

Sept 2^d Have stayed at home - no church today
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and found that I had got the Erysipelas on
in my foot and leg. Have been to Dr. to see
about Olivera Gramis found her some better
than she had been but still feeble. Found Freddy
sick but hope he is gaining. Thus are we remi-
ded continually that we live in a world of uncer-
tainties.

4th Have stayed about home most of the day.
called on Mrs. Nettie Bradley, called and
settled with Elizabeth Bradley, about 5 o'clock
went to Fair Haven with one of Mr. Williams
daughters. This evening attended a prayer meeting
at Mrs. Linseys.

5th In the morning called on the Rev. Mr. Shannon
found him exercising himself at the wood-pile
had a pleasant chat with him on various topics.
Afternoon carried wife down to Mr. J. Burrows.

In the evening attended a prayer meeting at
the parsonage had good meeting.

6th Had the usual round of chores. Burn
my garden. Took a boat and sea-weed cut a few stalks
4 for to. Tomorrow if Providence permit
we expect to attend a surprise party in Branford.
Wife is looking up a receipt recipe for the fixings hope
she will get a good one.

7th Been to a surprise party at Sylvester Gramis
about 35 present, had a pleasant time and all
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4th - Stayed at home today as usual this with
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The week that has past seems almost lost
Tomorrow is the sabbath and I hope to be
in the spirit on the Lord's day

9th attended church today. The text in the forenoon
was in Jer 17-21 the importance of the observ-
ance of the sabbath and the evils that will result
from the profanation of it and its binding
obligations were some of the themes.

The afternoon text was in Prov 14-12 some of
the ways that seem right unto a man and
yet end in death were pointed out.

This evening we to Ed Tyen to Sabbath school
a goodby number presents. Thus ends the duties
of the sabbath may they tell for good of the
great day of accounts.

10th Have worked some today for the first time for some
time a week hope to be able to do more.

The weather has been fall like and pleasant.
Feel some like making a short chop in chun-
net. Wife is mending stockings that's what they
used to call them in old times. It has been much
very day at our house things passed off as
usual on such days. Wife felt a little tired
but I laughed and gave the matter over. She
reminds me of the rainy day song.

My wife she is a funny little thing every day
But that will do for this day. 52

Sept 11th

This morning is fine & clear. The afternoon is like
the ministers advice stayed at home in heavy
rains. It is still raining at 4 o'clock in the
evening with the prospect of a rainy night.
The chirping of the cricket, the pattering of the
rain on the roof and the mournful sighing of the
wind all have to me a mournful sound that
seem to call up the past and fill it with sad
memories - yet.

This is the solace of age yet ^{to me} doubly dear
as it calls up the past with a smile or a tear.

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This forenoon went to dew and Fair Haven
called to see Aunt Almira Grannis found her
very low with the prospects of a recovery against
her. This evening attended a prayer meeting
at Mr. Elsworth Thompsons had a good meeting
though many were not there that ought have
been here. sadly are such meetings neglected.

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This morning went to mill. the rest of the
day dig potatoes at home.

Thus each day brings its cares and labors and
each evening finds us nearer our eternal reward.
May improve the time allotted me here in with
in the fear of God being diligent in business
perfect in spirit, serving the Lord. And then
when this earthly house of this tabernacle shall
be dissolved I may have a house not made with
hands eternal in the Heavens.

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unusually heavy shower with some
very heavy thunder. Had company today
the little sister Bradley. He has been
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15th Have worked at home today. The weather has
been cool yet pleasant. There has been a town
meeting to day to take action on the school ques-
tion. We live in stirring times. May the act
of our lives tell for the best good of the world
not only to day but in time to come.

16th The Sabbath, have been to Church today. Rev. Mr. Joyner preached the forenoon text was in Luke 9-44. The necessity of a faith that prompts to action was one of the main points of the discourse. The afternoon text was in Heb. 12-12. The Christian duty of disesteeming ourselves of all that impedes our progress and pressing forward toward the end of the race was the theme. This evening went to Foxen to the Sabbath school, came back and attended third service at the Church. The subject was the life and character of the Patriarch ~~at~~ Lot.

July 11th Worked at home to day finished digging
potatoes &c.

14th. Have saved a little bird and caged about
homer This afternoon have been to Koser to
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ing at Harriet Buddleys this evening.

19th Went to mill and to the Blacksmiths mended the
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& prayer meeting at our house this evening
fair present in consequence of the weather and
want of zeal in the good cause.

Sept 20th It has been a rainy misty day have stayed at home doing the small work incident to such days. It is still misty and looks like a stormy night. Well life is not all sunshine and the dull misty days in the natural world correspond with those days that are to be found in our life experience.

But the clear sunshine after the long storm seems all the more pleasant and we should cease to rate its value it were we not some times deprived of it. So it is in our life experience were we to have one continual round of pleasure and delight we should forget the great object of life and thus lose our souls. Hence the wisdom of God is seen in the trials and afflictions that come upon us in this world, allow the lessons of life to be so heeded by me that I may live wisely and well.

21st It has been changeable weather. Have done some work about home. been to Duster Brook and twice to St. Hughes bc. this evening is showery and warm. a long spell of dull weather, it has been this evening as usual. What a charm gathers around that word home and how few appreciate it. It seems to me that we should love our earthly home the better anticipate our heavenly home where the trial of life shall cease and all serene in God's love. There we shall see our Saviour's face, and find in his bosom rest.

22nd Worked to day for Foot Andrews. The weather has been cool yet pleasant.

23rd Been to Church to day the boys was in the forenoon. about 23-17- the subject was in part at least the hollow heartedness of outside worship and its effects on the world. The afternoon there was a Sunday school concert. This was Bismail his birth day.

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even at 5 o'clock and third series at the church
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24th Helped Foot Andrews dig potatoes, It has been
cloudy through the day, This evening it looks
like a storm,

25th Worked for Foot Andrews. In the evening atten-
ded a prayer meeting at Mr. R. Coes,

26th Have been to Fair and saw Haven there after
has been showers. This evening have had
company. Raining hard at 9 o'clock,

27th In the forenoon went to mill to the minister
gathered pumpkins and did the chores about home.
In the afternoon cut up corn for Foot Andrews.
A pleasant day for the season the more pleasant
in contrast with the stormy weather of the past
few days, But the storms teach us how to appreciate
the pleasant sunshine and they should be taken
together as the warp and filling of life,
the summers sun lasts the whole year,

28th Worked for Foot Andrews to day cutting up corn
pulling beans digging potatoes &c.

