



Transcription of the diary of Ruth Henshaw Bascom (1772-1848), 1789-1793.

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1789

[1]

Leicester January 1 1789 Ruth Henshaw

1 very Pleasant we took a web to weave for Mrs H[*****]

I went up to Mr [*****] in eve [Lydia Hardwick]

[*****] Sally Reid [*****] Lucy [*****]

2 Cloudy [and] I home [Wate] here Polly and Charlot Wheeler here [*****]

3 NE Storm Mr Harwood in here

4 Sunday Cloudy [throu] night Pleasant afternoon Daddy went to meeting

5 very Plesent I went to uncle Wheelers. Exhibition at Leicester Daddy and Dr Flint went to town

6 Ditto Mr Stephen Sargent here after flaxseed. Daddy went home

7 Ditto [little] Topham here visiting (Betsy Stone come here

[**] Miss Swann and Polly Denny here visiting in evening)

8 Cloudy morn very Pleasant day and D Denny here in evening I went to Mr Andrews evening

9 Plesant but cold Daddy went to Worcester for Mr Denny and to town etc

10 Cloudy Daddy went to uncle Wheelers got our Cushining and bells went to

[**] carried timber for the Slay etc Asa here in evening after Stephen Suky Harwood come to Mr Gills house

11 Sunday Plesant. Daddy went to meeting brought Phebe home

12 fair and cold uncle Swan & aunt Mr Scott & wife etc also to [**] Dr

Flint & wife with others come here in Slays and dined at Swann staid [a week]

13 Stormy Cate Swan here spinning 7 Mrs Andrews here Daddy to town

14 [Thomas] Ordination at Westbury. D went to town Cate and I set up [**] [yarn]

15 Plesant Asa Wheeler of Holden married to wife Polly Abbot of Holden

Cate Swan and I went down to Capt Watsons from Snows Matthew home [**] night [**]

16 Ditto Mrs Hawkins here errand Miss Gillmore and Suke here in evening

Daddy went to town the children went to school to Dr Gould

Ephraim Johnson here

17 Stormed a little all day Daddy went to Mr .Samuel Wait George [**] to attend [**] riah Johnson here in evening

18 Sunday Cold Daddy went to meeting and carried [Cutter] Swan here

Snow at night

19 Something Cloudy Mr. Howard & Lydia Hawkins in here D to town for a visit

20 foggy morn fair afternoon January thaw very bad riding went to Mrs H[****]

sent Mrs. Hawkins cloth home D to town in morn. Polly Mrs Andrews at Mr

G[**]

21 Pleasant D went to town Kesiah here for [*a visit*] and Mrs. Andrews here [****]
very good [*****]

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22 A NE Storm Daddy went to Mr Tom Earle's The young
later in town had a Slay ride to Spenser Mr Mores & wife from Cambridge come
[*****]

23 very Pleasant our new Slay come home Mrs Flins [sic] Miss Dennys in here I [****]

24 Ditto Daddy went to uncle Wheelers in slay Mr. Mores & wife
from Cambridge and Cousin Phinehas Richardson and Cate here

25 Sunday Cloudy day Stormy evening went to meeting with Mr.
Mores and cousins. Staid at uncle Swans all night. N. Wate B. Earles there
evening

26 Ditto At uncle Swans, went Down to Mr. Nathaniel Richardsons
With cousin Mores, Richardsons, Swans to dine drank tea at
Mr Scotts then returned to uncle Swans in evening and brought
Ruth Richardson & Hannah Miss Suky Watson & Nancy home with
us spent a very agreable evening played [brake] [****] neck
the weaver, grind the salt, danced some, sang songs etc etc (we all staid all night
but Suky and Nancy

27 Cloudy and misty morn we Staid at uncles to Breakfast there Mr
Bill Richardson carried his sisters and P Swan home in a slay & I come
home with cousin Moreses & Richardsons to dinner they went away in afternoon
Mr. Ashbel Johnson & Ephraim here had the Slay to go to Sargents

28 Pleasant afternoon Daddy went to Shrewsbury

29 Thaw Daddy come from Shrewsbury & went to town

30 Pleasant Daddy went to uncle Wheelers to dine

31 A bad Storm Old Mrs. Andrews sick etc

The End of the first month

February 1 1789 Sunday very cold and blustering. Daddy & maam went to meeting in
afternoon

2 Cold Daddy and maam went to Mr. Sargents in slay visiting

3 Pleasant Daddy went to town Dr Flint in here Mrs Andrews better

4 fair Daddy & maam uncle Wheeler & aunt went to Mr Scotts

Mr Uriah Johnson come here to Stay and go to School/ [it or]

5 very Pleasant Mr Andrews and Mr Howard here and sawed it [***]

6 fair Mr Samuel Mores here Daddy went home with him bout a cow of him

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- 8 Cloudy Sunday Daddy & maam went to meeting. Carry Phebe
to Dr Flints to stay a while, Mr Johnson went to meeting. [**]
- 9 Pleasant indeed Mr Sargents, their wives, Dr. Gould, Kesiah Howard here evening
- 10 Ditto Daddy carryd Children up in town in Slay to see Phebe
- 11 fair Polly Wheeler here two hours in evening
- 12 I think fair nothing Remarkable
- 13 I forgit what whether
- 14 cold in evening especially. Betsy Stone come here. Daddy went to [Major] [Newhalls]
- 15 Sunday fair Betsy S. & I went to Mr Andrews in evening
Patsy Wright staid all night here Andrew from [*****] here
- 16 Stormed a little all day Mr Hawkins & wife here in evening.
- 17 fair maam weaving Polly Andrews web Gener[**] Slay ride in [*****]
- 18 Pleasant Mr Snow come after Betsy Stone she went home with him
- 19 Cloudy went up to Mr Howards after milk. Esther Stone from
Boyston[sic] & her Brother and Sister here in evening. I went to Mr Andrews that
night.
- 20 very bad Storms. Mrs A, Polly, Esther, here Brother & Sister here in afternoon.
- 21 very pleasant Esther, Jacob, & Annis went home
- 22 Sunday.
- 23 Fair Ruth Green here in morn after [Heethal], Phebe come from Drs
- 24 I lost my Journal all this week.
- 28 Fair nothing Remarkable.

March 1 1789 Sunday Daddy & went to meeting come home.

- I had the tooth ache very bad had a new pair of leather shoes
- 2 Very pleasant. Daddy went to March meeting.
- 3 Cloudy rainy night Daddy & maam went to Northbro in a Slay
Mr Andrews had almost all his things took away from him.
by Mr Salisbury for Debt Dr. Flint and [Aseal] Earle in here
- 4 Cold Polly and riah in here few minutes in evening. Daddy &
Maam come from Northbro in evening brought my cloak & Daddys coat
- 5 fairly cold Mrs Andrews thing moved to Gilmores.
I went to uncle Wheelers to get my cloak cut out.

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- 6 Fair fore noon I went to Mr Sargents & Snows Daddy
went to Worcester.
- 7 rainy carryd most all Snow [***] Mrs Andrews & Polly sleeps here.
- 8 Sunday fair Daddy & I went to meeting brought Betsys new shoes home

- 9 Very plesent Daddy went to Mr Hubbards to appraise some [grads] Charlot Wheeler come here
- 10 Ditto Daddy went to mill got all the wheat. Daddy & maam to Fowlers
- 11 fair Daddy & maam & Cate to Mr Andrews I to Mr Howards
- 12 Cloudy Phebe went to M. Hawkins Dr's hay moved yesterday
- 13 fair Daddy & maam went to Mr Howards evening
- 14 fair Daddy went to uncle Wheelers. Polly Andrew staid here all night
Mr Tainger hurt very much by the falling of a tree 13
- 15 fair Daddy & maam rode to meeting horseback Mr Andrews & wife Mrs Gil to supper
- 16 rainy fore noon fair afternoon Daddy & Mr Andrew to Worcester riah worked here
- 17 Ditto Charlot Wheeler here Phebe went home with her staid all night
- 18 fair very bad riding indeed, Daddy brought Mr Andrews goods
from Mr Hubbards to our house.
- 19 Ditto Uncle Wheeler here in evening. Mr Jacob Wicker died.
- 20 Windy [I or J] Esquire Putnam here to dine & Ephraim Johnson [***] talked of letting farm to Johnson
- 21 fair I went up to Mr Howards errand afternoon/evening Kesiah here to drink [tea]
Mr G[***] & wife & Dr went to their fathers riah Mr[s] Andrews
- 22 Snow come half a foot deep last night & this morning Sunday
- 23 fair Daddy sent [ashes] to Worcester I got some silk to bind my cloak
- 24 Ditto A certain Company give Mr Dylrumple a whipping etc
- 25 Ditto Mr Hawkins had our horse to go to Worcester
- 26 fair & cold Daddy to uncle Wheelers maam at Mr Gilmor, Mr Warke here evening
- 27 Plesant I went to uncle Wheelers in morn uncle Benjamin & aunt [H**]
Daddy & uncle Benjamin went to town horseback I went to Mr Sargents errand
- 28 Cloudy rain very hard at night Uncle Benjamin aunt uncle
Wheeler & aunt uncle Daniel & aunt Sally here to dine.
[Sally] Kesiah Mr Johnson Asa [Stones] here etc etc
- 29 Sunday fair Daddy & uncle Benjamin went to meeting
- 30 Snow at noon turned to rain at night uncle B and visit went home

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- 31 Fair Mr John [Lyon] here to buy Mr Andrews bed he and his wife here
Hannah & Betty Sargent at [Gets]
Uriah Johnson worked here for him self

April 1 1789 ----

Cloudy morn began to snow at noon, left off at night Daddy
went to Worcester. I made Isaac Sylvester April fool by [bundling] in road

- 2 Pleasant M Snow went off. David unwell. Mr Gil in to town
- 3 very Pleasant indeed. Kesiah Howard, Polly Wheeler, Patty wright
here visiting. Daddy sold a cow to Mr Uriah Johnson about this time
- 4 fair Mr Warks here in afternoon. Cate and I went up to Mr Howards
Daddy had a calf die 6 weeks old.
- 5 Sunday fair and windy, went to meeting & from there to uncle Swans
- 6 Pleasant morn very rainy night. Town meeting day some here to stay night
- 7 Rainy some. Matthew Walker stayd all day and night at uncle Swans
- 8 cold windy maam [*]ays uncle Daniel and Charlot and Ruth Green here
- 9 fair Dudley went to our house. Mrs Dylrumple Mrs Bridges here etc.
- 10 rainy Billy Earle here in evening. Isaac Livermore & wife here.
- 11 I think fair, have got a very bad boil on my neck.
- 12 Pleasant Sunday went to meeting from uncle Swans and come home at night
- 13 fair Mrs. Howard & Mrs. Hawkins here in afternoon
- 14 Ditto Mr Andrews here at work Joseph unwell frogs sing evening
- 15 fine day Old Mrs. Andrews and Mrs Hawkins here to tea Mrs.
Andrew Polly and Kesiah in here evening. Mr Andrews and George worked here
- 16 Pleasant Mrs Watson and Miss Mary Sargent here visiting
Charlotte here fell off the Scaffold and hurt her. I went home with her staid all
night
- 17 Ditto Esquire Partman here. Amos, Uriah here maam went to Robert Earles
- 18 Ditto uncle Daniel Mr Sargent here in afternoon Mr Samuel Uphams house B[***]
- 19 Sunday fair fore noon Daddy and maam went to meeting
Uncle Wheeler aunt, Mrs Wheeler and Polly here to supper.
- 20 Pleasant morn I went to Mr Hawkins Mrs Howards folk
moved to Worcester, Daddy and neibours went to help them move. rainy
night there fore I staid at Mr Hawkins night time

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- 21 Cloudy misty staid at Mr Hawkins until night then went to
Amos Wheelers to stay 2 days and help them about moving Daddy
- 22 fair worked at Mr Wheelers, Nat Lyon at our house after bed for P Honeywood
- 23 fair fore noon rainy night. Amos Wheeler and family moved to Mr.
Andrews Polly Charlot etc. I come home with them evening Miss B Honeywood at our
house after bedqu[**]
- 24 very rainy night last night and to day Polly and Charlot and I went home towards
night
Mrs Reid come up in rain last night
- 25 rain Some. Mr Hawkins and George in here maam went Mrs Wheelers
- 26 very windy. Daddy and I went to meeting. I went up to Mrs Wheelers with Cate

- Daddy bought bed quilt Mrs [****]
- 27 warmish Mrs Read went home Phebe carryd Children up to Mr Wheelers
- 28 fairish and warmish Polly Andrews here after her Crokery [*****] Dance
- 29 Cloudy Some rain and hail. Mr Andrews goods moved home. Mr Wark come here to work
 Mr Snow here to see Mr Warks
- 30 Ditto I went up to Mr Wheelers to help here make [harness]. James Wark work there in evening
- May 1 1789 Cloudy morn fair day Daddy to town. Phebe went and helped Mrs [Wheeler] make harness. I sold my Hen to Mrs [Wheeler] for 10 [c]
- 2 fair I believe Daniel uncle here in morn. Mr Warks went up there in evening and th[**] home
- 3 fair Sunday Daddy and maam went to meeting I went with Ester and Horatio to Mr Whelins etc.
- 4 fine fore noon Cloudy afternoon Daddy went to
 Mr Scott, and Dr. Crages I went to Mr Hawkins.
- 5 Cloudy day Plesant evening Mr Warks went away
- 6 fair and cold Daddy went to Mr Waites to get a plow mended, as they say.
- 7 fair morn Cloudy and rain afternoon fast day Daddy and maam went to meeting
- 8 fowl foggy rainy day, Daddy went to Mr Earles and Pott[ers], got
 Some garden roots and uncle Daniel Sick Mr Gil[m] unwell.
- 9 Fine day Phebe worked at Mr Wheelers I carried ratio up to Mr Whelers 9 Mrs. Watson here first time
- 10 Cloudy Sunday. Daddy and maam went to meeting I went up to
 uncle Wheelers after meeting to see uncle Daniels aunt Sally Billy Path here
- 11 warm Plesent afternoon. Cate unwell, Daddy went to town meeting.
- 12 Sunshiny rainy Daddy went to Mr Stiknays, Phebe worked at Mr
 Wheelers. Charlot here after roots. Daddy got garden root at Potters
- 13 fair cold air. Lydia Hawkins here at night I went to Mr Whelers
 with her
- 14 fair Daddy went to Shrewsbury early in morn come home same day
 Mr Wheeler caught an Eagle in his trap
- [7]
- 15 Fair Daddy went to Ward got some grain Polly and Bery Wheeler
 here I went up there with them and Phebe and [Luc]y
- 16 fowl rainy day. Dr here to see cate, maam and Dr rode up to
 Mr Whelers to see the Eagle. Daddy went to Mr [Josts] Earles and got roots

- 17 very Pleasant fore noon Showery afternoon Jose and I went to meeting. Mr Nat Lyon and Miss Polly Honeywood married in morn [****] bride
- 18 fair Mr Andrews worked here Bill good went along
- 19 fairish Mrs Gilross had Company of Gilmores Mr Andrews Mr Gil forenoon Andrews worked here
- 20 fowl morn fair afternoon. Daddy went to Exhibition.
brought Mr Summer and Mr Stone the Preceptor with him to lodge.
- 21 Cloudy Mr Summer and Mr Stone went away after Breakfast.
Mrs Andrews here visiting I went to Mr Sargent errand Cate little better
- 22 Very cold Anne Hawkins down here Isaac and Daniel went Robert Earles
- 23 Ditto I went up to Mr Wheelers Charlot here Phebe there and maam went to Mrs. Nathan Sargent
- 24 Sunday Pleasant Daddy and maam went to meeting maam went up to Mr Wheelers after meeting. Miss Bekay and Polly Harwood in here
- 25 fair fore noon Cloudy afternoon. [****] after Spinning Phebe and I up to a Moses
- 26 Cloudy fore noon. Daddy killed a Calf [am] Bi[**] Stone from Boylston here. Mr George Holbrook here / brought me a hair Spring
- 27 Pleasant Election. Mrs Flint Polly and Charlot Wheler here.
George arrive and Williams Hawkins here. Phebe Cate Lucy and I went to Mr Wheelers in morn
- 28 fairish uncle Daniel down here maam went to Mrs Wheler errand
- 29 fair Cloudy afternoon. I went to Uncle Wheelers to spin on their wheel
Polly come down to Mr Andrews visiting with me there we found Mrs Hawkins and Lydia, Martha Fairbank/ we made first Cheese
- 30 Shower in morn very warm day rain some at night
- 31 Pleasant Sunday Joses and I went to meeting with Lydia Hawkins
George and Anne I went Mrs Wheelers after meeting

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- June 1 1789 Fair uncle Daniel and aunt Wheeler here to dine
- 2 Ditto Mr Green Sheard Sheep for Daddy I carded up at Mr Wheeler
- 3 Ditto uncle Denny dined at our house Esther Stone here
a few minutes from Northbro I spun on Mrs Wheelers great wheel
- 4 Ditto Mrs Hawkins down here to [look] at case
- 5 cloudish Aunt La[*]an C[eren] and Seth Swan here 3 or 4 hours
- 6 warm maam went up to Mr Wheelers Cate and I went to Mr Sargent staid a half Day
5 weeks [paid]
- 7 very warm fine Showers afternnoon Sunday Joses and Billy went to meeting
- 8 fair a traveler in here folk worked at highways uncle Daniel in here

9 Ditto Daddy set off for Athol Phebe went to Mrs Wheelers to get her hat made folks worked at high waying

10 very rainy I went up to Mr. Wheelers to work for my self

11 Ditto worked for Mrs Wheeler

12 fowl in fore noon Cleared off afternoon Stearnes at night worked for Mr Wheeler Daddy come from Athol come home before night

13 fairish Cloudyish rainyish Mr Warks in here etc George Hawkins broke his [arm] at Drs

14 Fair Sunday Daddy Joses Phebe and Cate went to meeting Phebe and Cate [**]
Uncle Wheelers and aunt Polly and Charlotte here to Supper

15 Ditto Training at Leicester Daddy and Children went Mr Scott and Mrs here at night to Stay Polly Andrews here winding for Mrs Wheelers web

16 fair cool day Mr Scott and Mrs went to Captain Livingstones Polly Andrews home all day winding web we went to Mr Hawkins at night Miss Lucy Reed come up

17 Something Cloudy Mr Andrews and Mr Hawkins worked here.

18 fair maam and Phebe went to Mr Hawkins

19 I think fair Mr Reed and John went home I went to Mr Sargents

20 fair Maam and all the Children went to uncle Wheelers
Mr Warks in here etc

21 Sunday very warm Daddy and Daniel went to meeting uncle Daniel here from meeting

22 Plesant Lucy Reed come down here to work went home
before night I staid there all night Mr Thomas Reed come up [t***]

23 fair Daddy and Daniel went to Shrewsbury Phebe wentto Mr Tommas Earle Polly Wheeler here Lucy here a Spinning
Mr Abel Green in here Mr Warks here etc

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24 fair Amos Wheeler set off for Northbridge
Reed down here and took Spinning home

25 I went to uncle Wheelers to brake wool busy here busy a spinning lining

26 fair Charlot down here Pheby and Lucinda went up to Amoses

27 Ditto Mr Andrews down here to bring
Skein of yarn I went a Strawberrying am not very well
The Author has a word to apologize
To beg the reader not to Criticize

28 Sunday Plesant no meeting at Leicester
Joseph went to Mr Scotts Mr Fowler down here

- 29 very warm I went up to Mr Wheelers Company there
Daddy went to Mr Dennys to bleed his oxen. Mr Haw
kins down here I went up there at night Joseph
come from Mr Scotts our horse lost there Daddy went
after him but did not find him come home in evening
- 30 fair Polly Wheeler and I went down to Mr Sargents
after our Crape Cushing, Mr Scott found our horse
I went up to uncle Wheelers and Mr Hawkins.

