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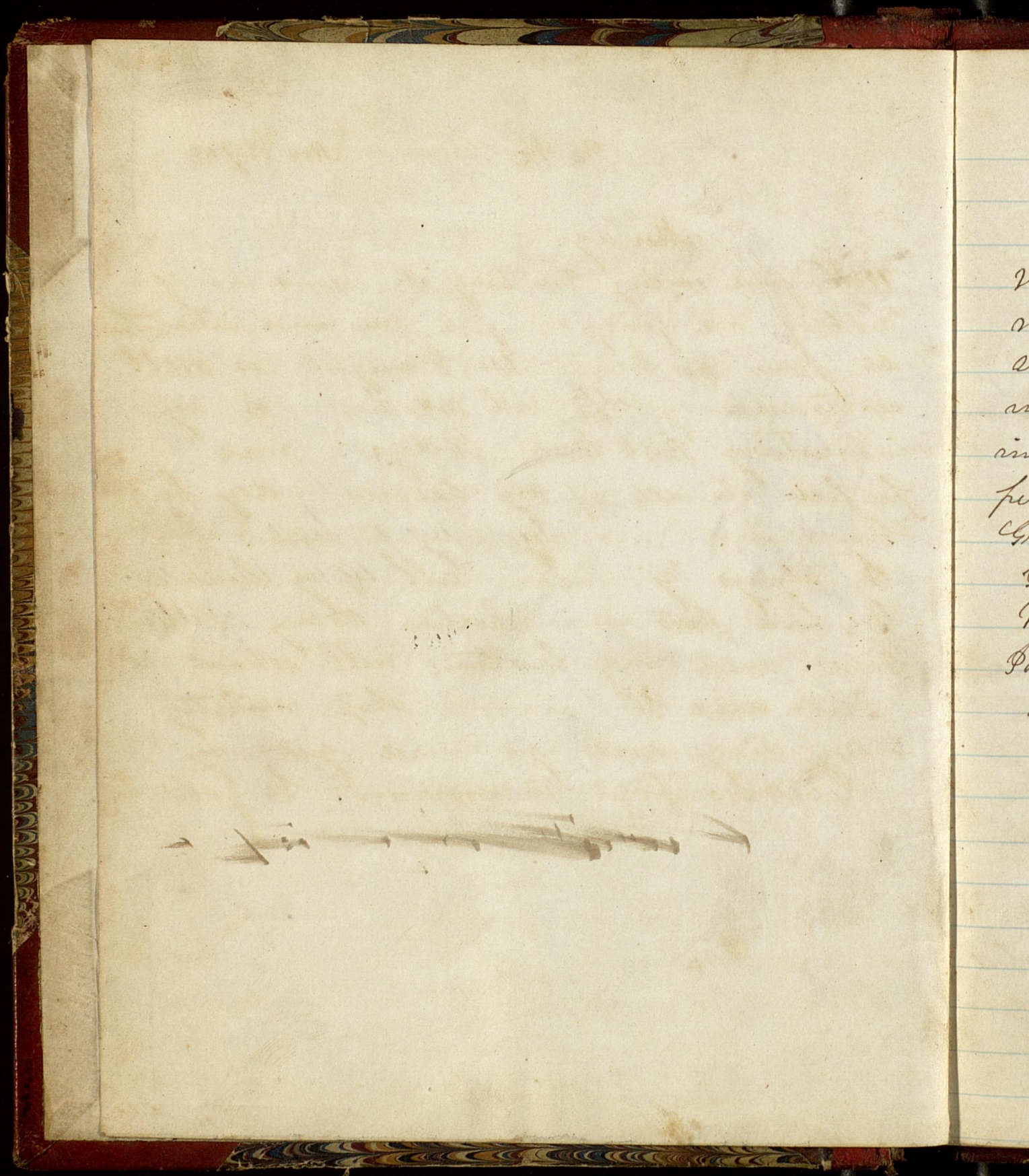
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N. M. Brown Ky Nov ^{the} 20 / 65

Monday.

Well good evening Mr Diaz it seems as if
no body was going to give me an introduction
to you as I thought I might as well
introduce myself; well we had a very
interesting Bible lesson today; I was
perfect in all of my lessons today but
Grammar: I was very sorry to miss: for
I always try to know all of my lessons:
We had two new scholars today, Lillie
Pons, and ^{Hellen} ~~Mary~~ ^{Sumpter} ~~Stanton~~; well school is
out and I have to stop writing
my diary and go and get my
lessons for tomorrow; So good bye
N. M. Brown Ky Nov ^{the} 20 / 65

On M^{on} Jan 27th /65.

Thursday.

Today has been a beautiful day. We have had company it was Cousin Liza McDaniel and Miss Wilcox and Miss Greene and Miss Corrie Oldham. I was very glad to see her for I had not seen her before for a year or more: they have just started for home: Miss Will- all will not hear our Grammar to day:

I have just come from the Post-office and don't you think I did not get a letter. How provoking for I was sure of one: Miss Account has just returned from her writing class I will give her a hearty welcome for I am always glad to see her. She is so pleasant and kind: but as it is getting dark and I can hardly see the line. I will stop writing my journal. Farewell
S B

Dr M. Towns Ky Nov ^{the} 22 / 65.

Wednesday

Today has been a very disagreeable day:
It is cold and rainy: Mrs Wood was here
today: We had an interesting Bible Lesson:
I was perfect in all of my lessons today:
Miss Mollie did not hear our Colburns
Arithmetic she excused us until tomorrow
Because some of the girls did not know
it: Miss Pecomb has just gone to her
writing class: Nannie has gone to take a
walk. And here poor me sit fiddling
my brains over Diary writing: I am
out of news: I heard the door open
And I was in hopes that some one
had come so I would have something
more to tell you: But it was
no one but Nannie: Miss Pecomb
and Aunt Bettie are talking of going
to Mt Sterling Saturday and I am
going with them if they let me: I will
close hoping to give you something more
interesting

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On My Tour By Nov ^{the} 27/65.

Thursday

To day has been a pretty day; though it has been rather cold all day. Cousin May and Bette Carrington and Mrs Graves. and Mrs Dobson were here they came calling dropped up in their Sunday go to meeting bonnets and dresses. I think I never saw them dressed so fine before just to go calling in such a little place as Middletown; I was perfect in all of my lessons today; Miss Pitt did not hear our grammar; some of the scholars are making great preparations for reading the paper to night. I would like very much to hear it read but I don't think I will go: I did not have to write for it: I am glad of it for I don't know how to write for a paper: I have written letters and compositions but none of that kind; But I will close for today (2)

Ch M Louis Rg. Nov. ^{the} 24/65-

Friday, Evening.

To day has been a very pleasant day; no body has been here today; Aunt Bettie and Miss Newcomb. and Miss Braith. Miss Harmon came over to Mr Pattersons to hear us sing this evening! I was perfect in all of my lessons: all of the girls except those that board are going home they are glad of it I expect for I know I would be if I boarded away from home like them; Mr Patterson I am much obliged to you for giving me 45- I did not think I would get as high mark as that: I did not think I could compose good enough to get that: Mr Amade has just gone down towards town I suppose he is going to Paris he goes very often and walks. But for my part I think if it was me I would not go. if I could not get a better way ^{than} that to go. But I must close so good bye

Wm Town. Nov ^{The} 25/55-

Saturday

So day has been a bright and sunny day
We have had company today it was
Mrs Patterson and Miss Lancy Green and
Horn Lee. he come to bring Mrs Patterson
home: he said it cost 1.25 dollars
I think it was very high: Miss Newcomb
has gone to call on the old ladies and
Aunt Bettie has gone to see Mrs Perry
They said if they had time they would
go to see Mrs Graves but I dont think
they will have time. for it is nearly
dark now: I ^{have} went to the Post office
time and again and have not received
any letter yet and if I dont get one
before long, I will begin to quarrel
with the Post master: for I believe
they get them misplaced: Aunt Bettie
and Miss Newcomb have just returned
But Mary you must excuse my
writing for to day? So good bye

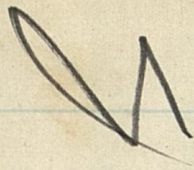
the 18/65-

Q M Town Ky Nov 26/65-

Sunday

Well today is Sunday and I am still trying
to write my diary: I did not go to church
today but I understood there were not a great
many there: there was prayer meeting Cousin
Joe Darrell opened meeting: Aunt Bettie and Miss
Newcomb have gone to see Mrs. Freda who is very
sick: she is not expected to live long: The
scholars are going to take a walk I would
like very much to go with them but I
can not: Now they ^{have} returned they gaze
up at Mrs. Amariades window as if they
wished he was there: and here I am yet
and it is nearly dark: I have been
teasing Aunt Bettie to help me but she
would not do it so I concluded
to try again: Aunt Bettie and Miss
Newcomb have returned they said Mrs. Freda
was no better: As it is getting
dark I believe I will close
promising to write you ~~something~~
more interesting

Amariades



In Town By Nov ^{the} 27/65.

Monday

Another diary so white; and I hardly know what to write; Well we have had company it was Mrs Anderson and Mrs Troop and Mrs Wilson she will spend the night with us. her and Miss Newcomb will take the stage in the morning for Paris; Miss Newcomb is going home on the account of the sickness of her friends; I was perfect in all of my lessons to day Miss Mit did not hear our Grammar; Mr Amende has just got back from Paris he came in the stage; I have just come from the Post office and got a letter but it was for Aunt Bettie; I wish I could receive one; I went down in town this evening for Belle Hutchinsons and bought her some candy; But I like to forget to tell you that Mrs Patterson was here today But I will close by telling you that I will try to write something more interesting next time. Love to all

Wm. L. G. for the 26/65

Today has been a very cold day; No body
has been here today; Mr Patterson heard the
Bible lesson this morning it was very inter-
esting! I was perfect in all of my lessons
Today Aunt Bettie has gone down to Mrs Keen
I have just come from Dr. James, and Dolie
showed me a little basket that Mrs Berry
gave her. it was pretty; Dolie said Mrs
Berry said she would give her one of
her books; Miss Mollie told us today
if we did not know our Colburns
Arithmetic tomorrow she would send
us down to Mr Patterson. but I am
going to study and try and not be
sent down; Aunt Bettie and Miss Celestine
Smith are going to Paris tomorrow I wish
I could go but I can not for I have
to go to school; But Dear I believe
I have told you all the news of
Importance; So I will bid you good bye

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Y. M. Town by Nov ^{the} 29/65-

Wednesday

To day has been a disagreeable day. It has
 been cold and cloudy all day; I was perfect
 in all of my lessons today; Miss Mit Weston
 and Miss Celestine Smith ~~were~~ here today.
 I had so much fun jumping the rope
 I went down to Miss Alice Carters
 this evening for Aunt Bellie. She looks very
 nice house keeping; To morrow we recite
 Bible; To night ^{Mr} Amarel has company
 I heard a terrible jabbering ^{in his room} I think
 it must be some of the Dutch;
 Mr Berry was over to Mr Pattersons today
 It is the first time I have seen him
 since he come back from Chintonville
 I was very much surprised at him
 looking so badly But he is just recovering
 from a spell of sickness; But Dear
 you will please excuse me for to night
 I shall have all of my lessons to
 get for to morrow So good bye.

Q. M. Howard, Ky. Nov^{the} 20/65

Thursday

To day has been a very disagreeable day, it has been raining nearly all day, I was perfect in all of my lessons To day; I have just come from the post office and I got a Sunday school paper; Aunt Bettie and Miss Celestine Smith went to Paris to day she bought me a new cloak and a new pair of shoes and a new calico dress; Fannie has gone up to Mrs Pattersons to hear the paper read to night. I would like to have gone, but I could not go; for I had to learn my lessons; Mrs Patterson heard the Bible today there was not ^{so great} many questions in the lesson; But Diary I believe I have told you all the news of importance. So I will bid you fare well; Sucka Benckelt

My Town Ky Nov ^{the} 31/65-

Friday

To day has been a very pretty day;
As the first day of winter. We
have had company it was Cousin Anna
and May Harrington and Miss
Lore Mark and Dr. Cloud he come
to fix Cousin Mags teeth Lida
Dills was here; I did not go
to school this evening because my
throat was sore; I went down to
Mrs Moores this evening for Cousin
Magg; Aunt Bettie had come down
to Mrs Moores to stay all
night. Mrs Amanda come down
and played on the guitar for us
it was very pretty music; all of
the scholars except those that board
are going home I see them passing
there goes Belle Anderson and Mallie
Lee Belle hair is all down and what
does she look like; Good bye

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31/65-

Q My Town 2 Dec 1865

Saturday

Well Diary I have come again to you to scribble
on thy pages the passing events of the
day; Well I went down to Dr Joe Filkins
this evening for Miss Mollie Lewis; Miss
Emma is very sick: Mrs body has been here
today; Aunt Belle has gone down to
Mrs Smiths; I heard this evening that
Mrs Patterson was quite sick but
I hope she will not be sick long;
Well Diary I have been studying my
lessons for Monday I think I know
all of them except Bible I am going
to study tomorrow too and try to
know it; there is meeting tomorrow
I think I will go if nothing happens
Well there comes Lizzie Lettis for me
to show her how to get her Arithmetic;
but Diary I am out of news I
heard the door open a while ago I think
some one has come; but I will close

Q. P. Town Ky Dec 3/65.

Sunday

Another Sunday has gone a beautiful ^{and} warm day; I went to church this morning had quite a crowded house; had no preaching but quite an interesting prayer meeting; Mr Jones officiated; Mrs Anderson and Miss Emma Perry came home with no formal meeting and took dinner; after dinner Miss Emma and Aunt Bettie and myself went down to Mr Gaitskill's we had quite a nice treat of apples and speciminies when we returned we found Mrs Massie here; and Aunt Bettie has promised here she would stay all night with her and I have been teasing her not to go; Ma and Nanie has gone down to Dr Williams; Lida Dille come over this evening and staid an hour or two with me I begged her to stay all night but she was afraid Mrs Patterson would not like it if she staid; So good bye

7th of Nov. 1868

Monday

Today has been a very disagreeable day
It has been raining nearly all day
We have had company it was Miss Mary
Arnold, Miss Fannie Rice and Miss Fannie Harris
and Mr. Lee Harris; I was perfect in all of
my lessons today; Miss Mil- did not hear
our Grammar; We had a very interesting Bible
lesson this morning but it did not seem
so because Mr. Patterson was not there
to explain it to us; Ma has gone up
to Mr. Lattis; Miss Mollie told us today if we
missed in our Colburn's Arithmetic tomorrow
she would go down to Mr. Patterson and
let him whip us but I am going to
study and try and not be sent down;
Mollie Parker is very sick she has the
measles; Well Christmas will soon be
here oh I will be so glad for their
santa claus will make us a visit
but it is getting late so I will close

Thurs. by Town Ky Dec ^{the} 5/68-

Thursday

To day has been a very rainy day; we have had company to day it was Mrs Dobbins and Miss Belle Anderson, Mrs Rice Bedford and Mrs Ashton Stockton Lee Harris; I was perfect in all of my lessons to day; I heard from Ida Ballott this morning she is going a hunt where she left Mr Patterson I did not think she would get well; Mollie Parker is no better I am afraid she will not get well; Annie Ballott come to school today she has not been there before for a week or more; Well tomorrow we recite Bible; Mr Amund has just gone to supper I think he is to pass it - is not dark yet. I am going over to the Protestant Thursday night to hear the paper read; Aunt P. Bell has gone down in town. I did not go down to the post office this evening; but it is getting dark so I will close

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7th of Dec^r 1868-

Wednesday

One more day has gone and can never be recalled; well I was perfect in all of my lessons today; We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this morning it was the history of the tabernacle it told of what it was made of and every thing about it I should think they had very fine workmen in those days from the reading of that; well I heard of a grand wedding that was to take place; well it was Miss Fannie Rice and Mr Leck Harris; Mr Parker came to see Mollie today; Miss Fannie Harris and Mr Daniels were here; there has nothing much of importance transpired today it has been very dull and rainy; I hope tomorrow will be a bright sunny day and that I will be able to give you some thing more interesting on the next page; For the present, Adieu

My Journal Dec^r 7/63

Thursday

This day has been a cold and cloudy day. P was perfect in all of my lessons today; Mr Patterson has commenced having two meals a day I was very much surprised when I went to school this morning and they told me that for I had gone unprepared, without my dinner; Ann-Bellie has gone down to Mrs Berge's; Mr Patterson heard all of Miss Mollie's classes today the girls were very much surprised for they did not know their lessons, P is now going up to the Institute to night to hear the paper read I think the girls are expecting company; Miss Pirk Young and Emma were here today they have just gone up to Mr Patterson's to see Miss Belle Anderson; I went down in town today; well there comes the stage; But I will close

77 Town ^{pl} Dec ^{pl} the 8/ 65-

^{pl} Friday

Again I am seated in my little room
trying to write my diary; well there has
nothing much transpired to day worth writing
in my diary; I was perfect in all of
my classes; Miss Maggie Hamilton came
over to Mr Pattersons this evening I was
so glad to see her for I had not
seen her since she taught school
there; Miss Pink Young and Miss Belle Anderson
were here and while they were here Mr
Amende treated them and candy and
ale and he gave Miss Belle two bottles
bottles I wished it had been me; I
heard this evening Mrs Freda was dead;
Well I went up to the Institute last
night the paper was very interesting
and the music was splendid there was
a great many out to hear the paper
and all seemed to be pleased;
But it is getting late so I will close
Sister B

77 Lowndes St Dec 9/65-

Salvatore

The day has been a very disagreeable day
It has been raining nearly all day; We have had
company. It was Mrs Bury and Alice; I have been
teaching my lessons today for Monday. I
think I know all of them; I am so
glad it is Sunday tomorrow. I am always
glad when Sunday comes so I can
go to church; The stage has just arrived
I am going to the office as soon
as I finish my diary; I see Mr
Sivers is moving; I suppose we
will soon occupy his old residence
as a school room; Aunt Bettie is very
busy today she has had a great many customers;
and she is having to get through with
her work by Christmas; The wedding have
arrived and ~~the~~ ^{this one} Mary & George
~~to night~~ was going to marry ~~I~~ ^{to} Miss H.;
but you will please excuse me for
not writing it - was a mistake Good bye
Sister

9 1/2 Town 1/2 Dec 10/65

Sunday

Another day has gone, and can never be recalled;
I went to church this morning; Mr Jones
officiated; there was not a great many there; the
bridal party was there. Mr Harris and Lady;
and their attendants they were looking very well
indeed; Miss Patten was looking beautiful; Mrs
Mag Hamilton and Mr Wrenn they looked
as if they were married too; I must hurry
and write my diary for I want to get a
visiting as soon as I get through with
my lessons; I think it was fun to
write diaries but it is not so, I find
it quite different since I have had
some experience; I have just come
from Mrs Browns I will now try
to finish my diary; I did not stay
long as the company was not very
agreeable; came home and went down
to Mr Smiths with Aunt Betsey I had
a very pleasant visit; But I will close.
Sandra B

Wm. Loomis Dec ^{the} 17/63.

Monday

Another diary to write: and I hardly know
what to write; Well to day has been ~~very~~
a very ^{pretty} day; I was perfect in all of my
lessons today; Miss Carrie Roberts was over
to Mr Patterson's this evening I was very
glad to see her for I had not seen
her since she went to school here;
Miss Mil's did not hear our Grammar today;
Miss Belle Davis was here this morning she
came to have a dress cut; I see Mrs Amanda
has got back from Paris; Aunt's Bellie
has gone down in town; Lizzie Bell's is sick
I am going up there to see her as
soon as I finish my diary; Miss Mollie
told us today if we missed in our
Colburn Arithmetic tomorrow she would
send us down to Mr Patterson
and let him whip us but
I am going to study hard and
try and not be sent down; Good bye

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Tuesday

Again I have come unto you to spend a few moments in trying to scribble the passing events of the day; Well we had a very interesting Bible Lesson this morning; Miss Carrie Roberts and Miss Celestine Smith and Mrs Patterson were here to day; Mrs Patterson went in Mr Amander's room and he made her a present of five cigars I did not know that she smoked before; Aunt Bellie has gone down in town I wish I could go but I have my diary to finish; What do you think I violated the rules of school today and I had to stay in an hour after all of the rest had gone home now that is too bad but I am going to try and be a good girl and not do so again I am very sorry for it but it can not be helped now; but I will close; I da

Sp M Town Ky Dec^{the} 13/68.

Wednesday Eve.

Again I have come to scribble on thy pages
the passing events of the day; well
winter has made its appearance at last
clad in its robe of white; I was
perfect in all of my lessons today;
nobody has been here; the stage has just
arrived I am going to the office as soon
as I finish my diary; I hope there
will be a letter for me; Miss Mit
did not hear our Grammar today it seems
as if she is never going to hear it
again; Aunt's Betty has just gone
off to Mr Lathrop; Mr Patterson did
not have but two meals today I
don't see how the boarder could do
with two meals for I get hungry
when we have three meals; Gander comes
Miss Celestine Smith I know we will
have a big laugh now when her
and Aunt Betty gets together; Good bye

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Dec ^{the} 13/65

At New Town Ky Dec ^{the} 14/65

Thursday

I am once more seated in my little room trying to write my diary. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning. I went down to Mrs Dobyns this evening; when I got there I found Mrs Graves and Mrs Keener and Kate Wood; I was perfect in all of my lessons today. Miss Mollie did not hear our Arithmetic today she is going to hear us on a review tomorrow. Miss Celestine Smith was here; the scholars are making great preparations for reading the paper to night I believe they are not going to have company any more until next week; Mr Ingles has just arrived on the stage this evening. I see him wending his way with Rachel in hand towards Professor Patterson. I suppose he is going to stay with him. There comes Miss Belle Anderson and Miss Alice Stapleton. It is getting late so I will close yours truly Andrew

N. M. Town, Ky. Dec. ^{the} 17. 63.

Friday.

To day has been a rather cold day. The snow is still on the ground. I wish it would disappear for I am tired of it. We had company today. It was Mrs. Carrs. and Mrs. Burr. They were here this morning. and Miss Mollie Davis and Miss Mit-Maston were this evening. And Mr. Amende came in and gave them some nice music on the guitar. And he visited them over again Monday night. And he said he would treat them. I was perfect in all of my lessons today. I went down to Mr. Dobson's store this evening. And Mr. Lanker sent Miss Belle Anderson a nice present.

He made her a present of some nice apples. We sang this evening. Mrs. Bartson came over to Mr. Patterson's. Mr. Patterson corrected our Diaries today. I got forty five and thirty nine. He corrected two diaries. Anna and Belle has just gone down in town. But it is getting late. So I will close. Sincerely B.

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N. M. Town. N.Y. Dec. the
1868.

Wednesday Evening.