The weather has been fine throughout
reminding me that the fall of the year has come
and that soon with the shortening of the day
we may expect cold and unpleasant weather.
But seed time and harvest will remain for
this hath God promised and he is not
slack concerning his promise

29th This forenoon worked on the rail road platform,
this afternoon worked for Sidney Burdick.
This week after week passes away with its labors
and cares and ere comes on apace and soon the
last week will come may it find me in the
path of duty living and laboring for the good of
the world and for the glory of God that when the
summons comes to call me away I may have
my work done and well done and be prepared
to enter into that rest that remains for the people
of God and all the praise of my salvation will
I ascribe to him that died to purchase my
pardon.

30th Been to church today. At New Haven more
preached in the forenoon text Exodus 23-14
The desire of god men to see more of the glory of
God was in part ^{the} theme of the discourse.
In the afternoon Rev. George E. Street preached,
his text was in Luke 9-45 the importance of
touching Christ and the then present as well
the future good derived by the woman that
touched Christ over the multitude that then
gird him out of civility.

This evening attended monthly concert
of prayer Rev. G. E. Street gave some account
of the gathering at Pittsfield Mass of the annual
meeting of the missionary board some incidents
were of touching interest their ends the duties
and privileges of the sabbath.

Oct 31st Attended home meeting worked for S. Burdick
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Oct 2^d To day worked for Mr. H. Bradley. This evening
attended a prayer meeting at Harriet Bradley's
four share, very little interest seems to exist in
religious meetings in this vicinity.
Lord give me zeal according to knowledge and
deliver me from the fear of Man that bringeth
a snare.
3^d again worked for Mr. Bradley. Wife has been to Mrs.
Haven on a visit. Had a call this evening from
Miss Maria Holt she is going to leave for Albany
in the morning.
4th Worked for Mr. Bradley again to day. This evening
attended a prayer meeting at Mr. Prank's.
5th Worked for Mr. Bradley. The morning was
cool with a heavy frost but it has been pleasant
through the day.
The autumn weather is ripening the crops the
harvest of the time is changing its face and there
is a look of successful harvest to be seen with
around reminding one of the changes of
time and the decay of earth's pleasures and
pointing the pilgrim of earth to that land where
the eye will not be pained with these sad chan-
ges. But all serene in Heaven.
6th In the forenoon helped Mr. Bradley. Afternoon
worked about home, mowed stone picket
gathered pumpkins &c.
7th Sabbath morning very pleasant.
Went to church had the death of Wilford
minister. The forenoon text was one that was
afternoon a Mark 14-48. The morning sermon
was in the faith of the times and it was
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service at the church the discourse was on
the character of Rebecca her marriage with
the Patriarch Isaac The birth of Esau and Jacob
her partiality for Jacob her strategy to gain
the blessing for him and the consequences to her
and the family of the course she pursued.

What lessons of wisdom of warning of example
and of precept are to be found in the word of
God. Alas I study them ^{and} profit thereby.

6th Worked for Mr. H. Bradley plowed and sowed again.
The day has been warm. Feel rather weary think
I am growing old. May the love and favor of the
Savior cheer and bless me as I go down the
stream of time and finally may I meet my Lark
in the haven of eternal rest.

Where I shall bathe my wearied soul
In seas of heavenly rest.

Find not a wave of trouble roll
Across my peaceful breast.

7th Mr. & Mrs. Bradley's again today. This evening
had a neighborhood prayer meeting at Mrs. Gardners.
A very few present. There seems to be little
interest in Religion in this vicinity.

10th Helped Mr. Bradley's again today. This evening
attended a prayer meeting at Mrs. Gardners.
A very goodly number present.

11th In the forenoon went to New Haven and to the
mill. Had a short visit from Sister Everts
and Brewster. Worked some about home.
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While the great chief of life is accomplished
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12th Have worked at home today husking corn.
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My days are gliding swift away
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Those days of toil and danger

How oft as the evening shades gather
around us, and the rough winds war without
do melancholly thoughts take possession of our
minds and there seems to be a sympathy
between the elements without and the soul
within, and we sigh for that better land
where the howling tempest shall cease
and the troubled soul shall ^{have} the Saviour
say as words of sweetest comfort peace be still

13th Again helped H. Bradley, the weather has
been cool and blustering reminding one
of approaching winter. It is Saturday
evening, How blessed to the believer in
Christ is the anticipation of the earthly
sabbath when he can lay by ^{the} cares of the
week and ~~and~~ spend the hours of holiness
in anticipation of that eternal sabbath rest
that remains for the people of God.

14th Been to church today Mr. Warren preached
the sermon text was in 2 Peter 3:4

The certainty of the fulfillment of God's word
of threatenings and promise was in part the theme
of the discourse. The onward march of the gospel
in spite of opposition, and the certainty of the
fulfillment of scripture promises were dwelt
upon somewhat.

14th Sunday The afternoon text was in John 1:25. The subject was as I understood it the universality of the atonement of Christ, its being sufficient for all but only beneficial to those that receive it by faith and repentance. The certainty that the truth of God will prevail over all errors and false doctrines and outlive the ravages of time.

15th My potatoes to day for Mr. Bradley. The weather has been windy, this evening husked corn in the barn.

16th Spent at Mr. Bradley's. This evening attended a neighborhood prayer meeting at Mrs. Simonsen's house there.

17th Worked for Mr. Bradley. This evening attended a prayer meeting at Mrs. Buck's house.

18th To day gathered apples for Mr. Williams. In the evening been to the Methodist celebration at Music hall. Think think I paid rather dear for the whistle.

19th Finished Mr. Williams apples and gathered my own. This evening been to Mr. Jones. Had a visit from Brother Ransom D. Kifer. Jesus ends the day.

20th Made cider drove in corn &c. The end of the week finds me rather fatigued, each day and week brings along with it its cares and labors and anxiety and shows us how much we need the grace of God to help us bear the afflictions of providence.