- July 1 1789 Warm Polly Andrews Polly Wheeler
and I rode to Worcester in fore noon I brought home
a gown etc a Speaking at friends meeting
- 2 Pleasant worked in fore noon afternoon I went to
Mr Wheelers to get my gown cut out etc
- 3 I think fair went up to Cutters house Lydia Hawkins
Mrs [*****]] Charlotte Mrs Wheeler here also if my eyes serve

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- 4 rainy went up to try on my gown brought it home
Mrs Nathan Green here
- 5 Sunday foggy rainy some Daddy went to meeting
- 6 Cleared up in morn Showers in afternoon David
and Sally Denny here and dined
- 7 Fair and Pleasant begun haying Aunt wheeler and
Polly here Polly and I went to Mr Snows
- 8 Pleasant I went to Shrewsbury with [Martha] Wheel[er]
and Polly in Carrage Polly and I run up to Mr Rices
- 9 warm Uncle and Polly set off for Boston Dr
Flint there to see aunts br[**]se Sally Flint and
Betsy Summer here visiting
- 10 Pleasant at Shrewsbury went to Dr Flints in
afternoon Staid at Mr Summers all night
- 11 Cool day Lucy Summer come with me this morn
to uncle Josephs Stopt at Mr Rices Lucy and I
went down to Mr Wards in afternoon Mrs Rice
visiting at uncles uncle Wheeler returned from Boston
- 12 rain at times Sunday rode to meetings in the
Chaise rain hard all noon time set with Lucy Sum[mer]
in afternoon Come from Shrewsbury with uncle Wheeler
after meeting arrived at uncle Wheeler at 10 oClock

13 fair feel very lazy staid at uncle Wheelers all
day and night Mr Warks come there to work a [***]
I spun a skein of lining to day

[11]

Rain a little some times Mr Green and Mrs
Nathan Green at our house as they tell me
14 Cool our folks sent for me home could not Suffer
with out me any longer Lydia Hawkins down here at
night Mrs Earles and Mrs Andrews here a visiting
15 Fair Mrs Wheeler down here first time after moving
Patsy Sargents here I went to Mr Greens a visiting here [all] there
16 Ditto Mr Gilmore and Mr Green worked here
17 Ditto I went up to Mr Wheelers and altered my hat
18 Very Plesant Miss Eliza Wate here and Polly Harwood
at Mr Gilmores PM: Lydia and Polly here I went up to Mr Wheelers at night
19 Sunday fair day every Chick and Child of us
[fi**ed] out to meeting and got very much disappointed
when we got there no meeting Mr Conklin unwell
Staid all day Ruth Swan come home with us to stay I week
20 fair Billy cut the side of his head very bad with a [seth]
great many people here Mrs Hawkins watched with Billy
21 fair Dr here Mrs Hawkins went home Daddy went to Worcester
22 Ditto Dr here good many neighbours Mrs Wheeler here to warp
23 fair Billy little better Ruth Swan Lucy Reed and I went
to see Eliza Sylvester who is very unwell and to Earles [Gruns] etc
24 Ditto and warm Dr dressed Billy head first time Lucy Reed here visiting
25 fair went and carryd Ruth Swan home and our Cate with her
26 Cold morning morning Lucy Reed and I went to meeting
27 I dont know what [***]

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28 fair Cate Swan brough our Cate home I went home
with Mrs Ruthe and Sally went to Mr Stones a visiting with others
29 Something Cloudy
30 foggy and misty Ruth went to Mrs [**]sh Nathan Wate here
in evening Ruth staid all night
31 Ditto Ruth come home I went over to Dr Flints of an errand

August 1 1789

- 2 Sunday fowl day very few people at meeting I went Doctor Gould and Miss Anne Waite Published [Eli**] HL GKs and NW here evening
- 3 fowl rain hard all night we Girls a Spinning lining
- 4 foggy Mrs Sylvester here visiting I went to Dr staid all night
- 5 Cleard up AM Billy come after me with the horse we came as far as Dr Flints it set int o rain very hard we staid all night Daddy come after the horse Beka Scott staid there likewise
- 6 fair and warm Billy come home in morning Betsy Stone come home with me PM Mrs Wheeler here winding web Polly Andrews staid here all night we were almost devoured with bugs etc
- 7 I think fair
- 8 Ditto Betsy Stone went to Mr Andrews staid all night
- 9 Sunday exceeding warm Daddy maam and Children went to meeting
- 10 very warm Betsey and I carding and Spinning
- 11 Warm Betsy Polly A and I went to Mr Hawkins a visiting Uriah Nathan Swan here 1 hour
- 12 fair rain at night Polly H went a Wortlberrying Betsy and I went and picked Blackberrys out of Old Mrs Andrews pasture and she was mad as [hops]

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- 13 fair Betsy went home Lydia Hawkins And P Wright here maam carried Betsy as far as Mr Snows on horse back
- 14 fair until towards night then rain and thunder first [] haying Mrs Hawkins here to warp web Mrs Andrews and Lucy in here
- 15 fowl I think Cloudy Charlot and I [*****] here
- 16 Sunday foggy and Cloudy morning Daddy and Joses went to meeting Mr Cutting and Miss Sally Waits Published
- 17 very Cold indeed last night and this morn Mr Nathan Sargents up here at night to get writing done Jose went to Mr Scotts I carryd milk to Mrs Wheelers at night
- 18 fairish Polly A down here to borrow yarn etc Lucy down after the C[*]rd Tyrrel Gilmore at Mr Gilmores
- 19 Cloudy Sprinkle sometimes I went to Mr Wheelers and altered my gown
- 20
- 21 Plesant maam went to Mr Fowlers with Horatio Mr Timothy Sprague here
- 22
- 23 Sunday fair went to meeting Polly A Lucy Reed went also
- 24 fair Doctor Gould and Miss Anne Waits married Daddy went to town Mary Harwood come to G

- 25 fair Aunt Sally come up to uncle Wheelers
 26 foggy and Cloudy Daddy went to Mr Jim Sprag[us] to an arbitration
 27 Rainy some Joses went and brought
 Sally Scott Billy and [Jamey] over here uncle Wheeler
 folks and aunt Sally here to dine
 28 fair aunt Sally come over here PM Mrs Scott here
 29 very rainy day 30 Sunday fair Daddy Maam and
 Children went to meeting Mr Scott come after Sally she went
 home after meeting uncle Swan here in evening
 Mr Cutting and Miss Sally Waits married

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- 31 Pleasant I went to uncle Wheelers Aunt Sally
 went home I Stopt at Mr Greens a coming back
 and paid them a visit Charlot and little Betsy Warren here

September 1 1789 worked at Mr Wheelers washed etc

- 2 fair and Pleasant I believe that a favour to receive out it
 6 Sunday fair Daddy Children and I went to meeting
 13 Cloudy morning fair day no meeting at Leicester
 Phebe and I went to friends meeting Daddy and maam went to
 Mr Wh[**]ters to supper
 we see Mr Green and wife and one James Haroy there
 14 fair Cloudy night the assessers met here Ruth Green
 here to bring us tow to spin Sally Reed come up from N
 15 foggy fowl day some rain fair evening Daddy
 went to Court Spinning Frolick at Mr Greens I went
 with others had a Cappedation dance Mr Snow plaid for them
 16 fair. Daddy went to court uncle Joseph here Staid all night
 17 fair woolbrake at Mr Gates Polly Lydia went
 18 Ditto Old Mrs A visiting at G I run up to amoses
 19 fair last night Mr Wheeler had a son born just
 Ilke a farre O and I run up there errand Mrs Hawkins here
 brought little Charles down here
 20 Sunday fair Phebe and I rode to meeting Joses and Billy walked
 21 fairish Mrs Warren in here Mrs Reed went home
 22 Daddy went to Captain Southgates assessor meeting
 23 warm Mr Sprague here from Petersham maam went
 to see Mrs Sprague at Mr Hawkineses Daddy Joses and Phebe
 went up there in evening Anne Charlot here to [wor]king bee

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- 24 very warm Training at Leicester Quilting at Mr Andrews had a Great Number of Gallants besides st[***]ting Amongst the rest DW JH WH NE
- 25 fair Daddy and Maam went to Elector Billy unwell RPA here visiting
- 26 very warm Mr Joshua Henshaw from Boston here with Uncle Daniel P Wheeler Charlotte they come from Boston Yesterday
- 27 Sunday Fowl rainy afternoon Daddy and Maam went to meeting We heard of Ephraim Johnsons Death who Died 24 instant[ly] ar Putney Joseph Conklin here after Dr Sally Green had a fall from a horse
- 28 fair Day Daddy carried Cate up to uncle Wheelers he went up in town Mrs Henshaw taken sick with Colic at uncle Wheelers
- 29 fowl Cleared off at 4 oclock PM Dr Flint here Billy sick with fever Old Mrs Andrews here in afternoon
- 30 very Plesant and Cool General Muster at Worcester I went in Company with Mr Joshua aunt Sally Polly Wheeler and others Dined at Mr Alans returned at 8 PM

October 1 1789 fair Mr Joshua aunt Sally uncle Daniel here to dine

- 2 very Cold indeed Billy very sick Uncle Joseph Polly Wheeler Dr Flint here Maam and Cate went to st[ore] Uncle Wheelers Daddy went to Assessors meeting at P Sylvesters Old Mrs Andrews down here after flax
- 3 fair Mrs Gilmore sick with tiz[a]ik AM Mrs Andrews here Riah here in Evening
- 4 Sunday fowl Day Billy no Better
- 5 fairish Dr Conklin here AM
Mr Hawkins watched with Billy

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- Mrs Green and Mr Harvey here Sally Reed also Mr Hawkins and his wife here Mr Hawkins watched with Billy I went home with Mrs Hawkins and staid all night
- 6 Cloudy Windy rain some in afternoon Mrs Gould had a Daughter born Joseph Conklin here aunt Wheeler here all day I went up to Mr Wheelers of an Errand Billy worse Mr Robert Earle [**]thed Spinning Bee at Mr James Earles
- 7 very Plesant Coolish Dr here every day Mrs Andrews here
Phebe went to uncle Wheelers Sally Scott here 1 hour Old Mrs S[***] sick
- 8 Plesant Billy very bad Mrs [Anliparse] and Mrs Nathan Sargent here

- Hannah and Polly Sargent here I washed Anne Hawkins here
- 9 fair Dr Mrs Andrews Cousin Amos Mrs Hawkins and Lydia here
- 10 Ditto Mrs [Wation] Dr Sally Reed Mr Hawkins here Mrs Scott brought Sally here
- 11 Sunday fair and windy Mr Andrews Mrs Hawkins Mr Robert Earle here Mrs Andrews and riah here Sunday Mr Scott Sally Reed Polly Andrews here Phebe and I went to meeting Billy better
- 12 fair something windy I went to Mr Wheelers to quilt uncle Wheeler and aunt here Mrs Hawkins here to warp web Dr here
- 13 Ditto Billy better Dr here our folk making Cyder at Mr Greens
- 14 fowl foggy day Invited to uncle wheelers to a sit down but did not go Sally went Joseph Conklin here [tea] times
- 15 fowl rainy day Dr here Billy gets better
- 16 showers at times I don't think of any thing else washed
- 17 Pl Sally Reed here to wind web Polly A warped it I went up there
- 18 Sunday Cloudy AM rain PM Daddy Phebe Daniel Cate went to meeting
- 19 Cleared off in morn Sally Reed here to draw in web Daddy went to Shrewsbury Mr Sargents Daughter at Mr Gilmores [Israel] went away from Mr Gilmores he come 17 maam went to
- [17]
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- 22 I lost my poor journal all this week until today and if I am not mistaken it is fast today Sally Reed Polly Andrews and I being at Mr Gills who enters but Doremensus Philander and Adolphus etc etc etc
- 23
- 24 fair I went up to Mr Wheelers and uncle Wheelers likewise they had their Shop moved I staid at Mr Wheelers in afternoon and Sally and myself and others Quilted on my Petticoat Mrs Wheeler down to our house of an errand 2 hours Mrs Hawkins there to get Gown cut out rainy night I staid all night
- 25 Sunday Daddy and Maam and Children went to meeting Cloudy toward night
- 26 very rainy and windy day daddy set off for Boston
- 27 rainy and foggy I went to amosses many Sick with Cold
- 28 Cold and windy went to Mr Greens with Mr Warks Sally Reed Polly Andrews and others to a Dance
- 29 Snow'd in afternoon I went to Uncle Wheeler Staid all night

30 fair uncle Wheeler come from Boston been to Carry over
Joshua Henshaw and his Lady down Brought Grandmother
Henshaw from Worcester to Stay with us awhile

November 1 1789 Fair Daddy and Phebe went to meeting uncle
Wheelers folk came this way left Grandmaam here I rode
in the Carrage as far as Mr Wheelers of an Errand I went Saw any Body there
2 fair aunt wheeler here to dine Mrs Andrews here visiting Betsy Hely
come to Mr Wheelers to live Stay a week I went up there
3 foggy and rainy Betsy Hely come here to weave on Mrs Wheelers web
4 Cold fowl day Betsy here weaving Snowed last night
5 Cold and fair the Weather Moderated at night
6 fair I went up to Mr Wheelers 7 Cloudy sunshine and Showers Grandmaam
Slept here on her way to Worcester 8 Very Plesant Daddy and Cate
went to meeting
9 Cloudy and Misty morning Daddy to town
Uncle Joseph come here etc etc etc

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10 fowl day Daddy and Joesph to town uncle Daniel here Lucy Reed come here
11 very Plesant Mrs Wheeler had a quilting very agreeable Dance likewise
Mr Robert Andrews of Boylston killed with a Cart running over his head
12 fowl day I went up to Mr Wheelers Betsy Hely went home
13 Ditto Sally Reed and Lucy and Miss Becca Sadler here visiting Caleb came after
them
14 Cloudy and sunshine sunshine and Cloudy Mr Sadler Miss Becca and Miss
Lucy went home in morning light in the North in evening
15 Sunday fair Daddy Maam and Billy went to Meeting
16 fair took a web to weave for Mrs Fowler
17 Ditto Mr Johnson worked here Sally Reed Polly Andrews at Mr
Gillmores I went home with them staid all night
18 Ditto Johnson worked here I come home early in morning
19 fair and cold Lydia Hawkins here of an Errand Mr Johnson
worked here maam got Mr Fowlers web out in Evening
20 Plesant I went to Worcester bought the Articles for a hat
went to Mr Howards come home in evening Mr Hawkins Lyman Aldrige here
21 Cloudy set in to rain at night went up to uncle Swans early
in morning Ruth made my hat Staid there all night
22 Sunday rainy went to meeting went to Dr Flints staid all
night went over to Mr Cuttings new house in evening with Mrs

- Cutting Lucretia Sargent Betsy etc [mo]luthing Jos Conklin etc
- 23 Cleared off last night very Cold I come home at two oclock
Mr Johnson worked here Sally Reed Polly Andrews went to see Ruth Arnold
- 24 Plesant uncle Daniel here Polly Wheeler come towards night
- 25 Signs of a Storm and uncle Wheeler Mr Warks here Daddy went to town
Andrew and Billy here
- 26 a day appointed for Thanksgiving throughout this
Commonwealth Cloudy morn set in to rain at noon very
rainy afternoon and evening especially Daddy went to meeting
Mr Scott and Sally come here Anne Hawkins and George likewise
Joseph Carryd me up to Mr Wheelers on horse back with much ado
Spent an agreable Evening with Sally Polly and Mr Warks
- 27 Continued Storming Joseph come after me with horse Mr Scott
and wife 's Children went home Daddy to town Mr Cutting
and wife moved from Dr Flints to there
Lydia Hawkins here in evening

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- 28 fowl misty weather Johnson here to Breakfast Mr Scott
here took a Cow of Daddy to keep the Winter Billy went home with him
- 29 Ditto Daddy went to meeting Daddy and maam to uncle Wheeler in evening
- 30 Ditto Daddy went to town at night I went Mr Andrews afternoon
- December 1 1789 Snowed last night Cleared off this morn
- 2 had a wool Brake here 3 I forget
- 4 Phebes Birth day 12 years of age
- 5 Pleasant Polly Andrews down here in evening
- 6 Sunday fair Mr Andrews down here in evening very bad here
going I went up to Mr Andrews staid all night
- 7 very foggy fowl day I come home in morn Mr Dunbar
come here to mend the Chimneys
- 8 Mr Dunbar worked here Mr Green here
- 9 Mr Dunbar went to their house to mend their Chimney
Polly Andrews come here in evening staid all night for fun
- 10 fair 11 Plesant AM Lydia Hawkins all day Che[**]ying
works with Maam went home in evening with Mr Green very rainy and dark
- 12 Cleared off Cold this morn Mr Dunbar went home Jose come from Mr Scotts
- 13 fair and cold O went up to amoses in morning Polly Andrews and I
went to meeting their house catched afire in Widows Chamber
- 14 Ditto Mrs Hawkins and Lydia here to warp web they Visited
Mrs Gillman in evening with me for a Rarity

- 15 fowl I think fowl in Evening my Birth Day I am under 21 years
- 16 fowlish day I went up to A Morses Sally here after my hat for pattern
- 17 Cloudy fair a While in afternoon Mr Thomas Earle to Doctors the Elder
Went up the Square House with Mr Wark Sally Reed and
others had an agreeable Dance Returned a 2 oClock AM
- 18 Sally Reed come down here to work Polly here in evening maam at Mrs Hawkins
- 19 Sally and I Spinning Wool
- 20 very Plesant Sally and I arose at 12 cut some D[****]
she went home in afternoon Returned again PM I don't know what

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- 21 Sally here Spinning Changing works with Me
- 22 Plesant day and night Sally went home I went up there
in Evening Mr Abel Green and Lady there after Supper Sally
Reed Polly Andrews and I went to uncle Wheelers by Mr Hawkins
- 23 Spun and Sung Songs all day till night approached
Lydia Hawkins Garner Johnson Sanson Morse here in evening
- 24 Snow last Night 25 fair John Grimes went to School came later etc
- 26 fair I Received a letter from Ruth Arnold first by [****]
- 27 Sunday rainy we all Staid at Uncle Wheelers Mr Jo[sia] Gates
- 28 I think Snowed 29 Ditto 30 very Plesant uncle Wheeler
and took His Sleigh and brought us down to Amos Wheelers
- 31 rainy night Especially Staid at Amoses and carded for her

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January 1 1790

Fair I am at Mr Wheelers at work have not be[en]

for almost afortnight Mr Wheeler finding to set out for [Boston]

Mr Works here in Evening Lydia Hawkins Belle Earle [FE Gormus] Jo Whittmore etc

2 Ditto come home early in morning Betsy Stone come to Mr [****]
sewed

3 Ditto Sunday rode to meeting alone heard a new year [Sermon]

4 Ditto went up to Mr Wheelers to change work with Sally
I don't say what the [***] on is that I did not do, no [****]
Benjamin Earle and Nabbe there in evening B[****] the house

5 Ditto G[r]imes and Whittmore there Betsy Stone come down to sew

6 Ditto I come home early in morn Betsy Stone went home I went to town
as far as Mr Snow with her bought me a Lawn handerchief [***] sewed

7 Ditto nothing Remarkable

8 Plesant Mr Joseph Sargent and his wife here a visiting [****] washed Mr
A[rn]old visiting at Mr S [****] afternoon I spent the evening there but did not
see her