My friends are seated in my little room by
a bright fire trying to write my diary. Well
what shall I say first. Today has been a very
cold day. Consequently we had no visitors. There was
morning at the Methodist Church today and
will be to night. I guess Mr. Patterson will
go and take the scholars. Anna & Belle has
gone down to Dr. Joe Williams to see
Miss Emma. She is quite sick. Mr. Amos
has gone to Paris today. He was so afraid
the stage would leave him he could
not wait for his breakfast. I guess by
this time he has got a good appetite.
There has nothing much transpired today
every thing is very dull. I hardly know
what to write. I wish I had some news
to write. If something don't happen I
will quit writing for it is the most
troublesome thing I ever come to.
But it is getting dark so I will close.

S. M. Town. N. Y. Dec. ^{the} 17/65-

Sunday Night.

The day has been so busy day! There was
meeting at both churches today I did not
attend either. I am sorry I did not go
for I understood the Bride was there. Mrs
Thompson. They say she was dressed very fine
Miss Liza Ames and Miss Emma Young were there
this evening. Aunt Bette and I went down to
Mrs Smiths. Mrs. Greta was there. we had a
very pleasant visit. They were talking of Christmas
I wish it was here now so I would have
something to write. But I must hurry and
get through for I want to look over my
Bible lesson. Just to think that tomorrow
is school day again! It seems like a day
since Friday. Another week and we will
have vacation. Some are glad it is so near
at hand but for my part I am
sorry to part with my school mates
Some of them perhaps will meet me
more; but I will close for today

N. M. Town, Ky. Dec ^{the} 18/65

Monday.

I am again seated in my little room
by a bright fire trying to write
my diary. Well today has been a very
rainy day. We had a very interesting Bible
lesson this evening. I was perfect in
all of my lessons today. We have company
today. It was Miss Mollie Lewis and Miss
Mildred Martin Miss Celestine Smith and Mr
Hugh Lee. He will spend the night with
us. Miss Mollie and Miss Mildred come
over and went into Mrs. Amende's room
and he treated them to candy and cake.
Miss Mollie did not hear our Colburn Arithmetic
today. She excused us because some of the
girls did not know it. Miss Celestine Smith
will spend the night with us also. We
had a nice serenade by Professor Amende.
Was very good music. But it is most
terrible and here I am yet. So
I will bid you good bye for the present

To M^{rs} Lounsbury Dec^r ~~the~~ 19th 65

Thursday

Raining & Raining a gain. It's sure as
if it ~~was~~ ever going to stop: I was
surprised in all of my life today: Miss
Bell Anderson came over this evening, and
Mr. Bonenle came in and made some
Punch and they had quite a jolly time.
I went to the Post-office this evening and
on my way back I happened to stop
in Mr. Lorchard's store and Oh, such beautiful
toys, I never before beheld with my
eyes. Such as ~~Bonaparte's~~ ^{Bonaparte's} ~~lofties~~ ^{lofties}, tea sets, and
Dolls, yes they look almost like some enough
Babies. And what do you suppose they
cost, only ten dollars. And if I just had
a ten dollar bill I would be sure to
spend it for one; We recite Bible tomorrow
It is the book of Exodus; We sang this
morning, Mr. Ward and Mrs. Hugh Lee came
in to hear us; It is getting late
and as I have my lessons to learn, I
will hasten to a closer. Love Ben. Thell

Dec. ~~the~~
19/65

S. M. Town, ¹⁸65, Dec. ~~the~~
20/65

Wednesday.

This has been a ^{rather} rainy day. I
was perfect in all of my lessons today.
We had a very interesting Bible lesson this
morning, but it did not run so, because
Mr Patterson was not there to explain it to
us. I went down to the store this evening and
before I got half way home it commenced
raining very hard. Tomorrow is the last day
of school. I am so sorry because I will have
to part with my schoolmates and some of
them I may perhaps not see more.
Miss Mollie did not hear our Colburn
Arithmetic today. Aunt Bellie has gone up
to her father's. Mr Smude came down and
played on the Clarinet it was splendid
music. Mr Patterson is going to correct
Diary's tomorrow, and if he corrects this Diary
he will not find much news in it. Well
there was nothing of importance
transpired today with writing in my Diary
so I will close for today I said

N York Dec^r 21/15

Thursday

To day has been a cold and cloudy day,
I was perfect in all of my lessons today.
The scholars are all leaving I am so
sorry for I don't know whether I will
ever see them again. Mr Patterson dis-
missed us this evening with the last
Monday in January. Miss Celestine
Smith was here, I went to the Post-office
this evening but did not get any
thing. I went over to the Institute
this evening to hear the paper read there
was a great many out to hear it-
And all seemed to be pleased,
Mr Darrell leaves in the morning and
so does Frankie Garrison I wish I
could go to Paris to spend my
Christmas but I have to stay
at home. Aunt Betty has gone
down to Mr Harris's Bar it is
nearly ten o'clock. So I will close & good

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Friday

I am again seated in my little room
trying to write my diary. Well what shall I say
first. Today has been a very cold day.
Miss Lulu Hamilton. Miss Mollie Roseberry and
Miss Fannie Rogers came over this
morning to tell Mr Amende good bye they
said they were going home in a few
moments. Then they go after Miss Belle Anderson
Mr Amende leaves in the morning he is
going to Cincinnati and from there to
Memphis ^{and} from to St-Louis Mo; Mrs
Patterson was here. I went down to Mrs Smiths
this evening Mrs Jordan was there. Mrs Callahan
came up to Mrs Bell's this evening. Miss Callie
Bell's is there she is going to stay all
winter; Ma is very sick; Aunt Bettie
has gone down in town to see the Dr. Miss
Mollie Lewis has not gone home yet
expect she will stay over to Mrs Pattersons
all Christmas. But I will close for the present

At 10 o'clock Dec 23/0

Saturday Evening

Mrs friends are seated in my little room by a bright fire, trying to write my diary. Today has been a very cold day. We had company to day. It was Miss Green, Miss Maggie Johnson and Cousin Joe McDaniel. I went down to Mr Smith's grocery this morning and I saw his things for Christmas they were very nice but not near as nice as Mr Goshards. Well tomorrow night is Christmas Eve I wonder what Mrs Bingle will bring me. I am going up to Mr Lettles as soon as I finish my diary to see Mrs Damarant she has come to spend her Christmas. I went down to the office this evening but did not get a letter. How provoking, for I was sure of one. Aunt Belle has gone down in town. Mr Roberts was here Mrs Lettles came down and spent the evening. There has nothing much transpired today worth relating in my diary. I wish something would happen for I am out of news. But it is late nearly dark and I will bid you Farewell for to day. Linda Benbelle,

45 by Mrs. Lane - 13

Y Y Town Ky Dec 27/68

Thursday

Another Sunday has gone and can never be recalled,
I did not go to church to-day but under stood there
was not a great many there. I saw Mr + Mrs
Patterson pass but they looked like they were
lost without the scholars. We had company
to-day, it was Mr Charlie Stuart and Mrs
Anderson, Mrs Lizzie Sellers and Emma and Ida
and Lizzie Sellers and Mollie Duesard. I have
been so lonesome today; Well tonight is the
night to hang up our stockings I wonder
what I will get; I went down to Mrs Smith
this evening I had a very pleasant visit; I have
come Miss Emma Young, and Miss Alice Fairbanks
and Miss Eliza Brown! We have to keep
up our Diary's Christmas I am going to
try to keep up mine but I don't
know whether I can succeed or not?
I am going up to Mr Patterson's as
soon as I finish my diary; Now it
is three o'clock; So I will close; Good night

(Christmas Day)

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Monday

Today has been a beautiful warm and pleasant day,
I awoke up soon this morning and run down
stairs to see what "Felix Kringle" had brought me
What do you suppose he brought me, well he
brought me a large apple and all kinds of
Candy's and a candy Bird, and some rascals. After
Breakfast I went down stairs and caught Mr
Lorhams and Mr Smith and Mr Gailkirk. Mr
Officers, they all gave me something nice;
I had to give Mollie Linnant and Lizzie Settles
a Christmas gift they would not let me off. The
Children have been rejoicing over what Felix Kringle
brought over. Aunt Bettie has gone up to Mrs
Settles. (Mr Joe Robertson came last night) I saw
Mollie Linnant this morning; Miss Celestine Smith
and Mrs Dotzger and Mrs Graves were here;
Miss Lark Green came up to Mrs Settles and
Lizzie and I got her Christmas gift and
she gave me a candy fish. But it
is getting late, so I will close for today.

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North Middle Town Ky Dec 26/65

Tuesday.

To day has been a very disagreeable day. It has
been raining nearly all day. We have had
company to day. It was Cousin Mag Carrington
and Miss Sue Mark. Mrs Smith and Mr Leck
Harris, Mollie Dumas and Lizzie Bellis. I went
down to Mr Corbarns grocery this evening. I did
not go to the Post office this evening I expect there
is a Sunday School Paper there for me. Aunt Bellis
and Cousin Maggie Carrington and Miss Sue Mark
have gone down to Mrs Dyer; I went up
to Mr. Bellis this evening and Lizzie came home
with me. I have been looking over my
lessons to day, I went down to the store this
evening and bought myself a notebook. She has
gone down to Dr. Joe Fithians; I am
going up to Mrs. Bellis as soon as
I finish my Diary; I heard the door
open I was in hopes some one
had come; So I would have something
to write; So I will close for today; Good

N. M. P. Ky Dec ^{the} 27/65.

Wednesday.

Today has been a cloudy gloomy looking day. I have been as usual today except down to Mr. Smith's. I had a very nice time also a nice treat of Apple Pudding and Candy. This Christmas seems to be very dull I have not attended any parties nor heard of any except the Ball that comes off tomorrow night to be given at the Farmers Hotel. I do not expect to attend as I have no ticket. I suppose they will have a grand time as they have been preparing a long time. I have went to the Post office this evening and got a letter from Miss Kewcomb. I was very glad to hear from her and also glad to hear that her friends were well except her youngest sister. I wish school would make haste and take up again. I am tired of vacation and ready. I am never so happy as when at school. But it is nearly dark so I will bid you good bye.

N. H. Town, ^{the} Dec. 28/68

Thursday

To day has been a very disagreeable day, I have been so where today except down to Mr Dobgans I had a very nice treat of Apples; While I was there some one hallowed fire and they flew in every direction. It turned out to be nothing but Mr Mockabes's Whiskies; Tonight I see the Kennedy house lit up they are fixing to dance I hope they will have a grand time Mrs Dobgans said she saw the table it was beautiful; Annie Wondson and Fannie are at Mrs Graces they are going to stay all night I believe; Miss Celestine Smith was here ^{she is here every day} I went up to Mr Settles this evening and said and how or not and Mollie Damarant came home with me; Mrs Mollie Oliver came up there and wanted Mollie and Lizzie to go home with her; But I will close; Good

No. No. 9. By Dec ^{the} 29/68

Friday,

To day has been a cold and cloudy day!
I have been as usual to the Post-office, I don't think
I did not get a letter from Franking for I
thought I would get one sure! Aunt Bettil
and Harriet have gone down to Dr. Graves Mrs
Graves sent for them to come down and
stay all night with her; Today has been a
very business day to me for no one has
been here nor I have not been any where;
~~What~~ There has nothing transpired. To day
morning sailing in my dress. I don't
like going sailing here but I wish it
never should come in fashion; They say
that Mr. Kennedy Ball came out two
hundred dollars in debt they are going
to have a winter Ball Monday
night they say they won't make expenses
any more was a great many there;
But I will close for to day

N. M. T. ^{Vol} Dec 31/65

Wednesday,

Another day has gone a beautiful and warm day;
I went to the Post-office this evening and got
a ticket for the Rail but I do not expect
to attend; Mrs. Weston and Miss Celestine
Smith and Mollie Darnavant and Lizzie Bell
were here; Tomorrow is Thursday I am
always glad when Saturday comes so I
can go to church. Aunt Belle is very busy
she has had a great many customers
She thought she could get through by
Christmas but had too much work to
do so she had to sew Christmas;
I wish something would happen so I
could give you something more
interesting for I am out of news.
I will declare if something does
happen I will quit diary writing I need
to think it was fun to write
diary's but I find it quite different
since I have had some experience; Good bye

(New years day)

N. M. Town Ky Dec 31st 1861

Sunday.

To day has been so gloomy! There was
nothing at both churches to day. I went
to the Reform church. we had no
preaching. but quite an interesting prayer meeting.
There was not a great many there Mr
Jones officiated; I went up to Mr. Seltzer
this evening and Lizzie came home with me
and played an hour or two; Mother Dorman
went home this evening! Sarah Bellie and
Hannah have gone down to Dr. Joe Fithian's;
Mrs. Anderson and Miss Pink Long were at
meeting I don't see how they could ride
so far in this cold! The Bride was
there she looked very nice! To day is the last
day of this year for the evening is the
first of January. It seems like this year has
passed swiftly by; Ma has gone
up to Mr. Seltzer; I want to go on
visiting when she comes home; But
I will close for today! Sidor Benthall

St M. I. H. Jan 1st 1860

Monday.

Again I have come unto you to scribble the
events of the day; Well what shall
I say first? "Oh day" has been a very
disagreeable day! I have been out
where today; Ella Fithian and Frank +
Mrs Patterson and Mrs Winslow were here!
There is going to be two balls tonight
one at Mrs Kennedy's and one at Mrs Cooke's
I had an invitation to Mrs Cooke's but
I don't think I shall attend! Aunt
Betty has gone down in town! Mrs Patterson
is going to have a big dinner to-
morrow! I am going to have a party
of my own will let me! Eddie Muschalee
and Lizzie Bellis come by for me to
go with them to the party but
I could not go! There has nothing
much transpired today hardly worth relating
for my diary. I wish I had
something to write so it would interest you!
But I will bid you good bye! Andie

N. M. T. Ky, Jan ^{the} 2 / 18.66

Tuesday.

Today has been a very pleasant day; though rather cold! I have been as usual today except ref. to Mr. Vellies! Mrs. Graves and Mrs. Under and Miss Ore Marie and Mr. Major Allen Lizzie Vellies and Emma were here! Aunt Betters and Harriet have gone over to Mrs. Pattersons. They are going to have a big dinner (Mr. Dan Talbot & Lady & Mr. John Jones and Lady are going to be there)! I did not go to the Post-office this evening I expect there is a Sunday School paper there for me! Mr. Vellies has sold out to Mr. Hey Bean. They are going to move to Missouri I am so sorry! It will soon be time for School to take ref. I am so glad for I am tired of holiday already, there will be a great array of my School mates that will not come back I am so sorry for I do not know whether I shall ever meet them again! Good Bye!

A. M. Tamer ²⁴ Jan ^{the} 3rd/94

Wednesday.

Today has been a very pretty day.
Though it has been rather cold!
We have had company today. Mrs. Lettice
Miss Dominguez Mrs. Manda Jones and Mrs. Bill
Mrs. Kropp Miss Christine Smith and Mrs.
Janda; I had a nice treat today to
Laska and Wane; I went down to
Mr. Dobyns store this evening with Miss Mary
Dominguez. I see Mrs. Lee Bedford has got
back from the Mountains; Aunt Bettie
is very sick she has got neuralgia in
her face and head; Mrs. Patterson
came over this evening for Aunt Bettie
to cut her a dress but she was
too sick to cut it; Mr. Marlin
Pallott came this evening late and
knocked at the door and liked to
scare us to death; But dear I believe
I have told you all the
news so I will bid you; Good bye

My My P. H. Jan ^{the} 4th / 86

Thursday, after -

Today has been a very cold and cloudy day, I have been no where today. It seems very tedious for me. I have not been here since Aunt Betsey has been sick; Mr Cook is going to have a Ball tomorrow night. I received a ticket but don't expect to attend! There has not one single thing transpired today worth relating in my diary. I am so tired of writing diaries any how I wish it never had come in fashion. I much as think it was best a ~~friend~~ to write diaries but it is not so I find it quite different since I have had some experience. I have no press to write and if something don't happen I will quit writing entirely. Well Diary I have told you all that is worth telling; I will close

My Dear, ^{July} Jan 8/67

Friday,

I am once more seated in my
little room for the purpose of writing
my diary. There is meeting at the Reform
Church tonight. Mr Wilson preaches & we do not
expect to attend as it is so cold. I
would freeze before I got half way there!
Mrs Nellie Bellis and Fizzie and Emma and
Edna and Mrs Kennedy were here. I have been
in where today. I have been at home
at work. Marie went to the Post office
this evening and got a letter from Louisa
Mary. How I was so glad to hear from
her for I had not heard from
her for a year or more. Mr Bellis
has sold out he is going to move
to Missouri the tenth of February. I am so
sorry to part with Fizzie for
I have always lived with her and
went to school together. I will
be broke up of a playmate. Good bye

N. M. I. 27 Jan 1876

Saturday

I am once more seated in my
little room by a bright fire trying
to think of some thing to scribble on
my diary! Well what shall I say first?
Today has been a very pleasant day
though rather cold; Miss Belsham Smith
and Ida Rogers were here! I did not
go to the Post office this evening I
expected there is a Sunday School
paper there for me; I went up to
Mr. Miller's ~~office~~ this evening Mrs. Miller's mother
were there from Ohio! Aunt Betsey is
very sick she has rheumatism in her
head and face! There is
meeting at the Reform Church Mr
General preaches; I would like
very much to go to night
but I can not go and
have sent Betsey! Well dear I believe
I have told you all the news, so I will close

N. M. T. Ky Jan ^{the} 7/66

Sunday,

Another day has gone and can
never be recalled; I went to church
this morning there was a great many
there Mr Henshel preached & I went to Jones
& Dr Joe Williams this evening Miss Ann
is sick! Mrs Anderson and Emma
Young were here! Aunt Bettie is very sick
she has the Rheumatism in her head and
face! I am out of mind I wish
something would happen if something don't
happen I declare I will quit writing
for it is the most tiresome thing
I ever done I wish it never
should come in fashion any more
I am going up to Mr Bettie when
I finish my diary for I am so
lonesome I had something nice this
evening! There has ever been record to
day worth relating in my diary
So I will bid you good bye, I did B

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Monday,

Another diary to write and I hardly
know what to write. Well today has
been a very cold and cloudy
day! Consequently we had no visitors;
Ma and Aunt Belie are both
sick! I shut up to Mr. Belie's
this evening Mrs. Belie's Relations were
there; I went off to the Post
Office this evening but don't
you think I did not get
a letter from my brother
thought I would get one
sure! I wish school would make
haste and take up for I
am tired of holidays already I
want to see Miss Belie soon
and all of my school mates
so bad! Well diary I'll be time I
have told you all the news
So I will bid you Good bye

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N. M. Town. By Jan ^{the} 19/4

Wednesday Eve.

Today has been a cold and cloudy day. It sprinkled rain this evening! Mrs Perry was here today! I went up to Mrs Callen this evening Miss Garrison's servant was there! I went to the Post office this evening but did not get any thing! I heard this evening Mrs Patterson was going to sell and to Mrs Brown and Francis Joe Garrett I am so sorry for them I will visit going to school for there will be no school to go to! Billie Patterson was here he came to get Pa to take him in coal! There is no more to write for there has no more transpired today everything is very dull there is nothing worth writing or telling the truth! Well Diary I believe I have told you all that is worth relating in my diary so I

St. M. Jones 11/16

Thursday

Another disagreeable day and another day
to write! What shall I say for every
thing is so very dull. I hardly know
how to commence! Oh! dear, I wish school
was taken up again. I am very anxious to
see my school mates and Miss Follie Lewis
and Mrs. Appender. What has become of him
I am anxiously waiting his return for
he promised me he would bring me
a nice present: nothing of interest has
occurred today! Mrs. Dobson was here this
evening! I went to the Post office this
evening but did not get a letter and
was very much disappointed! There is no
news to write for every thing is so very dull
I wish I had some good news to tell
you but I have not. I have told
you all the news of importance
so I will beg leave to excuse
myself for today! Adieu B

N. M. T. G. Jan. 17/11

Friday.

This day has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining nearly all day. It seems as if it was never going to stop. We have had company to day. Miss Farnier, Gordon and Miss Mollie Bedford. I went down to the Daguerrian Car this evening. It was a queer looking gallery standing on wheels in the middle of the street. Mrs. McLean of Paris is the artist. She is supposed to be a very good one. I went to the Post office this evening did not get anything. My diary oh how I do wish I had some news to tell you but I have not. I will try to give you something more interesting in my next diary. I can find any thing to write! Oh how I want some thing to write. So it would interest you. I expect I will have my picture taken Monday if it is a pretty day. So I will close yours truly, Cordie

L. M. T. Lyman ^{the} 17/6

day. Again I have come out over to scribble
 on my fingers the events of the
 day! What shall I say first! To-day
 has been a very pleasant day! Miss
 Bedford Pink Goring and Louis Gardiner & Miss
 this was here! I went to the Post-office
 standing this evening and got a paper for
 Sarah-Bellie! I had a nice treat-
 ment this evening! There is meeting at the
 Reform Church to-day and tomorrow I
 am all ways glad when Sunday comes
 so I can go to meeting! I don't
 know whether there is meeting to night
 or not. If there is I am going
 Miss Celestine Church has got home she
 came yesterday evening she has been
 visiting near Mr. Harting! Sarah-Bellie has
 been talking of going to Mr. Harting to
 day. carry our ~~in the morning~~! I have told you
 all the news so I will close! Good night

W. W. L. Hy Jan 14/66

Thursday.

So day has been a very pleasant day. There is preaching at the Reform church to-day and to night. I did not go to church this morning but I think I shall go to night. Mrs Wood and Lizzie Keller and Miss Letitia Cassette were here. I went down to Mrs Alice Gail-shells this evening she looks very nice house keeping. I wish school would take up again I am tired of vacation. I want to see my school mates and Miss Hollie Lewis so bad. Aunt Belle has gone down to Miss Letitia Cassette. Marcella has gone down to Mrs. Thomas to see Laura Winstan. It is nearly melting time so I will have to lay my diary aside until after I come from church. Well I have returned so now I will try to finish my diary there was a great many at church. But I have told you all the news that is worth relating in my diary. So I will close

N. M. T. Ky. Pass 15/66

Monday,

Dear I have again gathered to gather
my evening materials for the paper for
writing my diary! To day has been
a very rainy day! It seems as if it-
was never going to stop! I have not
been any where to day nor are
has been here! I went to church last
night. Mr. Herschel preached and he appointed
meeting for to night. There will not be
many there I guess for it is so rainy
I did not go the Post office this morning
where has no more record to day worth
relating in my diary! Oh how it does
ruin! It seems as if it would crash us
away! If it stops raining in time for me
to go to the Post office I will go for I expect
there is a Lady's Book there! I wish I
had some news to write so it could interest
you! but it is only one week from this
week until school takes up I am so glad
that it is getting late. So I will close! I da

N. M. D. Esq Janth
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Wednesday.

Today has been a very pleasant day!
We have had company today Mrs
Lucinda Selles and her mother and
Dr Joe Filkins! Harriet went to the Post
office this evening and got one of Mr Dob-
son's circulars informing his customers that
he was doing business on credit-Egyptian
and the Anti-Slavery paper & have been
looking over it - there is not much news
in it! Ma is very sick! I went up to Mr
Selles this evening! Miss Mary Elmes and Miss
Harriet Darnant was there! Miss Mary Birrell
came down to Mr Dobson's store this evening
There has no news occurred today worth
relating in my diary! Pa has gone
down to the shop he promised to
bring me some thing! I had a nice
bread today to cake and wine! Dear
I have told you all the news I
that is worth relating in my diary. So
I will close yours truly Sarah Bencher

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Wednesday.