Monday 21st To day have been to the funeral of our friend grammar a very large gathering.

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Oct-25th

To day worked for Mr Bradley. The weather has been
early. This evening husked corn in the barn. The truth
uttered by the wise man is still true. All things
are full of labor.

26th

Again helped Mr Bradley. It has been a cold
some days. This evening it looks like a storm.
The Lord reigns 'til the earth repices,
Even the winds and the sea obey him.

27th

In the forenoon worked for Mr Bradley.
Afternoon worked at home. It has been
a pleasant day.

Oct-28th

This forenoon went to church here. The text
was in Acts 3:3. The sin of deceit was the
topic in part of the discourse. This afternoon
went to the funeral of Mrs James Woodard.
The remains were carried to the Rogers Church
and a brief discourse delivered by the Pastor
extemporaneously rehearsing the traits of character of
the deceased paying a eulogy to departed worth and
giving words of consolation advice and comfort
to the mourning friends and drawing lessons of
mourning and instruction to all in the house.
Closing the exercises with an appropriate hymn.
The procession moved with solemn tread toward
the house appointed for all living. May the lips use
of Gods promises be oft repeated be heeded by all
and bring forth fruit to the glory of God.

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This forenoon worked at home. Afternoon worked
for Mr Bradley. The weather has been very
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forenoon. Finished husking corn in the barn.
This afternoon shed the horse and chard. He
This every day brings with it its care and
labors reminding of the truth that sufficient
unto the day is the evil thereof.
31st At H. Bradleys again today. The weather
has been pleasant for the season.
May the truth impress itself on my mind that
each night of my life I am one day nearer the
end of my earthly course. And may the lessons
of Gods providence and the teachings of his
word be so impress on my mind that I may
grow in grace and the knowledge of the
word and Saviour Jesus Christ in I grow in
days and years and thus be fitting for that
rest that remains for the people of God.
After 12th Been at Mr Bradleys again. A cool but pleasant
day.
2^d In the forenoon worked for H. Bradleys.
This afternoon been to preparatory school.
This evening been to mill.
Commenced the day with a bad headache
felt better this evening. It has been a
pleasant full day. The labors of the forenoon
been bliss and they are gathering a great
harvest of fall crops. Thus verifying the
Divine promise that seed time and harvest
cold and heat summer and winter shall
continue to the end of time. May we all con-
stantly cherish hope.

6th Worked for Mr Bradley at piece over the river
 it has been a good day to work. Had the
 thought of that verse pronounced upon
 man By the sweat of thy brow shalt thou
 earn thy bread and yet there is pleasure
 in the reflection that we are thus earning
 our daily bread rather than than living
 in indolence as on the back of others
 May I be diligent in business fervent in
 spirit serving the Lord.

4th Sunday
 Been to church to day the text in the
 forenoon was in Eph 4-20 The importance
 of rightly learning Christ was in that
 the theme. This afternoon was another
 more. This evening was the monthly
 concert at which Mr Fiddley gave accounts
 of the progress of the gospel in foreign
 ground which was interesting showing
 the onward progress of the gospel in the
 world among which was the history of the
 Sanat Nish Glands.

5th Again worked for Mr Bradley again to day
 it has been cold to day commenced the day
 with a lame back but feel better this evening
 6th Have worked as above. The weather has been
 fine. Had to night of the death of the Rev
 Mr Gillitt of Bradford. He has gone down
 to the grave as a shock of our fully ripe
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7th Worked for Mr Bradley pulling bannings,
Ranger meeting at our house this evening.
8th Wife attended the funeral of Mr. Gilbert.
9th Again at Mr Bradley's. This evening here
to a Temperance meeting in Fair Haven.
Dr. Gerrit addressed the meeting.
10th Worked for Mr Bradley. This evening here
to Fair Haven to Temperance meeting, Dr.
Gerrit lectured on the hindrance of
alcoholic ^{drinks} on the system as they operate
against nature and thus wear out &
weaken the constitution. It was very
interesting.
11th Have worked for myself. Been on the rock for
wood. This evening been to Fair Haven, Dr.
Been to church to day. The text was in
Isaiah 55:6. The duty of seeking God
immediately was enforced. The danger of
delay was dwelt upon, and the fact that
delay rendered conversion uncertain
and the proof was drawn from
the physical constitution of man, the fact
that memory eye sight and the powers
of the mind fail all conspire to render delay
dangerous, this was the previous the
afternoon was the continuation of the same
subject with proof from the word of
God. The subject was well handled.
12th To day have been in various places. Been
to mill to the fort worked some at home
called at the graveyard to look at some work
for Miss Grace Barnes &c.

12th To day have worked in the grave yard for
 Mrs Eliza Barnes. This evening have had for
 my dinner a pleasant day and evening.
 13th Again worked in the grave yard.
 This evening attempted to go to the prayer
 meeting but could not find the key to the
 town-house and came home.
 14th Worked in the grave yard again to day it has
 been rather an unpleasant day, misty and
 light showers. Feel rather tired, and growing
 old and am constantly reminded by the things
 around me as well as by the infirmities of
 my own body that the places that now know
 me will soon know me no more forever.
 Feel to exclaim with the Psalmist, O spare
 me that I may recover strength before I go
 hence to be here no more.
 15th Worked in the grave yard some. This afternoon
 Henry got hurt by a blast.
 16th To day finish the work in the grave yard
 for Miss Eliza Barnes. Did some work for
 Mrs Finch. This evening called on Henry
 and him doing as well as could be
 expected under the circumstances.
 Sunday 17th Went to Church to day. The text for the
 was in the 119 Psalm 25 verse. The tendency
 of man to the dust and the necessity of God's
 quickening grace to elevate his thoughts and
 affections to his Heavenly and Father.
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The afternoon 1st was in Oct 24-24-
The preacher labored to show that that man
was the same now as ever that some believed
and some believed not- and showed that god
did not compel men to believe. The excuse
of some that they could not help their belief
was dwelt upon and the truth deduced that
we could not help believing the truths of
the Bible and the fearful responsibility
connected with this truth.