9 Fair Polly Andrews down here of an errand in morn I wash my [****]

10 Sunday fair Daddy went to meeting I went up to Mr Wheelers
staid all day beside Something else Mr Sargent sent us wool to spin

11 Cloudy fore noon Snow in afternoon Daddy and Joses went up to Mr Wheelers in
[***]

12 Fair Plesant carded Mrs Sargents wool Daddy went home

13 Rain and Snowy evening Joses went up to Mr Wheeler of an errand

14 Fair Sally Reed and Lydia Hawkins come here to work
spun staid [***]

15 Plesant afternoon Lydia and Polly Andrews went to School
Spun linning here [****]

Sally and I had a very merry afternoon John Green here in evening

16 Fair Daddy killed Hogs weigh [*****]

17 Sunday Plesant Mr Wheeler carried out [***] babes
Sally and Lydia went home Daddy Bill and I went to meeting
[*****]

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18 Thawy at Mr Scotts Mr Richardson folk set out for St[**]

19 Warm and thawy Mr Berry and Mr Scott carried ashes to Worc[ester]

- 20 Cold fair Mrs Scott rode up in town with Jonas and Sally
Livermore, Beca and I went down to Mr Thomas Scotts with
Jonas Sally etc in Slay Spent the evening Mr Scott and wife up there
- 21 Fair Deacon Green and wife and Eben Upham and wife here even
- 22 Fair Rebekah went to oxford I went to Mrs Livermores
she and I went to Mr Berrys in evening Capt Leveston etc were here
- 23 Very Plesant indeed Mr Scott and wife Capt Leveston and
wife went to Mr Berrys Mr Scott hurt his hand very bad
- 24 Sunday little Snow rain etc.
- 25 Fair Bill Richardson down here Jonas in here Mr Scott went to town
- 26 Cloudy in fore noon Snow in afternoon and evening home and came
home with daddy in Slay Rebeke went to Mr Richarsons
Mr John Mores and Tyler Mr Joseph Washburn here Lydia
Hawkins Polly Andrews Mr Warren and Children here
Knit 3 Stocking since I have been there
- 27 Rain in fore noon Snow in afternoon Cleared off in evening
washed
- 28 Very Plesant Mr Hawkins and wife here visiting evening
- 29 Ditto Daddy Carryd Children down to Mr Sargents maam Spinning Mrs Sargents
wool
Carded Mrs Sargents wool
Daddy and maam went to uncle Wheelers visiting evening
- 30 Ditto spun baked and mended daddy [****] his horse
Mr Wheeler down here Mr Gib[bons] and his wife went to Mr Woo[d]
- 31 Sunday fair and cold went to meeting afternoon in Slay
good Slayin
Maam and I went up to Mr Wheelers a little white in evening very Plesant [*****]
Mr Works in here at night

February 1 1790 Something and [***] Polly Andrews

- 2 Fair cold Daddy went to Shrewsbury in morn Mr Hawkins
and Samson Morse in here Dr Flint here Mrs [**]lisst Sick
[*****] Phebe and I went to [****] [****]lass] come there

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- 3 Fair and cold Phebe and I went to Mr Severance Childs
funeral Stopt at Mr Andrews see Dr Morse his
Brothers wife and Daughters etc Daddy come from
Shrewsbury Polly Down here after her ribbons and a Miss
Gillmore and David come from there fathers there Girls

- come with them in Slay went back again the [*****]
- 4 Cloudy morn sit in to Snow a little at 9 turned to cold
rain Cleared off cold in evening. Morse in here to see daddy
Daddy and maam went up in town fore noon maam stayed Betsy very sick fever
- 5 fair and cold and windy Samson Morse here in morn Daddy went
to town and brought maam home and Mrs Flints Child Edward she is better a
little
- 6 very cold and windy Mr Andrews down here and dined Sh[*****]
Major Miess from Middletown come here in evening Phebe and I [***] here
snow in afternoon and evening
- 7 Cold Daddy went to meeting Mr Miess staid here Mr Wheelers Phebe and I knit here
I knitted Maams backed
- 8 Very Cold and Blustering Maggie Miess went to Shrewsbury
William Richardson Benjamin Conklin and Betsy S Miss Anne here [at] home
washed
- 9 Cloudy Daddy went to town Betsy no better Mr S[*]ade Earle and Polly [****]
washed
- 10 Fair cold Mrs Wheeler here to warp web Phinehas Richardson
come here from uncle Swans and went to uncle Wheeler staid all night
- 11 Pleasant cold come home with uncle Wheeler in Slay Phebe went home
with him come home in evening with Mr Wheeler I went
home with him staid all night Sally Reed come home
uncle Daniel sick got better to day [****]
- 12 Ditto come home at 12 Clock Mr Johnson [***] I think in afternoon
Polly and Betsy Henry in here going to their Grandfather [*****]
did a little of every thing almost
- 13 Fair and cold very Pleasant afternoon Ruth Green and Miss
Patty Whicker in here been to Mr Snows Mr Johnsons and John
Sylvester here in evening late, Phinehas Richardson evening to [see]
did a little of every thing [*****]
- 14 Cloudy Snow in afternoon Daddy went to meeting Phebe and I went
[on] foot Mr Nathan Beers and Miss Betsy Southgate Published
- [4]
- 15 warm afternoon heavy rain in morning Mr Hawkins
Gorge Lanson Morse Mr Andrew Polly Andrews Slade [***]
here Mr Wheeler and Ms Wheeler to warp web Polly and Betsy in evening sewed
washed
Henry in here been to their Grandfather [Yonger]
- 16 warm foggy and Cloudy Daddy and maam went to Dr Flints

- Mrs Flint getting better slowly
and Mr Scotts maam staid there Mr Johnson Mr Wheeler in here
I washed my gowns calico etc
- 17 begun to Snow last night and Snows to day George Hawkins
down here Mrs Andrews in here Mr Works also Sally Reed Polly Andrew
down t o Gillmores visiting in evening and myself Mr Work likewise
Mr Samuel More here Mr Wheeler here
- 18 Warm and plesant cloudyish some Major Miess here to breakfast Mr Wheeler
Mr Johnson, Lansan Morse [****] here besides others Mr Gillmore and
Joseph carryd ashes to Worcester Mr Fowler here Daddy
brought maam home Phebe and I washed floors baked
- 19 fair and Plesant Mr Johnson worked here cutting trees
Mr Wheeler here Anne Hawkins
here visiting I wentto Mr Wheeler staid all night
- 20 Cloudy Col Lovel here. Snow in afternoon and evening. Mr
Wheeler here. Capt How came after him and Daddy went to town maam spun
wool
- 21 Sunday stormed some all day Daddy and Phebe went to meeting in a slay
Miss Hannah Washburn broke her arm Slay turned over 20
- 22 Stormed a little all day Sally Reed down here in morn
Mr Park went away from there Lansan Morse here Mr and Mrs Gilmore here to
tea etc
- 23 Foggy warmish Mr Wheeler Mr Andrews here and his wife visiting Polly Andrews
here of an errand
- 24 Cold rain I spun some lining maam finished Mrs Sargents wool
- 25 Fair forenoon cloudy afternoon had a Frolick this morn
Jo set his trap at eight last night,
intending to cacth [sic] Tom by this morning light
went out this morn by the rising of the sun
came in and said "o the job is done"

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sayd he "I told old tom last night
hed lose his life by tomorrow by light"
[***] we all went out wading throu the snow
to see whether it was Tom or not
one said it was not and Another said it was
finally they concluded they could tell by his paws
and Jo plucked up courage and put on his mits
and hauld out poor cat, scart out of her wits

"O it is not tom, but I don't care for that
I'll kill if I know it was, the Governors cat
Come ruth, tie her legs and tie them very tight
I shall let her go next, I'm in a terrible fright,
O if she gets away Ill pay the cash in hand
this done, he lays him down to see if he could stand
he jumpt, hard, got loose and run clear away again,
and we never see no more of him unto this day –

- 25 Daddy and maam set out to go to Mr Joseph Sargents
met Mr Wheeler and wife Mr James Earle and wife turned back
and they Spent the evening here Mr Wheeler and wife went to Northbridge
- 26 Very Plesant Lydia Hawkins here in afternoon visit
I went up to Mr Wheelers staid all night Polly Patty here
Whight there uncle Wheeler here in evening Lanson Morse
- 27 Snowd last night light as fethers I come home in morn
thawed good dear Dr here maam went home with him caryd babe home.

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- 28 Squaly cold evening Daddy went to meeting maam did
not come home Mr Wheeler and wife came from Northbridge

- March 1 1790 Fair March Meeting day Daddy
went up in town brought maam home in evening did not bring the babe Polly
Andrews and Morse here in evening Sally Reed come here to work in morn
- 2 Plesant Aunt and uncle Wheeler and Charlot here 2 hours
Anne Hawkins here Sally went away in even maam went up to Mr Wheelers
Daddy went to Worcester Esquire Rawson on here in evening David Gilmore
unwell
- 3 rainy some in morn Plesant windy cold afternoon Daddy
went to town come home in evening amos here very cold etc
- 4 very cold windy Sally Reed went to Mr Warrens to stay fortnight
Mrs Andrews here errand Children all sick with cold. [*****]
- 5 fair Daddy went to town, uncle Wheeler Mr Andrews is in here
I went up to Mr Andrews visiting Mr Green and her sister there
- 6 rainy morn Showers thunder etc Polly Andrews here to warp web
Polly Wheeler here brought new hancerchief home I Spun cotton
- 7 Sunday cold afternoon Daddy went to meeting to day
- 8 fair day snowed last night some uncle Wheeler and aunt

- and Mrs Flint come here and dined daddy went to town [***] times
 riah here in evening had a [***] etc
- 9 fair and very cold indeed Mr Hawkins here and
 Mr Johnson here in evening tried to Settle etc Daddy to Uncle Wheelers
 we made 18 dozen of candles
- 10 cold very uncle Wheeler and aunt and Mr Flint in [***]
 Mrs Hawkins George Esquire Rawson here in afternoon daddy and riah past
 receipts
- 11 Stormy all day George here I Spun 3 Skeins of lining
- 12 fair and cold something Daddy went to School mens meeting
 I Spun lining and carded
- 13 Cloudy misty in afternoon went up to Dr Flints in Slay
 with Daddy and Staid all night Betsy Stone unwell [***]
 [*****] [*Creatia*] Sargent B Conklin Nathan Wait B Earle got [***]
- [7]
- 14 Sunday Cloudy stormed a little at 4 I went to
 meeting Daddy likewise came home with daddy in Slay etc
 went up to Mr Andrews after meeting
- 15 Plesant Mr Bass from Bellingham taryd here
 all night on his way to Richmond I Spun lining
- 16 Set in to Storm a 12 Polly Andrews left Whi[c]locks
 account with daddy Charlot here Daddy went to School mens meeting
- 17 warm rainy Mr Nathan Green here and Dr Flint
 Joseph and the old cow unwell [raise bell in for the fire] almost
 I Spun cotton maam washed Phebe spun lining.
 Mr Berry Mr Joseph Sargent here. George and Asa here evening
- 18 Cloudy warm Mr Hawkins here Mr Benjamin Convers
 here in morning to Breakfast etc
- 19 very Plesant maam went to Mr Wheelers
 Polly Wheeler came here staid at night Daddy
 went to town Phebe to uncle Wheelers and Mrs Hawkins
- 20 fair morn Cloudy afternoon Polly went home at 11
- 21 Sunday fair and Plesant Daddy and I went to
 meeting I went from there to Mr Warrens
 with Polly Wheeler Joseph and Susan Watson Published 2 times
- 22 Cloudy and cold some rain and hail and Snow
 Sally Reed Polly Wheeler and I rode over to Uncle Cato
 Dennys Mr Warren came after the horse. Sally
 and David Denny gone to Hartland

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- 23 March Snow in forenoon cleared off very pleasant
in afternoon Sally here and Polly Wheeler went
home and left me their. Uncle Denny went to Sturb[***]
Polly and I run down to Billys
- 24 very Stormy Mr Holmes from Worcester came their to work
- 25 a very fine day. Tommy unwell Jose went
down to town etc Hannah, Stephens their servant girl got the me[***]
- 26 Cloudy rainy some Dr Flint here. David and
Sally Denny returned from Hartland Safe at noon
- 27 Cloudy and foggy Sally, Polly, and I went down to Mr
Bill Dennys. Sally unwell tarried their all night
- 28 Sunday very Pleasant but Shocking riding rode
to meeting with Tommy and from their home
with Daddy run up to Mr Wheelers Mrs Gilmore well
- 29 Something Cloudy fine evening Daddy went to Mr
Thomas Earles and up in town in morning Sally
Reed came here to Spin on our little Wheel etc
Mr Daniel Denny Mr Horit, Mr Adams had
a sort of an Arbatration here. Sally staid all nig[ht]
- 30 fair something cold Daddy went to Court etc
Sally Reed and Lydia Hawkins here winding Maam
and Mrs Gillmore went up to Mr Andrews a visiting
- 31 very Pleasant Daddy went to Court
Sally Reed here and spun on our wheel Mrs Green Mrs Masearade fell the[re]
[****] visiting at Gilmores Capt Richards [*** come h[***] with Daddy

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- April 1 1790 Windy Daddy and Mr Richardsons
went to Court I went to Mr Macdaniels and to carry
our Bedticks to weave Stopt at Mr Arnold to see
- 1 Ruth who is very sick had uncle Wheelers horse [*****]
went and carryd it home got home at 8 very bad riding uncle Daniel sick
- 2 Cloudy windy fore rain and wind in afternoon
Lanson Morse and Lydia Hawkins here all the fore
noon to warp web. Daddy come been to
Shrewsbury in I wove on Mrs Wheelers worsterd web
- 3 fair Daddy went to select mens meeting Polly A
worked here. Mrs Howard here. Polly Staid all night

- 4 Sunday Pleasant warm Polly went home in
morning Daddy went to meeting Polly A come here and staid all nig[ht]
- 5 Cloudy morn fairish day Polly A here at work ---
Daddy went to town Mr Snows Child Died Cranker and rash
- 6 Cloudy Snow before night and all night Daddy
went to Mr Snow's Child's funeral. I went up to amoses staid all night
- 7 Cold and Blustering we all had a Capedotian at A E's Masear[ed]
- 8 fast day warm Something Cloudy I come home
from Mr Wheelers at 11 Daddy went to meeting
- 9 fine day Folly Putnam here to [Chocolate] PM
I wound and warped woolen aprons maam got Mrs Wheelers
worsted web out uncle Wheeler and Daddy Settled and here
- 10 foggy fowl day Old Mrs Green here 1 hour

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- Daddy at uncle Wheelers about settling I [**]
I carded tow etc Maam partly got in woolen aprons etc
- 11 Sunday Cold foggy misty day all Staid at home
- 12 Cold something Cloudy by times Mr Wheeler brought
Mrs Wheeler down here in fore noon to warp web
begun to weave on our woolen aprons
I went up there PM to weave out her piece etc
Sally Reed and Polly Andrews sick, and almost every Body else
- 13 very Pleasant Charlot here errand Mr Hawkins had a
Son born "just like a farre o" PM I went up there staid night
Patty Wright went to Mr Rices to live
- 14 fine AM and part of PM. I wove at Mr Wheelers
Sally rode to see Eliza Sylvester and Ruth Arnold
our fulled cloth come from mill
Polly almost well Children up here very Sickly time
- 15 Cloudy AM Windy PM I come home in morning
Mrs Wheeler unwell and all the rest almost Maam went
up to Mr Hawkins in PM Staid all night watched. I wove on woolen aprons
- 16 Fair Something Cloudy at noon Mrs Gilmore and I went to see Eliza
Sylvester who appears to be just gone in a Consumption
2 [**] she went to Mr Tafts and I to Mr Arnold at night
she went and watched at Robert Earle, where almost all
the family is sick and almost all the Neighbours [***]
I waited with Eliza Sylvester
- 17 Pleasant morning I went over to Roberts and Mrs Gilmore

and I come home before breakfast Cloudy cold PM and evening Maam went to see Mr Earle sick folks, and to Mr Macdonolds but did not [*****] she not home at dark

[11]

- Billy Patten came up here from Shrewsbury after aunt Wheeler they are all very sick there Joesph Sylvester came after maam to wait but she was gone away
- 18 Sunday Cloudy morn Daddy went to meeting Cate and I went up to uncle Wheelers to stay all night uncle Wheelers folks did not go to Shrewsbury stormy after noon, some hail, rain and snow very bad storm Billy Patten went home Polly Wheeler and I went up to Mr Hawkins in Storm Mrs Hawkins very sick Mr Lines hired man come up to work at his place
- 19 foggy and rainy, at uncle Wheelers. Sally Reed staid here last night uncle Wheeler and Aunt went to Shrewsbury PM Sally Reed went home we Staid all night
- 20 Cloudy AM cold Cloudy PM Cate and I come home from uncle Wheelers AM Maam watched with Mrs Hawkins last night she is very bad indeed Sally Reed unwell. Daddy went to Worcester Joseph Sylvester come after Maam or I to walk with Eliza I went. very rainy night. Mrs Gilmore went and washed with Mrs Hawkins
- 21 fowl foggy morn Plesant day came from Sylvesters early in morning to Roberts Earles all their sick one better but Henry he is very sick indeed come from there to Mr Austin rose Early

[12]

- and breakfasted. Polly Andrews there at work [**]
I come from there to Mr Hawkins. Mrs Hawk-
-ins not much better. Staid there until almost sunset. George brought me Home, then went to Mr Sargents and got Patty to go and wait there, Daddy went to town and to uncle Wheelers in evening Uncle David very sick with pluresy The Children got the mesils Mr Gray in here
- 22 very Plesant forenoon. Maam went up to Mr Hawkins in morn uncle Wheeler carryd aunt to uncle David and left her

- I went up to see Sally Reed in afternoon she is very sick Polly Andrews and I run up to Mr Greens after Vinegar etc I watched with Sally. Mrs Reed Jon[a]h and Claresse came up in evening Jonas Livermore died 20
- 23 very Pleasant I staid all day with Sally came home in evening. John and Nelly Reed went home AM Maam watched last night with Mrs Hawkins. She is a little better Uncle Wheeler brought aunt from uncle David they are some better David Gilmore unwell frogs peeping people sleeping
- 24 Pleasant AM Cloudyish PM Mr Taft in here after Garden seeds and I went up to amoses at night and watched with Sally Daddy went to town
- [13]
- 25 Cloudy Squally AM some Snow rain first at night I come home from Mr Wheelers AM Daddy set out for meeting turned back Mr Conklin unwell. Daddy went to Mr Hawkins is Mrs Hawkins better and to Mr Fowlers Hannah rather worse. Dr to Sally Reed maam watched with Sally.
- 26 fair and Chilly. Maam went to Mr Sargents in afternoon Daddy went to Worcester AM Widow Andrews goods move down to our house for a Season. I went up to Mr Andrews towards night there goods loaded ready for to set sail almost all the neighbours there. I watched with Sally Reed she is very sick grows worse. Mr Abel Green Mr Gray set off at about 1 oclock in morning with Mr Andrews goods for Boylston. Mr Scott Drove Daddy come home they are very unwell at their house
- 27 Pleasant Day Cloud Evening Mr Andrews and his Wife moved themselves to Boylston Old topsail come down to our house to stay a day or two. Mr More and Mr Wilt had a court here etc Maam went to amose's
- 28 Snowed last night Considerable and this morn Storm very bad Mr Green is here Mr Rice came up from Northborough and brought word that Grandmother Gleason was but just alive, in a sort of a Lethargy etc
- 29 Cloudy little rain and hail in afternoon Uncle Reuben and Maam set out to go to Northborough

[14]

