told me the Taylors
& Moores were again
in also Cray & Hum
phry and Aelisson
only after a hard
struggle with them
got them turned to
support the teacher
I now going off fast
Jan 30 I was
I heard the clock strike
I got up dressed par
tially and spoke to
Francis. She thought

I was still in Bed But
I wasn't she fooled?
Went on up town as
usual School did
well. My mind is much
relieved Miss Choppe
lear told me that Lau
ra Madden had left
school & Sal Clark is
not coming any more
because I whipped
her Fried. That pleas
es me The two Hick
mans came yesterday
Yesterday at noon I
saw Bill Rowley stan
ding on the steps of
the pavement at Shultz
I asked him if he had
quit school He thought
"He had" He had some
thing else to do. At
evening my class

In Book Keeping
Had Dry Book & Ledger
mechanics form. Whiff-
-ped two for whisper-
ing. Had a long talk
with Col. Will about
School &c. After supper
Frank went to Church
with Em. I went to
Georges Grocery. Grace
saw the man with the
North on under or
near the Hen House
5 pm to 10 P.M. A
Beautiful night the
moon shines brightly.
The ice covers the
Roads when slush
I walk lay a few
hours ago. I am
in good spirits
about the future.

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Jan. 31 Wed. (1)+
Arose early went to
school. wrote my copies
School went along fine
whipped Nick & Taylor
for lying. Row Dorcas
comes up. Aard us
read. Mr. George came
up to tell me about
the paper Business
He said they required
it. I told of what I
ought to do. He
He wanted Her standing
Her before in the school.
Also told that there
really was a breach of
conduct also was a set
of the severe punish-
ment. The pupils of
mills are pushing
him thinking I got
the better of him in

acknowledging to him
and left them with
out a hold. Frouse
& Grace went to M E
Church Geo & I came
on up to Groceries then
went with Matthew
to the Campbellite
church Rev Drums
gave us "Infant Bap-
tism". Returned to
M E Church Bro & girls
Home (11) +

Feb 1 Thurs

Arose early. "Dadly"
Funk came in "Willie
is n't going to school
any more. He is going
to chop wood." All
went along well Mr
Delevis showed me
the paper at noon it
had the notice

"The Amende Honorable. - Mr.
Armstrong, Principal of the public
school, who chastised a daughter
of Mr. Mills with undue severity
has, we learn, made as full
and complete reparation as is
possible by making acknowledg-
ment before the Directors, the School
& the parents of Miss Mills. This is
manly & honorable and can
not fail to satisfy the reasonable
demands of all parties.

As is generally the case, good
grows out of the evil - while
Mr Armstrong will be benefi-
ted by learning to control him-
self under such circumstan-
ces certain scholars who
need the strictest discipline
& sharp severity will under-
stand that they have one over
them who "won't do to bluff
with."

The snow is going the girls
gave me a flower &
papers to make them a
couple of pictures Col
Kelly & wife were here
for supper. Frank &
I stand here went up
to get colors for the pic-
tures. My School is in
good odor. I feel well
I wrote a piece for the
paper tomorrow. Col
Kelly says that that
affair is doing good
so does Dr Lewis. It
has disarmed the op-
position. The Report
is that Moors saw Drunk
& swears. Mad Mrs
Laura & Julia Moors go
to Edminston Mr.
Slick got Religion
to night. Mrs Storts

says He said "He felt
Better"

Feb 2 Fri.
Arose Found it snow-
ing after I'd got up
After putting on a new
bib I ate Breakfast and
went up to the School
House School went
along well. I gave
Miss Chappeler the
article & told her to give
it to the Editors. The
little girls were
glad when I gave
them the flowers
The clouds have
cleared away and
the snow is melting
The Sun is out I
think when Mrs.
Lazel was yesterday
& told about

Having eaten a salt
Breakfast caused
him to want a drink
& to go & get it without
permission. Hence
he lost his position
in school. Mrs
Amerson told me
that Mrs Hazel had
been to see her about
taking him under
her wing. I guess I
have something to
say about that and
I am willing for
him to come back
if he will try to do
right. After dinner
we had the reading of
the Rose Bud in Miss
Madden's room. I listen
ed awhile. "Those papers
is that Boys" I shouldn't

Wright 130 1/2 lbs
F.P. Last Nov 113 lbs
Before Marie 109 & 150 1/2
Went down while fever 105
You listen to it? Yesterday
as they seemed uneasy
and made noise. The
Roses looked conspic-
uously. Then I went
to Miss Chappell's
room. Misses Conchy
& converse. The two
Mollies read. It was
good & well read.
Some few were up
to hear it read.
Mr Andrews that
he couldn't get
a place to speak
so with Lemon.
But I told them
we wanted them
to get places to speak

At night checked
at Arbitration of ex
change & Time on
partial payments
pretty cold this eve
ning. Mafermire a
son tour par la mois.
Our School is improv
ing. Talked with Dr
Edmundson & Mr

of Chicago I a
oppose Corp. punishment
The groomed Hog can
see his shadow to day
Wra up