19th To day have been to south-end to New Haven
and Fair Haven, This evening called to see
Henry. Found him gaining. Thus has passed
another day with its cares and perplexities.
Alas I have wisdom and grace given me to live
each day so that it will tell for good in that
day for which all other days were made.

20th To day have been about home, had the
apprisers and administrator here to look
over the property and inventory. This
evening had a call from neighbor Bartlett.
He live in a world of fluctuations of ups
and downs. Zealous to day and to morrow
dull and inactive. Alas I feel the importance
of doing something for God and my fellow
men every day.

21st Have worked in the graveyard to day for
the graveyard. This evening attended a
meeting at Samuel Childs as a gathering
summer exercise. Reminded by the spirit
from the altar. The hour of the Lord is
the best time to be with him.

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22nd Finished Mr. Griswold's work in the grave yard
this afternoon and evening has been stormy.
Burial of Mr. Samuel Forbes child of water
side this afternoon.

The grave is now the cradle seen
very swift the moment pass between.

23rd Worked about home some, went to Mr. Bradley's
and settled with him. In the evening went
to Carrie Bradley's wedding a cold muddy
time. Had a pleasant time after we got there.

24th Have been to dinner there put up stove to
draw a load of wood this afternoon. There
has passed away another week. Days, months
and years are swiftly gliding away. The world
and the fashion thereof is fast passing away.

25th Been to church to day the forenoon text was in
Matthew 11:17. The duties of ministers and the
effects of their labors was at least part of the
discourse. Afternoon was Sunday school
concert. Third service this evening. The prop
of the immortality of the soul outside of
the Bible was the theme.

26th To day have had a hog butchered and helped
Sidney Purdie about his. It has been a plea
sant day. Feel rather fatigued yet feel that
gratitude and mercy still follow me and
call for gratitude to the giver of all mercies.
That I could not but be thankful of a patient
heart for all his benefits to me.

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21st Have been to the Post Office and school.
This afternoon I went to the Rock...
Ben dropping chicken for Thanksgiving.
Tired and weary I lay me down to sleep.
Thankful I trust for the the blessings
that flow to me through a free Government,
along the star spangled banner.
In triumph long wave
Over the land of the free
And the home of the brave.
22nd Worked about home to day fixing for Thanks-
giving killed a pig for a roaster cut out
and salted my Pork and did various small
jobs about home. This evening been to the Board
to meet Susan and Minnie but did not
find them.
23rd To day has been our Thanksgiving. I
have been to Church the text was in the
49th Psalm 14 verses. The Minister dealt
upon Congregationalism its antiquity its
advantages especially to our country
as it handed down to posterity the oldest
noble principles of our Puritan ancestors.
Saying that he considered it the last form
of worship for a Democratic government
to all of which I heartily assent and hope
the principles advocated by Luther and
his co-laborers and embraced by our fathers
on the other side of the water will by them
be brought to these shores in the coming years.

Jan 29th And adhered to by them through all the dark days
of our country's early history may still be
read and embraced by their posterity to the
latest generations, and may I ever be of the
number of those that revere their memory and
thus become worthy of so noble an ancestry.
This evening been to a wedding in the Church
Leverett Clark to Fane E. Anger.

30th The day has been rather unpleasant. I have
chafed about home. This evening have had
a call from Mrs. Third touched upon a
subject that does not deeply interest me.
Neighborhood differences got through in
good season. Hope as much as in me lies to
be able to live peaceably with all men.
To this end may I always successfully show
that which would lead me to become a busy-
body in other men's matters.

Jan 31st commenced today to clear the Burying ground
find it a tedious job it wants patience and
perseverance time and work rather the most
of the work. It is strange how little some folks
think of the place where their kindred are
buried. To me it shows a sad want of respect
for their memory. I love to visit them feeling
that this is the end of us all on the earth and if
we are what we ought to be death is to us but
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Jan 31st Been to church today the Rev. Mr. Johnson from
Winfield preached his sermon last evening.

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Palm-127-1- The exceeding providence of God in
the affairs of this world was dwelt upon. Instances
in past history were cited to prove that men who
engage in any enterprise or undertaking without
recognising God have signally failed.
The afternoon text was in Joshua 22. The
duty of immediate compliance with the requirements
of God's law was part of the theme. The immediate
hanging of the scarlet line in the window by the
harlot Rahab saved her and her household
had she delayed she might have perished with
the rest of the inhabitants of that ill-fated city.
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3rd Have worked to day in the grave yard
find it hard work. It has been a pleasant
day for winter.
4th Went to Fair Haven and New Haven in
the forenoon bought a lantern some gunpowder
and various articles all useful and all at
cheap prices. Well said the wise man, money
answereth all things. This afternoon has
been stormy. have shelled beans been to
mill.
5th Been to New Haven after coal and coke
been to mill &c. This evening attended
a prayer meeting at the Town House.
6th Worked in the grave yard to day. This morn-
ing been to Mr. Kirkman to see about the
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- Sister Susan Tucker and Minnie came to lay
in the N.E. block Train they are well and
Minnie seems to enjoy it.
- 9th. Went to church to day Mr. Havers preached
the text forenoon was in Zechariah 12-4
The subject seemed to me to be the growth of Relig-
ion or the progressive nature and tendency of
the religion of Christ as embodied in the Church.
The afternoon text was in 1 Samuel
14-6. The overruling providence of God or the
fact that God is the sovereign ruler and disposer
of all events was in part the lesson drawn
from the text as I understood it. This evening
Went to the Episcopal for the first time in this
town. The subject was the vision of the apostle
Peter and the sending for him by the centurion
and the lessons derived therefrom.
- 10th. This morning went to the Boat with Brother
Tucker. Worked some in the Burrying ground.
This evening Went to the Boat after services.
Work.
- 11th. Worked in the graveyard to day. The weather
has been wintry. This evening attended a
prayer meeting in the town house. The time
was well filled up by the few that were present.
- 12th. Worked in the graveyard some. In the afternoon
went to see and hear Mr. Havers. He was very
pleasant to see. He preached in the evening
about the Tabernacle.
- 13th. I did not work in the graveyard. The
weather has been pleasant.