AM O Polly Henshaw died 6 oClock morning very unexpectedly with
Mezils and fever aged 16 years and 1 month Uncle and 3 of their Children very sick
Mr Works here, Mr Green and Mr Gray in here

30 Plesant Phebe unwell. I run up to Mr Hawkins
Fowlers, Wheelers etc sick people little Better
Mr Da[****]ys returned from york 30 April
Maam uncle Reuben York uncle Nathan come home
late in evening Grandmother Gleason Buried this
day she departed this life 28 April 1790 at sunset aged 70

Plesant May 1 very. Amos Wheelers folks moved back
to their fathers. Mr Lyndsof Worcester moved
up above us. I went to Polly Henshaws
funeral in uncle Wheelers Carriage Stopt at Dr
Flints tarryd all night. Daddy and maam
went to the funeral uncle Joseph come up here
staid all night, Betsy Stone and I went to Mr
Cuttings in evening first time of my going there since they lived there

2 Sunday Plesant the warmest day
we have had this year. No meeting Mr Conklin
very unwell. Uncle Joesph Daddy and Maam come
up for meeting and many others likewise Maam
and I went to uncle Swans staid 2 hours I rode
with Matthew Watson over to uncle Davids at
dusk staid and watched with David Henshaw
he is very sick indeed the rest getting better

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3 very warm Smoky I come home at noon
Betsy Stone over to Northborough. Campells has
an Arbatration here etc amos Wheeler here Phebe
went up to uncle Wheelers. I did not a minutes work all day I believe

4 fair People Plowing. We washed I warped the Shirting
Sally Reed has got almost well. Mrs Hawkins and Hannah Fowler better

5 began home at 8 AM held up at noon Polly Denny
come here from her Brother Daniels. Cloudy afternoon
not much or no rain. Mr Able Green and Mr Wilt
here PM. Mr Gilmore unwell Mr Hawkins here etc

- 6 rainy day Polly Denny here others spun
- 7 very Pleasant in afternoon Polly Denny and I went to
Mr Wheelers and uncles a visiting Phebe went to uncle Wheelers Charlot
and Claesa come home with her in afternoon I came back at night
Mrs Andrews and Polly here fore noon errand
by Mr Hawkins staid and watched with Mrs Hawkins
Uncle Davids Child David died at 8 oClock and Eliza Sylvester at 10 evening
- 8 very Pleasant an Indian man and woman here to [let] etc
afternoon Daddy Phebe and I went to David Henshaws funeral
Phebe staid at Dr Flints all night Polly Denny and I came to Daniels
Dennys and drank tea I rode home with Daddy from there
Polly Andrews at our house Mrs Andrews sick
- 9 fair warm Daddy and maam went to meeting Joseph and Cotter likewise
I went to Eliza Sylvesters funeral at 2 oClock but after meeting
maam went up to Mr Fowler to see Mrs Andrews watches at Mr Hawkins
very warm indeed sent letter to RA Sally Reed P Wheeler worked
Mr Arnold Dudley come here in evening maam and I run up to Mr [**]nus in
evening
Dudley went home PM
- 10 fair Pleasant Sally Reed come down here AM visiting
[11 faded and torn] has been [faded and torn]
- [16] [different color inks different types of script]
- 12 very warm Ruth Green to warp Web
here Mrs Andrews unwell and Polly come here AM I went to Mr
Macdonalds after Bed tick, Mrs Andrews staid all night
Betsy Henshaw and Nancy here, going home from uncle Wheelers
Sally Reed went away from here Shower at night
- 13 fair Daddy went to town and to Shrewsbury and Northbor[ough]
Mrs Andrews, here all day sick Charlot Clarissa Reed and
Sally [*]ines here PM maam unwell at night
- 14 cold Chilly Polly Andrews come here in morning
Mrs Andrews quite unwell maam sick a bed all day
Daddy come from Shrewsbury at night Daniel and
- 15 fair and cool Sally Reed come here AM Daddy
went to uncle Wheelers at night Mrs Andrew Sally Polly and I
drank tea at Mr Gilmores in afternoon [Squans] Children along here at night
Rain at night a little. Sally went away at Sunset etc etc etc
- 16 fair and windy Daddy and I went to meeting on foot little
Andrew Scott has got the Mezils Becca come to meeting

- 17 Cold for the time of year Lydia Hawkins here and warped web here evening
Mr Andrews went away to stay Polly and I Scoured Jim S here evening
- 18 Pleasant Polly went to uncle Wheelers PM Mr Ben Convers here
Old Ch[***]jian come here and dined and we Baked maam wove on shirting web
- 19 Ditto Mr Convers come here at noon worked here PM staid all night
Polly and I washed the kitchen went to Mr Sargents PM in evening Mr [****]
- 20 Cloudy morn rainy day Betsy Henshaw came up here in
morn visit Polly went to Wheelers Ben Convers worked here [*****]
[**] last night 21 Pleasant maam at [*****]

[17]

- 22 fair I went up to uncle Wheeler AM Polly Andrews
came home with me Maam and Polly to Mr Fowlers PM
- 23 Sunday fair and windy Polly and I went to meeting came by
uncle Wheelers little Tommy very sick Canker and mumps. etc
Daddy and Cate went also Mr Warrans 3rd Daughter born this day
- 24 fair Betsy Stone came from Boylston after Polly
Andrews (widow here) they went away PM
- 25 Pleasant I went up to uncle Wheelers at night.
- 26 Election day Cloudyish little rain, sunshine etc etc etc
Nancy Henshaw Charlot Clarissa Anne Hawkins visited
Phebe I went to uncle Wheelers spent the afternoon playing
Checkers, watched with Mrs Hawkins at night Daddy went to town
- 27 no rain Daddy went to Worcester for Convers etc Boys
went to Shrewsbury after Grandmaams good
- 28 fair Boys came home PM
- 29 Cloudy afternoon Cate and I went up in town maam
went to uncle Wheelers AM we Stayd at uncle Reubens.
- 30 Sunday fair and Pleasant I went to meeting Daddy and maam
came in afternoon Carry Cate home at night.
I went home with Becca Scott Mr Harvy and Miss
Ruth Arnold Published first time Scotts Children got mezils
- 31 very rainy AM fairish PM Darius Holbrook came
there to work Carpenter the fife and drum here in evening

June 1 1790 fair hard Shower at noon Capt [King] here on even[ing]

- 2 Pleasant Eliza Scott and Becca went to Mr Stones I run
down to Mr Barry Salem and [Nira] Livermoore here in eve[ning]
fife and Drums also we all went almost home with Eliza as
came home found Mrs Phillips and Sally soaking ashes etc

[18]

- 3 Pleasant Holbrooks went home Bill Richardson
here at night Salem also
- 4 Cool worked Eliza Scott and Becca dying Cloath Mr Scott went to Sutton
- 5 fair Mr John Brown here Becca went to Jono Sargents B and I to Mr Livermores
- 6 Sunday warm Sally Becca and I went to meeting Harvy
and Ruth Published 2 times and I came home alone
after meeting found the folks with Daddy been gone
a journey to Boston Salem Newburyport [****] a week
I went to Hawkins and uncle Wheelers Sally went to be at Arnolds
- 7 Town meeting
- 8 fair Jose worked at Mr Green A Mr Mrs Green sent
out PM one of the oxen taken sick Mr Cheney here from
Athol Daddy came home etc terrible times in the jers[**]
- 9 Pleasant Mrs Green, Daughter born just like a farre o
Aunt Sally and Jacky came up here Mr Fowlers House
raised we all went to raising Phebe to uncle Davids
I walked with Hannah Fowler [*Hesterick*] fits etc
- 10 Cloudy AM Pleasant PM Polly Wheeler and I went to
Worcester had a fine ride etc went to Sailsburys Rice Howards etc
- 11 Pleasant Charlot here
- 12 Cloudy rainy afternoon aunt Sally aunt Wheeler uncle
Daniel here to dine they went home in rain
- 13 foggy rain some and Daddy went to meeting
- 14 fair Mrs Harris and Lydia Hawkins visiting at Mr Gilmores
I watch with Mrs Greens
- 15 June Pleasant Phebe Lucy went to Mr Hawkins I Spun lining etc

[19]

- Daddy and Joses set out for Athol [*****] etc
Sally Reed came here and Staid at night no Sleep
- 16 very Pleasant I went home with Sally early in morning
uncle Wheelers folks went to Worcester I and Sally went home
- 17 fair Daddy and Joses came from Athol
- 18 Cloudy foggy misty night maam went Mr Hawkins
I went to uncle Wheelers Slep with Polly etc
- 19 fairish I came home in morn etc
- 20 fair Daddy maam Joses Phebe Daniel went to meeting Sunday S[*]erament
- 21 fair Clarasa here

22 Pleasant Charlotte here maam went Mr Lynder visiting
23 fowl morn some showers and sunshines Ordination at Sutton
24 very Plesent
25 Cloudy fore noon rainy afternoon and night Joses Watsons House warming
26 rainy morn Sherrif Washburn here morn
27 Sunday Cloudy morn warm PM Daddy and Phebe Joses to meeting
28 fair Phebe went to uncle Wheelers to work Training day Shower thunder etc all men
folk went to training
29 something Cloudy AM Cloudy little rain PM Cleared off Pleasant sun 2 hours high
Friends meeting Polly Wheeler and I went together went to Mr
Oliver Earles after meeting Spent a very agreeable afternoon
with Anne Earle Sally Reed and others etc etc etc
30 fair Mrs Gilmore and I run up to Mr Lyndes after washing Phebe Charlot come
home in even
the End of 6 months

[squiggles between months]

July 1st 1790 very fair something windy uncle Wheeler aunt
Uncle Daniel amos and wife Mrs Warren Mrs Flint dined here
and drank tea also Benjamin Lyon came after Mrs Flint Mrs
Peggy Green likewise dined and drank tea with us tarried all
night etc with 3 [***]ts Charlot worked here uncle David and aunt dined here
also

[20]

2 very Plesent indeed Friends had a Speaker at
their meeting Daddy maam Phebe Cate Charlot went
Mrs Gilmore went to tafts
3 plesant Cloudyish Mr Andrews come to work Lydia here to [*****]
PM went to home in evening Sally Reed came here Staid all night
4 Sunday dry Clouds cool Daddy and I went to meeting Sally went home at 12 PM
made my ink Black with copperas and Sugar put too much Sugar
5 very Plesant Daddy went to Shrewsbury Mr Lynde and wife to Worcester
Mrs Andrews here at work spinning tow filling to check aprons
6 Cloudy afternoon Mrs Lynde here visiting [N]aba Flores here also
7 Cloudy a fogish Daddy went to town Mr Lynde and Gray here after [pegy] fine
shower 5 PM
8 fair Mrs Andrews and I went Rasburying Mr Lynde Cower and I began blanket warp

- 9 very coolish Debbe Sylvester visited Phebe Hannah Harwood come to Mr Gilmores our people began haying
Mrs Andrews went to Mr Fowlers to stay 4 or 5 days
- 10 Cloudyish AM fair warm PM Mrs Hawkins and Lydia here in Shop first time after her
sickness Daddy went to town I went to uncle Davids went over the pond with David Denny etc
- 11 Cloudy some part of the day I rode to meeting with B Henshaw come home at night with daddy fine shower in evening thunder etc etc etc
- 12 fair AM Cloudy and thunder PM Daddy went School mens meeting got home mid night Bil Staid at Dr Flints all night Col Washburn and G Stearns here here evening
very heavy Showers and thunder lightning very sharp indeed
- 13 Fair and warm Col Washburn and Mr Stearns here AM Esquire Rawson also Mr Green and Gilmore
worked here Charlotte and Clares here Joses Flint come here with Billy I carded tow for warp of coverlids
- 14 warm and plesant Mr. Green and Gilmore worked here Phebe went home with Joseph Flint
- 15 pretty warm Phebe come home Polly Wheeler come here to work Mrs Andrews also Gilmore and Green work here
Friends Speaking meeting none of us went Nathan Gleason here half an hour Showers thunder and lightning in the night
- 16 very warm Mrs Andrews Spinning warp for Coverlid Polly for apron or handkerchief
- 17 fair and warm AM Showers thunder PM all afternoon Polly went home at night
- 18 Sunday something Cloudy PM Daddy Daniel and I went to meeting Sally Reed to meeting time after being in town 10 months Polly Wheeler come again to work Mr Harvy and miss Ruth Arnold Married at Smithfield
- 19
- 20 very plesant Mrs Andrews and I went to uncle Wheeler to work Polly went [home]
- 21 warm Polly and I went over to Mr Greens to see Patty Wicker and [*****]
- 22 very warm Polly and I went to Mr Arnolds to see Sally Reed
- 23 Ditto I went An[**]pase Earles visiting Mrs Andrews come also went back to uncle Wheelers
- 24 warm some thunder PM Shower thunder lightning coming come home from uncle Wheelers stopt at Mr [*****] Lydia Hawkins
Ta[ll]y Runt there 5 of us to drink tea etc Mr Green gone to [***]ton

- 25 July Sunday Daddy maam Phebe etc went to meeting I went
to uncle Wheelers again at night
- 26 very Pleasant I Spun at uncle Wheelers came home at night
- 27 maam and I Spun lining for [Shop] etc
- 28 Cloudy morn fair Afternoon Mr Conklin and Lady here to dine [****]
I went to Mr Lyndes PM maam Mrs Gilmore rode up likewise see S [*]
- 29 I think fair Sally Reed come from Arnolds to Wheelers and don't know what
maam and Phebe went to Mr Scotts came home at night sick
- 30 Ditto Joseph went up in town is very unwell Cate Lucy also
- 31 fine Shower PM Betsy Conklin here I went to Dr Flints with her staid all ni[ght]

- August 1 1790 Sunday Cloudy morn cool day went to meeting [*****]
home with Phebe Daddy unwell Mr Sargent uncle Wheeler Charlot her[e]
- 2 fair Sally Reed came down here Staid all night Charlot here brought [***] Sharps wife
- 3 Rain at times all day Cloudy Uncle Daniel went to Mr Tom Earles
- 4 warm Mrs Andrews here Phebe and I rode up to aunt Wheelers PM errands
- 5
- 6 Showers PM David went to [Ci*]ecan Joseph went after Dr but he is unwell and not
[**]
- 7 fair Cloudy afternoon Dr to David AM Becka Harwood come to Mr Gil[more]
- 8 Sunday fowl morn warm day Daddy and I went to meeting went to
Uncle Davids to Supper with uncle Wheelers folks Daniel Dennys child Sick
Shower at night Daddy and I Stopt at Mr Sargents to avoid it uncle Wheeler [***]
slept here
- 9 Cloudy morn rainy PM I went to Amos Wheelers to Get a Gown altered staid all
n[ight]
- 10 rainy night bad and to day at times Phebe come after me with horse I come home
Sherrif Washburn and Mr Whitock here in evening
- 11 Cloudy AM fair PM Daddy went to Worcester Mr Robert [***] [stage]
Earles wives Betsy Henshaw and Nancy Polly and Charlotte Sheeler here
evening
- 12 fair warm Ruth Green in here from visiting her sick sister
I went to Mr Scotts to Stay a week found them well
- 13 very warm went a Whortleburying [**]jord with
Rebekah and many others Mrs Livingstone here all day
- 14 fair warm something Windy Sally went down to Mr Berrys
- 15 warm Sally Becca Mr Scott and I went to meeting
after meeting William Rich Becca and I to Mr Thomas Scotts
- 16 fair Cloudy Sometimes all hands upon deck
- 17 Cloudy best part all hands upon deck again Becca

went to a quilting at Mr Pitts Ward etc set into rain
at 5 o'clock rainy night

[22] [First few lines very faded]
[first line faded]

Phillips here in Evening

[***] morning Clear off fine PM Becca and I to Mr Livermores

20 cool pleasant day Becca and I went Blackburying [*****]

21 Ditto Billy come here with the horse I went home by town Mrs Andrews here all
night

22 Sunday fair Daddy and I went to meeting Mr Andrews went to
meeting from our house I went to Mr Scotts again after meeting

23 Pleasant day and night W R worked here all was returned at 32

[***] Becca and I and others went to Mr Clarks Spent a very agreeable evening

24 Ditto Ditto Becca and I went a Blackburying Spent the evening at home somehow
William worked here also anything else

25 something windy Shower in evening Becca and I went to Mr Livermores
a quilting Mr Phillips here etc any thing else

26 Cloudy AM Pleasant PM Sally Bond here [*kitcheling*] [*flue*]

and Scott and Scott B. Clark P gregs and L S Livermore V L and others here in
evening

27 Pleasant AM rainy PM Joseph come after me with horse Becca and I to Mr Berrys

28 fowl morning cleared off Pleasant Billy and I come home I went up to uncle Wheelers
errand

29 warm day little rain toward night signs of more soon Phebe and I went to meeting

[***] the cows been sick a fortnight had a jury of Doctors Tom Earle staid to
Break [**]t

30 fair I Spun harveys yarn

31 Ditto I went to Mr Wheeler to stay a Day or two Mrs Wheeler helped me
make harness I run over to see Mrs Harvey one hour PM
Daddys old cow dyed

September 1 1790 fairish Spun for Mrs Wheeler in afternoon Cloudy

2 Cloudy little sunshine Troops met in Leicester I Spun for Mrs Wheel[er]

3 Pleasant I come from uncle Wheelers early in morning

Lydia Hawkins here to warp web maam went to uncle Wheelers

4 Ditto I made me a hat Daddy went to town Mr W[****] and rainy night also

5 Sunday fair very windy Daddy and maam to meeting Sally Lynde and I PM

6 Pleasant day Sprinkling afternoon Billy Swan came here and

Staid all night is very unwell Phebe unwell Charlot brought

Spinning for me Mrs Andrews here Anne Hawkins he[*] and to Mr [***] 2 [*hats*]

7 very Pleasant mary and Becca Harwood at Mr Gilmores Daddy to Worcester staid all night

8 Ditto I went up to uncle Wheelers Mr Thomas Wheeler and wife and Miss Sally Wheeler there from Hardwick spent a very agreeable afternoon

Mr Weatherby a Scollar Died in this town

9 Ditto Quilting at Mr David Moreses Polly Wheeler attended it D to Worcester

10 fowl morn fair and windy afternoon maam went to Robert Earles and other places,

Mr Weatherby Buried 9 o'clock AM I went to town afternoon round by uncle Wheelers etc

11 fair Phinehas Sargent here from Braintree I went up in town at night staid at night at Dr Flints etc

[23]

12 Cloudy likely for rain I went to meeting from r Flints

Mr Conklin Preached a funeral Sermon Mr Bond and Mrs Delrymple very sick with fevers I come home with Daddy

13 Monday Cloudy evening Phelbe went to uncle Wheelers PM Becca and Mary Harwood at Mr Gimores

14 Cloudy Mr Scott and Mrs Scott came here set in to rain towards night Spinning Frolick at uncle Wheelers

Jack Mahony fidler and I Cant tell you who Dancers etc etc I staid all night

15 a fine Pleasant day I came home at 9 oClock AM Daddy and

Mr Scott set out for Gary Anne Hawkins and Phebe went to uncle Wrights Hannah Wheeler come from Hardwick to uncles

16 Ditto Daddy and Mr Scott return from

Gary in evening with their Cattle Mr Scott and wife went home Daddy went to town

17 warm and pleasant Charlot here and Betsy Warren with her

18 fair and Ditto maam wove on apron web towards night

sent Cloath to mill 17 day for Black

Maam and Cate went up in town to Stay all night

Mrs Andrews here after Mr Cushing Mr Gray here in evening

19 very fine day Daddy went to meeting Mrs Gilmore watched with Mrs Green

20 fair Sally Reed Hannah Wheeler and Polly Wheeler here in evening

21 very Plesent Day and night Daddy went to School meeting

Maam and I went to Mr Lyndes in evening Phebe went to uncle W PM

22 fair Daddy went to Worcester Maam went to uncle Wheelers

in afternoon and went and Watched with Old Mrs Green at Night Who is very Sick with a fever