Again I have come unto you to try to
think of something to scribble in my diary!
We have had company today Miss Belsham Smith
Miss Farnie Jorda and Mrs Marie and Mrs Dolgers
Mrs Wood and Mrs Kennedy and Mrs Mollie Slivers!
Farnie went to the Post office this evening and got
Aunt Betty's Magazine. I have not been any where
to day I have been at home at work. To day
has been a very cloudy day! It is just one
week from this week untill school takes up I
am so glad yet I want to see Miss
Mollie Lewis and all of my schoolmates so last
Aunt Betty had been very sick to day with
rheumatism and tooth ache! Pa has just come back
from Mr Commons! There has got tons of
importance secured today every thing seems
to be so very dull. I have no news to
write so it I could interest you? I
have told you all the news that is worth
relating in my diary! So I will close! Good

N. M. Lane, Jr. Jan 18/66

Thursday.

Today has been a very pleasant and warm day almost like a spring day I can hardly believe it is midwinter! Ma is quite sick and I have been helping Aunt Bethe keep house and have had but little time to write my diary! Mrs Patterson and Mrs Bethe and Mrs Bethe has been here! For some weeks and school will take her soon the time will roll a round I will be glad how soon for I am getting really impatient to see my school mates I hope the boys that all will come back! Mrs Patterson received a letter from Mr Stomack she said he was at New Orleans I think it is times he was coming back (But I must hurry and get through for you want my assistance) And I am so glad for I can't find any thing to write these diaries are a great pest - the same over every day and ~~nothing new~~ ^{nothing new} will! I have told all that is worth relating in my diary? So I will bid you good evening Mrs Diary! Endie B

St. M. T. Ky. Jan 19/66

Friday.

Today has been a beautiful warm and pleasant day. I have been out where today except down to Mrs. Smith's! We have had company today Miss Pink Goring and Miss Celestine Smith's! I wish something would happen so that I might have something to write. I think I never saw things so dull! I see they are moving the school room over to the Partridge—that is some sign that school will soon commence which makes my heart beat with joy the thoughts of meeting my dear school mates a gain. Tomorrow I expect company and I have a good deal of work to do today as Ma is sick. I have to wait on her and do a great many other things that I never done before. Phannie has gone off to her Bellis! Now she has returned and she has gone to the Post office. I hope she will get a letter for me. Oh wonder she comes I see she has gone a paper! Now I must hurry and get through for I want to go out and read it. I have told you all the news that is worth relating in my diary. So I will close. Good

N. M. G. Ry. Jan 20/66

Saturday.

To-day has been extremely cold. I think I never felt
so great a change. Yesterday it was as pleasant as
spring. Today it nearly freezes me in the house.
I hope it will not continue very long. If it does I will
freeze sure. Nothing of interest has occurred to-day.
Mrs Smith's came over this evening to see Ma she is quite
sick but I hope she is not dangerously ill. I shall be
very glad when she gets well. My company did not
come as I expected. I felt quite disappointed but still
hope they will come yet. I have no news to-
write. Miss Sammie Harris Miss Sammie Jorda Miss
Mollie Bedford Mrs Settle and Miss Mary Hamilton
were here to-day I was very glad to see Miss Mary
for I had not seen her before since she taught
school here so I neglect of. I wish I had
some news to write so it would interest you
I am tired of diary writing any how I wish
it had never come in fashion. But I
related all the news that has occurred
to-day. So I will close. Your Friend L. B

N. M. House. Ky. Day 21/6

Sunday.

Today has been a very cold day! I have been as
where today! We have had company today Mrs Smith
and Mrs Settle and Miss Emma Young and Miss
Kate Mark, Mrs Graves! Fannie has gone up to Mr
Settle! I have no news to write for there has nothing
occurred today hardly worth relating in my diary! Ma
is very sick! I do wish school would take up again for
I want to see my schoolmates so bad! Fannie has returned
and Lizzie came with her! There was a death in town
today of scarlet fever. I am very glad for I saw a friend
it will get to school. Fannie took this one and
picture taken she said she would give me
one. Fannie has returned and she brought me a
present. Now you can't imagine what it was as you
don't know I believe I won't tell you. I wish
I had some news to write but I have not. I
will try to give you something more interest-
ing in my next diary if I can find any
thing to write! I have related all that is worth
relating in my diary so I will bid. Good Bye. Linda

N. M. Town. Ky Jan ^{the} 22 / 11

Monday.

Again I have come unto you to try to scribble a few lines in my diary: Well what shall I say first. I have seen no where today I have been at home at most Miss Harriet Parada and Miss Mollie Bedford were here! Aunt Belle is sick she has neuralgia! There has no news occurred today worth relating in my diary. Oh how I wish I had some news to write so it would be interesting but I have not a single thing!

Oh Harris
Mollie a year ago Mrs. Settle and Miss May were here today I was very glad to see Miss May for I had not seen her before since she taught school here so I regret it; I wish I had some news to write so it would interest you I am tired of diary writing any how I wish I had never come in fashion. But I related all the news that has occurred today so I will close my dear Friend L. B.

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St. M. Jones Ky Jan 23/67

Wednesday.

Today has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining
nearly all day. We have had company today. Harriet Grant
and Harriet Grant-Warley, I have been so where
today. Harriet went up to Mr. Teller's this evening and Lizzie
went with her and stayed in for three hours. There has
been no news transpired today worth writing in my diary.
The school commences next week and I am so glad I
hope all of my school mates will come back. Aunt
Belle has gone down to the old Middle Cross is
improving several ice buildings going up! Lizzie settled
down to the Daguerian card this morning and
had her picture taken. She said she would give me
one. Aunt Belle has returned and she bought me a
present. Now you can't imagine what it was as you
don't know I believe I won't tell you. I wish
I had some news to write but I have not. I
will try to give you something more interest-
ing in my next diary if I can find any
thing to write. I have related all that is worth
relating in my diary so I will bid Good Bye. Good

A. M. Lamm Esq. Jan 24/11

Wednesday.

Raining! Raining a gale! It seems as if it was never going to stop! I have not been any where to day. Mr Patterson was here this evening! Harriet has gone down to the Post office I hope she will get me a letter! Miss Celestine Smith and Miss Fannie Harris were here. Next week's school takes up. I have not seen any of the scholars passing. I hope all of my schoolmates will come back. I want to see Miss Mollie Lewis so bad. It is still raining very hard. Harriet has returned and did not get me a letter how long for? I thought sure I would get one I wish. I had some news to write so it would interest you, but I have not every thing is so very dull. I will be glad when school takes up so I will have something to write. I am going to hunt up all of my books tomorrow and study my lessons all over I have not studied my lessons all over since school closed! I have told you all the news of interest for now. So I will bid you adieu for the present. Harrah. B.

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North Middle Town. N.Y. Jan 24/66

Thursday.

Again I have come unto you to try to think of something to scribble in my diary. I have been no where to day Mrs. Smith was here this evening. Her husband has gone off to Mr. Sellers. Annie has returned. I see some of the scholars have come. Belle and Carrie Scott and Elsie Banta and Mary Brattain have come. I went to the Post office this evening and got a letter from Belle. I will be very glad when Monday comes so I can get to see my school mates and Miss Mollie and Miss Mit. There has no news occurred to day hardly worth relating in my diary. I hurried up all of my tasks to day and finished over my lessons. I will be very glad when school looks up so I can have something to write in my diary. Oh how I do wish I had some news to write so it would interest you but I have not every thing seems so very dull. Lezzie, Belle and Mollie Demarest came down this evening and staid an hour or two and then wanted me to go down to Mr. Joe Shivers with them but I could not go. Bart I have failed my paper so I will bid you good evening Mr. Diary.

N. M. ^{Feb} ²⁴ Jan ²⁵ / 16

Friday Evening.

It finds me seated in my little room by a bright fire trying to write my diary! Well what shall I say first? To day has been a cold and cloudy day I have been nowhere to day except down to the Post office. I got a Lady's Book and the Int-Exchange paper for Harriet Betty. Harriet has gone up to Mrs Bell's she will spend the night! Miss Belsham Smith and Mrs Patterson and Harriet were here: Harriet Bell's has gone down to Mrs Evans she said if she had time she would go to see Mrs Mollie Shivers but it is four o'clock now and I don't think she will have time! Mollie Demasant went home this morning I have no news to write I wish I had some to write. I will try to give you something more interesting in my next diary if I can find any thing to write I must hurry and finish my diary for I want to look at the Lady's Book, I have related all in my diary that has occurred to day. So I have no more news to write. I will beg leave to close as I want to look at the Lady's Book. So I will bid you good eve

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St. M. Loom Ky Jan 27/6

Saturday, Evieing.

Today has been a very pleasant day though rather cold. I went up to Mr Sells this evening and while I was there Mrs Sallie Sells and Miss Liza Kiers and Mr Joe Robertson came. Miss Luluine Smith was here this morning. I did not go the Post office this evening. Lizzet Sells was here this evening. I see a great many of scholars have come in. Just one more day until school takes up. Oh I am so glad to meet my dear school mates on again. There has no occurred today worth relating in my diary. I promised you yesterday that I would try to give you some thing more interesting in today's diary but I have no news to write so I can not give you any news that would be interesting. Mrs Smith and Mrs Freda were here they said they were going up to Mrs Pat-ley Smith this evening. I see they have moved the school room and are going to fix it up ready for school Monday. I have told you all the news of importance that I could. It is getting late. I believe I will close as I have work to do. Good evening.

S. M. Linn, N.Y. Jan 28

Thursday Evening

Today has been a very gloomy day! There was meeting at both Churches, I went to the Reform Church, there was a great many there, after meeting I went to Betty and my self went down to Mrs. Smith's and had dinner. After dinner, Aunt Betty and Miss Leslie went up to Dr. Graves. Mrs. Messie and Mrs. Doherty and Lizzie Bellis were here this evening. Aunt Betty and Harriet have gone up to Mrs. Smith's. I saw a great many of the scholars were at Church. Tomorrow School takes up but I don't know whether the school room is fixed for the little scholars or not. I see the scholars are passing, every thing is very dull. I will be glad when school takes up so I can have something to write. I must hurry and finish my diary for I want to read over my Bible lesson it is the Book of Exodus, and besides I have my other lessons to get. I have no more to write. I wish I had some to write so it would interest you but I have not a single thing to write that is new. But I have filled my page. So I will close.

Jan 28

S. M. Lumsby Jan 29/66

Monday.

This day has been a very pretty day though rather
cold. I went to the Post Office this evening and got
two pictures for Aunt Bettie, Mrs Patterson and Mrs Mc
Millan, and Miss Helen Smith and Mr Howard and Mr
Hoffman was here. I started to school this morning and
a great many of the scholars have come. We have some
new scholars. I was so glad to see Miss Nellie Lewis they
brought Edith Mackabee and Ida Dobgers to vice books.
Miss Nellie Bryan and Miss Helen Banta went down to the
Delegation Car this evening and had their pictures taken.
I went down to Mr Smith's this evening. He did not say
any lessons today because all of the scholars had not
come in. Miss Nellie Lewis gave me lessons for tomorrow.
She said she would teach tomorrow any how if
all of the scholars don't come. I must hurry
and finish my diary for I have my lessons
to get and a great many other things to do.
I have nothing new to write. I have re-
lated all that is worth relating in my
diary, so I will close as I have my lessons to get.

A. M. Loomis Ry Jan 30/80

Tuesday.

Today has been a beautiful and warm day. I have been so where to day. We have had company to day Miss Maria Harris and Mrs Patterson and Mrs May and Mrs Berry. Maria went to the Post office this evening but did not get any thing. There was no regular school to day but tomorrow will have school I guess. For Miss Miller give us lessons for tomorrow. Mr Apperle got back this evening seemed to be glad that he had returned. He brought a nice head and invited Miss Miller Lewis and Mrs Patterson and Aunt Betsey and Miss Mit Maslow but Miss Miller could not come because she had company. There has no news occurred to day worth relating in my diary. But I must hurry and finish my diary for I have my lessons to get up and I have a great many other things to do. I wish I had some news to write but I have no news to write not one single thing to write that is new the same thing over everyday. But I have filled my page. So Good bye

N. M. Jones Kygan 31/6

Wednesday.

I have today has been a very pretty day though rather cold. We have had company today. Mrs. DeLong and Mrs. Patterson went to the Post-office this evening, but did not get a letter. Tomorrow we recite Bible II - is the first three chapters of Genesis. Mr. Patterson, and the scholars recite down to the Dispensarian text this evening. Maria has gone up to Mr. Bell's. I have no pens to write for which has very much occurred today. Aunt Belle is quite sick, I think I shall go down to the Car by tomorrow if it is a pretty day and have my picture taken. That artist gets a great deal of work to do, I see people were going in there all times of day. I must hurry and finish my diary for I ought to read over my Bible lesson and besides I have my other lessons to get. I have nothing new to write the same thing over every day. This diary writing is a great folly, I thought it would be fun to write before I commenced. but it is not so. I have related all in my diary that is worth relating. So I will bid you Good evening. Good bye.

N. M. Perry Feb 17/76

Thursday.

I have again gathered together my writing materials and have taken my ~~convenient~~ seat - for the purpose of writing my diary. Well what shall I say first. Today has been a very cold day. We had a very interesting Bible lesson. It was about the creation of the world. Mrs. DeGans and Mrs. Patterson were here this evening. I went to the Post office this evening, but did not get a letter from home, for it is all mixed up of one. There was a very much death in town today of scarlet fever. I am very sorry for it and afraid it will get in school. Ma is very sick. Emma Fair and Belle Peck were here this evening they came to get - spent Belle to fix Emma a dress. I must hurry and finish my diary for I have my lessons to get. I have related all the news that is worth relating in my diary. So I have no more to write. I wish I had some pens to write but I have not. But I have filled my page. So I will close as I have my lessons to get.

J. M. Linn. Esq. Feb 2/66.

Friday.

Today has been a very cold and windy day. We have had company today Mrs Pullison and Mrs Dibbons and Mrs Massie. I did not go to the Post-Office this evening. We sang this evening. There is preaching by Mr. Wright at the Reform Church I think I shall go if it not so cold. We went to the Post Office this evening and got a paper for Aunt Bettie. I have been looking over it. There is not much news in it. The scholars are going home. I see them passing. There has no news occurred today. Miss Mullie did not hear our Cribb's Arithmetic today she excused us until Monday. I do wish I had some news to write you but I have not. Every thing is so very dull. I will try to give you something more, something more interesting in my next diary. If I can find any thing to write. I have no news to write that same thing over every day and nothing new to write. But I have related all the news of importance. So I will bid you Good Bye.

N. B. W. Feb 8/

Saturday

Today has been a very cold and windy day. We have had company today Cousin Will and Jeanie Storer and Cousin Eliza McDaniel over - down to Mr. Dobson's place this evening. There was meeting at the Reform Church today and will be to-morrow. I am all ways glad when Sunday comes so I can go to meeting. I went down to Mr. Smith's today Mrs. Jane Jones was there. I did not go to the Post-office this evening. I expect there is a Booky Book there. I have been looking over my lessons today. I think I know all of them. I have been writing I am kind of Diary writing every night. I wish at some hand come in fashion and how. Oh they are a great deal. I wish I had some ideas to write so it would interest - goes but I have not the same thing over every day. I must hurry and finish my diary for I must write my assistance. I have written all the news that is worth relating in my diary so I have no more news to write. But it is nearly dark and I can scarcely see the line so I will close

Feb 3

N. M. Loomis Esq. Feb 4

Monday Evening

We have had a very cold and cloudy day. I did not go to meeting today. I was so cold I could not go out. Mrs. Pettis was here this evening. I have not been any where to-day except up to Mrs. Pettis. Miss Mary Holmes and Mrs. Callie Wells were there. I have no news to write. Aunt Nellie is very sick she has the measles. I saw the scholars just by going to meeting. There was not many of them, but nearly all of them were home Friday evening. Well to-morrow is Monday. It seems but a day since Friday. I am glad when Monday comes so I can see my scholars. A great many of them did not come back. I must hurry and finish my diary for I have ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~it~~ ^{it} ~~red~~ ^{red} ~~very~~ ^{very} Bible lessons over and besides I have my other lessons to get. I learned very lessons yesterday but I don't think I know them well enough to recite. I have nothing new to write. I wish I had some news to write so it would interest you but I have not. But I have filled my page. So I will bid you good evening. Sincerely

M. M. Farnley B. L. L.
3/66

Monday.

Today has been a very cold cruel cloudy day! I went to the Post-Office this evening but did not get a letter. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning Mrs Fairbairn was here this evening. I went down for Dr. Duggan's store this evening. We had two new scholars to day Miss Bellie Smith and Miss Young. I went off to get letters this evening Mrs Little's relations were there from Ohio. Next Saturday, Mr Little's wife comes off they are going to start to Missouri next Wednesday. I have no more to write. This diary writing is a great job. I wish I had more time to write. There is meeting at the Reform Church tomorrow night. I think I shall go if it is not so cold. Mr Wanch, I preached I expect all of this scholars will go. Miss Bellie Smith was here this evening. There has no more occurred today worth relating in my diary. Mr Spruill came back this evening. I am going over to get Patterson as soon as I finish my diary. I have related all the news of importance that is worth relating in my diary. So I will bid you Good evening Mr Diary. Good Night.

Feb 3/66

M. W. Town. Ky. Feb 6/66

Wednesday Evening.

Another diary to write: And I hardly know what to write. Well what shall I say? To day has been a very pretty day, though rather cold. Mrs. Peterson and Miss Celestine Smith were here this evening. I went down to the Danvers bar this evening. I saw some very fine pictures. I think Mr. McLean is a very good artist. Miss Molly Roseberry, and Miss Lucie Hamilton were there waiting to have their pictures taken, the gallery was crowded. I went to the Post Office this evening but did not get a letter. How provoking. I declare that to Lord. Aunt Betty has gone down in town. Tomorrow we recite Bible. how I must hurry and finish my diary for I have my lessons to get. I heard this evening that there was a Ball to be given at Mrs. Shiers tonight. I wonder if there will be many there? Aunt Betty has returned. I went up to Mrs. Pettis this morning Mrs. Pettis relations started home while I was there. I have told you all the news that has transpired to day. There was nothing new except to day. But I have filled my page so I will close but to day. Good Night

Sp. No. 1000. Reg. 1000. 7/61

Wednesday Evening

Wednesday Evening
Today has been a very cold and blanchy day. We have
had company. Mrs Berry and Mrs Dobson. We had a
very interesting Bill Beson this morning. I went to
the Post office this evening, but did not get a letter.
Mr McEann came over to Mr Patterson this evening
and took the picture of his house. Aunt Bettie and
Kamie have gone down to Mr Smiths. I went up
to Mr Lettles this evening. I went in company with
the scholars today down to the Pond. Delia Michels
was skating on the ice and it broke up with
her. She would have drowned if Mr Ed Thomas had
not happened to be passing and he jumped up
of his horse and pulled up the rails of the fence
and threwed them in the water so that she
was too cold to hold to them and Mr Thomas
had to go in the water and pull her out.
Genora Blair and Kate Stone were here this
evening. I have told you all the news of
importance so I have no more news to
write. But I have filled my page so I will close

L.S.

N. M. Town. N.Y. Feb 8/66

Thursday.

This day has been a very cold day. I went to the Post office this evening but did not get a letter. Mrs Patterson was here this evening. Aunt Bettie has gone down to Dr. Grimes. Tomorrow we recite Bible. Lizzie Little and Edith Machee were here this evening. Lizzie went home with us to stay all night. Miss Millie did not hear our Colburn Arithmetic. As she excused it - until Monday, I must hurry and finish my diary for I have my Betty Lesson to read and lessons to get. Aunt Bettie has returned and her and Mrs Patterson have gone up to Mr. Agnew's room but invited them up to trial church. I expect Mr Patterson will correct my diary tomorrow. I wonder what I will get. I wish I could get forty five every time he corrects our diary! I have no more to write. I am out of pens I wish I had some more to write. I will try to give you some thing more interesting in my next diary, if I can find any thing to write. I have told you all the news of importance so I will close
Sincerely

S. M. Lamm. Ky. Feb 7/66

Friday Evening.

Again I have gathered together my writing materials and have taken my accustomed seat for the purpose of writing my diary. Miss Celestine Spitzer and Mrs Patterson were here this evening. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning. I went to the Post Office this evening but did not get a letter. How shocking for I was all most sure of one. Lizzie Little is here she will spend the night with me. Miss Kellie did not hear our Sabbath arithmetic today! Sarah Bethie has gone off to Mrs Little. I went down to Mr Dobson's store this evening. It was crowded full of people. Mrs Patterson and Annie went down to the hay this evening and had their pictures taken. I promised you in yesterday's diary that I would try to give you something more interesting in my next diary but I have nothing new to write so I can not do as I promised! I have related all the news that has occurred today so I will bid you good evening Mrs Diary...

Feb 7/66

N. M. Lewis, Ky. Feb 7/66

Saturday Evening.

Today has been a very pleasant day. I went to the Post office this evening. I got a paper, Miss Esteline Smith and Lilla Dille and Lizzie Little were here this evening. I went down by Mrs. Stevens this evening that relations were there! I went up to Mrs. Little's sale this evening there was a great many things sold very high! I have been sending my lessons down to day I think I know all of them: Cousin Mary and Arthur Harrington were here they have just started home! I have no more to write. There has my new train fired to day! Mrs. Little came over yesterday and so early to park with Lizzie for I have been raised with her and been with her all of my life! I am going to get my lessons to-morrow for I don't think I know them well enough to recite! Tomorrow there is meeting at the Reform Church I am all ways glad when Sunday comes so I can go to church! But I have filled my pen so I write close for to day
Gull

A. M. James Esq. Feb 11

Sunday Evening.

I am once more seated in my little room by a bright fire trying to write my diary. Well what shall I say first? Today has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining very hard nearly all day. There was meeting at both churches today but I did not go to either because it was raining so hard I could not go through the rain. Lizzie Little was here this evening. Aunt Betty has gone down to Mr. Dobson to take dinner. I wish I had some paper to write so it would interest you but I have no time to write every thing is so very dull! I must hurry and get through with my diary for I have my lessons to get. I studied my lessons yesterday but I must study some today too for I don't think I know them well enough to recite and I promised Lizzie Little I would go home with her this evening and stay all night. I have pretty good cell the news of importance. So I will bid you good evening

A. M. Penn. Ky. Feb 12/66

Sunday.