14th Have wished in the grass just before
the weather has been cold and winter
season and Ella have gone to it. Harriet
Merrill is with us. While I write the
wind is blowing and this reminding
us that winter has come with its rigors
and the thoughts of the many that are suff-
ering for food and garment brings with it
a shade of sadness. May the sons and daugh-
ters of want be supplied from the abun-
dant provision made by Divine Providence
to often wasted by the rich.

15th This forenoon went to New Haven for
coal got 40 tons for hundred \$3.50.
This afternoon worked in the Burroughs
ground. It has been a good winter day.
Thus ends this week and thus rapidly
passes week after week with their cares
and perplexities.

The bell tolled this morning for Mr. John
Thompson. Thus rise after another of our
fellow beings pass away to their
eternal rewards. It is appointed unto
man once to die and after Death the
Judgement.

16th Attended Church today Mr. Beebe preached in
the forenoon the text was in Malachi 4:2. The
family Religion and their importance
in Christianizing the world were part of
the theme. Mr. Haven preached in the
afternoon the text was in Luke 11:21. The power
of God in the working of miracles in the future.

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14th 22nd

This evening it looks like a thaw.
It is Saturday night a time for the preparation
for the Sabbath. How sadly have we degenerated
from the customs of our Fathers in this
respect. May the Lord save us from the sin
that this neglect is bringing upon us and may
we repent and do our first works and return unto
God from whom we have revolted and may
he return unto us and have mercy upon
us. And may it be the prayer of every child of
God O Lord revive thy work and thus save
us the punishment we deserve.

Sabbath 13th

Been to Church today Mr Havens preached the
forenoon text was in Psalm ¹²¹~~127~~ after verse
2-6-7-11-12 The afternoon discourse was in
part dealings with Church members their
faults touching upon the different dispositions
such as the quarrelers the hypocrites the slothful
a goodly share of which I appropriated to my
self. Church discipline was touched upon and
the plan of keeping all that come into the Church
through life was favored as a rule. This did
not look to me quite in accordance with the
apostolic faith. But not being a theologian I
must be careful in my criticisms. In easy
Religion seems to be the order of the day.

14th

Today it has been stormy. I have been to
New Haven and Pier Haven found the
people making preparations for Christmas
I should think by the provisions in market
that eating and drinking was all that was
necessary to celebrate the birthday of the
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for the marvellous gift which may the blood
of Christ be applied to cleanse me from all
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25th Have worked in the grave yard today.
This evening been to the Episcopal Church
to the presentation of gifts to the Sabbath
School and others connected with the
Parish all things passed off pleasantly.

26th Again worked in the grave yard. This
evening attended a prayer meeting at
the Town House. It was well attended
and a goodly number took part.
Thus showing that the talent is not
wanting when the heart is right.

27th It has been a stormy day some rain
and some snow. Have worked about
the house and chored generally.

This evening have had a call from Mr
Bartlet. Used up the time in social
chat. first talked of this and then of
that. Mrs Bartlet and Daughter spent
the afternoon and evening with us.

28th The weather being cold and disagreeable
have tried to make myself respectable
the house as I hear no complaint I give
I have in part succeeded.

The old year seems to be giving us some
thing to remember it by as it is about
to leave us.

29th

again about home have accomplished all in the space of week have been to the city and called on Mr. Bradley &c.

It is saturday evening the cares and toil and perplexities of another week are over. May the rest of the night refresh us and thus we be fitted for the duties of the coming sabbath.

30th

Have been to church to day Mr. Haver^{preached} in the forenoon the text was in Malachi 3-4 and 14. Sabbath school concert this afternoon Mr. Farny from Fair Haven addressed the school. The subject this forenoon as the text would indicate was robbing God. The different ways in which men rob him were dwelt upon at some length. The ~~self~~^{self} justification of the Jews for their robbery. The effect of such robbery and finally the blessing promised to those that do not rob God or to those that having thus robbed him repent and return to their allegiance. was as I understood it the various themes of the discourse, as applied to us of the present day.

31st

A very stormy day and still storming at 6-3 P.M. The annual society meeting for the choice of officers and the sale of the slips in the meeting house has been held to day the slips sold high some as high as 34 dollars from that down to 4. The scribes and Pharisees taking the highest and the Publicans and sinners the rest. The advantage of this to the latter is that they will be in less danger from heavy bets as the price will be set before reaching them.

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fashion is the god of this world and so we worship
him. The old year is uttering some unearthly
groans as it is about to expire and I don't wonder
for it has been a good old year and it must hate
to die in a snow storm. But further time must
take the bitter with the sweet.

May the blessings experienced by one and the rest
of mankind in 1866 be repeated in 1867.

1867
Jan 1-5

It has been stormy most of the day. Wrote a
letter to Essex in the forenoon. This afternoon
took a short sleigh ride with W. F. L. in the
morning most of the time. To day the train
passed through with the remains of E. L. servant
who was killed last Saturday on the Chicago
& Rock Island Rail Road. There was an extra train
dropped in morning. He was a man much
respected & a man of large business talent.
a great loss to the community in which he
lived and to ^{the} business portion especially.

2^d - Went home in the morning. In the afternoon
went to New Haven.

3^d - Have done little today but to eat and drink
and try to enjoy the good of past labor. Thus
passes life away. May I appreciate its blessings
and perform well its duties.

4th - Have worked part of the day for H. B. Willcox.
It has been a fine winter day.
This evening have been reading the
Bible and the memoirs of the G. W. Smith.

the three men abt E. C. Brewster & and Mr. Thompson
both talk takes out of the world without a moment's
interruption and in the most horrible manner and
are reminded of the uncertainty of life
in these days, surely in no age of the world
and in no country has life been so uncertain
rendered so by the increased facilities for trans-
mitting and manufacturing, these storm-
men are to look at and reflect upon the
uncertainty of human life.

5th Again helped Mr. Ezekiah Bradley. The
weather has been pleasant this evening, it
looks like a storm. Tomorrow is the Sabbath
May the Lord aid me by his good spirit
to keep the day holy,

Sabbath 6th Been to church today Mr. Harris preached
The text for verse was in Ecclesiastes 3:15.
The summary of events from year to year
that the same causes exist and therefore the
same effects are produced, that the same
forces are in the world that were in it
thousands of years ago were part of the
disaster. This afternoon was calm and
rain, it has been unpleasant through the day
and still threatens a storm,

7th Worked for H. Bradley. This evening went
to Fairbury's yard sleighing,

8th Again at Mr. Bradley's. It has been a cold
day. The funeral of Charles Herrmann was
held today. There are after another
go their long home and the minister
go about the streets.