Feb 3 Sat

Arose went to work
mastered the time
principle in Par.
payment & work
ed Arbitration of ex
change. Saw Jos Moore.
He said out in the

Creek Nation the report
was Blood gun upon
the floor pane Miss
Mills I told him
it was Hooks the
said he was getting
along fine with his
school would run in
3 weeks. At night
saw Matthews Dick
I studied till 9 P.M.
Gov Oglesby spoke
at Normal last
night. I nearly
cried "break" as I
found the time prin
ciple. Frank is
pretty well. I feel
well. Got letter from
Jacob. All well
sheep doing fine. Not
sold wool can get
60 Cents now

Feb. 4 Sun.

At 11 Heard Rev D
Downs preach. He gave
us a good sermon said
He "Young gentlemen
No Whispering" Some
smiled. Heard Harpe
At Elliot & Charles
Elliot's History D & S Par
ker Mil Sec. to grant
Rail Diamonds &
some in Book Beeke
At eve went to Kelly's
with Frank Saw "Maunt"
The Churches are
getting some mem-
bers. Clint Richards
has been to the Bench
also Mr Slick's daugh-
ters. Huleday went
with Richards to Jim-
mie's party. To day is
cold & bitter

15 Minto 10 P.M.

To Morrow I will have
to tell Mr Woodard a
thing or two about
his very list of duty
on Dec. Friday in
running off. He ought
n't to be allowed to come
back till he repents
The Rubicon is passed
Say I at a venture
Dr Edmonston thinks
the two schools are
working to each other
admirably. I am
glad the teaching men
are waking up on
the subject. I am
ready for my part

Feb. 5th Mon.

This morning arose
in good temper &
cold. very cold day af-
ter school spoke to
Woodard He treated the
subject lightly But
I told him He would
have to connive He said
He would If He had to,
I gave him till Fri^d
Not along pretty well to-
day. S^t Lewis' Orang^e
& McKisson staid in
the schools. I am
in considerable
dread of something
taking place. At
evening went to the
Teachers meeting at
Kumpfrey's Residence.
The Directors & Teach-
ers were all there

We had a long & varied
account. I saw Mother
Witch to Her House
Some thing must be
done to delay the storm
of whispering. Mr. K.
Councils Ravages the
Boorishness of some
Scholars the tobacco
chewing & spitting. The
incentive to get study
the Janitor question
the Search Warrant to
search Councils House
the idea of getting a
young man to stay
in the House during
Sat & Sunday & the other
days i.e., sleep there
etc etc etc adieu
Sue die.

Feb 6 Tues.
Cold this morning. This
forenoon I addressed
a reproof to Oscar Woodard.
We started as usual at
My Higher Arithmetic
Recitation the Directors
advised me to dispense
with the class and
we would attend to the
Business. They spoke
about the whispering
rules & my address.
Said they must be obeyed
& also others other
rules. Then the Con-
vict matter was brought
up & shown up in all
its features. The Pros
& Cons Mike said He
Hadd lost a 5th Reader
as innocent as a lamb.
I came to the conclusion

that all was going right
then the Baptist church
testament & the Ander-
son & Book & note
The Madeline School was
brought in & testified
all Hadd lost some
article to gold pens
Hadd disappeared.
Jim Connel was in
He heard the whole
account the Directors
asked him if he had
any objection to this
House being searched.
"No Sir you or Mr. Wm. H.
Armstrong may go &
search the house."
Then they expelled Mike
Connel & he cried &
left Jim Connel
gave up the control
of the House to day

All went along well
Mr Humphrey wanted to
see me this morning about
the Mills question. I
think Mills' friends
have something to say
about the thing. But
I'll do as I said
about the thing.
A beautiful day,
Snow melting

"Not Deserters"

The history of the 78th O.V.
U.S. does injustice to the
memory of some brave
men. When the regiment
first went out, the entire
Medical Department was
in much confusion. The
rights and powers of the
different Departments
were not well defined

and recognized. Owing
to this many sick sol-
diers were taken from their
companies & transferred to
General Hospitals without prop-
er authority. As a conse-
quence their immediate
commanding officers
were compelled to mark
them as deserters, on the
Rolls of their respective
Companies and from
their Rolls the history of
the regiment was completed.
Thus many good men's
names come under the
Heading "The following
men are marked
deserters." Of this class
is Helber F. Armstrong
private Co 4 78 O.V. 9.
He was sick at Fort
Donelson Warpenew

on the Boat to go
North By Lieut Col.
Hawkes of His Regi-
ment, and died in
a hospital at Cairo.
It is extremely unfor-
tunate that the names of
these brave men had not
been culled out before
the publication of the
work. As they have not
been the reader should
be careful to inquire
into the circumstances
before classifying
any one as a deserter
whose name appears
under the heading
given above "