Another disagreeable day and another diary to write! Well what shall I say first. Miss Celestine Smith and Lizzie Little were here this evening. I went to the Post-office this evening but did not get any thing. Tomorrow we recite Bible. Mrs Little left this evening. Lizzie gave me one of pictures this evening. Miss Willie did not hear our Arithmetic today! Mr. Amende's spies returned. We had a new schoolbook today; It is still raining very hard; I have no more to write. There has nothing transpired today worth relating in my diary! I must hurry and finish my diary for I want to read my Bible lesson and get my other lessons. I have a bag of Arithmetic lessons to get and it is very hard. So I must hurry and finish my diary and go and learn it. I have nothing more to write. I wish diary writing had never come in fashion for I am tired of it - very hard. I have filled my page so I will close.

St. Alb., Vt., U.S. Feb. 13th

Thursday Night.

To day has been another, disagreeable day. It has been snowing nearly all day: We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning: I went to the Post Office this evening but did not get a letter how provoking! I have no news to write; Mr. Amende had a Birth day, supper to night - Mr and Mrs Patterson and Mrs Dobson and Miss Mollie Lewis and Billie Patterson were there. They had a very nice supper Ice cream and peaches and cake. Punch and all most every nice drink; I cannot hurry and finish my diary for I have my lessons to get. It is very late but still my diary must be written. It is nearly ten o'clock: Mr Dobson is still here all the rest have gone home! Professor Amende and Mrs Dobson are having high times I guess; Mr Patterson said he had to go home to hear a Latin lesson! I have nothing new to write. I wish I had some news to write so it would interest you. But I will close for to night. Sincerely

St. M. Gunn. ^{Ref.} ^{Ref.} Feb. 17/66

Today has been a very pleasant day though rather cold. I went to the Post office this evening but did not get anything. Mrs Bray and Miss Lizzie Smith were here today. I was perfect in all of my lessons today. Miss Schollie did not hear our Colburn arithmetic today. At tomorrow we recite Bible. There has no news occurred today. Our symphony course during this evening and played on the Violon it was very pretty music. I must hurry and finish my diary and go and get my Bible lesson and I have my other lessons to get. Aunt Bettie is quite sick she has a very bad cough; I expect we will have a Wake-up next Thursday night. I have no more to write for nothing has transpired today every thing is very dull. Today has been the first-day this week that it has not been raining or snowing. I have related all the news of importance so I have nothing more to write that is worth writing. So I will close.

S. M. Loomis Ky. Feb 7/52

Thursday Evening

Today has been extremely cold. It seems as if I will freeze: we had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning: I went to the Post-office this evening. but did not get any thing. I am only - we had no visitors. Miss Miller did not hear our Colburn Arithmetic to-day. I thought I would freeze this morning going to school when I got there I could not move my fingers: there is no more to write - every thing is very dull: We are going to have a spelling battle to-morrow so I must hurry and finish my diary and go and get my spelling lesson. This lesson commences at the first of the book and go through the book. I wish I had some pens to write so it would interest me but I have none worth writing. I think if it don't moderate it will surely freeze me: my heart trembles so with cold I will close by promising to write something more interesting in my next diary.

N. M. Conn. Ry. Feb 16th 1880

Friday Evening.

I am again seated in my little room by a bright fire trying to write my diary. Well what shall I say first? To day has been a very cold day Miss Celestine Smith was here this evening. I went to the Post office this evening but did not get a letter. Miss Mollie did not hear and Colburn & Strithorn to day. We had the speaking battle this morning over sick head. A great many of the scholars went home this evening. The boarders spoke of going to the Pond this evening to skate but I don't think they would. I would like to go and skate if it were not so cold. Abraham Hamilton was here to day. Aunt Bettie is very sick. Harriet has gone down to Dr. Graves. We sang this evening. Mrs Patterson did not have but two meals to day. I promised you in yesterday's diary I would give you something more interesting in my next diary but I don't believe there is any more to write. Good Bye

A. M. Loomis Esq. Feb 17th

Saturday.

I have come out again for the purpose
of spending a few moments in trying to write
my diary. Miss Charlotte Smith and Mrs. Little and
Lizzie were here, ~~the~~ ^{Lizzie} ~~well~~. Spent the night with
us; I went to the Post Office this evening and
got a paper and a letter from Aunt Betty. I went
down to Mr. Jan. Rivers this morning. Mrs. Stevens
relations were there; Aunt Betty had gone down
to Mrs. Doherty. All of the Boarders went
down to the Pond this evening to skate. I
would have gone with them but I had
company. There is no time to write. I
wish I had some news to write so it
would interest you but I don't like diary
writing any more. I wish it never had come
in fashion. I have heard people say that
their school days were the happiest days
of their lives. But if they had Diaries to write
they would not think so. I have related
all the news of importance so I will close;

Feb 17

A. M. Linn Ky. Feb 18

Sunday Evening

Today has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining and snowing nearly all day. There was a meeting at the Reformed Church today. I did not go as it was so raining. I went down to Mr. Shivers' this evening. Mr. Little and family leave in the morning for Tennessee. As one has been here today. Well to-morrow is school day. It seems but a day since Friday. I have not looked at one of my lessons because I have had company and have not had time. I must hurry and finish my diary and get my lessons. We have a very interesting Bible lesson to recite in the morning.

I hope to-morrow will be a pretty day for to-day has been very rainy and disagreeable. I expect Miss Mat and Miss Nellie will come in the new schoolroom to-morrow. I am so glad. I have no more news to write. I have related all the news of importance so I will bid you good evening. Linda Bentzen

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N. M. Town. Ky Feb 19

Monday. Evening.

To day has been a very cold day; We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning; I went to the Post office this evening but did not get any thing Mrs Wainman and Mrs Graves and Mrs Doyles were here this evening; Miss Pitt did not hear our Grammar to day; I see Mrs Doyles is having an action. I have nothing new to write. every thing is very dull. It seems as if it was never going to get warm again. It snows one day and rains the next; I heard this evening Mrs Patterson was very sick but I hope she will soon get well; I must hurry and finish my diary for it is nearly eight now and I have my lessons to get; Mrs Fuller started to Missouri this morning We have an exchange for neighbors Mrs Beane I think we will like her very well; I was perfect in all of my lessons today; I am nearly through my diary I am so busy; I have related all the news that has come to day. So I have nothing more to write. So I will close for to day. Love to Mother

St. M. F. Ry Feb ²⁰/₂₀ / 66

Thursday Evening.

Today has been a very disagreeable day. It has been snowing very hard until about 11 o'clock. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning. Mrs. Berry and Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Dwyer and Mrs. Grimes were here this evening. Miss Mollie did not hear our Arithmetic to-day. I was perfect in all of my lesson to-day. I went to the Post-office this evening but did not get any thing. I went down to Mr. Beane's Grocery this evening. It was crowded with people. He seems to sell a great many things. This is the last day of the Auction this week. I went down to Mr. Smith's this evening. Miss Mollie did not hear our Grammar to-day. I heard this evening of a grand wedding to be given at Mrs. Evans' Thursday Evening. There has been no news received today. Aunt Bessie is quite sick. I have told you all the news of importance. So I have nothing more of interest to write. So I will close.

N. M. Gorman ²¹ Feb. 21

Wednesday.

Today has been a very pleasant though rather cold. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning. We have had company to day. Mrs. Massie and Mrs. Dan Lillian and Mrs. Hartsell and Miss Celestine Smith. I was perfect in all of my lessons to day. I went to the Post office this evening but did not get any thing. Miss Guller did not hear our Arithmetic to day. I went down to Mrs. Smith's this evening. Well Diary I wish I had something worth writing in my diary. I must hurry and finish my diary and go and get my lessons for it is nearly night now. Miss Will give us a very long grammar lesson for tomorrow. If I don't hurry and finish my diary and go and try to get it I will be sure to miss and she said if he missed she would send us down to Mrs. Patterson and let him whip us. but I am going to study hard and try to get my lessons. So I will close.

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St. M. Sound Ky. Feb 22

Thursday Evening.

Again I have come onto gay to scribble the
passing events of the day. I went to the Post
office this evening but did not get any thing.
Miss Belsham Smith was here this evening. I
went down to Mr. Gaithe's this evening. We are
going to have a Babylonian Sunday Night. We would
have had it to night but we could not get
the stage fixed in time. Miss Miller did not hear
our Sabbath School lesson to day. Tomorrow he
recite Bible. I must hurry and write my
diary for I have my lessons to get. Aunt
Betty is quite sick. Miss Kil did not
hear our Grammar lesson to day. I see
the people returning from the Wedding.
I suppose they had a grand time. I
would like to have gone but I was not
invited and even if I had I could not
have left my school to have gone. I have
no more news to write that is worth
relating in my Diary so I will close. Sarah

C.

North. Middle Lane. N.Y. Feb. 28th

Friday Evening

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I am again seated in my little room
by a bright fire trying to think of something
to scribble in my diary; We had a very interesting
Bible lesson this morning: Mrs. Debyas and
Mrs. Masie were here this evening: I went down
to Mr. Gaithe's this evening and Mr. Gaithe came
home with me and stayed two or three
hours; I was perfect in all of my lessons
today: I went to the Post office this evening
but did not get a letter. How provoking;
I went down to Mrs. Masie's this evening
and she has gone down to Mr. Perry's. My
half did not hear our Arithmetic today;
This is the last page of Good old
Diary I am so sorry I am through it:
I will try to write some thing more
interesting in my next Diary. I will
try to get a mother in tomorrow if
there is any in town: But I have
filled all the blank pages in this
diary so I will bid you Good Bye for ever.

U. M. Gove, Sep March 2, 86
1866

Wednesday.

O! Mr. Mr. P. & I have
such sad news. One of the
greatest ~~events~~ ^{events} of my life
occurred to-day the death of
a kind and loving Mother
left my friends. The subject
is so painful I can not
write on it so with my
heart full I will close.

She was very
motherly
Sister Ben Hall

(11 years old)

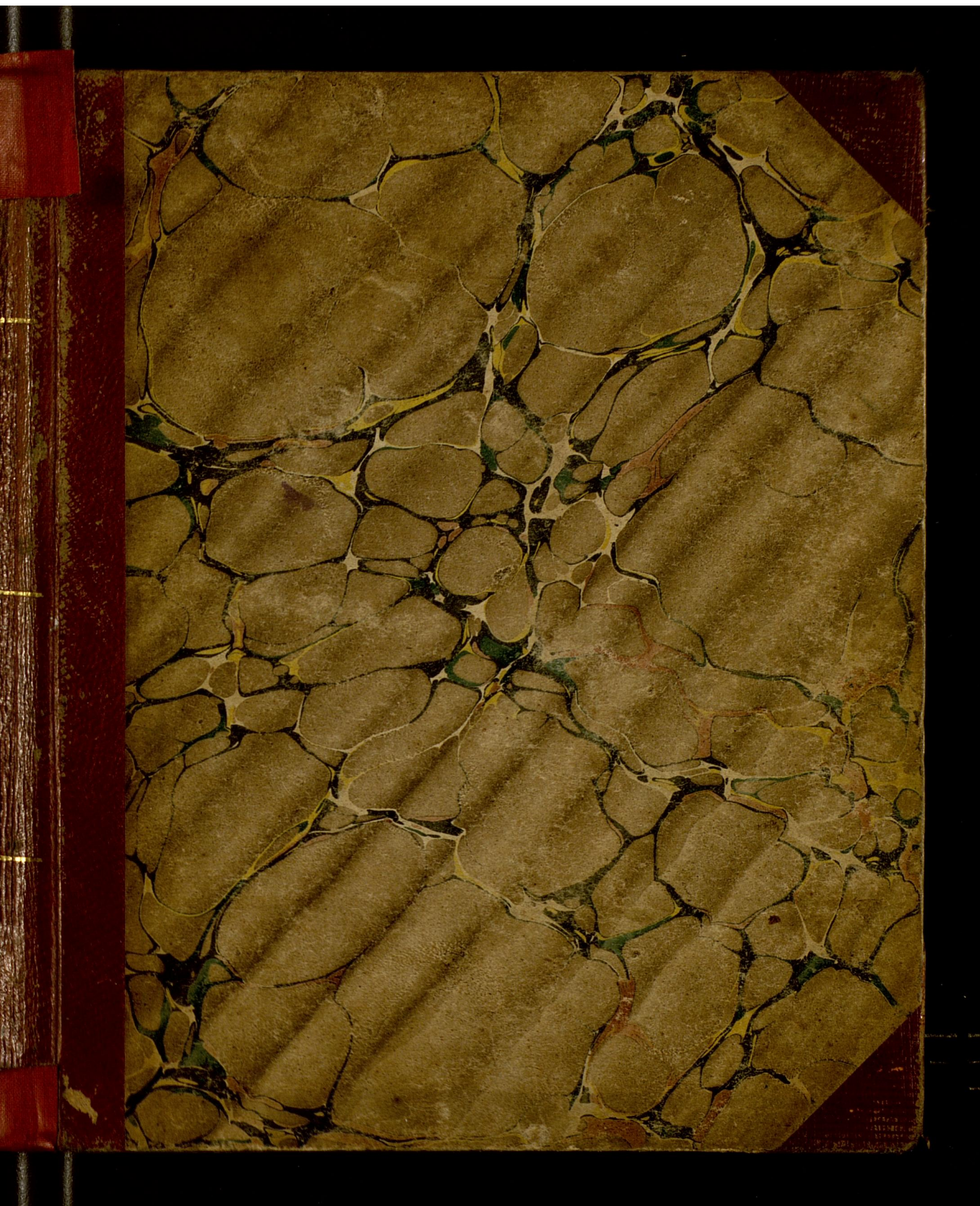
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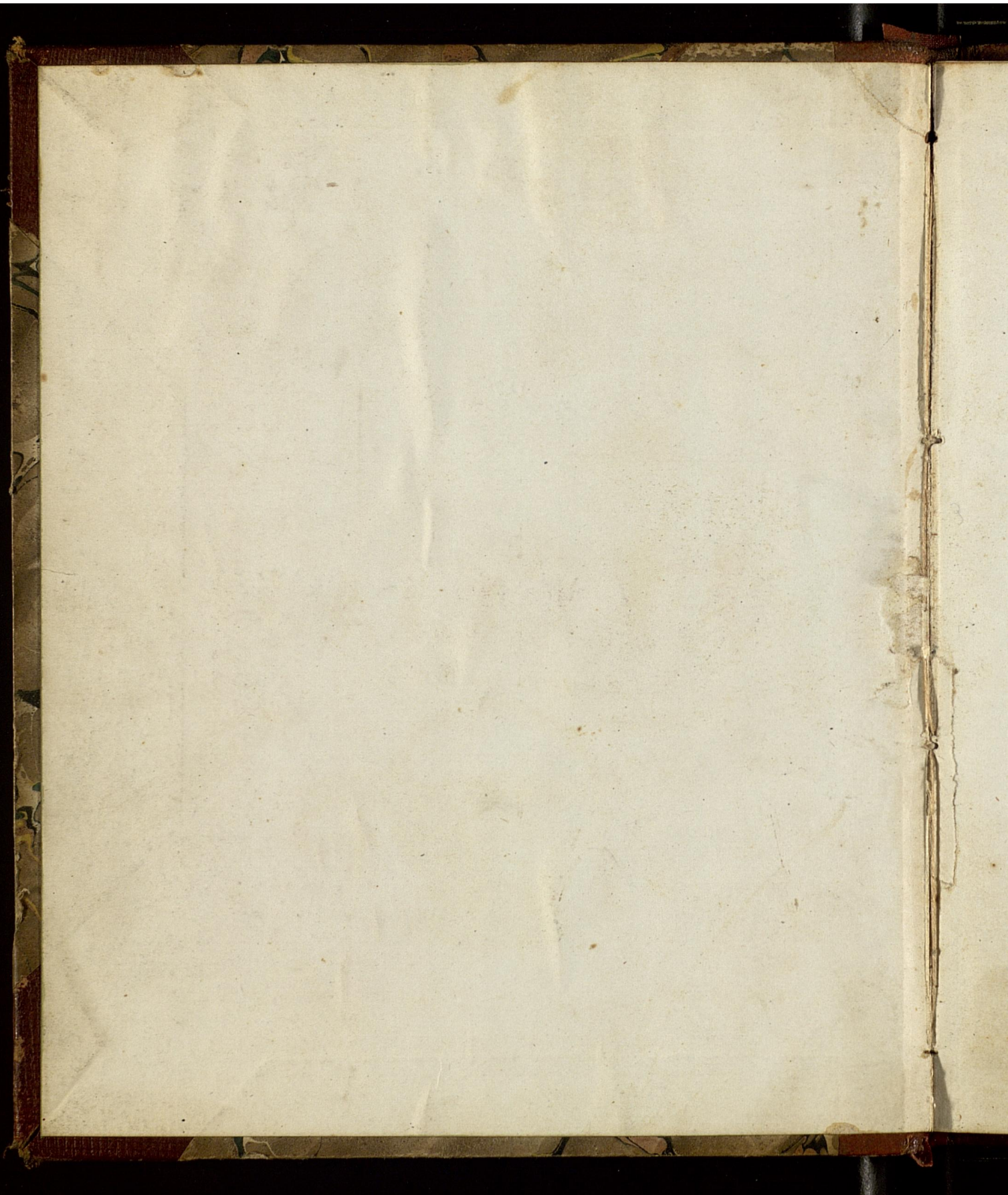


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North, Middle Town. Ky, Jan 19th 1868

Sunday.

Good evening Miss
Hellen. I am happy to form your acquaintance. Hope you will prove faithful, and
always be ready to share my troubles
as well as joys, you being the only one
that I will confide in, hope you may not
prove truant. Well this is a new year
and I have many things before me to
perform. I did not attend Church this
evening. But had a full description
of the sermon by Mr. Lloyd. He took his
text - "cor's and calves," Minnie Kinsler
and Laura were here this evening, I
went down to Mr. Dobson's this evening
Amena went down to Mrs. Keene's this and
I came home. This has been a very
disagreeable day. It has ^{been} so windy and
the snow has been melting nearly
all day, I have prepared all my
lessons for tomorrow, I hope Kettie
will not fail to bring my algebra.

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back soon in the morning for I want to
get my lessons, I let her have it. Friday
I got her lessons, because it was not in
her book. Aunt Betty has gone down to see
Mrs. Mease and Mrs. Brown. She is quite
sick. Mrs. Seymour is staying with Mr. & Mrs.
Hellen. I had such a nice present. This
morning, I will just tell you what it
was. It was a diamond button. (imitation)
I would like very much to tell you some-
thing more, but I have nothing. I will
perhaps tell you something tomorrow.
I had nothing else to do this morning,
so I sat down and cleaned out my old
trunk. I came across my little picture
that was taken when I was just one
year old. I sent my sister for it
and rubbed it out. I was so
sorry I would not have taken five
dollars for it, but I could not help
it. I have my life. Well I know
you are tired of all such nonsense
so I will bring this uninteresting
diary to a close, good evening.

St. H. Sound. N.Y. Jan 20th 1887

Monday.

Once again I resume my seat within the walls of my dear old Home, for the purpose of having a "long" conversation with my dear friend Hester. But before I proceed any further, I will just say, you must not expect to hear "very" much news; This has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining nearly all evening, Aunt Betie has had company to-day. Mrs. Leank Ford and Miss Denise Sedgwick, Mrs. Ford came to get a dress cut, It is very pretty (from mine) I went to the P. O. this evening, but did not get any mail. We had a very interesting Sabbath School lesson to-day, It treated of Light, I believe some of the class missed, with the exception of Mary Gray. But what is striking uncommon for her, she "hardly" ever recites the lesson perfectly. Our Bible was interesting also, It treated of the Tabernacle

and the fork, and the materials of which
they were made. Mr. Hendon questioned
me. I think he ought to let me question
him some time, for he has asked me
questions every morning, since Christmas.
Mr. Brister has not returned yet. He
left Exeter, morning, and has not been
seen since. I think he went up to Mrs
Stipp's, and perhaps he is sick. I have such
a pretty button string, or perhaps I had
better say "Charon string" as it would
sound a little better. I have so many
pretty buttons on it. I am just give
one a large green glass one. Helen I
think you might give me one. I
would appreciate it highly. I must
hurry and finish this diary, for it
is growing very late. and I have my
lessons to get for tomorrow. But let
me tell you one thing that I had
almost forgotten. Mr. Dan Talbot
moved to day to Town. I am so
glad for Mrs. Betta will be close
to me and I can go to see her very
good bye.

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St. M. Louis. Ky. Jan 21st

Tuesday Evening.

This cold evening finds me seated in my own little room by a bright cheerful fire for the purpose of recording the passing events of the day. We had a very interesting interesting Bible lesson this evening. Kittie Bourne's side questioned me, & I missed one. I was so sorry, but I could not help it. Mr. Henderson asked the question so quick, that I did not have time to think about it before he passed it. He sent Mary Thomas from the room for talking. I would have to have been in Mary's place. I went to the store this evening for Aunt Belvie, to see if there was any "satin silk" there. She is making Mrs. Galbolt a new dress and wanted it to head the folds with. but could not get any. Mrs. Galbolt was here this evening. She said the snow was so deep at our gate that she fell in it, head and ears. I feel sorry for her, & that

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is so. We had a very interesting Philosophy
Lesson to-day. It treated of Shadows. I never
knew before what a shadow was, and
perhaps you would like to know so
I will tell you. Light falling on an opaque
body is intercepted, the darkness produced be-
hind the opaque body is called its shadow.
I learned a great deal today. Aunt-Bettie
is going to write to Cousin Mary Hanly to-night
to get me a new dress. I hope she will get
me a bright one, I got me a new hat
this evening. It is very pretty. It is made
of black silk velvet, and trimmed with
black velvet lined with green. Aunt-
Bettie says I must get a plume. She must
tell me what kind or else she can get
it for me. Mr. Bristol came back last
night about twelve o'clock. I have not seen
him to-day. I did not go to the P. O.
this evening. I hope there will be a
letter for me tomorrow evening. For I
have not received one for two weeks.
I have related all the news of
importance so I will bid you good bye.

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H. Alb. Town, Ky. Jan 22nd

Wednesday.

Again I have gathered together my writing materials, and have ^{taken} my accustomed seat to tell you all the news. Well what shall I say first? We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this morning. It contained a history of Moses' stay on Mount Sinai and about the children of Israel making a calf to worship while Moses was gone. We had a very interesting Philosophy Lesson also. It treated of "Reflected Light." Mr. Patterson explained it so well, I did not go to the P. O. this evening. I went and got the Lady Ark and Benches. I have been looking over it, there is not much news in it; I have been "stringing" my buttons nearly ^{all} evening. I have so many pretty shells, beads, doll heads buttons with out my eyes in them and little baskets out of cherry and peach seeds and all kinds of things to put on my frame.