Jan 9th Worked on

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July 9th Worked again for Mr Bradley a cold day
This evening attended a prayer meeting in the
living house a goodly number present

10th At Mr Bradleys to day. It has snowed most
of the day. This evening called on Mr & Mrs
Graham had a pleasant call. It is snowing
at 4:30 o'clock with the prospect of a stormy
night.

11th Worked wooding for Mr Bradley, a fine winter
day. Feel tired & lame, the effect of having
to earn my bread by the sweat of my brow.
feel that I can offer the Prayer of Jabez
give me neither poverty nor riches,
He that holds fast the golden mean
And lives contently between
The little and the great
Feels not the wants that pinch the poor
Nor plagues that haunt the rich mans door
Embittering all his store,

12th Have wooded it again to day for Mr Bradley
the weather has been very cold. Wife is sick
a bad hope she will be better in the morning.
The inhabitants of the town increasing
two Bibles been within the last two days
Stephen Bradley Fathers was W. F. Charles was
the other. Thus the world moves,

Monday 13th

Went to church to day Mr Harvey preached
the text for noon was in John 13:34
The duty of love to the Brethren & it
was the substance of the discourse
to be concluded at

13th Sunday (1867)

The two afternoon sessions - 9th - 10th - The
entirely the business the size and habit of
conscience the confusion were both more
at some length. The conclusion was a com-
mendation of his family. Religion came
from the words he heard and with all his
house. The history of this man leads me
to believe that in all nations there are some
that fear God and only wait for the Lord
to bind them more tight in order to be true
members and sincere followers of the Lord
and savior Jesus Christ.

14th Chopped and drew wood for Mr. Bradley. It has
been a very cold day. This evening there is
a gathering at the Ministers Green Backs
will have to move about 5¢ at a tick.

15th It has been a very cold day. This morning
went over the river and cut down an apple
tree for Mr. Bradley and then left for better
weather. Been to mill and then gathered
grass, another new business for me. But
we often do the things we would not and
thereby consent to the weakness of human
nature; did not attend the gathering at the
Ministers last evening but hear that those
that did had a good time. Well I love to have
every body enjoy themselves and as I could
not go thought I would stay with her and help
her enjoy the time at home, always did rather
like that word home and when I get to that
place that I like other places better than home
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16th Friday here to Meriden to a state temperance
convention. Did not get there till afternoon
consequently did not hear the reports from
the local societies. The afternoon was spent in
discussion of various topics among which was
a resolution to petition the next legislature for
the passage of an act called the Constabulary
system to agree with the system in
other resolutions were discussed and then
the speaking commenced. The speakers
were Dr. Fenit and an old chum of his by
the name of Thompson the financial agent
of the Abolition Temperance Alliance. He was a
little man but he could do the thing up
in shape. There were a number of other
speakers most of whom were strangers to
me. There was a meeting in the evening
that was very spirited the doctor saying a little
and others taking part all acting as though
they meant work. Ex Gov Buckingham
was in the chair through the day. The
convention voted to raise \$1000 for the expense
of carrying on the National Temperance paper
and raised in the spot between 7 and 8 hundred
dollars. Ex Gov B. giving I think \$350.
Stayed in Meriden over night at a Mr.
Bitters.

17th Came home this morning in the snow
storm had a hard time getting from
Meriden. Haven the snow being very much
drifted though the intellectual part of
yesterday were than paid the trouble.
18th Have been about home today. It has been
a very windy uncomfortable day.
It is the coldest evening this winter.

12th

This forenoon Henry and I went out and split wood for dinner. Lillian this afternoon have been about house helped me some about the chores &c. It is Saturday evening and we have had no mail since Wednesday in consequence of the snow drifting and filling up the cuts on the rail roads. It has very severe weather since early Thursday morning. It is still very cold. I feel thankful that I have food and raiment ~~and the~~ and so many other of the ~~the~~ comforts of life. May the Lord still continue his goodness to me and give me a heart to render him thanks for the mercies received.

13th

Have been to church today Mr. Havers preached the text forenoon was in Gen-2, 2-3-^{oh, my} The duty of observing the sabbath and the advantages resulting ^{from} obedience to the command were the topics in part as I understood them.

The afternoon text was in Acts 17-22.

The difference between Religion and godliness was part of the sermon.

The coldness of the church on great moral questions and the censures that I have had heaped upon me for advocating them has tended to destroy my interest to a great extent in this church and I think it will not resurrect untill they cease to bow to such interests and such systems and when that will be I know not. But of one thing they may rest assured those systems will ever be denounced by me while life lasts.

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fell last night and filled these roads before
Have done various small jobs to day
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this evening
22nd Have been to New Haven after coal did some
loading at Austin & Brothers. The day has
been pleasant. It looks some like more storm
this evening. This time passes away each
day bringing with it its cares and labors and
reminding one of the language of the sun in
sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof
May each evening of my life find the duties
of the day well performed that I may give of
every day a good account at last
23rd To day has been a cold blustering day and
I have laid up, nothing of interest has
taken place to day. In the forenoon called on
the neighbors. This afternoon read a humor
commencing as far back as the year 1765
found some fun and some folly some good
sense and some nonsense. But it is said that
a little nonsense now and then
is relished by the best of men.
This ends the paper with the exception that
my wife has got a hard cold and is trying
to kill it with a mixture of hard cider, pepper
and Molasses hope one of the three ingredients
will effect a cure or all combined.
The times are dull as far as news is concerned
and I am living like the crooked tree which
I got last year, hope there will be a thaw
soon so that we can get the papers 86

Mar. 24th Ellysh, Hise and Shinn have been to the river
this afternoon partly for a sleigh ride and
partly for trade. Found plenty of snow but
did ^{not} think the sleighing very good. Concluded
not to sleigh it any more till warm weather.
Found the N. Haver folks as usual willing
to take money for any little notions they had
in hand. Well I always like to see folks
accommodating. Got home with a four cent
in change that they did not happen to have. I
but it's all the same they will have it the
next time they see me. Well the poor folks
must live and I suppose I ought to help them.
It has been some warmer to day than it has for
a few days past.