23 fine day and evening very Windy and Cloudy at Night

- maam came home this morning Mrs Green died at 4 o'clock aged 69 years
- 24 fair and Cool Daddy Maam Children went to Mrs Greens funeral
at 1 o'clock PM Daddy and maam Stopt and Spent the Evening
at [Jim] [*] Spragues
- 25 fair and Plesant Mr Scott here and went to M Farlands uncle
Daniel here been to uncle David, I went up in town staid at Dr Flints
- 26 Sunday very Plesant day went to meeting from Dr Flints Daddy and
maam at meeting rode home at night with [Ma***] Aunt
Sally came here from uncle Wheelers Staid all night
Mr Hawkins and wife Lydia George and others at Gilmores

[24]

- 27 rainy afternoon Mr Thomas Wheeler and Aunt Sally
Spent the afternoon here Daddy Carryd aunt to uncle [Whish]
at night on horse back brought Phebe home in evening
- 28 very rainy morning Cloudy and very Cold all day General
Muster at Capt Tafts Newhall etc I went in Company
with Sally Reed Hannah and Polly Wheeler and others Spent Mr
Evening at Capt Tafts Returned at 9 [*] Staid at uncle Whee[er]
- 29 fair and Something Cold Went to Ordination at Worcester
in Company with Mr Nathan Park Lucy Reed and many
others went to Mr Ephraim Mores after meeting had an agreeable
Dance etc Returned home before 9 Clock etc etc etc
- 30 very rainy AM Cleared off at night and before Mr Gilmores
Brothers and Cousin here in afternoon and evening
- October 1st 1790 fair Dr Flint sent after one I went
up there to Stay a few days Joesph Flint sick with an ague
Sore on his arm
- 2 Cloudy etc Maam come here Staid all night Mrs Scott also
- 3 Sunday Misty fast day I went to meeting all day from Drs
- 4 I think fair Betsy Conklin and I watched with Joseph Flint
- 6 Cloudy and Cold Josephs arm
- 7 fair day Quilting at Mr Towns Betsy Conklin and I at Mrs
Sargents in evening Mr John Lyon and miss Nancy here Betsy Honeywood
watched
- 8 Ditto Old Mrs Snow here to see Joses
- 9 rainy night 10 Sunday rain and Snow in morning Cleared off AM
Dr Gould here all afternoon Dr and Mrs Flint went to meeting PM etc
- 11 fairish Joseph much better
- 12 Plesant Phebe came after me I come home brought Miss Molly with me

13 fair Daddy went to Shrewsbury returned at night Phebe went to Pliny Earles with Sally Lynde after Cards but got none

[25]

14 Cold NE Storm Maam and I broke wool PM evening

15 Cloudy AM fair 3 hours in afternoon and rain Daddy and maam went to Elector Mr Benjamin Watson made choice of for Deacon I went to a wool Brake at Mr Wheelers

16 very windy Mr Nathan Green here after Bonds I went a Chesnuting

17 very Pleasant something windy Daddy and maam went to meeting

18 fair Mrs Green in here on her way to Ashburnham I went to Mr Wheelers to Change work with Sally Reed

19 Pleasant day carded for Sally L H L H etc there to Spend the day Evening

20 Ditto Sally Reed and I went up to Mr Harveys first time of my going

21 Cloudy AM Rain PM I went to a wool

Brake at Mr Greens this night 1 hundred pound worth of Good Stole from away gone in this town

22 very Pleasant 2 Strangers here from [*****]

Cold rain for Search Warrant etc and Daddy went to Town Maam went to Mr Lyndes in Evening etc etc very Pleasant

23 Ditto Mr Benjamin Conovers come here in Evening

24 Sunday Pleasant very went to meeting with the Joseph

Anne Hawkins went with Phebe we went to see the new Tomb

25 fair washed

26 rainy morning fairish PM Phebe went to uncle Wheelers

27 very Cold and Windy Had a Coat Quilted 8 Young Ladys here aunt Sally and Sophia came up

in afternoon among whom were Esther Stone Polly Andrews from Boylston Polly went to uncle Wheelers Esther Staid with me

28 very Windy the Remains of 6 Seasons taken

up and Consigned to the Tomb lately Built for that Purpose at the Buring Place in this town

Daddy and maam Joseph and I went out of our family to see them

29 Pleasant day went a Chesnuting Grandmaam Henshaw here 1 hour

30 warm and Pleasant

31 Sunday Ditto Daddy Jose Phebe with Sally Lynde went to Meeting with my self Sally Reed here at night

[26]

November 1 1790 fair I think Cloudy afternoon but

- you must know I don't write in my Journal very often
of late etc -- Mr Convers come here last Night for a [*rairity*]
- 2 fair Phebe went with Claresa to Mr Sargents Earles etc
Major Meis from Middletown here 15 minutes
 - 3 fair AM Cloudy PM Rainy Evening after nine oClock etc
Mr Sargent had Daddys horse to go to Mr Sargents
Childs funeral of Paxton Lydia Hawkins here at night
 - 4 very Rainy morning Cleared of fair and windy afternoon
Mr Wheeler had a Spin 15 Young Lady attended and as
Many Gentlemen had an agreeable Dance returned home at 2 in morn
 - 5 fair etc Maam had a Quilting Mrs Sargent Mr Hawkins Mr
Green Aunt Wheeler Miss Nancy Rice etc here in afternoon
 - 6 fair and Cold Polly Harwood to Mr Gilmores from Widow Earles
 - 7 Sunday Cold Snow at noon went to meeting Daddy Joses
likewise Heard from Aunt [*Jos*] by letter who is wll with fam[**]
 - 8 Plesant Daddy went to town meeting William Paine here errand
 - 9 very Plesant but something cold Lydia Hawkins here at night
Phebe went to uncle Wheelers I Carded wool Phebe Spun it for Coverlid
 - 10 fair I think
 - 11 Snow some in AM and Sqawly in afternoon Mrs Lynde
come down to help maam Quilt and
 - 12 fair and windy I went up after Mrs Wheeler she came
down and Quilted for maam Staid I spent PM there
Old Mr Green breakfasted here they had a husking
 - 13 very Plesant finished filling for Coverlid maam wove on aprons web
 - 14 Sunday Cloudy and Cold Daddy Maam went to
Meeting rainy afternoon and Evening very
 - 15 very Plesant Daddy went to town Dr Flints and his
wife returned from Shrewsbury after a Visit of 2 or 3 days
Esther Stone here has been to Mr Hawkins a Visiting
Mrs Hawkins here Charlotte Wheeler etc
carded and Spun wool myself Mr Taft
hurt by his bull etc

1791

[1]

January 1 1791 I wish you a happy new year
a very stormy day indeed; at Mr Swan's, in
Company with Mr Reuben Mores and Lady, Mr and Miss Richardson
Spent a very agreeable day etc.

2 fair and cold, went to meeting in afternoon from uncle's
Mr Waite, Watson and Earle, Spent the evening there.

3 Pleasant Monday, Mr Mores and Lady went to Mr Nathan Richardson
had a very agreeable Dance at uncle Swans, tarryd all night

4 Warm, came home to Breakfast with 10 others,
Mr Mores and Company set out for Sterling, William
Richardson and Sisters 2 Miss Swans, Mr Earle and Mr Harris,
Spent the evening here. Lydia Hawkins here at work.

[2]

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16 Sunday fair I went to meeting tarryed
at Dr Flints at night Mrs Flint came from [****]

17 an exceeding Stormy day etc Cleared off at night

18 Windy Polly Denny arrived safe here in order to go to
School to the Academy with myself – O S[ent] a [pen]
Spent the evening at Mrs Sargents with 15 or 16 G and L

19 fair and cold went to School with Polly 9 Scholars attend and [page torn]
Dr Upham his Lady here etc

20 Ditto Mrs Conlins had a [Spin] a large Circle of Gent[elmen]
and Ladys Spent [***] the Evening at Dr Flints PD and myself among the [****]

21 fair Attended School Dr had a wood hauling Polly and I run
over to Mr Cuttings in evening

22 very Windy attended School rode down to Mr Daniel Dennys in Slay [***]
Benjamin Lyon BC LS ND returned in half an hour

23 Cold and windy went to meeting with Polly who went home
[**] after meeting Captain Denny Mr Wait and Gould Patty Bruce Lucretia
here in evening

[3]

24 fair, Attended School with Betsy Conklin had the
Pleasure of seeing 4 new Scholars enter the School, Viz,
Cyprus Williams, Amily Washburn, Permelia Davis and
Matilda Davis, went up to uncle Dennys in Slay after School
in Company with 10 or 12 Gentlemen and Ladys, Spent a very
Agreeable Evening returned with Miss Clap [mate]

- Dr Upham and wife set out [****dellia*]
- 25 Cloudy Attended School.
- 26 Cloudy misty, and attended School with Polly, Betsy, Spent the Evening at Mr Cuttings, with Polly, Betsy, Lucretia, Patty Bruce etc
- 27 Cold Cloudy, Attended School 2 Mrs Chapmans, P. Bruce Spent the evening here, played Cards etc
- 28 Cloudy cold etc. Attended School Mr Smith, uncle Denny, Mr Harris here in evening I here in evening 2 hours. -
- 29 Clear and Cold Attended School Mr Gould here afternoon Mr Lyons here
- 30 Sunday Snow in fore noon attended meeting all day Sally Daddy and Phebe at meeting
and Lucy Reed, with 3 other Gentlemen here from Northborough
Mr Snow, N W, L Gould L Sargent, B Conklin here in evening, sang Psalms etc
- 31 very cold and Blustering, attended School with Polly, in evening went up to Mr Snows, in Company with 23 of the neighbours; had an agreeable dance etc.

- Feb 1 1791 fair and Plesant, George Bruce and his two sisters come from Framinham and Spent the evening here, with 8, or 10 others
- 2 fair and cold, attended School, Spent the evening at Captain Lyons, with 13 Gentlemen and Ladys very agreeably was turned over in sleigh for first time by G. Br[***]
- 3 very warm and plesant, attended school with Polly and Betsy.

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- After school took a ride up to uncle Colonel Denny's, with 13 others, had a fine ride spent an agreeable evening.
- 4 fair, attended School; went over Mr Cuttings in evening. spent 2 hours very agreeably, with 12 others Danced etc
- 5 fair Plesent, attended school half day.
- 6 Sunday very plesant and warm, went to meeting in afternoon Sally Reed and Polly Wheeler came to go to school to the academy. Polly to board here at Dr Flints; and Sally at Lieutenant Washburns. in evening 2 Wheelers, Lysander and Harrington, NW, L G. S. Ham's William Earle B Lyon etc etc etc there, Sung Psalms all the evening.
- 7 Warm rainy afternoon, attended school, 4 new scholars Viz Sally and, Polly Wheeler, Thomas Denny and Jack Stickney.
- 8 Rained and hailed all day. Attended school not with withstanding the badness of the whether.

- 9 Cold and snowed a little all day, attended school [*****]
 10 fair if I mistake not, attended school
 11 fair and Plesent, attended school, Polly Wheeler went to Mr Busbees
 a visiting. Dr and Mrs Flint to Mr Cuttings. Polly Denny and
 my self staid at home "all alone with ten thousand round us" etc
 I went home with daddy at 11 oClock in evening.
 12 fair, [ironed] etc
 13 Sunday very pleasant and warmish etc come back to Drs again
 went to meeting. In evening Captain Denny, Mr Sargent, L.S
 [**] here, etc Mr Simon Phillips of Ward, and Miss Rebecah Scott of
 Leicester, Published.

[5]

- 14 Very plesant fore noon, NW, BC, BC PL, went
 to Framingham in Slay. Polly W and myself attended
 School, an extreme cold evening spent the evening at uncle Swans with S Reed
 A Washburn, T Denny, and others, too many to enumerate very agreeably
 I tarried there all night; Polly went to Lieutenant Washburns
 15 fair and cold, attended school, Mr Smith, Mr Chapman
 Captain Denny, L Sargent, and her sister, spent the evening here at Drs
 16 very rainy fore noon, Polly W and I went to school. in evening Polly
 Denny, and company came from Framingham.
 17 very cold and blustering, we all attended school, spent the
 evening at Lieutenant Washburns, very agreeable; with 3 Miss Swans,
 W Mr Watson from Thompsons, Mr Smiths and 7 or 8 others
 18 Fair and pleasant, attended school. Dr and Mrs Flint went to
 Captain Lyons, in evening, Esther Stone here, and a number of
 other gentlemen and ladies, spent the evening very agreeably
 Mr Lyon, brought Mrs Flint home in Slay at 10
 oClock, invited us, to ride a mile or two with him,
 who accepted the offer and went as far
 as Mr Jono Newath, with Mr Smith and Mr Lyon etc; had
 a fine ride etc etc etc
 19 Stormed all day slowly, attended school Polly D and I rode
 in with Benjamin Conklin Jonos to Mr Washburns staid 2 hours and return[ed]
 Benjamin Lyons here at night etc etc etc

[6]

- 20 Fair attended meeting; Sally Flint come home from our
 house, after a weeks visit, Mr N Waite, Mr Cutting,

- Patty Bruce, Betsy Conklin, Mr Swan, spent the evening here, sung psalms etc
- 21 Pleasant, attended school, Mr Smith went to Chatham after nominating Mr Harrington to officiate in his place. I went to Mr Conklins (who had a spinning bee) directly after school, with Polly's etc and was where we met 16 or 18 Gentlemen and ladies, went to Mr Cutting's, spent a very agreeable evening, dined etc.
- 22 Fair and pleasant, attended school etc, Dr Flint and Lady, with 10 others, paid Captain Denny an evening visit, Pollys and myself spend the evening at home with 12 other Gentlemen and ladies, very agreeably indeed
- 23 Very pleasant, attended school as usual, a quilting a Mr Sylvesters: spent the evening at home, destitute of company. a squawl at night, cleared up very cold. Elisha and Jonah went to Worcester had a present of a book from
- 24 Fair and coolish. Ditto –Patty Bruce and Betsy Conklin here in evening
- 25 very pleasant fore noon, snowed PM and evening. Polly Denny went to Lieutenant Washburns after school, tarried all night. Mr Smith spent the evening here.
- 26 Very blustering indeed. attended school
- 27 Pleasant day, Dr went to Mr Harvey's upon [*****] attended meeting Sunday Polly W. went to Mr Warren's

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- Mr Waite, Mr Gould, Mr William Earle, Betsy Conklin and others spent the evening here, sung psalms etc
- 28 very rainy forenoon, P Denny and myself attended school, Sally Reed and P Wheeler came from Mr Warrens at night, Sally staid at Dr's and slept with me, Dodge Wheeler, Jubal Harrington and John Fes[**]de spent the evening here, Dr went to Mr Levermore's in [Spencer] etc
- March 1 fair attended school, went down to uncle Swan's after school, staid half an hour; then went up to Widow Sargents, with Sally R, A Washburn, N Waits, spent the evening with 6 or 7 others.
- 2 Pleasant day went to school in fore noon noon for the last day. Daddy came after me at noon I came home with him in Slay. Miss Polly Crosby from Brookfield came to go to school to the academy come home found Mr Andrews here

3 Very pleasant afternoon snow little forenoon. Daddy went up to uncle Wheeler's in slay, carried

all the children, I went to Pliny Earle's

4 Very pleasant Phebe went to school David Gilmore went for first time. Mr Gould come here, tarried all night

5 Fair Ditto William Hawkins down here, Lydia, and Stephens sick,

6 Sunday cloudy AM, rainy PM; Daddy and Ma'am went to meeting had letters from PD & PW.

7 Pleasant, began to spin for fine shirting web; Daddy went to March meeting. Charlot spent the PM here. Geroge Hawkins here; I went and watched with Lydia, who is very sick.

March meeting day [*****]

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8 Very plesant day, went from Mr Hankins early in morn to uncle Wheelers, where I staid all day and spun came home at night

Mr Green took sap trees to halves

9 fair Mr Warks here at night

12 Fair George Hawkins here Lydia is very sick with fever

13 Sunday fine day, went to meeting on frozen ground went to Mr [**] Washburn to supper, at night went to Dr Flint's tarried all night I spent the evening with 11 of my acquaintances sung psalms etc

14 Very fine pleasant day, home early in morning and went spun some, and washed. children went to school

15 Cloudy morning, set into rain at 9, misty all day. Daddy Went to Worcester: sent my shoes and had them mended.

16 Foggy fowl day. Daddy went to Captain Southgates. I watched with Lydia Hawkins, who is getting better slowly

17 A very pleasant day and very warm Mr Washburn, Captain Crowley and son, Mr Smith from [**]and came here and settled their affairs

18 Fair morn, cloudy day, Mr Ebenezer Sargent here from Hubbardston Maam watched with Lydia. Sally Lynde here in evening finished my warp for shirting

19 Rainy AM Snowed all PM Sheriff Hubbard here for Convers Mr Wheelers youngest child died very suddenly. --- found afterwards too late to be [**]atianed by falling on a fork which he he[ld] in his hand two days before his death.

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20 Fair went up to uncle Wheelers, Daddy went to [*****]

21 Pleasant.

22 Pleasant, but cold went up to uncle Wheelers AM. Ma'am and Children went to Thomas Wheelers funeral. Mr Conklin here.

23 Fair, went over to Mr Gilmore's, carded PM. Daddy to Worcester Mr Warks here in evening

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26 Very pleasant indeed, went to Mr Hawkins in afternoon. Lydia almost well, Ann almost sick with rash.

27 Very pleasant, went to meeting a foot. Patt B. and Betsy came part way with me

28 Fair, began warp for maam's gown this day. Cloudy dull day

29

30 Pleasant something windy.

31 Fair and windy, fast day went to meeting rode alone. Watched with Anne Hawkins, who is very sick of, they know not what.

April 1 1791. Pleasant day, Charlot here Phebe went home with her. Sally Reed and Polly Wheeler came home with Phebe spent the evening here.

2 Fair AM Mr Kent and Mr French here to get a Deed written Benjamin Earle here. Abigail came here from Mr Hawkin's and very rainy afternoon Mr Convers came from Mr Green's after absenting himself from here two whole days

3 Sunday fair, very cold and windy went to meeting went to Colonel Washburn's after meeting change works with Lucy.

4 Pleasant Lucy Amity and myself went down to Mr Harvey's PM ---

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5 Very pleasant; Mr Cheney the girls etc went down to Mr Potter's after school had a fine feast of apples and returned in evening.

6 Very pleasant indeed, Colonel Washburn and Lady went to town. Hannah and Amity to Mr Timothy Sprague's Lucy and I at home alone very agreeably entertained. A fine ball, in the Academy dining hall, to day Lucy and I run down to Mr Snow's at night

7 Set to snowing before noon and continued until 4 PM disappointed of going to Captain Lyon's by reason of the snow spinning at Mr Abel Green's.