Mrs Geo Mitchell says as soon as I
get ready, she will make it for me. I
think I will be ready by next week.

Mrs. Cornie was here this evening. She said Lillie was out to Mr. Seamin's Saturday and that she was coming to school Monday if she was well enough. She is in very bad health and I do not think she will come back before April or May. I am nearly crazy to see her. I think if it is not too cold Saturday I will go out to see her. I went to dress to see Mrs. Kate Brown this evening. She is some better. Mrs. Sydney is still there. I guess she will stay all winter. I must hurry and finish this diary for I have all of my lessons to learn for dinner, and write a letter decided and if I don't hurry I fear it will be too late for me to write it. For now I can scarcely see the lines. Mrs. Talbot moved today. Bella did not like the idea of living here (in Gorm). But I will cheer.

45 by Mr Henderson,

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N. H. Town. N. H. Jan. 23rd

Thursday Evening.

The "him-
self" tells me it is time for me to
visit "Shubertown," but before I retire I
must write my diary. Well I believe
Mr. Patterson is going to correct the
diaries tomorrow & know he will
give ^{me} something for I have such dreadful
ink that I can scarce write with it
at all, I never saw ink spread like
it does, in my life before. We had
a very interesting Bible lesson this
evening. He questioned Port Henderson.
I believe he did not "miss" any.
Our Philosophy lesson was not very
interesting. It treated of Reflected Light.
I believe some of the class missed, with
the exception of Mary Gray and Susie
Parrott. The snow is nearly all gone.
It rained very hard last night and
melted it. I went down to Mrs. Fellows
this evening, but she was out at home.

I went to the ^{and} P. ^{ice} this evening and
 got a letter from ^{Mr.} Mrs. Severy was
 here this evening. She has just returned
 from Winchester. Dear you must excuse
 this bad writing for it is nearly twelve
 o'clock and I am so sleepy I can scarcely
 see the lines. I will promise to do better
 next time. Aunt Betty is hurrying
 me so I will say if it was not
 so late I would write more and tell
 you all the news. So good bye

W. H. Conn. Sept. 1st 1868.

Friday.

Well Helen how do
 you feel this cold evening after having
 forty five marked upon your scribbled
 pages. I guess you feel too glad to say
 one word. Well I have some news to tell
 you. This evening when I arrived at
 school Mr. Salter said. Every young
 lady must write a composition and
 be ready to read by twelve o'clock

now you know we had grand productions
 I wrote one on Resurrection and read it. I
 had one page. I think I will write a piece
 for the paper next time. I am not a mem-
 -ber of the Society, and I do not know where
 I should write for it. We did not recite
 any lessons to-day. I went to the Store
 this evening and Susan Gabe Mitchell
 gave me pretty buttons. But my
 friend Helen I have something to say
 to all you. This evening Aunt Betty went
 down to the Store, and left her muff. Cousin
 Jordan Mr. Daniel stole it and went down
 to Mr. Brown's with it. She did not know it
 and accused Sammie Richardson and Helen
 Jackson of hiding it but they did not. She
 then came to Mr. Brown's and got it
 She had not been home long when she
 received a bundle. on opening it, she found
 S. Richardson's ^{own} portrait and the picture
 of her muff. either it was written
 "Here is your muff" Sam Richardson did
 not know a word of it Helen had
 it and sent to please Sam, good bye.

~~Wm~~ N. C. Town. Sat. Jan 25th

Wm Saturday Evening,

In my "Chamber of Love" I am seated this cold evening for the purpose of "scribbling" my scattered thoughts upon this blank page. I did not tell you all the news I intended to yesterday so I will finish today. Cousin Maggie Barington and Cousin Ediza M^{rs} Daniel and Cousin Frederic were here yesterday. I had to give incorrect, and M^{rs} Patterson told me and all that were incorrect to stay in until the dinner bell rang. I will tell you that Sam Evans, Rella Pollett and my self came home, I guess on our first seven girls knew it, I was very sorry that I did so and begged the girls to go back but they would not do it, the first time I ever did such a thing in my life. I did not go to the Society last night. It was too cold, I went down to Mr Gall-ons on street, we had a candy festival this evening. Mrs Gallton was here this evening, good night Helene "Sweet Love"

Borne, Jan, 26th 1868.

Verdrey, Evening.

These letters of another day have at length arrived and I am seated in my own little room by a bright fire trying to give a few scattered thoughts in very general. I did not attend Church this morning as my new dress was not made. Aunt Belle attended. She said there was a great many there. Mr. Jones officiated. The "big" Meeting is put off. Bro. Ladd has gone to Missouri. I do not know when it will be. This has been a very pretty day though rather cold. It looks a little like rain now. I do hope it will not rain for it will be so Sunday. I have written my piece for the Paper. It is the best I could do to save my life. I have learned all of my lessons for tomorrow except I have to finish reading over my Bible. It speaks of this day (the Sabbath) to "Remember it to keep it holy" (Exodus xxxi chapter) and just to think how many do not even go to Church to hear the blessed gospel. But I will bid you good day.

Friday,

Jan. 7th, 1876.

My Journal has just been corrected and I got "ninty nine". (99) I was very well pleased with my number. I would have liked to get 100 if I could, but I guess it was impossible. I know it was not because I did not try. Mr. Patterson made the girls standing out this morning. He said I got a splendid standing this week. Cousin Taylor Harington was here this morning. Aunt Bettie and Sannie went down to Mrs. Odens to night. The Society convened this afternoon. Prof P. sent down to invite the ladies to hear the girls.

"Saturday."

Jan 8th, 1876.

This has been a very windy day. The sun has been shining brightly all day. I went over to Mr. Patterson's this morning to take Miss Jol to her Wrepper. She was very much pleased with it. Pa went to the P.O. this evening and got one or two letters. I went down to the

Oh 1868, We had a very interesting Algebra lesson this
 evening, if I am allowed to call Algebra
 interesting. Nanci Dan Galt and Mrs Patterson
 were here this evening. Nanci came to get
 Aunt Betty to cut her check over, Miss Corrie
 spent the night with us last night, and Bob W.
 Miller came very near staying too, she came
 to go with Miss Corrie to the Methodist Church
 and Miss Corrie would not go, she said it was
 too rainy. We then sat and talked until 10 o'clock
 Miss Corrie did not want him to go then, I
 think I will go down tomorrow, where I finish
 this diary, Aunt Betty wants me to go down
 to Mr. Dan Galt's, for her, I got some very
 nice juices for my quilt this evening, I finish-
 ed braiding my apron, and have commenced
 making my new dress, I recited all my
 lessons perfectly to-day. (all that was heard)
 There is a party to be given out to Mr.
 Joseph Jones to-night, we sent for Mother
 Bryant, I do not know whether Prof. will
 let her go or not, Nanci Galt is going.
 Will Miller I have related all the
 news of importance, so good evening.

W. M. Town, Ky. Jan 28th 1868

Sunday Evening,

Here you are again, ready for another "crash" with Linda, but I do not expect to tell you much news. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening, I believe no one except Mary Thomas and Lizzie Settle missed any. Mr. Henderson questioned us (the class). This has been a very cold day. The snow is still on the ground, I did not go to the P. O. this evening, Aunt Betty sat up with Mrs. Kate Berns last night. She has Pneumonia. I took Miss Corrie a nice little box this evening, with a gold ring in it from Bob McMillen. Prof. — went out to Miss Sue Walls wedding this evening. He left just at twelve o'clock. We did not recite Philosophy I know we will not get through Optics this week. I recited all my lessons perfectly today. We did not have a very good Algebra lesson this evening, nearly all the girls could

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out - work the first example, Laverie Don-
 Galbott came up this evening, after the cloak
 but it was not done, she looked so jumpy
 with her front teeth out, Johanna McE came
 up to Mr Patterson's this evening, Belle
 Hetchings and Mattie Allen, Jennie Parker
 Theresa Highland are all sick. Belle has
 been sick two weeks, "The old woman has
 been picking her nose all day," Hope she will
 finish to night, I had the promise of two
 large apples this evening. But, I think it
 uncertain whether I will get them or not,
 Mr Bristol went to the wedding this
 evening, he is such a graceful rider, I saw
 him start, I would not be surprised if the
 horse trotted his life out of him before
 he returned, if he goes all the way like
 he started, I know you are tired of my
 nonsense, if you are not, I am tired
 of writing, for I am so cold I can
 scarcely hold my pen, ^{Dear} if you will
 excuse me this evening, I will write you
 three pages tomorrow, so I will close
 by saying - good evening friend Helene -

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L. M. Goun, Esq. Jan 29th

Wednesday.

Well, well, well can
it be possible that I have another diary to
write, I know there never was such a brim-
-stone "friend" in the world, Well I suppose
you want to hear the news of the day, so
I will commence. We had a very interesting
Bible lesson this morning. Our side questioned
the other, I believe we were missed any. Our
Algebra was very good indeed. I believe every
girl in the class could work every example
in the lesson. We did not recite Philosophy
today. Prof - did not get back in time. We
have not recited any lesson since last Thursday.
Arithmetic was also very perfect, all the
girls understood it. ~~My~~ I have just com-
-menced at the first class and will
you all up to the last one. Prof Baislin
came home this morning and brought some
of the cake to Gentin, and "Lemon Pie". It looked
very good and nice, but I have been a
great deal better if I had only tasted it,

I went down to the P. O. this evening, but did
 not get any letters, Aunt Betty has gone down
 to see Mrs Brown, she is worse, do not think she will
 live, I firmly believe this is the coldest day we
 have had this year, I have been nearly frozen all
 day, I recited my Algebra this evening before
 school took up to Miss Ketta Galtott. She said
 I could not work them, she gave them out
 and I worked them all, I must hurry and
 finish this diary, for I want to give some
 on my quilt before night, I sewed two squares
 on it last night, the snow has not melted yet?
 I do hope it will not stay on the ground
 much longer. Prof. said Miss Sue Hall looked
 very pretty, he also said Alice Horton was
 the finest looking girl there, I am sure
 that is a great compliment, Diary you
 must excuse me if this diary is ^{not} written good
 for I am so cold that I can not write
 you any more, I promised you yesterday that
 I would write you 3 pages this evening
 but Helen I am too cold I will write
 it for you tomorrow evening, so I will
 bid you good night. Adieu, Helene —

L. H. House, Ky. Jan 30th 1868

Thursday Evening.

This cold evening finds me seated in my own little room, for the purpose of recording the passing events of the day. We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this evening. I believe no one missed ^{with} the exception of Lizzie Bellis and Mary Thomas. W^m Henderson made them stay after school and get it. Aunt Betie has gone down to see Mrs. Brown. She sent for her to come and dress her child. She is worse this evening. I went to the S. C. this evening, but did not get any mail. Diary I have something to say to tell you. I believe I will not tell you this evening. I am afraid you will tell. I will tell you a little of it. All I will say is that last night about 10 o'clock the drum beat every hour and "they" I will not say who went to the ground and "ducked" somebody. We had a very interesting Philanthropy Lesson this evening. I believe no one missed

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any. It treated of Polarized Light; I never knew before that light was composed of seven colors (Violet, Indigo, Blue, green, yellow, orange, red) I have learned something worth learning to-day. I will tell you another strange fact, when we look at a bright fire for a long time, then shut our eyes, we will see it, tinged with the complementary colors. I have noticed it a great many times. Our Algebra lesson was very good this morning. Mr. Henderson explained the long example, Aunt Bettie has just returned from Mrs Brown's & says she is some better just now, but do not know how long it will last. Mr. Brown is "silly" and no one can do any thing with him. Miss Brown and Aunt Bettie went down to Mrs. Gullon's last night to sit till bed time. Miss Brown came back and stayed with me, and Aunt Bettie stayed with Mrs. Brown. Aunt Bettie said Mrs. Gullon had cake, wine, & apples handed. Bob & I was there too. He escorted Miss Carrie up here. Mattie Gabb and Anna Evans left for Dover yesterday morning. I believe they are not coming back any more. I think

if I were them, I would come back. Mattie
 talked like she would come back, if Anna
 would. She ^(Anna) said she would not come back
 for anything. Mattie's illness was in the school
 room to-day. It is the first time for about
 two weeks. Mother Highland ventured out
 yesterday, but had to go back to-day: I had
 a letter to give away this evening to Mattie
 Gailkitt, but I lost it before I got to school.
 Aunt Bettie is making my new dress, I
 hope she will get it done for me to wear
 Sunday, I have got me a new hat and
 I want to get my dress done to wear with
 it. Dear I know you are tired of my con-
 -fession, so I will not trouble you with it
 much longer, I will write you something
 very interesting when I grow to be very
 "wise" and tell you all the news. Well Helene
 I have related all the news of importance
 so I will bid you good evening. Helene.

M. M. Gaur, By Jan 31st

Friday Evening.

This has been a very pretty day, though

very, cold. We had a very interesting Bible
 lesson this evening. Mr. Henderson questioned
 the class, I believe none of the class
 missed any. Well Wellene I will have
 to stop writing - and "fix" to go to the
 Society. I have just returned from the
 Society. Every thing was moderate. Jennie H-
 was president. She was frightened nearly
 to death. Miss Lydia Thomas was elected
 as president. She commenced saying as soon
 as the words were spoken, "I designate
 Miss Lydia Thomas as president." I expect
 Mr. Patterson will have to excuse her,
 Well enough about the Society for the
 present. We had a very interesting
 Philosophy lesson this evening. I believe
 no one missed any. I went to the P. O.
 this evening. I did not get any letters
 Diary I had almost forgotten to tell
 you. I got 45 in diary. I had one
 mistake but Prof. corrected it and
 he gave it to me. I will not
 go to good evening for the present
 "May you have sweet dreams!"

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L. M. Howe. Sat. Feb 1st / 1868

Saturday Evening.

"The day is past and gone.
The evening shades appear.

Oh! may I remember well
My schoolmates all so dear."

This has been a very pretty day
And every thing has gone off in ^{good} ^{very} way
Miss Cornie has been here to-day
So as might be expected I have been ^{away}
This evening I went and had very
little sleep. Thomas M^r like to
take my head "off." I went away
for about Billie - wanted me to go
down to ^{see} Mrs Brown with her.
Miss Cornie and Fannie Beaman
went skating over this morning
with Dr Davis and have not
returned yet. I think he and
Miss Fannie are to be married
soon, Well I have told you
all the news so good evening

H. H. Town, Ky. Feb 2nd 1868

Sunday Evening.

This has been a very pretty day, though rather cool, & did not attend Church this evening. The school girls went. Aunt Bettie is sick today but she is going to sit up with Mrs Brown to-night. Mrs Winston was here this evening. I must confess I feel "lazy" today, I have not learned but one lesson for Sunday yet, and that is Bible, I have read the review over in chapters, I have not written my piece for the paper yet. I must hurry and finish this diary and write it. I have some nerves to tell you. This evening I saw the bride Mrs Kate Butler and her husband such as he is, I do hope the wedding will commence this month. Ben Lard is in Missouri. I hope Aunt Bettie will let me go to see Laura & this evening, good evening —

N. H. Town. Ky. Feb 3rd / 1848

Monday Evening.

The duties of another day, have at length arrived. and before the day passes and is numbered with the past. I will lay and "set" down some of the events of the day. We did not read Bible this morning because some of the girls did not know it. Mr. Henderson told us to get it over for tomorrow. Hope they will know it by then. We did not read Philosophy either. Mr. Patterson had company. I went to the A. C. this evening. I got six letters and a paper. I think all came at once. Frankie Mr. Miller and Miss Corrie were here this evening. She (Frankie) came to get Aunt Billie to cut her hair. I think it is very pretty. It is brown and is trimmed in plaid. Diary I know you think I am not trying to write but my pen is gone.

This has been a very pretty day, though
 rather cool, I must hurry and finish
 this diary for it is growing so late,
 I can scarcely see my lines. Aunt Betty
 sit up with Mrs Brown last night. She
 is a great deal better. Lamerie went home
 with Emma Scott to night. I hope she
 will bring me some apples. We had
 three new students this morning, Miss
 Jennie, Mary and Emma Hunt. I believe
 how Emma is not coming back to school
 any more. Well Helen I have told
 you all ^{the} news of importance so good bye
 I excuse this miserable writing. I
 will do better tomorrow if you will

N. M. Town, Ky. Feb 4th

Tuesday-

I have just returned from
 Mrs Brown's and will now try
 to tell you something that has
 transpired today. We are a very
 interesting Bible class this evening.
 I believe we are raised any thing

Our Philosophy was very interesting
also, Mr Patterson explained it to
us. Mrs Brown is home. Letter. I think
she will be well in a few
days. Miss Gornie, Miss Liza Kimes
and Miss Hunt are going to sit up
to-night. I went to the S. O. this evening
I did not get any mail. Miss Gornie
and myself went down to Mrs S.
Lore this evening. I came very near
getting one a new dress. Mother gave
Papa a "very nice present." I just
know you can not guess, so I will
tell you. He gave me a canister of
paint, I never will use it, for I
never did. Aunt Bettie is making
Ginkie. Mr. Miller's dress, she had it made
fastened before and a long trail, she
expects to wear it to Miss Laura's
wedding next Wednesday. Gornie is
going to wait on her. She got a
blue silk. I heard Miss Laura
had a white silk. I did not tell
you who she is going marry. I. G. G.

I have some bad news news to tell you.
Mattie Allen leaves tomorrow, but I am mistaken.
Saturday she leaves never to return any
more. Her hat properly was taken from
him, so I heard Miss Gammie said. Gammie
went out to Mr. Scott's to-night. Ella C.
begged Aunt Bettie to let her go. Emma
Fair came back to school this evening. Mother
Highland came very near taking a duck
"fit," I received the Mr. Sterling paper this
evening. I have been reading it, some very
good pieces in it. Well I believe I know
you are tired of my nonsense, for
I have told you so the news I
could "rake and scrape". I know you
think him are dull if that is "true".
I would write something "very" interesting
if there was anything worth writing.
When I grow to be very wise I
will then write something that will
interest you, I must finish this
diary to a close as I am sleepy
and tired. Believe I hope you
will "sleep" good to-night. Love
Ella C.

Back a 42 By M^{rs} J. L. Patterson.

Waiting

N. H. Town, N.Y. Dec 5th 1868

Wednesday Eve

"Chamber" of "Love" I find myself seated
this cold evening, for the purpose of conversing
with my dear friend Helen. We had a
very interesting Bible lesson this evening, &
Lavinia even of ^{the} class missed none. Our Philosophy
was very interesting also. It treated of
Teleology. We have six pages and a half to
get for tomorrow. I did not go to the
P. C. this evening. I did not think it
was any use, & this has been a beautiful
day though rather cold. Old Sol has shone
brilliantly all day. I went down and studied
with Mrs. Pullin after I came from
school. She is very sick. Mrs. Berry and
Miss Carnie were here this evening.
Aunt Bettie has just returned from
Mrs. Brown's, and says she is still
better. I hope she will be well
before long. I have been listening
to the Bible. I never heard such music.

They have improved so much. Mr. B
was beating the drum for them. He "beats"
it very well. I went down to the
store this evening, and bought me
a new calico dress. I think it is so
pretty. Ashton has a new clerk. Mr. Asbitt
told I will have good evening Helene

N. H. Town, N.Y. Feb 6th

Thursday Evening.

As an opportunity presents itself, I thought I
would lay and write my diary. Nothing new
nor marvelous has taken place. So my
thoughts this are my ground, will be
very brief. Mr. Patterson ^{did not} heard our
Philosophy lesson today. He excused it.
I am sorry. We will have to get
fourteen pages. I know I will miss. Mr.
Henderson got ~~some~~ ^{much} ~~much~~ ^{much} ~~this~~ ^{this} evening
in the Bible class. He gave all of
us zero and five. I think it
is so much. The girls are keeping

so much since, I can scarcely hear my
ears, I know friends tell me you can
tell what they are talking about; Nobody
but those everlasting "Gypsies"; I really
think they have little to do. I know they
do not. I know their reasons for coming
I think they had better be learning
them, I never think of such a thing
as uttering the name of a "Gyp". But
enough of this subject. Sam Wilson
went home this evening. I do not know
whether she will come back or not.
Mrs Maria was here this evening. She
has just left. I went to the S. O.
this evening, I received a letter, there
was a deaf and dumb man up to the
penitentiary this morning. He was begging
money to go to school on. I do not
know whether Mr Patterson gave him
him any thing or not; I must
hurry and finish this diary. I
have to go down to see Mrs
Mrs Galbreath is before dark. Well
I believe I hope I will get 45.

North Middle, Conn. Ky
Friday. February 7th 1888

Well, well, well can it be possible that Prof. has marked me 42. I know He does not know how hard I tried to gain the prize. But Alas! (O! how sad! I have tried and done all in my power for it I have sat up until twelve o'clock trying to write my diary. But I will try the harder to gain it next time. We had a very good Bible lesson this evening, Let's then converse, I believe we met missed one. Our Philbas this was not very interesting today. Nearly every girl in the class missed, only told us to get it over for ~~next~~ Sunday. Mr. Henderson made out the report today. He gave me 44 in Bible, 43 in Algebra. 45 in Arithmetic. I know that is a very good standing. Well Helen I am not in a very good humor this evening. So I will bid you good bye —

N. H. Low. Ky. Feb 8th

Saturday Evening

The busy
care of the day are ended and before dark
- ever once more shades our "Matter Earth"
I will try to pen a few lines in my
"Book of Life". ~~But~~ This has been a very
pleasant day. Weather rather cold. Miss
Larnie has been up here nearly all day.
She is going to the wedding, and is
not sure whether she can get a dress
made in time to go. Soon this evening
she went down to the store and bought
her a white tulle and red fringe
to trim it in, I know it will be
beautiful. Aunt Bettie cut in to it
before thinking and nearly ruined
it. She thought at first, but after
looking "Love" she formed out
not to harm ever done. I guess
Mrs Berry will make it. I have
not been down in town but once
in days. I intended on going this

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evening, Frankie M^{rs} came and I could
not go. Day I went up to the Institute
this evening, Miss Larnie gave me a
button, It is blue silk with a man's
head on it. One of our senior girls
informed me that it was William
head, I do not care a fig for a dog
like him, I despise him. He highly
insulted me the other evening. I do not
know that I will get my job in
there, Again the longest day he stays
here. I will not say whether I will
even speak again, Aunt Betty has gone
down to Mrs. Berry's. I will chase,
Later, It is raining very hard and
I know I will not get to go to
French dinner, and wear my own
dress and hat. I fear I will not
get my hair curled. I have related
all the news of importance. ^{if I have heard} far nothing
but "dress, dress, Miss Betty what-
will I drive my dress in, or what
must I get to wear to the wedding"
But I will close for this evening. Hello

North Middle Town Feb 9th 1848

Sunday Evening.