25th Have done little to day been to the mill
and helped Hezekiah Bradley get a corn sheller.
The weather to day has been mild this
morning it looks like a storm.

Our days are passing away as a tale
that is told. Many lives short span to
be measured with unerring aim and
meet its best reward in that better land.

26th Worked for H. Bradley shelling corn. The
weather has been rather lowly part of the
day. Feel rather bad this evening with
a cold in my head hope to feel better in
the morning. The labors of another week
are ended. Tomorrow is the sabbath of rest
may it be to me a foretaste of that eternal
sabbath of rest that remains for the people
of God. Hannah Shannon died this
morning at half past 2 o'clock after
the short sickness of one day and night.
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Sunday 24th Been to church today the Bureau reached
the text forenoon was in John 3-16. The duty of
entire consecration to God was urged on the
ground that we had no right to profane the
temple of God. The afternoon was Sunday
school concert the minister gave a lecture
on the life character and death of Abraham
and applied it to enforce obedience to parents.
It is a useful lesson to the young. This
evening called on the Rev Mr Shannon for
neighbors and friends there sympathizing with
the afflicted families. How blessed it is to
offer Christian sympathy to the afflicted and
thus fulfill the command to weep with them
that weep. It is better to go to the house of
mourning than to go to the house of feasting for
that is the end of all men and the living will
lay it to heart.

24th Worked in the forenoon for Mr Bradley
in the afternoon went to the Burial of
Hannah Shannon it was a large gathering
the remains were carried to the Church.
It has been a cold day. This evening have
read News Paper to wife. Also read some
selections from some of the writers of the
past age such as Mrs Hemans and Letitia
Stearns. I am just old fashioned enough to
like their writings and wish we had a few
of them in these days. The fire that kindled
in the bosom of Henry in the days that tried
men's souls is what is wanted in these dark
days. But times have sad days changed since
his days for then they trusted in God and
kept their powder dry.

29th

Worked for H. Bradley, the weather has been extremely cold & dry. I feel thankful that I have the comforts of life food, clothing and a dwelling place. These are the temporal blessings that I receive ^{here} with a thankful heart. But above all may I thank God for the richer blessings of his grace in Jesus Christ ever

31st

Been about home to day the weather has been very cold. This evening attended a prayer meeting at the Town House well attended the passage dwelt upon was, rejoice evermore

31st

Went down to H. Bradley's and got a load of corn cobs it has been one of those days that ought to be called leisure days.

1st

Today helped Mr. Charles Woodard butcher. The weather has been warmer. This afternoon went to mill. The transcribing is stopping.

2nd

Chored about home to day drew a load of chips from E. Grannis called on Mrs. Willard Bradley and Eliza Bradley got some herbs for St. Ives cold. This the week has passed away and if time is money I ought to have some to night but I do not see it. This evening it looks like a storm the weather looks gloomy and it seems to affect me. But we cannot expect all pleasant weather for our summers soon. In the whole year, although the lights and shades of life teach me the spiritual lessons they are designed to teach and thus lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.

3rd

Have been to church to day Mr. Warren preached on the 1st of Peter 3-16. This evening unable to give the theme of the day discourses my mind

being occupied with the distill of melancholy makes me be separated from cares that I receive and for that words roll across me

Each day of it is no time but I find I have passed a

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with the distracting cares of earth and a kind
of melancholy has taken possession of me that
makes me long almost to become a hermit
separated from the world and its perplexing
cares that I might in solitude finish my
course and fit myself by grace assisting me
for that world where all a wave of trouble
rolls across my peaceful breast.

Each day of my life I am reminded that there
is no true happiness to be found in this world.
May I find a rest in Heaven when earth shall
have passed away forever from my view.
4th To days has been one of those days in which I
do not seem to accomplish much, have done
various little jobs about home carried off to
to school, &c. The snow has melted considerably
and the prospect is that it will soon be gone.
May the ever changing scenes of life be healed
by me and teach lessons of wisdom. May
the winter with its snowy mantle teach me
to think of the winter of life and prepare for it
that when it shall have passed I may enter
that land where there is no change but
Over all that wide extended plain
Shines one eternal day.
There God the son forever reigns
And scatters night away.

O glorious hour! O blissful abode
I shall be near and like my God
No flesh and sense no more control!
The ruling passions of the soul

Feb 5th

Have done little today in regard of work
and what the use of which is the rest of course
I attempted to do a few things
afternoon but the weather and travelling
were bad and gave it up went to the grave-
yard to see if the snow had left forming piles
of snow and water. Had a call from Mr. H.
Bradley this evening. Hope soon to see the
weather settled that I may go to work for I feel
uneasy without something to do for
myself find some mischief still

6th

Have idle hands to do. And I do not like to
to work for him for he is a hard master,
So day have helped H. Bradley butcher. The snow
has melted considerable. Have been to prayer
meeting this evening. Pray without ceasing.
were the words selected for remarks upon,

7th

Have been to Heaven with wife found the
travelling bad. Came home with a headache.
How easily does this mortal frame get out
of order, Lord teach me how frail I am
and give me wisdom to care for this body that
shall perish in consequence of the jewel that
it contains,

8th

Have worked in the graveyard today. It was
mostly covered with snow but I found room
for a days work. It is raining this evening
hope if Providence permits the snow will
leave. But it is not time to expect spring
yet. We shall have snows and blizzards and the
usual amount of rough weather this month.
It is Friday night and I am reminded
that by my surroundings that tomorrow that day
that new comers are to have baked beans
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How blest to have one day in seven
that we may learn the way to Heaven
O may my heart in truth be found
Like David's harp of solemn sound

11th been at work in the Burying ground to day. the weather has been pleasant for the season.