Mrs Cheney Amity and myself went to Mr Snow's visiting

8 Fair and pleasant; went with the girls to Captain Lyons PM

- Spent a very agreeable afternoon and evening with 30 Ladies and Gentlemen
- 9 Fair and pleasant School finished keeping at Colonel Washburn's whi[**]
was kept by Mr Alpheus Cheney, graduate of Dartmouth College
- 10 Sunday fine pleasant day went to meeting with Lucy
N Waite, P Bruce], B Ham's, B Conklin, and B Conklin came good part way
home with me after meeting
- 11 Very Pleasant Esther Stone been here with Lydia staid all night
Sally Reed here, Esther went home with Lydia staid all night.
- 12 Fair and pleasant Esther came home at 11 oClock AM
- 13 Cloudy day Mr Phillips and Becca Scott Married.
Ordination at Oxford. Esther went home this morning.
- 14 Very pleasant Daddy went to Worcester Mr Scott
here took a pair of Shoes of Daddy's etc [Ha*****]
- 15 Ditto
- 16 Exceeding pleasant Mrs Green had our horse to go to
Worcester. Polly Andrews come here on an errand at night
finished warp for my [sheperdee]

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- 17 Sunday fair and something windy; Daddy and Maam went
to meeting.
- 18 Fair weather. Mr Bellows here to see Daddy. I spun tow for [sheperdee]
- 19 Ditto. Daddy went to court Mrs Wheeler here to warp a web
Mrs A Earle and Maam at Mr Green's visiting
Daddy at court. Mrs Hawkins here errand in evening
- 20 Very Pleasant. Captain Cook came here to make shoes for us
- 21 Warm and pleasant. Spun 3 sceins of linnen went to Pliny
Earle's and Uncle Wheeler's Daddy went to court.
- 22 Cloudy at 10 AM little rain fair something day Mr Hawkins
and 2 Mr Hills here to get a deed written Lydia Hawkins
changed works with Mrs Gilmore all day.
- 23 Cloudy and sunshine alternately, little rain very windy afternoon especially
Mr Jono Sargent, and a stranger here to have a deed acknowledged.
- 24 Sunday. Cloudy rainy misty weather. Daddy and Jos set to [***]ting
- 25 Pleasant. Spun linen went to uncle Wheelers PM M staid evening
- 26 Fair Mr Warks here in evening had an invitation to Dr Flint's
- 27 Snowed very fast till 4 PM Cleared off. pleasant Daddy went to Worcester
- 28 Fair very windy. began to [****] afternoon rode up to Dr's in company with WS
Harris
spent afternoon there very agreeably Miss Swan, Miss Dennys -----

and a number of other Ladies and Gentlemen in evening played cards
had a very agreeable dance at the hall. returned at 2 AM
Mrs Watson, Phebe Wait, and Sally Reed, at our house PM with Sharrard
29 Fair weather. Finished [lea]ching.

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30 Very Pleasant Washed Mrs Hirst and Benjamin Lyon
here visiting I went home with them
May 1 1791 Very pleasant indeed, Patty Bruce
and I went to meeting came home at night. Went
up to uncle Wheeler's after meeting saw Betsy Reed
Sally came home with me staid all night
2 Very Pleasant, Patty Bruce and I went to
Worcester had a very agreeable ride on horse back returned to
Uncle Wheeler's to Coffee from thence home at dusk
Mr Scott worked here
3 Fair and warm. Ma'am went to Mr Kent's and uncle
Wheeler's
4 Ma'am drew in web for Gowns begun to weave on it
5
6 Very pleasant AM. Cloudy little rain PM
7 Fair pleasant
8 Sunday. Very pleasant went to meeting with Daddy Ma'am
went up to see sick Mrs Fowler after meeting.
9 Warm. Daddy went to town meeting. Colonel Thomas Denny
chosen for Representators. Mrs Green and Mrs Gilmore here
I went to uncle Wheelers in afternoon. Finished weaving [*sheperdee*] web
10 Very warm Mr Scott here after hay with his children
Maam got in worsted web. Spun with Mrs Gilmore all day

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11 May 1791
12 Fair very windy PM. Friends meeting House raised by a very
large collection of people as they say, Mrs Andrews here 30 M.
13 Cloudy some rain PM.
14 rainy AM. Daddy went to Worcester bought necessaries for family
15 Sunday pleasant morning a small shower PM went to meeting
Sally Reed came here in evening to stay a day or 2 last evening very plea[*sant*]
16 Fair weather Sally Reed spun wool here – Daddy went to town at night
Dyed Phebe's other gown.

- A small shock of an Earthquake about 10 oClock in evening
- 17 Pleasant day Sally Reed went home in morning Aunt Wheeler visiting at Mrs Green's Phebe went to uncle Wheelers
 - 18 Warm, Lydia Hawkins come here and spun linnen for her self – Dyed our cloth madder had no luck
 - 19 Windy Mrs Green went to Worcester staid all day bought me some whalebone Ma'am went to Mr Gate's carried cloth for children's cloatha to be dyed
 - 20 Rainy fore noon cleared off PM Daddy' and Ma'am went to Lecture. Samuel Swan brought Daddy's Oxen home Ma'am brought Esther Stone home with her from Lecture
 - 21 Fair Esther here making children's clothes Mrs Hawkins came here to have a visit set out for Well[**]
 - 22 Fair and windy Daddy and Ma'am went to meeting Lydia Hawkins went with Esther Stone to meeting.
 - 23 Monday – Sewed on the boy's cloths

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- 24 Cloudy afternoon signs of a storm Billy and Daniel went to Mr Scotts
 - 25 Cloudy day Election day some rain with all Children had 19 visitors [***]
Mr Scott's children here. Mrs Green spent afternoon here
I went to Uncle David's Esther went to Mr Hawkin's AM
 - 26 Very warm Mr Scott and wife came here. I come home
 - 27 Very warm indeed went up in town in morn. brought Mrs Flint home behind me in afternoon Mr Green and wife, Mr Scott and his wife, Dr Flint and wife Aunt Wheeler Dr Jos: Conklin and others here to tea.
 - 28 Very warm and sultry. Polly Andrews from Boylston here in after noon and likewise her mother. Mr Scott and Mrs went home. I went to Uncle Wheeler's at night
 - 29 Extremely warm. Rode to meeting with Mrs Green Daddy Ma'am and children went likewise
 - 30 Fair AM fowl PM. Ma'am and Mrs Green went to Mr Nathan Sargent's visiting. I went to Mr Hawkins on an errand begun to keep a school: Andrew Scott came here Daddy went to Worcester. This morning died Mrs Stone aged above 80 – mother of Mrs Kent.
- June 1 1791. Cloudy day; and set to raining at 3 oClock
Mr Scott worked here: went to Mrs Stone's funeral from thence to town came home in rain etc

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- 2 Rainy fore noon. Cleared off PM. Katherine Swan married to Mr Joseph Watson of Thomson. Doctor Howard from Boston spent the afternoon here Mr Ide staid here all night. – from Shrewsbury Sally Reed and Polly spent the afternoon here also. Dr Flint and Thomas and Henry and Lyon here. Esther Stone worked here ---
- 3 Fair and very windy. Daddy went to Shrewsbury. Dr Howard and Mr Ide set out for Saratoga Sally Reed, Polly Wheeler and I, with a number of other young Ladies, set out with an invitation to make a visit at Mr Swan's but were disappointed by a Gentleman's being sick with fits there we went to Dr Flints spent the afternoon returned at 9 PM
- 4 Fair. Daddy came from Shrewsbury
- 5 Sunday cool and pleasant I rode to meeting went to uncle Swan's after meeting to see Mrs Katherine Watson Mr Snow sent for Esther Stone, who went home
- 6 Very pleasant. Miss Patty and Miss Rachel Sargent here visiting, Mrs Green and Mrs Gilmore. Likewise D Watson here
- 7 Pleasant day Daddy and Billy set out for Gary at day break with 10 or 12 cattle to drive. Mrs Harvey and Sally Reed here half an hour. Maam went to Captain Watson's I went to Mr Lynde's after school.

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- 8 Very pleasant. Mrs Hawkins and Lydia Mrs Green and Ruthy visiting at Mr Green's I went to uncle Wheeler's after school came home in evening with D W, Daddy and Billy came from Gary
- 9 Very warm indeed. Aunt Sally and Mrs Rice and [jack] black came here at 10 AM tarried till night, and went to uncle Wheelers: this day invited to go to Mr Harvey's but could not make it convenient.
- 10 Cloudy and little rain in morn: fair afternoon: Mrs Denny here visiting.
- 11 Fair and something warm kept the school in forenoon PM rode in uncle Wheeler's Carriage, to Uncle Swan's to visit Mrs Watson before she leaves old Leicester tarried all night
- 12 Sunday fair and windy attended meeting with Katy Watson Jonah Flint came home with Daniel.

- After meeting Patty Bruce came home with me to stay a short time,
- 13 Very pleasant: in afternoon Sally Denny made us
a visit, on her way to Shrewsbury to keep school the summer
likewise Sally Reed and Polly Wheeler spent the afternoon here.
- 14 Fair and pleasant: Daddy went to town in afternoon Uncle carried
Joseph Flint home. Uncle Daniel came over here on foot in evening
- 15 Pleasant and warmish. Mr Scott came here and carried [*bark to tanners*]
Phebe went home with him. --- O I had like to have for
gotten a circumstance, which happened early this morn as Patty
and I came home after the family were a bed, last night, so
consequently arose before them this morning, never staying to
take off our night caps, we ran with all haste up stairs
[*****] rushed into the chamber where to our astonishment

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- we found a comely youth seated on the bedside
buttoning his waistcoat, the lad was so confused
he knew not what to say, whether to go, nor how to
make his escape, for he could think no less than that
we were come to take him, he therefore stood motion
less; which we were endeavoring to conceal our surprise in
finding a stranger in our most retired apartment.
however we made the best apologies we were able, and
gave the poor fellow a [*pass*], who readily
accepted it made the best of his way down the stairs, mounted
his Steed, and rode off with all speed, leaving us to
contemplate on what had passed; and we con-
clude, that he never will make us another
visit, or at best without a guard. -----
Aunt Wheeler and Polly called here been to uncle David's
Nathan Waite and Benjamin Conklin spent the evening
here; Mr Waite carried Patty Bruce home this evening
- 15 Fair windyish, Mr Green and Miss Gilmore went to Mr Earles Daddy went to
Worcester
I drank tea at the others house
- 16 Showers in afternoon went to Mr Green's after School Mrs Green went to [***] [*arty*]
Christian the Dutchman came here and made some pumat[***]
- 17 Fair Cousin Joshua Henshaw of Middletown
came here on his way from Boston to Middletown
Mr Lynde Mrs Green worked here breaking up [*land*]

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- 19 Sunday Cold rainy day. Cousin Joshua staid here over Sund[ay]
Uncle Daniel rode over here. Billy went to meeting.
- 20 Fair cool weather Cousin Joshua set off for Middletown
Daddy went to Mr Scotts and brought Phebe home.
Mr Joseph Sargent and wife Mrs Green and Ruthy here in afternoon
- 21 Fair. Daddy went to Shrewsbury. Mr Scott came
here and brought home our all wool web, which Mrs Phillips
wove. I went to Pliny Earle's and Mr Waite's. Mr Green came from Gardner
- 22 Ditto. Phebe and [Mates] visited Nancy Henshaw.
- 23 Foggy morn cool and pleasant day. Doctor Howard
and Mr Ide breakfasted on their way home
from Saratoga
I went to uncle Wheeler's after school Ma'am went to Mr Lynde on an errand
- 24 Fair
- 25 Ditto a shower afternoon
- 26 Sunday Fair and pleasant went to meeting. Lucy
Washburn came home with me to stay a week
Phebe went to uncle Wheeler to change work with [*****]
- 27 Cool day Lucy and I went up to Wheelers at evening
- 28 Very pleasant and cool. Company here at evening. Viz BC JS LH DE
- 29 Ditto. S Reed, P Wheeler, L Sargent, B Conklin
N. Waite and W. Harris made us a visit.
- 30 Fair a small shower PM. Lucy and I spent a very
agreeable afternoon at Mr Daniel Denny's in company
with David Denny and lady Nany Rawson, B Lyon B Conklin Polly Denny
[N] Watson [***] others returned in evening

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- July 1 1791 Fair and pleasant Mrs Harvey here
Lucy and I went to uncle Wheeler's at evening.
- 2 Ditto
- 3 Sunday went to meeting with Lucy Washburn
who went home: after meeting Benjamin Conklin and P[olly]
Sargent made us a vis[it]
- 4 Very pleasant Independence celebrated at Worcester: an Oration
delivered by Lawyer Bangs Daddy attended
Mr Gilmore began to hay for Daddy
Mrs Lynde, Mrs Green and Mr Gilmore drank tea here
I went to uncle Wheeler's Patty Bruce there at [morn]

- N Waite, Benjamin Conklin and Phinehas Sargent there in [evening]
- 5 Fair dry weather but signs of a storm. Ma'am and Mrs Green went to Pliny Earle's. Mr Harris broug[ht] Patty Bruce here from uncle Wheeler's, in evening.
- 6 Fair: all signs fail in a dry time Patty Bruce made my white fancy dress at night I carried h[er] home (to Dr Flints) Lydia Hawkins here an hour P[M]
- 7 Warm. Were obliged to wash at Mr Lynde's f[or] want of water at home
- 8 Cold, morn. windy day. Caty and I went to uncle Wheelers and Hawkins
- 9 Fair went to Mr Hawkin's and made Lydia a go[wn]
- 10 Sunday very warm. rode to meeting with Daddy went to Mr Dunbar's at noon to see Polly Denny who boards there

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- Sunday evening went to uncle wheelers and staid all night
- 11 Went to Mr Hawkins early in morning to alter some gowns for Lydia very warm afternoon Sally Reed went N
- 12 Excessive warm day. Went to uncle Wheeler's at noon to Change works with Polly. A fine refreshing (but short) shower at uncles but none at Daddy's
- 13 Fair. have been the most unwell to day that I have been since my remembrance; have done but half a day's work! Esther Stone and her Sisters came here and staid half an hour have spent this afternoon at our house I came home with Anis, who staid here overnight
- 14 Betsy Stone come from town at eleven AM we went to uncle Wheelers after dinner and they staid there all night by reason of it raining all the afternoon we rode up to Mr Hawkins
- 15 Fair Betsy and Anis went home early in morn I came home at night
- 16 Fair AM I altered my striped calico gown very rainy PM Daddy went to Worcester [page torn] to meeting heard of cousin Nabby

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- More's death, who died June 25, 1791 of a consumption.
- 18 Fair: washed. Lydia Hawkins here
- 19 Ditto went up to Mr Hawkins in morning made Lydia a pair of stays at night went to Mr Wheeler's and slept with Polly Andrews
- 20 Ditto came home early in morning. Polly Andrews went from Mr Wheeler's to Boylston Mrs Flint and Patty Bruce here visiting.
- 21 Rained a little in morning. quite a warm day. I went to Mr Green's and made Mrs Green a bonnet Betsy and Nancy Henshaw here visiting.
- 22 Fair. I made a gown for Ma'am the stuff, of which it was made is called Callico Lydia Hawkins came here to spin for the making her stays.
- 23 Pleasant. Lydia worked here; Widow Andrews came here 1 hour Katy and I went up to Dr Flints to stay all night
- 24 Sunday Pleasant but warm. Went to meeting
- 25 Spun cotton for Joseph's stockings
- 26 Rain went to Pliny Earles and Mr Harvy's on evening
- 27 Very warm. I went to uncle Wheelers PM and tarried all night

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- 28 Warm. Mr Thomas Stickney died of a putrid fever aged perhaps 40 or 50 and left a wife with 6 Children to lament their loss! I went up to Dr Flints. Ma'am went to uncle Wheeler's
- 29 Very warm indeed: spent the fore noon at Dr Flints with Lydia Flint. afternoon made a visit at Mr Conklin's. at evening went and slept with R Swan.
- 30 exceeding warm spent the fore noon at uncle Swan afternoon went to Mr Stickneys, funeral which was attended with great solemnity and ceremony
- 31 Sunday fair and warm. attended meeting with

Lydia Flint, towards evening
went a Blackburying in company with Col J D,
Lucretia S Phinehas S, Lydia Flint, William Harris,
Betsy C, and S Ball: in evening were joined by
several more took a walk over the Common
returned and spent the remainder of the evening in
singing Psalms. Slept with Lydia Flint at Dr's

August 1 1791 Pleasant AM Showery PM. Came
home in morning in company with Dr Flint and
Dr Lyon. Daniel sick with fever Mr Gilmore quite unwell.
Mr Scott worked here cradling oats.

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- 2 Pleasant. Mr Scott worked here Dr here I went to
Mr Harvy's on a errand Mr Scott went home at night
- 3 Pleasant. went up in town Dr here and altered my Straw
Coloured silk gown with Patty Bruce's help
brought Jemima Atkins home with me to make men's cloths.
- 4 Fair. Went to Worcester afternoon drank tea
at Mr Rice's. Joseph went to Mr Scotts.
- 5 Rained Some in afternoon. Daniel getting better fast Dr here
- 6 fowl morning cloudy and sunshine alternately
the remainder of the day. Polly Wheeler came
here on a errand I rode home with her staid 20 minutes
Joseph carried Jemima home
- 7 Sunday cloudy morning the clouds dispersed
which occasioned [sic] a warm day, Daddy and Ma'am
went to meeting: this is the sixth Sunday
which I have been detained from meeting
since this year began. Went to uncle Wheeler's
and tarried all night with Polly
- 8 Fair: came from uncle's in fore noon
- 9 Rainy day. A gentleman, from [blank] by the name of
Stockwell, here to buy Mr Conovers land, which
lies in [blank] – tarried with us all night

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- 10 Warm. Mr Stockwell went away. afternoon
I went to Pliny Earle's, Mr Harvey's
Dr Flint's, Shade Earle's and many other

- places to many to enumerate. Mr Scott here in evening
- 11 Cloudy afternoon: very rainy night. Had an invitation to attend a Quilting at Mr Harveys this afternoon but could not make it convenient Jemima came here to work in morning –
 - 12 Mrs Gilmore drank tea here pleasant evening took a walk as far as uncle Wheeler's in evening
 - 13 Very warm. I went over to Mr Scott's to stay a week dined at uncle David's. Joseph rode the horse back.
 - 14 Very warm. Went to Baptist meeting text in Genesis 37 Chapter 18. [**]se and when they saw him etc
 - 15 Very pleasant. In afternoon rode up to – Hinckley Hall, in company with PS ---- where I had the pleasure of meeting 30 of my young acquaintances: had an agreeable dance returned at 1 AM
 - 16 Rainy afternoon. at i.e. at 4 oClock
 - 17 Pleasant Mr Scott went to town. Francis Green, James Steward, and Salem Levermore home in evening.
 - 18 Plesant. Mrs Scott had a quilting. 14 Young Ladies attended: had an agreeable dance etc Patty Phillips and Mr Potts the fidler tarried all night

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- 19 Rainy fore noon. Patty Phillips went home afternoon In evening Louisa Salem Livermore, Miss Naby Barden, Asa Scott and others spent the evening here sung songs etc.
- 20 Very pleasant. Went to Mr Richardsons afternoon had a very agreeable visit
- 21 Pleasant. Rode to meeting with Sister Scott After meeting rode home with Dr Flint. found Mrs Gilmore sick. Horatio very unwell with worms. Daddy set out for Boston and Newburyport 17 [****] Arael Matthews Published to Miss Priscilla Upham both of this town. I went to uncle Wheeler's after meeting.
- 22 Pleasant. I worked on the bedquilt. Dr here
- 23 Ditto. Dr here uncle David and his little Daughter Sally likewise. I run up to Mr Green's toward [evening]
- 24 Very Pleasant but warm. Naby Watson and Betsy Earle, made me a visit. Mrs Harwood

- a Mrs Bond came to see Mrs Gilmore who is quite unwell
25 Rained afternoon thunder etc
a Stranger here from Preston by name
John Cook to buy a Convers lot of land etc
26 A shower in afternoon.