This has been a very disagreeable day. It has been snowing and raining all day. I did not attend Church this morning. I believe none of the boarders went either. I did not see them. I have not learned any of my lessons for some time. So my friend this diary will not be very long. I have written my piece for the paper. It is not very long. but I hope they will put it in. I am very much not wonder at my writing. For I must let you. I am a hurry. for I have to get 5 chapters in Bible. 15 in Philosophy. and I have not been over it but three times. Mr. Patterson heard it Friday. But we did not know it very well. and He told us to get it for Sunday. I had just sat my dinner when Laura and Wm. came to see me and 2

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begged me to go home with her. It is
snowing so hard. The ground is covered
I know it will be "fine weather" deep
by tomorrow. I ^{will} have the unrefused time
to get to school that ever was. I wish
I had some news to tell you, I will
tell you that Miss Loren is here, and
I expect she will spend the night with
us. She and Aunt Bettie are talking a
bout Miss Laura Henderson's wedding. Miss
Loren is going to wear a white lace
trimmed in red fringe. I know she
will look beautiful. I believe she is
going ^{with} Bob M^r. Frankie was here this
yesterday evening. She told me so. She
came to get her dress to wear to
church to-day. She did not get it. I
think she would have had a swat-
day for it. "Just to think?" Frankie coming
in church with a dress made light
waist and a trail about a yard and
a half long? Well believe I have
told you all the news. So good bye.

N. M. Town. Ky. Feb 10th 1861

Monday Evening

This cold evening finds me seated up in Aunt Bettie's room for the purpose of conversing with dear Friend Hellen. I suppose you would like to hear all the news of the day. So I will begin and tell you. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. It was a review of seven chapters in Exodus. I believe no one missed with the exception of Lydia Thomas and Grand Madison. Our Philosophy was not very interesting to-day. Nearly every girl in the class missed. I went down to see Mrs Brown this evening. She is some better this evening. Dr & William think she will take Consumption. Miss Lorenis was here this ~~evening~~ ^{evening}. She got her a pair of white kid gloves this evening. Rob W^a came up this evening to see about Miss Lorenis's dress. I think he is

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duply interested in that dress. I believe
He is going to take Miss Loren to
the wedding. I went to the A. S. this
evening, but I did not get any mail. We
have fifteen pages to get for Emerson in
Philosophy, I will have to hurry and finish
this diary and go and get it. No news
of any great importance has transpired
today. I do wish I had something to
write. That would interest you. I need
not expect to have any while we have
such bad weather, for I never hear
any in bad weather. The snow is
still on the ground. I do not think
it is very deep. It is not very cold either.
I have not in my face for the paper
this evening. I think it is very good.
I did not compose all of it. I had
some help. I was informed this
"afternoon" by our President. Miss
Lidia Thomas that I would be
sent in correspondence with Friday
with Petta Gullett. I told her that
I was not a member of the Society.

and I did not expect to come. I only
write for the paper because Professor -
requests me to do so. If I was not
tired of being a member of this
Society at first, I will not be now.
Well enough on this subject, I did
not know my algebra lesson very well
this evening. I hope Mr. Henderson did
not mark me below mine. Mrs. Perry
was here to night, she came up to get
Aunt Betsey to show her how to fix
a dress, I have written you all the
news. So I will bid you good bye.

N. H. Town. Feb 11th

Tuesday Night.

I have
just returned from the Institute. I
have seen the young & dress Miss
Boring. She looks so pretty. While
there Belle Redman's brother came
after her to go home. She is
not coming back any more. I

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am so sorry. He had a very interesting
 Bill before this evening. I believe
 no one missed any. Our Philosophy
 was very interesting also. It was a
 review of fifteen pages. But I had
 to relate to you that I missed one.
 It is the first one I have missed
 since Christmas. I never was as sorry
 of anything in my life. I am going
 to study hard and try my best
 not to miss any more and I will
 get forty five any day. Aunt Fannie
 has gone down to sit up with Mrs
 Brown. She is worse. This has
 been a very pretty day. "Old Sol" has
 been shining very brightly all day.
 I must hurry and finish this diary.
 It is growing too late for me to
 see any more. If this diary is not
 written well before you know the
 reason. I went down to the store this
 evening. Cambridge Evans was in there
 I did not know he had returned
 from Paris. I guess he only came

up to go to the wedding. He was looking
very "spry" indeed. ~~Sam~~ Gordon came back
this evening. I was "very" glad to see her.
I know my Algebra Lesson so well to-day
I hope Mr. Henderson gave me a "great big"
cinnamon, for I think I deserved it. We have
a great many girls sick to-day. Two new
ones are added to the list. Geneva Card
and Maria Garrett. I saw Lizzie Senitto and
Mattie Lewis this evening. I think they will
soon be well enough to be in the
School-room. Bette Dalbo^{per} came up
this evening. She begged me to go home
with her. I could not because I had
to get my lessons for tomorrow. We
have a review again for tomorrow
in Philosophy. I hope I will not miss
any. I am going to study "very" hard
and try not to miss, if I can possibly
help it. Mr. Brisson has just ar-
rived to the wedding. I think he
will be too late. Best I am
in a hurry to finish this diary.
So good bye dear Nellie. good bye.

North Middle Street
 February 12th 1868
 Wednesday.

Again I now sat
 in my own little room, for the purpose
 of having a short conversation with my
 dear old friend Helena. I must
 tell you all the news that I have heard
 to-day. We had a very interesting Philoxe-
 -phy lesson this evening! Puff- did not
 get over but about two pages before
 the bell rang. I did not miss any.
 Miss Lorenz has just left. She has
 been giving ^{us} a description of the wedding.
 Miss Laura had on a white tulle
 trimmed in white satin. I know Miss
 Lorenz looked as nice as she did. I
 went to the P. S. this evening. I got
 three letters. Aunt Betie has just
 returned from Mrs. Barron and
 says she is some better. This has
 been a very terrible day. I hope this
 weather will continue until summer
 I would not want the snow, good bye

N. H. Linn. Sat Feb 13th 1868

Thursday.

The duties of another day have at length arrived, and I am seated all alone in my own little room, for the purpose of having a short chat with my dear friend William. We had a very bad lesson in Philosophy to-day. Mr. Patterson told me to get it over for tomorrow. I went to the P. O. this evening. I did not get any mail. Aunt Belle has gone over to the Institute, I went with her. I thought she had come home, and I came over, and left her over there. Grand-Ma has just returned from Mrs. Bennett and she is worse. We had a very nice time skating to-day. (I said but perhaps you do not know who we are so I will tell you. Emma Thomas, Mattie Gaitkill and myself) We went over in Mr. Scott's sleigh and skated via the branch. I do

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not think I fell down more than fifteen
times. I think that is doing very well
for my first skating. Tomorrow Mr. S.
will correct the diary. I hope I will
get 45. I have tried him week very
hard & get it and if I do not I will
be disappointed. But I must bid
you good evening. Wellie for Friday.

N. H. Town, Ky. Feb 14th

(St. Valentine's day)

Friday Evening.

Another beautiful
day has drawn rapidly to a close and
I am seated by myself for the
purpose of having a short conversation
with Wellie. Now just guess how
many valentines I received to-day.
Well I got five. We had a
very bad Bible lesson this evening. Near
ly every girl in the class missed
I don't know. Our Philosophy was
very interesting also. I believe ev-
ery one missed with the exception of

Mary dear, I am going to the Society
to-night. I do not know whether any com-
pany will be there or not, Aunt Feltie
has gone down to see Mrs. Galt. I
do not know whether she and Miss Carrie
are going to the Society or not, they
said about it. Well for it is late
I will bid you good bye & tell you

- N. - M. Jones. Sat. Feb 15th

Saturday,

Another beautiful
day has drawn rapidly to a close and
I am seated all alone for the
purpose of having a very short conver-
sation with Feltie. Well I have
some very good news to tell you
I had a present of a new
calico dress to-day. Cousin J-
M^r Daniel gave it to me. I
think it is so pretty, I have
my hair rolled up so tight.
I can not write. Good evening

N. H. Town. Ky. Feb 16th

Sunday Evening

I have just returned from Mr. LaBolt's. I never had as much fun in my life. Arthur Dickson was there and he tried to plague me ^{about} ~~not~~ my hair being cropped. He said he wanted me to comb my hair the next time I went to church. But enough on this subject of hair. This has been a very joyful day. I heard Mrs. Lloyd was dead today. Bro. Dickson ^{and} Bro. Harding will preach. Our general conference about closed. Mrs. Andrews and Miss Lewis were here today for dinner. Aunt Betty went down to Mrs. Giddens this evening. Mr. Lyons officiated today in church. He did very well indeed. I must hurry and finish this diary for I have not written my price for the paper

N. M. Town, Ky. Feb 17th

Sunday Night

The linen
piece tells me it is time for one
to visit "Shut-eye" but before I retire
I must give a few lines to my Journal,
which has been a lucky day. The sun
has been shining all day long.

We had a very interesting Bible lesson
this morning. I believe no one missed any.

M^r and Mrs. Galen spent the evening
with us this evening. Auntie Belle
has gone down to sit up with Mr.
Brown. She is worse. D^r Githorn says
she can not live long. I am so

sorry. Mrs. Lloyd was buried this
morning at eleven o'clock. I did
not attend the funeral. We had
three equals to-day for the first
time. Laura Bradley was here
this evening. Fannie Harding and
Alice Norton were over to the Se-
minary this evening. I will close for
I am so sick I cannot

N. H. Linn. Ky. Feb. 18th / 1868

Thursday.

This beautiful day
has drawn rapidly to a close, and I am
seated all alone in my own little room
for the purpose of having a short conver-
sation with my dear friend Helene. We
had a very interesting Bible lesson this
evening. I believe no one missed anything
with the exception of Leticia. Mrs. Perry
was here this evening. She has just told
I am going down to Dr. Allison's with
Aunt Lettie as soon as I finish this
diary. Our Philology was quite interesting
this evening. I believe no one missed
any questions. Mrs. Perry is some better
to-day. She talked a great deal yesterday
about Mrs. Lloyd and Miss George Lajoie
She was excited so much. Leticia went
to the P. O. this evening. She brought me
three letters. I heard from Ellen Schuster
this evening. She is coming back to school
the first of May. Good evening. Helene.

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N. H. Town. N.Y. Feb. 19th, 1868.

Wednesday Evening.

Light is fast approaching, and every thing is sinking into
gloom, and before it grows so very dark
I must pen a few lines in my diary.
This has been a very pretty day. It seems
like spring. We had a very interesting Bible
Lesson this morning. I did not miss any.
Miss Corwin was here this evening. She
had on a new blue calico. I think it
looks too light for the season. Aunt Bettie
has gone down to see Mrs. Colcott. She
wanted me to go with her, but I could not.
I had to get my lesson and write my
diary. We went over to the pasture this
evening to play ball. I see you are had
some working, talking about. I know.
I desire \$45, for I have tried as
hard this week, as any body. Mr. D.
said I would get thirty if I did
not take more pains. I have taken
pains this week and I think I ought
to have \$45. 2nd Ky.

Let ought to be long remembered

N. H. Town. Sat. Feb 20th

Thursday.

I have just returned from school and will now try to tell you something that has transpired to-day. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning. I believe no one missed any questions. I went to the S. O. this evening. I did not get any mail. Mrs. Berry was here this evening. She has just left. Aunt Betsey and Mrs. Fulton have gone over to the Institute to see Miss Loren. Mr. (Aunt Betsey's) Miss Loren and myself went down to Mrs. Cassin's room last night and Bob and Johnnie Mc^{rs} were there. He was talking about the wedding. He made a mistake and called Miss Loren henny. We thought we had Miss Loren's plagued god. Bob spoke up and said I said hardly's ladies you are mistaken. I will close for this evening. Hello I wish you would

N. M. Town. Feb 21st / 1868.

Friday Evening.

Well Wellers
how do you feel this beautiful eve
after having 40 marked upon your
scribbled pages. I know you feel too
glad to say a word. We had a very
interesting Bible lesson this evening
I believe no one missed any. We did
not recite any. Philo's day. Wm.
Patterson examined the book. Philo's day.
I am in a hurry for it is nearly time
to go to the District. They are going to
have a festive night and I expect there
will be a great many people there. I told
Bella I would wait for her. Mrs
Henderson was here this evening. She
and Aunt Bella have gone down
to the beautiful city of North
Middleboro. I expect they will find
more drunkards there than any thing
or body else. I have written upon
all the surfs of impudence. Good bye.

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At Home. Feb 22nd

Saturday

Another beautiful day has drawn rapidly to a close and I am again seated to my new little room for the purpose of conversing with my dear Helen. I have not much news to relate to you for nothing of any great importance has transpired. I have not been anywhere today. I went to the Society last night. Every thing passed off very well. The singing and Emma Ladd's speech was the best part of it. She spoke about Miss Loring and Mr. Bristow's peeping corn. They peeped corn until 1 o'clock when Miss Loring said I am tired of peeping corn. They don't you (Mr. Bristow) keep the question. It was so funny. Katie Butler was there. I have not been anywhere ^{today} I think I must go to the store or perhaps down to Mrs. Ladd's. I will close as it is getting late. Love & ad.

W. W. Town Ky. Feb 25th

Sunday Evening,

Well my friends
before the day closes. I will sit down and
try to tell you what has transpired for
I fear I will have sight of it. I went
to Church this morning. Mr. Bickels preached
There will be Church to night also. I
think I will attend if nothing happens.
I went down to see Betty Abbott this
evening. I had not seen her long
until Billie. Since Willie Gay. I saw
Emma. Lillian. Mary. Lema. Abbott. Sam.
Isabel and Martha. Shepton came. I
told you I am sure I saw had heard
of her this evening. Mrs. Berry was
come to this evening to see I sent
Betty. She had just over to the Constitution
to see Mrs. Shields. She is sick. This
has been a beautiful day. I fear
this weather will not last long.
It looks like it would rain in
little more. I will close. Excuse
writing

my birth-day

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Ch. M. Linn. Feb. 24th

Monday

This gloomy day
has drawn rapidly to a close and I am
seated all alone for the purpose of having
a short conversation with my dear friend
Helen. We did not rec'd. till this evening
Mr. Patterson took up the hour in fixing
the choir. He sent every girl in school
in it with the exception of Annie, Lottie
Lizzie Bonds and myself. I guess, He
thinks I can not sing. I know I
can not sing as good as some of the
big girls but I know I can sing as
good as Laura Winslow and several
others. But enough on this subject
We had a very interesting Philosophy
Lesson today. I believe no one missed
with the exception of Lizzie Anderson.
I went to the P. O. this evening
I did not get any mail. Aunt
Betty has gone down to see Mrs.
Brown. She is worse. I will close.

A. M. Town. Ky. Feb 25th

Tuesday Evening.

I have just returned from school and will now try to tell you all the news that I ^{care} "find". This has been a very pretty day. Though rather cool. We did not recite Philosophy to-day. Prof. — excused it because some of the girls had been singing and ~~had~~ ^{did} not get time to learn it. Miss Sorensen was here this evening. She has just left. Our Bible lesson was not very interesting this evening. I went to the D. O. this evening. I got me letters but it was for Aunt Bette. Mrs. Bern is some better this evening. I forgot to tell you that my friend Lillian had come back to school. I was so glad to see her. I went down to Mrs. Bern's last night. Mrs. S. gave me an evening apple as I could eat. It was quite a nice treat for apples are very scarce this year. I have told you all the news, good bye.

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H. W. Linn. Feb 26th

Wednesday Eve.

This has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining all day. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. I am sorry to tell you I missed one I was so ^{seriously} ~~very~~ ill. This morning when I went to school I did not go up in the chapel to prayer. At 10³⁰ I went to Emma Dale over to Mrs. Henderson's school-room for the girls. Bettie and I were frightened so badly. I was afraid Mr. D. would make us stay in. He gave us a discredit mark. We were not the only ones either that did not go. I went to the P. O. this evening. I did not get anything but sent Bettie's ^{Magazine}. Aunt Bettie has gone down to Mrs. Lullum's. She is quite sick. I must hurry and finish this diary for it is growing so late I cannot see any time. I will close for this evening. Adieu! Adieu Lullum.

St. M. Univ. Ky. Feb 27th
Thursday Evening.

I have just returned from school and I will now try to give a few lines in my diary. I guess you want to hear the news. Nothing interesting to tell you. This has been another disagreeable day. It has been raining nearly all day. We had quite an interesting Bible lesson this morning. I believe no one with the exception of Nannie. Better missed my questions. Our Philosophy was very interesting also. I went down to Miss Brown's this morning. She is some better. Aunt Betty is going down there as soon as she can for supper. I know this one of the coldest days we have had this year.

Mr. Patterson is going to catch the disease tomorrow. I hope I will get forty five. Ah! so much good luck for poor me. My ink is so bad I can scarcely write with it. It looks as even as I touch my pen to the paper. I will close for this eve.

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St. Louis. Feb 29th 1868

Friday Evening.

This has been a very cold day. It has been snowing nearly all day. We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this evening. I think no one missed any with the exception of Kattie Talbot and Emma Thomas. Prof. did not hear our Philosophy lesson. He excused it because some of the girls had been singing and did not get time to get it. Mr. Henderson got very angry with me when at school. He threatened to box my ears once or twice if she did not stop talking. I was actually afraid the poor girl would be boxed some enough. I never saw any man so like Mr. Henderson in my life. He gets so mad if any body happens to ask him, how I go to the store. He answers in a stern tone that I went down town this evening for some needles and bought her needles and some of Citrus. I must leave and finish this diary. Good evening.

North Waddle, Iowa. Feb 30th
Saturday Evening.

Another beautiful day
has drawn rapidly to a close. I have
been at home all day. Miss Corrie was
here a little while this evening. She saw
Prof. Brainerd go by with some music
and she went home. I do
wish some one would come for I am so
lonely. I thought I would go down to
see Betie a "bit" of a while this evening
but I went down to see her last Sunday
and she has not returned my call yet.
There was nothing to-day at the Methodist
Church. Grand. Ma and Lennie went
Mr. Dudley preached. They said she
was a glorious preacher. I think I
must go tomorrow to hear Lennie. I have
written my piece for the paper. I
know they will not let me wait
for it this week. For Prof. ~~to~~
said he would have special contributions
for this week. I have not yet seen all
the music as I will close for to-day.

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Sunday Eve.

N. H. Town. Sat March 10th

I have just returned from Church, and I will now tell you some thing that has transpired today. I must not tell you any thing about Mrs. Dudley. I laughed until I could not sit down. This has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining all day long. We have had company today. Cornie, Edward, Humphrey, and Marcia. I was so glad to see her. Aunt Betie let Lula go home with this, Marcia brought me very nice apples. I was so glad to see one apple was more without looking them. Miss Cornie came over this morning and persuaded Aunt Betie to go to the Methodist Church with her, she intended to go to the Reform Church. When we arrived there the house was crowded and we had some difficulty in getting seats. Mr. Dudley was making through preaching. But we stood long enough to hear hissing. I thought forsooth the wrong was the lady. She had the quincy. But I will close.

St. Louis. March 25th 1868
Monday Evening.

This has been a very cold and disagreeable day. It has been raining and snowing together all day. The wind came very near blowing me over the creek fence. This evening when I was in my way to school, we had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning. I believe no one missed any questions with the exception of Mary Thomas. Our Philosophy was quite interesting also. Maria Costello even she ^{was} ~~was~~ ^{missed} ~~missed~~. Fannie Talbot came up to see me very soon this evening. She said she wanted me to go to school. I was quite sorry she could not go to school with me, but Fannie went down to see Mrs. Brown this evening. She says she is some better. Lillie Scholer wanted me to go down to the store with her today at dinner time to get her carrying frame. Mrs. Brown. I could not go because I had my Philosophy lesson to learn and it was too cold. I must hurry and finish this diary for I am so tired of carrying ^{with} it.

45. by Anson St. John. March 25, 1868.
Wednesday Evening.

I have just returned from school and I will, now, try to give a few lines in my diary. This has been a very cold day. I hope it will bring some comfort if this weather continues long. I will "fudge". This has been a very "unlucky" day to me, for I missed my Bible, since I did not know my Algebra very well. I went down to Mrs. Brown's last night. I did not come back until nearly nine o'clock and I did not have very much time to study. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. It even a review. Our Philosophy was quite interesting also. I did not miss any. Went to the bar gone down to Dr. Litchman's to spend the evening. I hope, when she returns, I will get something good. Mrs. Evans is moving to-day. I thought they were going to leave town but they are moving in Mr. John Mitchell's house. I guess they are going to board with them. Good bye

At Home. March 4th 1848.

Wednesday

Again I have gathered together
my reading materials, for the purpose of
confering with my dear friend William, We
had a very interesting talk, less than
yesterday, I believe not an missed aspect. Our Philos-
ophy was quite interesting also, I did not write
much. We had a new scholar this
evening, Belle Snow. I was so glad to see
her. I hope she will not be sick any
more, for she started before we were
sick and had to stay at home. This
has been a very pretty day, though rather
cold. I went to the A.C. this evening. I
did not get any mail. Aunt Belle
has just returned from, Mrs. Brown
and says she is well. L^g Green and D^g
Lithion were both there. Mrs. Carey &
Mrs. Gaitkill were here this evening.
Lula came home from Cousin E.
Kempers today. She brought a basket
of nice apples, I ate ^{and} they were good.
But I will close for this evening.

Home. March 5th 1848.

Thursday.

Night is fast approaching
and every thing is sinking into quicksand
and before it grows so very dark I must
pen a few lines in my beloved journal.
We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning
to me mind with the exception of Mary
Thomas. This has been a very pleasant
day though rather cool. Our Philosophy
was quite interesting today. Tomorrow I shall
will correct the diaries. I know I will
get a few more lessons. I could write
better if I could get a new ink that
was fit for anything. I do not think
he ought to wash out for it. If he knew
how hard I do not think he would.
Aunt Betsey had a "quilting" today
Mrs Berry, Mrs Talbot and Mrs Mason
were here. I went to the store this evening
and bought me a new calico dress. It is
so pretty. I know you are tired of
me I am sure and this had nothing
I hope you will think about the
rest.

N. M. Town Ky.
March 6th 1888,

Friday Night.