12th Again in the grave yard today. The weather
was very pleasant. Have cut almost half
of the tree. Trunk and branches are very
thick. But perseverance and patience. 92

Feb 13th

I trust will overcome the difficulty.
It is strange that the inhabitants of this
town should think so little of the last resting
place of their ancestors as to let it get in
such a condition. There are very few
persons that would not feel bad if they
knew that those ^{11th} ~~that~~ ^{had} out-lived them would
think so little of their memory as not to
guard as almost sacred their last resting
place the grave. But men in health are too
apt to think little of death and yet it is the
common lot of all human beings.
It is appointed unto man once to die and
after death the Judgement.

Great God is this our certain doom
And are we still secure

Still walking downward to the tomb
And yet prepare no more

13th To day have worked in the grave-yard
again. The weather has been foggy.

This evening attended a meeting in the
Town-House it was well attended.

14th Worked part of the day in the grave-yard
the rain broke me off. It is raining this
evening and the prospect is that we shall
have a wet night. What a pity it would
be if it should rain so hard that the lovers
of gossip should not get to their accustomed
haunts to night in order to get things in
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if all men and some women could make
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let other peoples business alone. But curiosity
still exists and clamors to be satisfied with
the crumbs that fall from the table of those
that would mind their own business if
let alone. Of all the morbid diseases that
curse the human family from this one
good word deliver me.
There are advantages in living in a
country town, and there are disadvan-
tages. The felt want in this town is a
place where the people can come together
promiscuously and have a feast of rea-
son and a flow of soul without the obscuring
that clusters around the groceries in
this vicinity. But the fathers have eat
sour grapes and the childrens teeth are
set on edge and as long as the leaders
in society endorses ~~the~~ the evils that exist
there is little chance to better the present
state of affairs.
15th Worked in the forenoon in the burying-ground.
This afternoon went blanning to rest
me. the medicine did ^{not} operate in that
direction and the travelling was
bad.

(1867)
Feb 16th

Worked for Mr. Bradbur to day shelling
barren it has been a sorry day.
It is storming this evening. Have
had Isaac Bards to help me to
day and we have talked of Politics
Morals Religion and trade. How
pleasant it is occasionally to meet
and converse with a sensible young
man, and the more blessed seems
the opportunity because so seldom
enjoyed. Another week has passed
away and the sabbath of rest
draws near. May I enter with
delight and profit by them.

17th

Have been to church to day. Mr. Harris
preached the previous text was in
1st Cor 16-19. The subject was enlarged upon
and the kind of people that have their
witness on high were noticed.
The fact to that the world misjudge
the character of Christians was
dwelt upon. The afternoon text
was in 2 Pet 2:5. The minister dwelt
upon the fact as given in the Bible
that the wickedness of the antediluvians
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another cause was the longevity of
the inhabitants of the earth in those early
ages. This evening attended a lecture
at the Church. The minister addressed
himself to the young urging the
importance of their taking hold of
the enterprising spirit. I rather thought
it ment chapel.

the evening worked for Mr Bradley. It
has been pleasant for February have
shelled corn in company with Isaac
Pardip. What a difference there is in
men some know nothing but a dollar
and seem to live for the sole purpose
of getting it into their pockets - While others
are willing to live and let live give
me the company of a man and I think
I can enjoy myself with but little
more. I am sick of humanity when
I think of those that are toiling for
property they cannot enjoy and are
chafed with the fear of losing a cent.

19th Worked part of the day for W. Bradley.
This afternoon went in search of evergreen
for the church.

20th It has been a stormy day. I have done
very little to day. This evening have
read a tract on the traffic in intoxicating
drinks felt very much interested in it.
Had a call from neighbor Bartlett from
whom I got the tract. Talked Temperance
with him awhile but talk will not do
we must act on this important subject.

21st This forenoon have been to New Haven
after coal and groceries. The weather is
rather unpleasant with snow on the
ground and snow in the air.

22nd Washington's Birth day. Have worked for
W. Bradley. This evening been to a
Sabbath School gathering at the Church.
Rev Mr. Loomis address the children
presents were given to the children
and Teachers by the Minister all
seemed pleased.

23rd In the forenoon went to Mill. In the
afternoon went to Mr. Warren called
at road & childrens found them
riding round. Mrs. Miller was there
and is quite unwell. Aunt is complaining.

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Have been to church today. The Rev. Mr.
Boonvis preached. The text for morning was
in John 4 chapter 21, 23-24th verses.

afternoon text was in Heb. 10 25-

The forenoon discourse was a sermon
on vital godliness in which many ideas
were advanced such as the individuality
of Religion or the fact that there is a differ-
ence between the Church and Religion
the one being the principle of the
soul the other an organized body of
Christians the better to carry out
the principles of individuals for the
glory of God. And that the form of
church government may change but
true Religion is ever the same.

The forms and ceremonies of which
many sects think so much were fully
handled and exposed as far as their
christian vitality is concerned.

The afternoon discourse was on the
importance of attending the social
Prayer meeting and the affect

produced by the neglect of this duty.
Instances were cited to prove the advantages of saint Prayer such as the prayer offered for Peter while in prison and the answer those Prayers received.

25th Worked for Mr Bradley. it has been a February day this evening looks like a storm. Had a call from Sidney Purdy.

26th Again at Mr Bradley's. The weather has been pleasant. Winter is passing away and Spring is nigh at hand. How swiftly the months and years roll around. May the current of time bear me safely on to the Haven of eternal rest.

27th Have worked for Mr Bradley again to day. Have been splitting and blasting logs ~~at~~ and feel tired. Wife has gone to the prayer meeting.

28th In the forenoon worked for H. Bradley. afternoon went to Fair Haven to a Temperance Convention. The subject for discussion was the obligations of Christians to the Temperance cause.

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second church. In the evening at the
first Dr. Hatch of the Reform school
Meriden spoke of the social evil of
Intemperance and the Remedy which
was legal measure for the Remedy.
The Rev. Mr. Morris spoke after the Dr.
It was time well spent. I think
March 1st It has been a stormy day. Have been
to preparatory lecture this afternoon.
2d Worked in the grave-yard part of the
day. It has been lowry part of the
day. Thus ends the labors of another
week. May the duties of the morrow
be meditated upon tonight and thus
I be fitted to offer acceptable worship
unto God.
Sunday 3d Have been to church today. Rev. Mr. Havens
preached the text for us was in Ephesians
The mission of Jesus Christ in bringing
in the new dispensation and thus