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- 27 Pleasant. Afternoon went up to uncle Swan's
with Lucinda tarried all night Daddy came
from Boston in evening.
28 Warm day. Went to meeting. Ma'am at meeting
with children I walked home after meeting, and
went and met Polly wheeler and 2 cousins from
Hardwick, Sally Reed and Betsy, in Mr Fowler's road
29 Fair. I began our wool by braking 3 or 4 pounds
Ma'am drew in fine shirting web. Daddy went
to town and took 6 pairs of cotton card of Mr
Snow at 13 a pair for children to set – first they had
30 Pleasant – Daddy went to court. bought some
necessaries for the family. Invited this afternoon
to attend a dance at Mr Daniel Johnsons
but could not make it convenient
31 Fair and cool. but cloudy towards night. Daddy went
to Worcester bought some crokery etc. Farewell Summer.
September 1, 1791. Dull cloudy misty whether.
2 Fair. Daddy went to Worcester court Mr Conklins, and Sylvesters
A Mr Smith made us a visit. Phebe went to uncle W
3 Ditto. Ma'am went to Mr Hawkins on errands.
Mrs Gilmore went to her Daddy's I went over
to Mr Sylvesters, and had a feast of peaches etc.

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- 4 Sunday Cloudy morn rainy afternoon Went to
meeting. Phebe rode with Sally Lynde
5 Rainy dull day. Daddy went to Training.
6 Very rainy day indeed Mr Joseph called here to shun the rain
7 Cloudy dull day
8 Cloudy misty all night. Trooping at Col Newhalls
Maam went to Mr Wheeler's and spent the evening
9 Cloudy and misty fore noon. Pleasant afternoon I went

- to Old Mr Waite's Eliza Waite came here the while.
- 10 Fair. This afternoon am very unwell with
the head ache. Charlotte Wheeler came here
- 11 Sunday. Daddy Ma'am etc went to meeting
am very unwell myself and unable to attend meeting.
- 12 Fair. Very unwell indeed sent for Dr who came here
and left me a puke etc. Mr H here likewise –
- October 16 Have been unable to write
in my Journal this month past by reason
of a fit of sickness but by the kind hand
of Providence am in a measure returned to health
- 17 Fair and windy: walked over to Mr Gilmore's for
first time going out abroad since [12] of September

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- 18 Pleasant Aunt Sally and Mrs Rice of Worcester came here.
I rode in Aunt's Chaise a little way.
Daddy set out for Gerry. Aunt and Mrs Rice went away at night
- 19 Pleasant. I went into the Garden etc
- 20 Daddy came from Gerry PM. With his young cattle
- 21
- 22
- 23 Snowed in forenoon PM. Turned to rain hail and fair
Daddy went to meeting.
- 24 fair Dr came here and opened
a boil on my arm -----
- 29 Fair Mrs Fowler came here visiting.
- 30 Sunday Daddy went to meeting ---
- 31
- November 1 1791 Pleasant but cold Wind
Mrs Flint came in here in Chaise
I went home With her to spend a week or fortnight
- 2 Fair Lucretia and Betsy spent the evening here.
Mr Samuel Sargent and Mr Harris had an
arbitration at Colonel Washburn's, attended by many
Mr Harris got the case
- 3 Stormy day. Polly went to school

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- 4 Cold. Billy Denny and wife dined at Dr Flint's
Went up to uncle Denny's in Sleigh in
Company with Lucretia S, Betsy Conklin,
Wm H and others: spent an agreeable evening
I tarried there all night and gave them a visiting
- 5 Fair I think at uncle Denny's
- 6 Sunday. Fair. Tommy Sally and Joseph Denny.
attended meeting. Polly and I tarried by fire side.
- 7 nothing remarkable.
- 8 Very pleasant. Polly and I had a ride as
far as Billy Denny's, and spent the afternoon with WSH and [Tommy] etc
With Mrs Denny William H – etc walked home etc
- 9
- 10
- 11 Fair Sally Denny went to Worcester. Joseph Conklin here
- 12 Ditto
- 13 Ditto. Came to Dr Flints from uncle Denny's with Tommy and Sally
Denny, Sunday but did not go to meeting.
- 14 Some rain wind etc.
- 15 Rainy.
- 16 Windy. I altered my hat by making the Crown peaked
went over to Mr Conklin's in afternoon Polly Sargent
and I went down to uncle Swan's a few minutes to see Mrs Watson

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- 17 Very Pleasant Thanksgiving. attended meeting
Went with Polly Sargent to Mr Conklin's to Supper Dr and Mrs
Flint Mr Harrises with many others supped at Daddy's
In evening a large collection of Ladies and Gentlemen
at Dr Flint's spent the evening in plays, etc etc
- 18 Cold. Lucretia S, Betsy C, Sally Denny and L Harris
dined here, on roast Turkey etc in evening we
went to uncle Swan's from thence to Lieutenant A Washburn
spent the evening with Miss Washburns
Miss Swan and a number of other Ladies and Gentlemen
danced till 10 and returned to uncle Swans.
- 19
- 20 Sunday very pleasant. Went over to Dr Flint's in fore noon
Polly Wheeler fell from
her horse, when returning from meeting and hurt

- herself very much. Dr went to Mr Kents to see her
- 21 Pleasant. Tommy Denny came to Doctors to board a week.
 - 22 Fair. Mrs Flint, Polly Denny and I drank tea at Mr Conklins: at sunset Phinehas Sargent, Polly Denny and I went to Mr Scotts, to make a confining visit.
 - 23 Very pleasant, but windy afternoon returned with Polly and Phinehas from Mr Scotts
Mr Snow and Lady spent the evening at Dr's, played cards etc
 - 24 Pleasant, Mr Harris and Lucretia went to Worcester.

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- 25 Fair and Windy, very bad riding and walking. I went to Mr Conklins in afternoon, Lucretia and Nathan Waite here in evening.
- 26 Pleasant.
- 27 Sunday. Daddy and Phebe Joseph etc at meeting
I came home after meeting. Uncle Wheeler and aunt [spent] coming here
- 28 Fair I carded wool.
- 29
- 30 Fair. Charlotte Wheeler came here to spin.
December 1 1791. Began to rain in evening.
Lucy Reed and Polly Andrews visiting at Mr Gilmores.
Maam went to Mr Hawkins.
- 2 Fair. Charlotte went home at night. Phebe with her and staid all night.
- 3 Fair. Daniel came home to stay over Sunday
- 4 Sunday. Daddy and Phebe went to meeting
- 5 Pleasant. Colonel Washburn and Mr Ab[ram] Dunbar met here and left their affairs to [Men] Also a Number of other Gentlemen attended.
- 6 Fair. I carded and maam spun 11 Skeins of wool Daddy attended Court
- 7 Ditto I carded and maam spun 11 more 8 spun 10 Skeins
- 8 spun 9 Skeins which make in all 42 in 4 days

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- 10 Coldish I rode down to Mr Nathan Sargents
- 11 Sunday. Fair. Daddy and Ma'am went to meeting on foot and at night Polly Wheeler came here to stay and spin
- 12 Rainy. Polly Wheeler here spinning.
- 13 Squawly. Daddy went to Worcester. Polly and I

- went to Mr Lyndes visiting.
- 14 Very cold. Polly Wheeler went home Ma'am went to Mr A Earles and uncle Wheelers, Mrs Warren here
 - 15 Fair. Daddy went to Worcester on foot Ma'am went to Mr Joseph Sargents visiting in evening
 - 16 Ditto Daddy went to Court on foot. viz to Worcester. Fair Charlotte Wheeler here to warp a web. Lydia Hawkins to warp a web. Betsy Reed came here to warp a web in evening
 - 17 Fair. Daniel came home from Academy to stay one night
 - 18 Sunday. Daddy went to town; but no meeting
 - 19 Cold Cloudy Rainy AM Cloudy fowl day Mrs Gilmore and Jemima Atkins here visiting. Daddy carried Daniel back
 - 20 Cold. Jemima Atkins finished at Mr Gilmores
 - 21 Fair day began to snow at 9 in evening. Daddy with others filed his horse's teeth Uncle Wheeler dine[d] here
 - 22 Snowy squawly. Daddy went to Mr Spragues to write Deeds Leases etc staid all night
Mr Gilmore killed his swine one weighed 126 lb, 11 [***] [****]

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December 23, 1791

- 23 Fair. Daddy came home from Mr Spragues
 - 24 Pleasant. Daniel came from Dr Flints
 - 25 Sunday. Rode to meeting in Sleigh ----
After meeting Col Denny aged 34 married to his Agreeable Miss Lucretia Sargent aged 24 by the Reverend Benjamin Conklin ----- Squawly.
 - 26 Pleasant
 - 27 Very pleasant.
 - 28 Coldish Cloudyish morning. Went down to [the] Clothers in sleigh. carried my cloth to be dress[ed] for a Joseyas they call it
 - 29 Cold and fair. Polly Wheeler here on an errand.
Fair. Mr Nathaniel Waite died aged 91 years
 - 30 Pleasant. Anne Hawkins here visiting
 - 31 Very Pleasant. Attended Mr Waite's funeral
Betsy Henshaw had come here and tarried all night
Mrs Hawkins and Lydia here after funeral – farewell
- January 1 1792 I wish you a happy new year

[page torn] Sunday rainy afternoon --- this morning
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[torn off] aged 23 Attended the wedding accompanied by Billy and Sally Reed

[2]

Trarried at uncle Wheeler's all night rainy night

2 Rainy. Day. Cold etc Came from uncle Wheelers
with Betty Henshaw in S Sargents Sleigh . Daddy
and Maam went to uncle Wheeler's on an errand.
from thence to Uncle David's carried Betsy home

3

4 Fair. Daddy and Ma'am went to meeting aposition
of Ministers carried Sally and Edward home. Polly
Sargent came home with them to make me a visit.

5 Fair Mr [Jaby] Green widow married to Mrs Susanne Fletcher, widow
Daddy and maam. Mr Gilmore and Mrs went to wedding

6 [****] very blustering indeed snow [fling] etc made sasages
Mr Asa Green came after ashes 5

7 Fair. Daddy carried Sargent to Captain South
gates

8 Sunday. Cloudy Joseph and I went to meeting in afternoon

9 Pleasant Daddy went to Mr Thomas Earl's

10 Very cold indeed. Mr Thomas Earl breakfasted here
Phebe and I went to Mr Hawkin's in evening

11 Very cold days and nights, likewise now a days

12 Weather some what moderated. Daddy went to Worcest[er]
Mr Ephraim Mores here. Phebe went to uncle Wheel[ers]

Mr Lynde's children here in evening I wound the Go[**] we [page torn]
Singing meeting in Town but could not conveniently

[3]

13 Very Stormy night last night and this morning then fair
In afternoon stormed again

14 Cold and blustering in fore noon. Afternoon Mr Gi[***] and josy broke a

15 Sunday Fair. Daddy, Billy and Daniel went
to meeting Mr William Richardson published to Mrs
Mary Smith Resident of Oxford.

16 Fair and cold. Dr Flint came here. I went
home with him to Stay while Mrs Flint goes
to Framingham – in evening Widow Sargent Betsy
Conklin and myself with others took a walk as
[***] as Mr H --- Mr Sylvester and Lady visiting at Dr
spent the evening at Doctors Dr Haskel likewise

17 Cold. Mrs Flint with Nathan Waite and [****] Earl
Set out for Framingham

18 Began to snow at night Dr called to Mr Samuel
Richardson's etc

19 Snowy and most Blustering day known since any
Remembrance, or any one's else for ought I know

20 Fair. Snow very deep: people breaking paths and as above of
[page torn] where
[page torn] I came home from Mr Richardson's and went to
[page torn] Town's at 12 at night
[page torn] coldest day that we have had this year etc

[4]

Dr came home in morn. Betsy Conklin here
in afternoon Preceptors, and others
In evening Mrs Flint and company returned
from Framingham, with Polly Bruce

22 Sunday. Fair and cold Doctor and William Harris
went to the Widow Newton's in Paxton upon rackets and
Waite and Earl, Betsy Conklin here in evening.

23 Very cold. Dr went to Mr Harvy's I came
home with Daddy in Sleigh. David Gilmore
come from school for good and all etc

24 Extremely cold. I spun filling for my gown etc

- 25 Ditto. washed and Calvin Hersey carried his Lady home.
- 26 Cold cold. I went to Worcester in sleigh slept at Mr Rices - Daddy went to Shrewsbury etc
- 27 Ditto. Returned from Worcester with D.
- 28 Cloudy. Weather Moderates. I made Ma'am a bonnet.
29. Sunday, Pleasant, good weather for January Daddy, Joseph and Phebe went to meeting.
- 30
- 31

[5]

Feby 1 1792 Pleasant I went down
To Mr Nathan Sargents

- 2 Fair Mrs Hawkins here to warp Mr Nathan Green and is wife came from Gardner, by Worcester
- 3 Pleasant coldish. at afternoon rode up to Hinkley Hall in Slay in Company with W.S.H. and etc where was a large collection of Gentlemen and Ladies for a dance etc – returned to Dr Flints at 10
- 4 Very pleasant indeed. George Bruce and Hannah set off for Framingham. Nabby Bruce assisted me in making a gown for myself
- 5 Sunday Pleasant went to meeting with Patty and Isabell Boys who board at Doctor's come home in evening in sleigh in Company with WSH etc Mr Scott came home with Daddy from meeting.
- 6 Pleasant Daddy carried Sister Scott home
- 7 Ditto Miss [Mercy] and Miss Anne Sargent here visiting also old Mrs Green for first time
- [8] Ditto Cousin David Denny and Lady tarried all night.
- [page torn] snow in morn. Blustering day I went
[page torn] [uncle] Wheelers with them staid all night.

[6]

- 10 Very pleasant. I came home in afternoon Joseph Conklin, Ruthy and Sally Swan, Nathan Waite, Patty Bruce, Benjamin Conklin, Isabell Boys, William S Harris and Betsy Conklin made me a visit.
- 11 Fair. I finished making my coate, Josey, or what

- Daniel came home and Jo Flint, evening.
- 12 Sunday. Cloudy and little snow. Went to meeting
In Slay supped at Dr Flint's etc
- 13 Pleasant Daddy and Maam went to
The cloathiers carried cloath for Gowns to be dressed.
- 14 Cloudy. Major Ha[se]skin and Lady, Mr
Smith and his Brother and sister, from Ipswich,
Ddned and drank Coffee here, likewise,
Mr Conklin and son Mr Scott and wife
Lodged here.
- 15 Cloudy morn pleasant day Daddy, Maam,
Mr Scott and Lady, and Joseph Conklin
Went to Shrewsbury.
- 16 Pleasant, Daddy and company returned [page torn]
Shrewsbury.
- 17
- [7]
- 18 Fair pleasant but windy Daddy went
to town, brought Mrs Flint home with him, Dr
came after her, I went home with them,
lodged at Uncle Swan's etc.
- 19 Sunday windy and cold. went to meeting brought Sally Flint
From uncle Swan's. came home after meeting
- 20 Fair something windy cold etc Mrs Gillmore
and I went to Mr Hawkins to help Lydia quilt.
Mr Wheeler and Lady and Brother and Sister from Hamsted.
called here on their way home from Mr Harvey's
- 21 Very cold and windy: Daddy went to Widow
Gross's, also Mrs Adam's upon [*****] for uncle Josep[h]
Ma'am's cloath came from mill for gown L. Brown
I spun cotton for stockings
- 22 Fair Mrs Hawkins here to warp a web. I made
Ma'am woolen apron.
- 23 Ditto. Daddy went to Mrs Sailsbury's
Funeral, which was attended with great
Solemnity by a great concourse of people
Old Mr Green and Lady made us a visit
- 24 Very pleasant. Addy and Maam went
to Mr Nathan Sargent's a visiting. Phebe to Mr Lynde

[page torn] something windy. Daddy went to town and brought
[page torn] home Maam went to Mr Lynde a visiting
[page torn] to Pliny Earl's etc etc

[8]

Sunday [*****] pleasant at night. Went to

meeting in sleigh. carried [Ned] Flint home etc

27 Rainy fore noon. Turned to ice and Daddy carried

Daniel to school in sleigh. Alphus Cheney Abner Rice here in evening

28 Very pleasant. Trees glistening with ice make

a beautiful appearance. Phebe went to aunt

Wheeler's to have her gown made etc I made

my red[***]d gown etc

29 Exceeding pleasant. In afternoon rode up to

Hinckley Hall, in sleigh, in company with A Cheney

Had a very agreeable ball, up at the

Academy Hall 28 I think in all, besides

The "speckled potatoes," or Spectators and returned

at two o'clock safe etc I forgot Mr Reed

from Rehobeth came here to make shoes etc ----

March 1 1792 Very pleasant. Mr Watson and his

Lady from Thompson, with the two Miss Swans

made us a visit, likewise Miss Hannah Sargent

visited us. Mr Reed made me a pair of leather shoes

2 Very pleasant

3 Ditto. Mr Jonas Stone and wife were surprised by finding his youngest child dead in bed.

4 Sunday Very pleasant. Rode to meeting on horse back.

5 Snow hail and rain sunshine hail and snow all

Fair evening. March meeting. Daddy attend and carr[*ied*] [page torn]

to school. Mr Stone buried his youngest child

[9]

Shrewsbury

6 Fair and something windy. Went to Shrewsbury meeting

With Daddy and Phebe spent the afternoon at Mr

Ward's and evening likewise, in Company with Sally

and Tommy Denny. Miss Holden from Boston, Miss

P Farrar, P Eddy Dr Dean, Mr Munroe Mr Stone and [P]eas and others

- to many to enumerate returned to uncle Joseph's at 10.
- 7 Very pleasant. dined and spent the afternoon at Mr Joshua Henshaw's
 - 8 Cloudy Amos Wheeler and cousins from Hardwick dined here
on their way from Hamsted to Worcester -----
 - 9 Cloudy little snow and rain mixed. In fore noon
I spend the evening at Mr at Mr Ward's
 - 10 Rainy all day uncle Denn spent the afternoon
here on his way from Boston to Leicester.
 - 11 Sunday Very windy. little snow in morning. Went to
meeting in sleigh, went to Mr Summer's at noon etc
 - 12 Fair cloudy afternoon. Debbe Cornish here working ----
Captain Dean here in evening
 - 13 Ditto Ditto. Went up to Mr Joshua's in morn to see
Mrs Henshaw who is very unwell indeed ---
 - 14 Very Pleasant, Miss Patty Farrar and Miss
[page torn]ia Dean made me a visit at uncle Joseph's
[page torn] Ditto: went to Mr Ide's with aunt for a visit
uncle David came here. I dined at Mr Joshua's
[page torn] [***] day. Uncle David went home in storm
[page torn] Pleasant Very. Aunt set off for Boston in the Stage

[10]

- went up to Mr Henshaw's with Mrs Henshaw Shrewsbury
to make them a visitation and
- 18 Sunday. Fair Went to meeting in the Chaise
with Mr Joshua: Mrs Henshaw went in afternoon
 - 19 Fair. Mr Grave's Child died having had
upward of Eight Hundred Convulsion fits –
aged three months.---
Uncle Wheeler came here from Leicester
brought me 3 letters ----- etc. Debbe Cornish
and I went down to uncle Joseph's at night
very muddy indeed. staid all night on account
of the walking ----
 - 20 Very pleasant afternoon uncle Wheeler
went home. Mrs Henshaw visited Mrs Ward
I spent the afternoon, very agreeably,
Aa Major Farras'
 - 21 Fair and cold. attended Mr Grave's Childs
Funeral. The 3 Miss Summers spent the afternoon