I have just returned from the Society, and I will now try to tell you how I liked it. Well I did not think it was anything extra. I think Lizzie Semith and Mrs. Gaitskill's were about the best ones that were sang. We had a very interesting Bible this morning. Dear I am so sleepy I can scarcely see my hand. I will now tell you something funny. Tonight when Mr. Patterson was arranging the choir. He put Mr. Baird on the left to Mary Shinn and he put up his handkerchief up over his face and commenced talking to her. Every body commenced laughing. Mr. and Mrs. Gaitskill were the only company there. Maria Linn is president, I like Mary Shinn very much. She seems to be very glad, she can not even write a composition. But I must close you a night

Saturday. March. the 7th. 1868

How like a blessing comes this day.
To the poor laboring school girls who have
been "working" hard all the week to enable
them to say when the week is ended "I
was a little wiser. This week than I
was last. Education is raised up by
little bits everywhere and some where."
This has been such a windy-day! I have
not been anywhere to-day except I went
down to see Mrs. Brown's son. She is
much better. Mrs. Little Seymour was there.
I have been helping Aunt Betty
to quilt to-day. Mrs. Feltner, Mrs. Perry,
and Mrs. Grace & George Seymour came
yesterday and quilted all day but they
did not quite finish it so we had
to finish it this morning. I am making
Cousin Fannie's Sifter & Chair (pin cushions)
I must finish it this evening if I
can, - I do hope tomorrow will be a
pretty day for I want to go to church.
I have written all the letters I will close

Winn, March 8th, 1868

Sunday

While seated all alone this beautiful evening I will try to pen a few lines in my beloved journal, I went to Church this evening. There was a great many there Bro. Hopkins preached & there will be Church Society also I expect to attend if nothing happens. Della Talbot and Mattie Gaitskill were here this evening. We walked around to the grave-yard and over to the Cemetery. There are ^{many} ~~not~~ ^(this is wrong) at home. Nearly all of the girls have gone walking. This has been such a lovely day? All nature seems to be awakening from sleep. I see in our yard there is some blue and yellow bellas nearly ready to bloom. I will be so glad to see them soon. What is do, either this beautiful flowers begin to bud out. Cousin Judson Mr. Daniel was here this evening. He brought Miss Bureau home. But I must close good bye.

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Mon. March 9th, 1868.
Monday Evening.

Aggravated, I am seated with
pen in hand, trying to think of something
to put in my diary. This has been a very
pretty day, I hope this weather will continue
for it is so pretty. We had a very interesting
Bible lesson this morning, Mr. Henderson
was ~~as~~ ^{very} anxious to make us learn all the
names, and ~~how many~~ numbers, I felt really
bad when Mr. Henderson asked us why
we did not learn them better. Our
Philosophy was quite interesting to-day.
I didn't see me much any. I went to
the P. O. this evening. I did not get
any letters, Lillie Scholer did not come to
school to-day. I guess she is sick. Aunt
Bellie is quite sick to-day. I am afraid
she is going to have another spell of rheumatism.
I went to church last night. Heard
a splendid discourse by Bro. Hopkins.
I am if you will excuse me this time,
for not telling you the news, I will
write you ⁱⁿ a few pages tomorrow. Good bye.

N. M. Town. March 10th 1868.
Sunday.

I have just returned from school and I will now try to pen a few lines in my diary. This has been a very pleasant day, though rather cold. We had Lee very interesting Bible lesson this evening. I believe we are missed. Our Philanthropy was quite interesting also. I went down to Mrs. Mancies room last night with Aunt Bettie and Miss Cornie. She took her guitar "along" and played some for us. Soberness M^{rs} was there. I went down to Mrs. Brown also. She is better. I must hurry and finish this diary for Aunt Bettie wants to read and send down to Mrs. Berry's. I am going to get them to mind my crocheted needle. I will lay you aside I wish I re-entrain. Well I will now finish my diary. I went to the N. D. this evening. I got the Magazine. I have been looking over it. I never saw such fashions in my life. They are wearing little

1868. Moments with long curtains and dress trail
about a yard. I thought it was time
for trails to go out of fashion. Dresses are
made square neck. I ~~know~~ know they are
curious looking "things." Mrs. Berry was
here this evening. She has just left. I
handed in my price for the paper yesterday
evening. I do not expect they will send
it to. I did my best and that is
all any one can ask. I do not know
whether Mr. Patterson is going to let
company come or not. I believe he will
if he thinks the girls are not looking
for company. Little Schuster came back
to school this evening. I was "real" glad
to see her. I went down to the store
at dinner time to get Annie Brinkman
some shoe strings. Dear I know you
are tired of my nonsense for I have
nothing new to tell you. You must
remember that everything is as dry
as a chip in the spring of the year.
I will bid you good evening as I
have related all the news of importance.

Home March 11th 1888.

Wednesday Evening.

Another beautiful day has drawn rapidly to a close, and before it grows so very dark, I must pen a few lines in my diary. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning. I believe I was much interested. The head of the class questioned the foot. I went down to Mr. Bean's grocery this morning to get some little dolls for my "charm string". I heard yesterday evening that Mrs. Tipton was dead. I saw the hearse go through town, but it was not Helen. I went to the store this evening and "Cousin Toke" gave me a hand full of butter. I see your "charm string" is growing very fast. I only had fifty yesterday and now I have sixty. Our Philosophy was quite interesting to-day. Mr. Patterson did not hear it yesterday since we had to get it over for to-day. Good bye

Ann. March, 12th. 1868.

Thursday.

I have just returned from school and I will now try to put a few lines in my diary. We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this evening. I did not miss any. Mr. Henderson has been exact all day. Because some of the Algebra class did not know their lesson. He says we will have to stay in tomorrow at school. If we do miss a "single" explanation, we had a very interesting Philosophy Lesson also. I believe we omitted any. This has been a very gloomy day. I think it is going to rain. I went down to Mrs. Brown's last night. She is some better, Miss Driscoll is too, she is in bed, Aunt Belle is going to stay with her tonight, I am going to take a walk as soon as I finish this diary. Mr. D. will correct the diary tomorrow, I hope I will get 40. but no such good luck for me. I will bid you good bye.

Winn, March 13th 1868

Friday.

Dear don't you think I
got forty four, I am very thankful
to get that, but I would have been
very glad to have 45. This has been
a very quiet day. We had a very
interesting Bible lesson this evening,
I believe no one missed, We did not
recite Philosophy today, Betta Talbot
Belle Jones and myself "slipped"
off and run up & behind the
ice house and stayed there about
an hour, I am going to the Society
tonight, Aunt Betta is quite sick this
evening, I do not know whether she will
let me go or not, I went to the S. S.
this evening. I got a Sunday School
paper for Fannie, I must hurry
and finish this diary and go
and see if Aunt Betta wants
anything. I have related all the
news of importance as I will close
for this evening. Good bye Nellie

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Saturday, N. H. Town. N.Y. March 14

This has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining nearly all evening. I hope it will clear off this evening and be pretty far I want to go down street, Aunt Bettie is some better this evening. Mrs. Berry was here this evening. Miss Lucy Graham and Mattie Gaitkiss came up also. Miss Lucy came to check her account w. Aunt Bettie's machine. This is such a beautiful evening, The yellow bells are in bloom and soon the blue bells and hyacinths will bloom. The little birds sing at the window from the shadows of day until night. I love the merry spring time. When all the beautiful flowers will bloom and the little birds will warble their sweet songs. But enough on this subject, I have related all the news of importance so I will bid you good bye for today. Adieu

N. H. Town. Sat March 11th

Sunday.

This beautiful day has
drawn rapidly to a close and before
it grows very dark, I must pen
a few lines in my diary. I did
not go to Church this evening.
Aunt Bettie is sick in bed and I
had to stay with her, I went
down to see Mrs Brown this
evening, she is some better, Miss
Ann & Hedra, Mrs. Larkin, Mrs
Winch and Mrs Roberts were
here this evening. They have just
left. I went down to see Emma
Thomas this evening. We walked
out to the back gate and we saw
Mr. Westcott "coming" Miss —
I know you are tired of
my rambling so I will not
now just wait until I am
finished, and then I will tell
you all the news good by

Home, March 16th 1848

Monday.

Again I am seated
in my own little room, for the purpose
of having a short conversation with my
dear old friend Helen. We had a
very interesting Bible lesson this evening.
I believe no one missed any. I went
to the P. O. this evening, I got two
letters. This has been a very pretty
day. The sun has been shining all
day. Aunt Betie is even better this
evening. I hope it will not be long
before she will be well. Miss Barker
came back this evening. Will came too.
Our Philosophy was quite interesting
today. I believe no one missed any
with the exception of Harriet Catlett.
I have been crocheting nearly ever
since I came from school, I
think. I will have to stop writing
and light the lamp before I
write any more. I will close.

N. M. Town. Ky. March 17th

Tuesday.

This has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining nearly all day. We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this morning. I believe we were missed any, with exceptions of Mary Thomas. Our Philosophy was quite interesting also. I believe Mr. Henderson is talking about leaving it next week and he is going to let Mr. Patterson teach his Algebra class in the place of it. I will be so every. Aunt Bettie is some better this evening. She is sitting up today. I went to see Mrs. Brown this evening. She is a great deal better I think before many days. She will be able to get up out of the bed. Miss Carrie was here this evening. She has just left. I must hurry and finish this diary for Aunt Bettie is calling out to come and get her some brandy. Good bye.

Worm. March 18th 1848.

Wednesday Evening.

Another beautiful day has drawn rapidly to a close, and before it grows so very dark. I must say a few lines to my beloved diary. We had an very interesting Bible lesson this morning, I believe our new friends were with the exception of Harriet & Mr. Patterson heard our Philanthropist. To-day, I did not miss any, we have had company to-day. Cousin Leggie and Jackson Mr. Garrison spent the day with us. I went to the A. D. this evening. I did not get any mail. This has been a beautiful day. I wish this weather would continue forever. Aunt Bettie is some better this evening. She has been up nearly all day long. Mrs. Brown and Miss Emma Lyburn are both better this evening, I think Mrs. Brown improves so fast, I will close.

W. M. Jones, Jr. March 19

Thursday.

While seated full alone
in my own little room, this beautiful
evening, I thought - I would give a
first lesson this evening. I have a
very interesting Bible
lesson this evening, I believe we are
omitted here. I do not expect we
will visit Philadelphia today, Mr. Brinley
has all the choir singing, Aunt Betie
is a great deal better, I think before
many days she will be able to leave
her room, Mrs. Berry was here this
evening, she has just left, Tomorrow
Mr. Patterson will correct the diary, I
hope I will get fairly fine, Mrs. D.
says I do not cry. I know I
do, It is the sick that makes it
look so bad, I can not get any
that is good, I know he will
mark me for this evening, I can
not help it, The sick is so bad. 2

can scarcely write with it at all. This
has been a beautiful day. The bees
are "buzzing" around and they seem to
hunt for the flowers. The yellow bell
and white hyacinths are in bloom, I
long to see the roses and Campanulas
bloom. But enough on this subject.
We recited Algebra this evening. Mr
Henderson quizzed considerably about the
girls missing in it. But I will close

Sp. W. Lewis Kentucky. March 30th 1848.

Friday:-

Another day has been ushered in and out of existence
and I have started myself to write another chapter
in my journal. This has been a beautiful
day. The sun has been shining all
day. We had a very interesting Bible
Lesson this evening. Mr Henderson kept
it nearly two hours. I must lay
you aside until I return from
Society. Mother, Gailkirk and Betty
Lalor are waiting for me. Well

I have just returned from the Society,
and I will now try to tell you how
I liked it. I think it is the best
Society they have ever had, Mr. & Mrs. Briscoe
sang such a fine song. Carrie sang
Grown so well, There was a great many
there, I think it is the last public night
they are going to have, Miss Lammie R.
called for a song by the S. — (We are
all here) They only sang one time and
got through. They look every body
for surprise, Miss Carrie and Miss
Alice Talbot were here this evening.

Miss Carrie is going home with
Miss Lammie & Seamus after the
Society is over. I heard Miss Lammie
and Dr. Davis were going to marry
and Miss Carrie was going to wait
on them, I do not know whether it
is or not. Miss Carrie got her
a very nice travelling dress yesterday
evening, I must hurry for it is
so late I can hardly keep my eyes
open, I will have to go down stairs and

them of you

(This day will be remembered the longest day I live)

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For my dear little, cherished.

March 21st 1848.

Thursday:—

To-day two years ago was the sunset of my life. I was that day I bid my dear friend, in earth my own dear Mother my last farewell. Who knows how I felt as I bended my aching limbs over her coffin and kissed those icy lips for the last time. O could she be with me again. This holy day I would be, but alas! I cannot struggle or struggle this cold world and on some day I will meet her beyond your blue canopy of Heaven. When I wander to the grave yard and look upon the grave mounds with their snow white lincolns and the different names inscribed upon them I will see one to which I can say I am no longer, and yet it is as familiar as a familiar name that is often falls upon my ear, it is the name of my mother. I will often kneel by it and offer up my little prayer to God and ask him to enter me into this cold world to join my mother in Heaven. I cannot talk in this sad and sad any longer. But will send you. For this evening as it is growing late and I cannot scarcely see my lines. Good bye

W. M. Loun, Ky. March 22nd 11

Sunday Evening,

This lovely day has passed and gone, and I will now try to pen a few lines in my journal. We have had company all day, Cousin S. Barington and Mrs. Beard, Mrs. Riddle, Mrs. Thayer. I did not go to Church this morning, I expect to attend tonight if nothing happens, Mr. Bickett will preach, I went over to the Temple this evening Mr. Brisson had some walking with the girls, Mattie Gablekin and Fella Talbot were up there too. I wanted Kellie and Mabel to go out to see Lulu and Bell this evening. But they said it was too far. I have not written my piece for the paper. I must hurry up and mail it or the Prof will make me stay in and write it. I would like to see you

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I wish somebody would keep
their hands off of my diary.
Now just look at this big
plot, I said it was and
now it is all blotted & ruined
I did not do it I hope
this diary will not be
corrected for I would
get bored, Diary I will
tell you some time

W. W. Town. Sir
March 23rd 1845.

Monday Evening.

This beautiful day has drawn rapidly to a close, and before it grows so very dark I must pen a few lines in my journal. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. I believe no one missed any with the exception of Letitia Abbott. I went to Church last night. There was a great company there. Our Philosophy was "quite" interesting also. I believe no one missed any. Aunt Harriet Martineau came down to see us to-day. I was very glad to see her. Miss Barenson was here this evening. She has just left. Aunt Letitia is better to-day. I think she will be well enough to leave her room by tomorrow. Dear I know you are tired of my nonsense for I have nothing to write that would interest you. I will bid you good evening.

W. M. Town. Ky March 24th

Tuesday.

This has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining nearly all day. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning. I did not miss any. Our philosophy was quite interesting also. A- treated of Refracted Light. It was a review of twelve pages. I believe no one missed any, with the exception of Hannah's Babels and Lizzie Bowles. I went down to see Miss Geneva Sydenor this evening. She is a great deal worse. Miss Lee said she ~~she~~ had been there all evening. Mrs Brown has been up and had on her dress. I think Aunt-Belle will be well enough by Friday to go down to see her (Mrs Brown). Miss Corine went out to see Miss Lavinia Seemore this evening. She had quite a muddy walk. I heard Miss Lavinia was going to marry. Mrs I- is making her a very fine silk dress. I know you are tired of every woman so I will close for this evening.

W. W. Town. Ky. March 25th

Wednesday Evening.

This beautiful day has drawn rapidly to a close, and before the garrison is very dark, I must pen a few lines in my diary. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. The 1st foot gentleman the head, I did not miss any. I went to the P. O. this evening. I did not get any mail. Mrs. Berry was here this evening. She has just left. Aunt Betty is nearly well. She has been sitting up nearly all day. I went up to see ^{John} ~~Robert~~ this evening. The new goods have come. I am nearly "crazy" to get my new pink dress. I guess we will not wear them until May. I think it will be too cold. Our Philanthropy was quite interesting today. Mr. Patterson did not hear all of it because some of the girls did not know it. I and "in Corpus" we will get through this week. But I will bid you good evening. Adieu,

W. M. Iowa. Ky. March 26th

Thursday.

This has been a very disagreeable day. It has been raining very hard all day. We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this evening. I did not miss any. Aunt Bessie is a great deal better this evening. She is up sewing. I wish it would quit raining. I want to go to the P. O. and "get me a letter". Our Philology was quite interesting this evening. I believe we missed only with the exception of Annie Roberts. I know she did not answer a "single" question. Dear I have got some news to tell you. I will tell you all about it tomorrow evening. I am in a hurry and Aunt Bettie is calling me so I must close for this evening. I will tell you we are going to have a muddy weather when the rain is over. I would not be surprised if it snowed. I think if it snows we will not have any fruit. I must close for this evening.

W. W. Town. Ky. March 27th 1868.

Friday Evening.

Our diaries were ^{not} assembled
this evening. Because some of the girls did not
have their diaries up, We did not recite our
Philosophy to-day. Mr Patterson examined us
in Arithmetic all evening, & think we did
"very" well indeed. Alice Wooten, Fannie Harding
& Fannie Boone came this evening. I was
"really" glad to see them. Well this is
Locky night, I wonder who will be there?
I would like to go very well as it is
the last night. But I do not expect to
attend for it is too raining. I finished my
insertion this evening. I am going to try
to finish my edging tomorrow. Diary we
have about thirty little chickens, But seven
were drowned to-day. I went down to
the P. O. this evening. I did not get
anything but the Sunday School
paper. I ought to get a better friend
Jimmie this evening. But I hope I
will get it this week. I have told
you all the news of importance.

45. by Mary-

W. M. Town. Ky. March 28th 1868

Saturday.

Another disagreeable day has drawn rapidly to a close, and before it grows so very dark. I must pen a few lines in my diary. I have got much news to relate so you see I have been at home all day except I went up to the Tristram with Sada Elcart a little while this evening. Mrs. Kortz, Kanen Harding, Kanen Benson and Ida Dobson were all cutting up at a "terrible rate." Miss Dimp is some better this evening, Mrs. Brown is nearly well. We had a candy pulling this evening. Mrs. Gamm was here, Mr. Brisson went out & Mr. Slipp this morning. He wanted to help Mrs. Gamm pull her candy. I am afraid to go down "street" this evening for Mr. Henry Thomas was the delirious creature and he is on the street. Mrs. Berry was here this evening. She has just left, I have related all the news of importance so I will close for to-day.

W. W. Town. Ky. March 29th/90

Sunday Evening.

This beautiful day
has drawn rapidly to a close, and before it
grows so very dark, I must give a
few lines to my journal. We had company
all evening. They have just left (Mrs F
and Mr, Miss & Caroline) I went down to
see Mrs Brown this evening. She is
nearly well. Mrs Brown gave Quie
and I a cup full of peaches. They
were so nice. I have nothing more to
tell you. For I did not attend
church today, I went over to Mrs B
today and she gave me such a nice
bagful. Mrs Fulton asked me if I would
not go over there and get her one
the day she started to New York. She said
when she got home the snow
would be a foot deep. and here
the flowers are in bloom. I have
told you all I know and a
little more to do so I will close

W. M. Town, Ky. March 30th / 68

Monday Evening.

I have just returned from taking a walk. Mattie Gail-skell and I went nearly home with Lillie Schorer. I saw a great many pretty flowers on the way. The violets are in bloom. Well that is enough on this subject. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. I missed me, I was so sorry. Miss Cornie and Dixie, M^{rs} were here this evening. Our Philosophy was quite interesting to-day. M^{rs} Patterson went down to the stage with Annie Bourne and did not get back in time to hear all of the lesson. I went to the P. O. this evening, and to my surprise I received a letter. I got one for Aunt Betty also. She is worse this evening. We have had company all day. Cousin Wag and S^{ister} Harrington. They gave me some pretty buttons for my "charm string". I must close as it is growing late. I will bid you good evening.

W. M. Linn, Ky. March 31st / 88

Tuesday.

This beautiful day has
drawn rapidly to a close, and before it
grows so very dark I must leave a few
lines in my journal. We had a very
interesting Bible lesson this evening. I
did not miss any. Mr Patterson did
not hear our Philosophy this evening.
I asked Mr Henderson to excuse me, and
I came home. We have had company
all day. Cousin Mary Kemper and
Marcie. I was so glad to see them. I
went to the P. O. this evening, I did
not get any mail. Miss Forester was
here this evening. She has just left.
I went down to Mrs. Felt's this
evening. She is fixing up to leave
I am so sorry. Aunt Bettie is a
great deal worse this evening, I am
glad she is going to have a long
spell of sickness. I have been
very all the week. Love, Linn

W. M. Town, Ky. April 18th

Wednesday.

I have just returned from school, and I will now try to tell you the news. We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this morning. I believe we are united with the exception of Mand Madison. I went to the P. O. this evening. I did not get any "April fools." I sent three, I have nothing new to tell you. Aunt Bettie is worse this evening. She has been in bed all day. We have had company to-day.

Uncle Ellis Mr. Daniel, He has just left Miss Cornis "April Fools" John Arvola so good this evening. She sent him a note and it was nothing but some paper wrapped up. He opened it to read it and he says: "I forgot it was April." I am in a hurry for Aunt Bettie wants me. Our Geography was quite interesting to-day. No one missed. I have told you all the news so I will close.

45 by Anna - 11

N. M. Town, Ky. April 2nd, 1869.

Thursday Evening.

I have just returned from Mr. Talbot's, and I will soon try to pen a few lines in my journal. We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this evening. I did not miss any. Mr. Patterson did not hear our Philosophy to-day. He gave us fifty pages to get for Monday. I went to the P. O. this evening, but I did not get any mail. We have had company, again, to-day. Cousins Anna and Sam Carrington and Mrs. Tulin. She is going to spend the night with us. This has not been a very pretty day, though rather cold. I went down to see Mrs. Brown this evening. She is some better, Miss Geneva is worse, Mrs. Berry was there. I must hurry and finish this diary, for it is growing so late. I can scarcely see any lines, but I am going to correct the diary tomorrow. I hope I will get fast asleep.

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W. M. Town, Ky. April 3rd / 68

Friday Evening

We did not have any school to-day. Mr Patterson excused us and let all of us go a fishing. It was rather cold to fish I caught one "crayfish" and that was all. Mrs Sutton is still here, I guess she will go down to her mother in a few moments. We heard that news to-day. Mr Smith is dead. I feel so sorry for Miss Lavin. But I must close.

W. M. Town, Ky. April 4th

Saturday

45° but very sport.

This cold day has drawn rapidly to a close, and before it grows so very late, I must pen a few lines in my journal. I went down to the store this morning to get me a new pair of shoes, but I could not get any so suit even. Miss Barnes and Mary Perry were here this morning. Miss Lavin was much about her dress. I must close as it is growing late. Adieu.

W. M. Town. N.Y. April 5th

Sunday Evening.

As the busy cares of the day have passed, I will now try to tell you some news. I went down to see Little Talbot this evening. She was not at home. General Thomas was here this evening. She has just left. I have been studying nearly all evening. Mr. Patterson gave us fifty pages in Philosophy for tomorrow. I have been learning it. I do not know it. Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Berry were here this evening. They all came at once. I must hurry and finish this diary for it is growing late and I must learn my lesson for tomorrow. I do not know whether we will have any school tomorrow evening or not.

Mr. Patterson and Mr & Mrs. Hendron are going to the wedding. I hope Miss Cornish will look nice if her dress is ruined. But I must close as it is growing late. Well, W. M.

W. M. Brown. Ky. April 6th / 68

Monday Evening.

I have just returned from school, and I will now try to scribble down the events of the class. We did not have any school this evening. All the teachers went to the wedding, I saw D^r Davis start. He looked very nice. I have something so "fussy" to tell you but I believe I will not tell you until school is out for fear you would let some of the girls see it. I went to the P. O. this evening. I got a letter for Aunt Bettie. Miss Angel Ragan was here this evening. She has just left. Mrs. Graves was here also. I was so glad to see her. Aunt Bettie is some better this evening. She has been sitting up most all day. I went down to the store this evening & Caylin gave me a nice present & I am not going to tell you what it was I am afraid "you would want it."

W. M. Penn. Ky. April 8th

Tuesday

Another cold day here
passed rapidly by, and before it grows so
very late, I cannot pen a few lines in
my diary. We had a very interesting Bible
Lesson this evening. I believe, no
one missed any. We did not recite
Philosophy to-day. Mr. Patterson will not
hear it until Thursday. We have a
review of forty six pages. Mrs. Berry
and Miss Horns were here this
evening. Miss Horns has been giving
us a description of her visit to Cin.
She says she had a delightful trip. She
brought Aunt Bettie a large orange.
I went to the P. O. this evening. I
got a letter for Aunt Bettie. I got
word of the wedding cake to-day. It was
very nice. Diary you must excuse this
bad writing for I am so tired I
can scarcely hold my pen. I must
close for this evening. Helene

W. W. Linn. Ky. April 8th

Wednesday Evening

I have just returned from school, and I will now try to pen a few lines in my diary. We had a very interesting Bible Lesson this evening I did not miss any. I went to the P. M. this evening. I did not get any mail. I went down to Mrs. Linn's Sisters this evening. Mrs. Alden was there. She asked me if I did not want a present and I told her yes. She gave me a strawberry preservation. I had a present this evening of a nice pair of leather gloves I told you they were greatly received. Mrs. Alden was here this evening. She has just left. Aunt Betty is a great deal better this evening. She has been sitting up all day. I know you are tired of my presence, so I will close. ~~W. W.~~ I know when we wake up in the morning that it will be evening for it is so cold. H—

W. H. Green, Sep. April 9th

Thursday Evening

The old woman
has been picking her green beans. Hope she
will finish tonight. This would have
thru' it? Just to think every string
was in full bloom and all the yellow
bells and hyacinths have blossomed and
gone. And after all this fruit is all
killed. I know I will not get a single
peach to eat. But enough on this sub-
ject. We had a very interesting Bible
Lesson. I did not miss any. I did
not go to the P. O. this evening. It was
too raining. I hope I will get a
little better tomorrow evening. Miss Corrie
was here this evening. She has just
left. Mr. Patterson did not hear our
Philosophy this evening. He told us
to get it for tomorrow. He is going
to examine the music class. I
am going to ask Mr. Henderson to
excuse me from my class tomorrow.
I want to come home and see

Friday -

N. M. Town. Ky. April 18th

Another cold day has drawn rapidly to a close, and before it grows so very late, and I must pen a few lines in my journal. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. I did not miss any. I went to the L. O. this evening. I did not get any mail. This has been a very cold day. I hope it will moderate before Sunday. Mr. Patterson examined our Algebra class this evening. I did not go to the board. We recited Philosophy to-day. Mr. Patterson did not hear that eight pages. Aunt Bettie is nearly well. She has been sewing on the machine to-day. Miss Corrie was here this evening. She has just left. Bettie Salbot promised me to come up tomorrow. We were going to mark our Algebra examples. Dear please excuse me for not writing. I am cold and then Aunt Bettie wants me to go down to Mr. Burrows to get her a little good bye.

Saturday. Home. April 11th 1868.
This has been a beautiful day.
The sun has been shining very bright
all day. I have not been anywhere
to-day. I have been at home all day
long. Miss Cornie and Dennis
Jeldern & Daniel were here this
evening. Jennie went to the P. O. this
evening. She did not get any mail with
the exception of a Sunday School paper
I expected the Magazine. But it did not
come. Ormie Brickman came back
this evening. Jennie Wendenham went
home. I think I will go over to
see Ormie tomorrow evening if it
does not rain. Mrs Berry was
here this evening. She had just
left. Aunt Bettie is a great deal
better. She went out to the gate
this evening. I am afraid she
will be worse again. I did
not want her to go, but she
wanted, I could not keep her
from it. But I will stay.

Sunday

Home, April 12th 1868

This has been a very disagreeable day, ~~it~~ has been raining hard all day long. I did not attend Church this morning. I wanted to go but it rained so hard. There is to be meeting tonight. I will attend if there is nothing to prevent me. Aunt Bettie came up this evening. She brought Aunt Bettie a nice orange. I have been studying my lesson nearly all day. I think I know my Philosophy for tomorrow. I think Aunt Bettie is a great deal better this evening. She has been up all ^{day} and even writing a letter. I wanted to go down to see Mrs. Fulton this evening. But it rained so hard I could not go. She is going to start to New York Tuesday. I am so sorry I always thought so much of her. I must hurry now for this diary for it is growing late and I want to go to meeting. I have told you all the news so good bye. good bye

W. W. Loom. Ky. April 13th/68

Monday Evening.

This cold day has
drawn rapidly to a close, and before it grows
so very dark, I must pen a few lines in
my Journal. We had a very interesting Bible
debate this evening. I believe no one missed
any. We have had company to-day. Cousin
Sam Carrington. He invited us to
his sister's wedding. It will take place
Thursday Evening. I do not expect to
attend. We had a new scholar to-day.
Miss Annie White. I think she is ~~very~~
late. I would have waited until
next morn before I started to school.
Belle Redman and Maud Madison came
back this evening. They looked like they
were very glad to get back. Deary I wish
I had some news to tell you. I have
nothing that would interest you. I will
write tomorrow and then I will have
something new to tell you. But I must
hasten for Aunt Bessie wants me to go
down in boat.

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H. H. Jan. 14th / 68

Tuesday.

This beautiful evening finds me seated in my own little room for the purpose of having a short conversation with my dear old friend Hellene. Miss Garnet was here this evening. She has just left. I went to the T. D. O. this evening. I got the Magazine. It has been coming for nearly three weeks. It has the prettiest fashion in it. I want a hat just like one I saw in there. Aunt Bettie is a great deal better this evening since the Magazine came. She has been cutting patterns. Cousin Judson W^m Daniel was here to-day. He brought me a nice present. I am not going to tell you what it was. Mrs Berry was here this evening. She came up and said that Mrs Kate Brown said for Aunt Bettie to send the Magazine to her in a hurry if she wants a Magazine.

H. H. Town. Ky. April 15th

Wednesday Evening.

The duties of another day are ended. and before it is too dark for me to see, I must pen a few lines in my journal. This has been a very pretty day. It rained very hard this morning. Mr. Allen and Miss Corine Oldham were to-day. I took cutting lessons to-day. I cut me a dress this evening. I think I had to pay an enormous price for taking it. I can now cut anything I want to. Emma Thomas did also. Aunt Bettie is nearly well. She is making Sam Martin a rag. It is yellow delaine. I went to the P. O. this evening. I did not get any mail. Miss Hannie Abbott was here. She has just left. She came to get Aunt Bettie to cut her a dress. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. Nearly every girl in the class present. I must close.

W. M. Gorm. Ky. April 16th

Thursday Evening.

This has been a very pretty day, though rather cool. I hope we will have pretty weather "time" the Meeting. It commenced tomorrow night. We did not recite Philosophy today. Mrs. Patterson was here it commenced. I went to the P. O. this evening. I got a letter from Mrs. Whitcomb. She is going to start to Mo in May. Miss Carrie Delhane was here this evening. She has just left. I went down to the store and got her a new dress. She cut it out this evening. Miss Sam Norton and Fannie Gorm came over this evening. Sam came to buy me her sages. Druff is going to correct the diaries in the evening. I hope I will get it. I have not had much chance to take lessons with my writing. I will try very hard next time. I must close for it is growing late. Good bye.

W. W. Gomo, Secy. April 17th

Friday Evening

Our diaries were
not corrected this morning. Mr. Patterson
examined the music class and therefore
did not get time. I went to the D.O.
this evening. I did not get any mail.
We have not recited any lessons to-day.
Mr. Hendon examined his Large Algebra
class all evening. The protracted meeting
commences to-morrow. Bro. Gard has come
I am so glad. I hope there will be
a good evening there to-morrow. Miss Barnes
was here this evening. She has just
left. Mr. Brister is looking very
"silly" this evening. He says he is going
to Church to-morrow with Miss Somebody.
I wonder who it is. I know it is
not Miss Barnes for she is coming up
here as soon as she can see her father.
But I must hurry and finish this
diary and get ready for Church for
"somebody" has come for me. Good bye.

W. W. Lano. Ky. April 18th

Saturday

Well I have just returned from Betty's. I spent the day with her. I helped her on her new calico dress. I have had so much fun today. Emma Larch and myself went up to Chatham's to get some samples of some calico and he said if it faded he would give us a new dress. We took it and washed it and if would not fade then we took it and got it and ironed while it was wet and of all the colors I never saw any like it before. We took it up there and told him it faded then he took it and washed it himself and he found out it wouldn't fade. Then he declared we needed it in the mind and at last Miss Carnie came in and she commenced plaguing us over getting Chatham to cheer our calico. He found we bought it. I must close for it is time to go to Church.

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W. M. Loun. Ky. Nov 19th

Sunday Evening.

This has been a lovely day! Old Sol has been shining all day long. I went to Church, this morning, there was a great many there. The house was crowded. Bro. Lord did his best. I am very much interested. I intend to go again, tonight. Miss Garmis came home with me from Church. She is talking about going out to Mr. Seamonds tonight. Cousin Judson Wm. Daniel came home with me, also. I hope Mr. Patterson will not have any school tomorrow, for I want to go to meeting. I have not looked at one of my lessons for Immersion. Rev. Shibusabchi is giving lessons, and I have not looked at it. I think Mr. Patterson ought to give shorter lessons, when the meeting is going on. Mrs. Berry was here this evening, she has just left. She is going over to the Antislavery to see Bro. Lord. I will bid you good bye.

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W. W. Loun, Esq, April 20th

Monday Evening,

I have just returned from school, and before it time for me to go to Church, I must pen a few lines in my diary. I went last night and heard a splendid sermon delivered by Bro Lard. I could hardly resist the stimulation. He has not ^{had} me singles addition yet. I hope there will come go to the Lord tonight. I would go, but I am so afraid I could not live up to my duty. I would do my best. I must hasten and get ready for Church, I will talk to you some other time on that subject.

Ballis Jarrott and Jennie Henderson came back this evening. I was real glad to see them. I went down to the store this evening. I got a pair of new shoes. I do not like them they are too large. I must close for it is late.

W. W. Jarvis Esq., April 21st

Tuesday Evening.

The duties of the day are ended, and before it is time to go to Church, I will write a few lines in my journal. Well, I attended Church last night. Fella Talbot and Leta Jones joined.

We had a very interesting Bible lesson, this evening. I believe no one missed any. I went to the P. O. this evening. I got a letter from Francis W. Hoffman. He sent three of his photographs. I must hurry and finish this diary, and go to Church, or I fear I will be too late. I know you want to know all the news, so I will tell you where I return. I have just come home. Mattie, Lillie, & Belle, Anna Green joined. Well, I will close as it is time to retire. Good evening.

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N. M. Town. Ky. April, 22nd

Wednesday Night

Oh, how happy I
do feel tonight. To think I went and
confessed the name of Jesus, I could not
bear the idea of the ^{deafening} ~~honesty~~ ^{honesty} going
home and still living this life of a
sinner another night. I knew my
duty as well as the Lord did. If I
had not I would have been a
great deal worse off. Oh, how
much happier I do feel tonight
than I did last. I hope the
Lord will bless me and when I
come to die take me home to Him
in heaven. I know I am quite
young. But I know my duty and
I intended to obey the Lord. I
intend to do my very best to serve
him all my life. But I
must close as it is late and we
have retired but myself
(I am now 17 1/2 of age)

N. M. Town. Ky. April 23rd

Thursday Evening

This beautiful day has drawn rapidly to a close, and before it grows so very dark, I must pen a few lines in my journal. I went to Church this evening. Brother Garit preached a splendid sermon. Aunt Betta went too for the first time. Uncle Ellis Mr Daniel came home with us for dinner. I did not go to school this evening. I went down to the store this evening to get me a new pair of gaiters. But I could not get any to suit me. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. I believe we were blessed with the exception of Lizzie. Dennis and Betta & Mary Thomas. I cannot not dwell on it very long for it very near Church time. Aunt Betta intends to go tonight if it doesn't rain. I will close.

23rd

H. W. Town, Ky, April 24th

Friday Evening.

I have just returned from school, and I will now try to pen a few lines in my diary. I went to church tonight. Mary & Maggie's Lard, and a little boy joined. I went to the P. O. this evening. I did not get any mail. I must not write a very long diary for I have not got time. I went down to the store this evening. I only purchased one yard of muslin. I will close as I am in a terrible hurry.

H. W. Town, Ky, April 25.
Saturday. (5 o'clock)

Well I have just been informed and I must pen a few lines in my journal, before it is church time. There was a great many at the water when we got there. Lucian, Anne

Nannie, Kiese and Siggie, Dobyns and myself, all
climbed together in Mr. Kelly's horse. We were
he had just got up in the hill when
the shaft broke and ^{Nannie & myself} ~~we~~ got out and got
Mary Mark's buggy and went on. I do
not know when the others got back
to town. All of us done very well. It
rained this evening when we started but
it has nearly quit now. Aunt Betty went
Mrs John Jones says she never saw
any body (for going people) do so well.
I will stop writing until I return
from church. Well I have just returned
and let me tell you the good
news. Mr. Beisler ^{and} Miss Jimmie, Siggie,
Nannie, Kiese and Cordie Fishback
joined. I was so glad to see them
join. I was very much surprised when
Mr. Beisler joined. Aunt Betty
did not allow tonight. It rained,
and she would not go. No way you
must not laugh at this writing.
I wish you could see the paper
was written well. Love, Sigs.

N. M. Town. Ky. April 26.

Sunday Evening.

I have just
returned from church. There was
a great many there. The house was
crowded. We had company to-day from
near Mt Sterling, Aunt Margaret Carrington
and Cousin Peter McKim. Lizzy, Susan
and Jimmie Fox joined to-day. They
will be baptised this evening at 7
o'clock. Pella Talbot and
Lula Jones came up this evening.
Pella was looking about for
Garry I know you are tired of
hearing my nonsense, as I will say
you must wait until the Examination
is over and then you will
hear all the news. It is only
seven more weeks off. I tell you
I will have to do some hard
studying sure and certain
I must close and go to bed.
Good evening & all mine. I must close
to have

W. W. Town. Ky. April 27th

Monday Evening.

While an opportunity presents its self. I must keep a few lines in our diary. Well this Meeting closed to-day. I am so sorry. We went to the baptizing after church. Mattie Lewis, Sallie Ellison, Lydia Thomas, Mag Talbot, Mary Brathwaite, Kansas Keen and Julia Warren were immersed. I am so tired I can scarcely write. We did not have any school this evening. I have been at home trying to fix my pink dress. I went to the S. D. this evening. I did not get any mail. This has been such a pretty day. It is as warm, as though it was the middle of May. I hope this weather will continue for I dislike to see bad weather come. Cousins Emma & Sofia, and Mat McKee, and Aunt Margaret Harrington were here to-day. I must close as it is growing late. Good bye.

W. W. Lous. Ky. April 28th

Tuesday.

I have just returned from school, and before it grows so very late, I must pen a few lines in my beloved diary. This has been a very pretty day. It rained a little this morning but cleared off before noon and it has turned out to be a very pretty day. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this morning. I believe we are enriched very much. Our Philosophy was quite interesting today. Bessie Garrett and Mattie Lewis recited all the lesson. I went to the P. O. this evening. I did not get any mail. I went down to the store this evening to get me a new pair of gaiters. I could not get any to suit me. Well diary I know you are tired of my nonsense so I will close by saying I will try and do better tomorrow.

N. H. Town. N.Y. April 29th

Wednesday Evening.

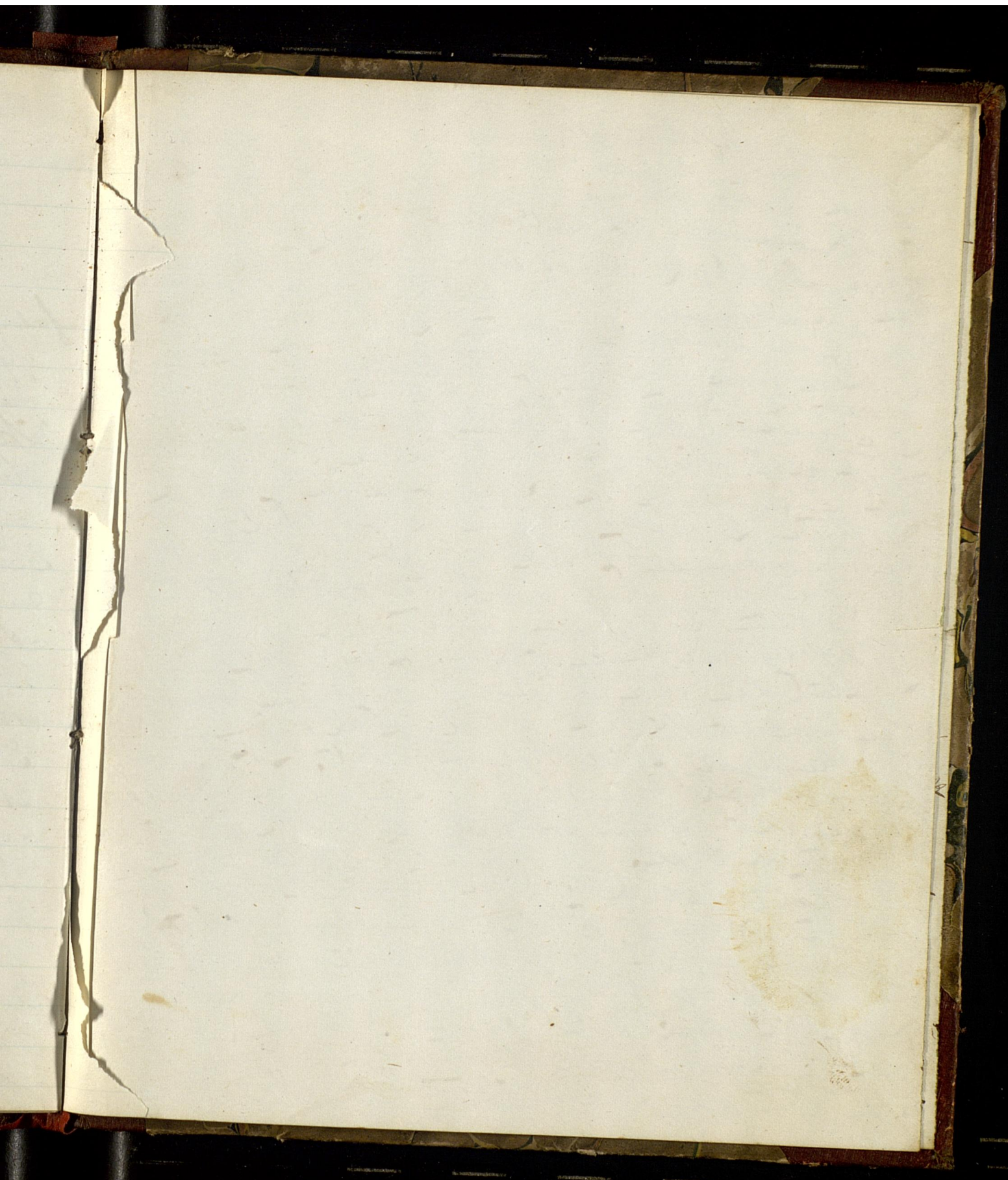
This beautiful day has drawn rapidly to a close, and, before it grows so very dark, I must pen a few lines in my Journal. We had a very interesting Bible Lesson, during this evening. I believe in my mind as yet, I went to the P. O., this evening, I did not get any mails. Our Philosophy was quite interesting to-day. I did not miss any. I went down to Mrs. Waples this evening. Johnnie W. was there. Knowing Mr. Evans and myself had so much fun. He wanted to go down with Lou, ~~and~~ ^{but} she did not have in any books and ~~he~~ ^{she}, therefore, could not go. I have no more to tell you; only I went down to Achlin's this evening. Miss Currier lent me to tell him to send her a "glass of paint." But I will bid you good night.

N. M. Town. Ky. April 28th

Thursday Evening.

Another beautiful day has closed, and while an opportunity presents its self. I will pen a few lines in my journal. We had a very interesting Bible lesson this evening. I believe no one missed any with the exception of Pella & Emma and Mary Thomas. We did not recite Philosophy to-day. Mr. Patterson has gone to Lexington. Mrs. Mark spent the day with us to-day. Aunt Bettie is making Ella's outfit such a pretty dress for the Examination. I have not yet anything prepared for it yet. Well to-day is the last day of April. How swiftly time flies! Another year and perhaps we will be remembered with the dead. But enough on this subject. I must close as it is late. Good evening!

N. M. B.



Mother's Grave:

Now surely I feel when I enter that
sacred spot where my dear Mother was laid
What feelings of sadness come over me
when I think she is no more. If her
life had been prolonged I would have
been far happier than I am now.
I was unconscious of her death. But
now I often think if she was alive
I could love no one but her.
But alas! that is impossible, I know
it can never be. She was a good
mother. I only have a faint
remembrance of her. But I know
no one can ever be happy without
a mother. I know no one can ever
supply her place to me. In my dreams
I often see her and imagine that
she is with me and is alive but
awake and find her absent. No
can check the warm tie of a mother's
love. It is she who brings us onward
through life. In hand. But our
mothers can guide our youthful
steps. Some children do not
know how to appreciate a mother
love treat her roughly and harshly
and in this way we should
act towards our parents. They should
be treated far better than my

other person, If you have a Mother
treat her with all the love and
obedience you can, Never let her hear
an insult from your lips. Never grieve
her or do anything that would
bring her down to the grave. Oh!
just think after you have done
her any wrong. Think if you were
like a great many persons that
have no Mother. To make your
home happy, Oh! then go to her and
ask her forgiveness and tell her that
you will never give her another harsh
word. When I go to the place where
my Mother is laid, I feel like
loosening the shoes from my feet
as I tread with reverence on the
earth where they laid her. I was
she who taught my tongue to speak
the truth and administered the
healing balm when I was
ill. If you have another home
respect and obey her. Oh! little
do you know her worth until
the cold hand of death has taken
her from you. and left you a
lonely child in this cruel and
cruel bitter world without
any one to call on to protect you.

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