- here at Mr Joshua's and likewise Mrs Farrar.
- 22 Pleasant Mrs Henshaw and Mrs Farrar visited at Captain Eddy's
I went down to see Mrs Ide in evening. received a letter from S. Denny
who is at Boston by the hand of Mr Ide etc
- 23 Cloudy fore noon rain in afternoon and [page torn]
night. spent the fore noon at uncle's afternoon [page torn]
Mrs Ward staid at Mr Ward's all night [page torn]
- 24 Rainy day. at night cleared off I went [page torn]
staid there all night

[11]

- 25 Sunday. Very pleasant, Went to meeting
in afternoon. After meeting went home with
the Miss Summers spent the
evening at Dr Flints, in company with Miss
Summers, Miss Flints, Jubal Harrington, Mr
Munroe, William S and Harris, and others, sung Psalms etc
I tarried there all night.
- 26 Fair and pleasant spent the day at Dr Flints
very agreeably. Mr Harris set off for Leicester wrote to PD etc
this evening spent in playing, like many others
in company with the Miss Flints, Mr A. Rice
- 27 Dull forenoon, pleasanter afternoon. Miss Patty
Eddy spent the day at Dr's making Lucy a gown.
Captain How's wife there visiting
- 28 Fair and pleasant spent the day at M Summer's,
in evening went over to Mr Hemmingway's with
the Miss Summers and Patty Farrar, who slept
with me at Mr Summer's.
- 29 This is a day appointed for humiliation
fasting and prayer. may it be kept as such!
[a]ttended meeting with Patty Farras, Lucy and Betsy Summer
[page torn] evening the Singers met at the School house to sing
[page torn] Mr Summers where a great number of spectators watched
[page torn] [**]end at nine oClock to their respective places of abode

[12]

- I went to Mr Hawkins after singing meeting was over
- 30 exceeding pleasant and warm, in afternoon
went to Mr Ward's with the 3 Miss Flints 2 Miss

- Summers, Miss Sally Stone. Spent a very agreeable afternoon and likewise this evening, where a number of younger Gentlemen collected to join with us in our amusements
- 31 exceeding pleasant. Spent the afternoon at Mr Ware's with Miss Patty and Eunice Eddy
- April 1 1792 Sunday Very pleasant indeed.
Attended meeting went to Dr Flints at noon –
- 2 Very pleasant spent the afternoon at Captain Eddy's in Company with the Miss Flints Miss Summers Miss Sally Stone, Miss Eddy's etc
Sally Denny came from Boston in the Stage
Went to Mr Ward's with Sally and lodged there with Sally Denny
- 3 Very pleasant Sally and I took a walk as far as Major Farrars spent a very agreeable afternoon with Patty F Mr Roe and [***]
- 4 Very pleasant, spent the afternoon at Mr Henshaws in Company with 2 Miss Eddys and Sally Denny
- 5 Rained at noon pleasant evening spent the [page torn] at Mr Ward's in evening had a very [****] [page torn] Dance. I accompany Patty Farrar slept [***] [page torn]
- 6 April Showers in afternoon. At Major Farrars [page torn]

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- Shrewsbury Leicester
Sally Denny went to Mr Wismans
in evening took a walk a far as rocky plain
slept at Mr Wards
Viz. Mr Summers with Sally and L S[eas]
- 7 Spent the day at Mr Ward's Dr Dean drank tea with us ----
- 8 Sunday Pleasant attended meeting with Sally Denny went to Dr Flints at noon – [***] evening Sally and I went to Major Farrar's I slept at Uncle Joseph's
- 9 Pleasant Sally Denny spent the day with me at Mr Henshaws Tommy Denny come from Leicester for Sally etc, I spent the evening at Mr Ward's in company with Miss [***] Dr Dean Samuel Peas James and Sally Denny playing cards
- 10 Cloudy morn pleasant afternoon, Sally and I set out for Leicester m home back with Tommy

accompanied by Mr Munroe and Mr Pea
as far as Worcester, had a very agreeable ride etc
Heard of uncle Daniel's Death before we get home
[page torn] Dead yesterday afternoon after a short illness
[page torn] [**] and Thomas Denny went home with me and
[page torn] Sally tarried with me all night in evening
[page torn] [we]nt up to uncle Wheelers to see aunt -- etc

[14]

April

- 11 Rainy afternoon attended uncle Daniel's
Funeral with Sally Denny, Sally came
Back with me and tarried this night also –
- 12 Fair Sally went home in fore noon
- 13 Cloudy afternoon I went to Pliny Earls and
Mr Harvy's, staid at Mr James Earl's all
night for first time and dreamed a disagreeable
Dream etc ---
- 14 Foggy out forenoon pleasanter afternoon I
went from Mr Earl's to uncle Wheelers and home
in afternoon
- 15 Sunday Fair very cold for the season rode to meeting
with mah. Rode home after meeting in
uncle Wheelers Carriage, Uncle and family
Supped at our house, Mr William Waite and Miss
Hannah Sargent out Published etc after a courtship of 15 ye[ars]
- 16 Pleasant, washed etc
- 17 Went up to aunt Wheeler's at night to spin
a little. Daddy went to town bought cotton of [Harris]
- 18 Pleasant at uncle Wheeler's. Mrs Livingstone
and mah Drank there I came home with [page torn]
- 19 Pleasant Spun Cotton for stockings etc Anne [page torn]
David here on his way home from Pliny [page torn]
- 20 Fair Phebe and Lucinda went to Mr [[page torn]

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- 21 Ma'am went to the Clothier's and Mr Sargent's
- 22 Sunday something cloudy east wind etc but
rode to meeting with Daddy Mr Earl Beard of

Ward and Miss Ruth Green of this town Published
also Mr Samuel Stone of the Country Gone to Miss Hannah
Cr[age] south end of this town also Mr Parker of Lynn
to Miss Patty Parker of this town con[sires] South End that's all!

23 Very pleasant, Daddy to Worcester. Maam and Phebe
at Mr Lynde's visiting, while I am at home
alone Singing away my precious hours! Which
time brought to be better employed, but thoughtless
Youth how swift do the moments yea hours and days
roll away unregarded by thee, whose Days are
spent in jollity and mirth but a little which to
fare well those gay sense of false happiness
(for no other can I state it) and every other earthly
enjoyment, May reflections of this kind often remind
us, and serve to prepare us, for our approaching
disolution -----

24 Fair

25 Very pleasant. Spun Cotton. Betsy Conklin set out to day accompanied by her
Her Brother and cousin for Long Island, to spend the season
[page torn] Very Rainy day indeed
[page torn] [****] help Mrs Eddy Quilt, Phebe went
[page torn] a number of other Ladies met there for the same purpose

[16]

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28 Fair

29 Sunday, pleasant attended meeting Text in Corinthians 4 chapter 16 verse
Mr Joseph Burr of Bridgewater Published to Miss
Hannah [**aih] and from (South End) of this Town

30 Pleasant, Afternoon Maa went up to help Mrs Eddy sew
Billy and Daniel began to go to School to the Academy.

May 1 1792 Fair Daddy went to Worcester, Maa went
and made old Mrs Green a Visit. Joseph Sylvester departed this life age 32

2 Pleasant Maa went to Mr Scotts for a visit and one more

3 Rainy day. Cousin David Denny Dined here.

Daddy and Joseph attended Joseph Sylvester's Funeral.

4 Cloudy. Daddy went to Election, Sermon preached by
Mr Chaplain of Sutton, Maa went to Elector from
Mr Scotts from thence home

Spent Evening, P. Sargent (for Reasons best known to himself)

Left Leicester.

- 5 A small shower at night. Daddy went to Town
 - 6 Sunday. little rain afternoon no meeting at Leicester Daddy went to Paxton meeting
Mr Conklin unwell
Sunday uncle Wheeler Aunt and Polly supped here.
 - 7 Pleasant. Went up in Town to go to school to the
Academy, - Went to school from uncle Swan's with
Sally and I took the part of Young Lady Lambert in
a Comedy, (called the Hypocrite,) to be acted t[paper torn]
23 Day of this Month
 - 8 Ditto Went to school – slept at Dr Flints with [paper torn]
 - 9 Very pleasant came home in morning in even[ing] [paper torn]
Wheeler, Polly and Betty Beard and C Whe[***] [paper torn]
at work here etc
- [17]
- 10 Pleasant and warm I went to school in afternoon, after
school we spoke our Comedy - Jemima went home --
 - 11 attended school in evening I spend in Sally Swan and I took a walk to Mrs St[eats]
 - 12 Fine showers in afternoon Sally Swan Thomas Denny
and I went down to Colonel Washburn and Drank tea with
a number of others
 - 13 Sunday, Attended meeting, in afternoon Mr Smith
Preached --- Mr Samuel Waite Published to Miss Phebe Whittmore
--- fine showers in afternoon Company at uncle Swans in evening sung Psalms
 - 14 Fair, attended school.
 - 15 Fair and very windy, in fore noon attended school, in afternoon
Ruth Swan came from Thomson.
Mrs [Woresther's] Funeral who died of a Quick Consumption --
 - 16 Very Rainy Day indeed, Schollars came to uncle Swan's to speak and
towards night Thomas Denny, Sally Swan and I took a long walk after [*****]
the comedy.
 - 17 Fair. came home at noon, in evening went to uncle Wheelers on an Errand
 - 18 Fair went Back to School, Aunt Sally came up to Dr Flints
in the Stage I Slept at Doctor's –
 - 19 Pleasant in morning went over to Mr Whitney's store with
Daddy and aunt Sally, bought me 10 yards of shere Muslin,
for a gown --- We went before sunset T Denny [Topenden] S Swan and I went up
to Mr S Mores
we spoke proclamation at uncle Swan's -

20 Sunday, went to meeting from Dr Flints with Aunt Sally.

began to rain at four o'clock a very rainy evening ----

Daddy left Gates at the Dr's all night

21 Pleasant. in morning Dr carried Aunt Sally to Mr Scotts

on a horse – Patty Bruce and I made my gown and coat

Mr Harris came from Boston in stage

[page torn] Fair; Schollars spoke in meeting [**] on the Stage yesterday and to day

[page torn] Mr Harris opened their new store finally acquired by Joseph Sargent

[page torn] pleasant Day for Exhibition - , which began at 10

[page torn] A M, attended by a great collection of People

[page torn] [****]ion for the Academy to the Meeting

[page torn] first, who were 48 in number

[18]

Ladies 12 in number Preceptors, followed by the

Corporation, the schollars opening to the right and left at the door

for the Ladies to [**ss]

Mr Denny and Perry escorted them

to their seats on the right hand the gentlemen

taking the left. after prayer – removed into pews

reserved for them Elegant Musick added beauty to the Scene.

A Poem – by S Swan

A Dialouge by Daniel Henshaw and Seth Eddy

A Dialogue (by T Foster, Miss Vicery and Miss Polly Strikney Cato's Tragedy

A Dialogue, between Samuel Southgate and Miss Waite

“The Musick Master” by Tependen, Davis, Miss How and Miss Swan.

A piece [****] by – Smith) Musick at intermition Viz

An Oration by – Perry ---) Bass viols Violins Flutes etc

A Dialogue by Whittmore and Southgate Ditto Miss Chapman

An Oration in Greek by L. Harden --- (and Southgate

The true Born Irishman a Comedy – by Tependan Denny

Raih and Miss Simpson

Pedentick Sophimore by Rice Alpheus Richardson and Miss Betsy Henshaw

An oration in Latin, by Leonard Wood –

“The fine Gentlemen, a Dialogue by Smith and How” –

Another by How, Rice and Miss Henshaw.

Ditto by How Smith and J Southgate

An intermition from 12 o'clock 'till 2 Schollars [page torn]

to the Academy as they went with Captain [page torn]

[19]

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At 2 o Clock returned to the meeting house as before

1 A Poem – by [Snean]

“Johnston and Nel” – by Harvy, Polly and Betsy Stikany.

“The Mock Doctor” – by Stibbins, How, Hammond, and

Two Miss Watsons

“The Hypocrite,” a Comedy, - by John Jennison, Green,
[****] Wood, Smith, Perry, Gilbert, Rich, Miss How, Miss
S Swan, R Henshaw, and Vickery ----

An Oration, by Samuel Davis, - Concluded the entertainments
of the Day which were attended by a great concourse of people
from all the Neighbouring Towns and who, to the joy
by their Countenances, were not disappointed.

after tea, upwards of 30 Couples collected

at Hinkley Hall. Had a very agreeable Dance.

Returned before 12. I slept at Mr Conklin’s with Miss
Jennison who boards there.

24 Pleasant windy afternoon. Spent the fore noon at

Doctor’s in company with Lydia and Sally Flint and

Patty Farrar, from Shrewsbury. who went home PM.

afternoon went to uncle Swan’s with P Farrar spent 2 hours –

Mrs Andrews and Polly took away their good from our house

[page torn] [***] house this evening. Esquire Richardson and Lady

[page torn] Sterling, [Lagdred] here last night and this, have been

[page torn] afternoon with Daddy and Maam to Mr Nathan

[page torn] [***sons] visiting Aunt Sally went from Doctor’s this morning in stage

[page torn] Uncle Richardson and Aunt set off for

[page torn] Cheese for the first, this Spring.

[20]

26 Warm. Cloudy at night. Daddy went to Worcester

27 Sunday. Rainy day. Daddy went to Meeting. This evening

Mr William Waite aged 41 married to Miss Hannah Sargent both of this Town.

28 Very pleasant. Daddy set off for Gerry with young Cath to Dr[**]to [*****]

29 Ditto. Lydia and Sally Flint, from Shrewsbury N. Waite and Patty Bruce

made me a visit. I went up to uncle Wheelers to stay with Polly. Daddy came
from Gerry.

- 30 Fair and warm. spent the day at uncle Wheelers with Polly Wheeler only.
Charlotte went to uncle Davids with Phebe, sally Lynde etc to spend their
Election –
Boys went to Town, Cath and Lucinda to Mr John Sargents. Election day!
- 31 Very warm. Spent this day at uncle Wheeler's Likewise Charlotte came from our
house in morning. John Grimes dined there, Patty Wright came there
at night from Worcester, I staid with Polly all night, came home
in morn
- June 1st Very pleasant day. Dr Lyon here in morning
- 2 Rainy day cleared off before night. uncle Wheeler and Aunt returned from
Glaserbury
- 3 Sunday very pleasant agreeable weather, went to meeting.
- 4 Leicester June 1792
- 5
- 6 Some rain, cloudy, at night Phebe and I went up to uncle
Wheeler's on an Errand, set in for a storm at 9 PM we staid all night
engaged to teach in school at Spencer
- 7 Very windy, and cold Northeast Storm, staid at Uncle Wheelers
all day, Billy came after us with horse, towards night –
- 8 Cleared off in morn very cold day for June 8–
- 9 Cold. P. Sargent tarried there all night
- 10 Sunday. cold Phinehas went to Mr Joseph Sargents in morn
Mr Scott and Andrews went to meeting ---- Dr and [page torn]
W Warren here after meeting –
- 11 Very cold morning east wind almost all last week [page torn]
Daddy and P Sargent here in morning after[noon] [page torn]
came home spent part of afternoon at [page torn]
a short tary at Colonel Denny's etc P[page torn]

[21]

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- This evening Mr Baird and Miss [****] Gre[***] came
To our house and were married, by William Henshaw Esquire
- 12 Cole for the season. Betsy Baird came here to live.
At night Betsy and I went over to Mr Waite's on an errand
- 13 Coldish. At night Betsy and I went up to uncle
Wheelers – Ruth Swan and Nabby Jennison came here staid all night
- 14 Warm day. Ruthy and Nabby went home at 11 oClock
afternoon I went over to uncle Wheelers and staid all night
Daddy went to Worcester. Anne Sargent here.

- 15 Fair. I came from uncle's forenoon, afternoon went to Pliny Earl's on Errands. Maam went to Mr Scott's, Daddy at John Sylvester's all day
- 16 Fair and warm. Maam came from Mr Scotts at noon brought Phebe home Daddy at John Sylvester's
- 17 Sunday Very warm day. Went to meeting, Phebe went to Mr Scotts after meeting Dr Howards and Lady in Town but not at meeting.

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[23]

Spenser Massachusetts 1792

- June 18 1792. Fair and Warm. Went to Spenser to teach a School arrived at L[***] A Wilsons about ten oClock (with my Gallant) and in afternoon opened my school, which consisted of 17 Schoolars.
- [[**]athy Watson in here PM
- 19 Very warm – dismissed my school half past 6 40 schoolars
- 20 Warm something windy fine shower PM. 9 new schoolars-
- 21 Fair 5 new schoolars
- 22 Ditto. Dr Flint called to see me this day had 45 schoolars
- 23 Afternoon clouded up and rained all evening very hard kept all day Saturday
- 24 Sunday Cloudy morn Fair day. Mr Wilson went to meeting
- 25 Cool day. Cloudy in afternoon 8 new schoolars a visit
- 26 Fair windyish I [***] meeting. Rebeka White made [***]
- 27 Fair and windy. 5 new schoolars. After school Went to Major White's drank tea received a letter from P B W.
- 28 Fair windish coolish. this day had 45 schoolars. Afternoon Mrs Wilson and I went up to Mr David Wilson's. Benjamin Lyon called to see me
- 29 Warm. had 47 schoolars to day.
- 30 Warm and windyish – kept school all day saturday
- July 1st 1792 Sunday, warm. Went to [****]er meeting in company with Mrs White.
- 2 Fair very windy forenoon etc. Daddy came to see me at noon. brought me a book called the father's Legacy to his Daughters
- 3 Fair. After school went down to Major White's drank Coffee had 15 new schoolars 3 monday
- [page torn] Pleasant this forenoon Mr Crosby called to see me had 45 schoolars

[page torn] had 46 schoolars
[page torn] [****] afternoon went to an Elector to Mr Bartons
[page torn] .. ent to Mr Groton's
[page torn] Called at
[page torn] Ma'am
[page torn] [***]

[24]

Uncle Wheeler to see Mr Joshua Henshaw
and Lady from Shrewsbury staid at Daddy's
all night

8 Sunday. Went to Leicester meeting. Supped
Uncle Swan's: after meeting went a Rasburying!
In company with Ruth Swan, Patty Bruce,
William S Harris, Nathan Waite and others, after
which, rode to Spencer in company with W.S. H. etc
received a letter from P Denny

9 Very rainy morning cleared off, but showers in afternoon.

10 Cloudyish afternoon. I went home with Becca White from
School staid all night

11 Cloudy morn warm day, returned to Mrs Wilson's at noon

12 Fair had an invitation to spend tomorrow afternoon at Mr Ch[***]
Sewed on Mrs Wilson's cap

13 Cloudy and sunshine alternate did not go to see [****]sons

14 Warm. kept school all day after school went with
Becca White to Mr Oliver Watson's spent a
very agreeable afternoon etc

15 Fair. Went to Spencer meeting

16 Rained in morning cleared off but shower in afternoon and rainy night
I made Mrs Wilson's cap, muslin.

17 Rainy night last and this in morning cleared off –

18 Fair, afte school took a ride to Leicester returned at 9

19 Fair kept school half day afternoon attended [page torn]
The funeral of Mr Barton – after which [page torn]
went [*****] [page torn]
the afternoon [page torn]
Watson [page torn]

29 [page torn]

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Spencer

- a short Visit returned to Leicester before school
- 21 Rain some in forenoon, fair afternoon ---
Yesterday and to day made Mrs Wilson a Bonnet
kept school all day Saturday
- 22 Sunday very pleasant. Mr Wilson and Lady
Went to meeting – I kept house etc
- 23 Rainy in afternoon
- 24 Cold NE Storm. had 24 scholars
- 25 Fair. Afternoon Mrs Wilson went to Leicester – Polly Green
Nabby Worcester here to tea. Mr Nathan Sargent and Lady called to see me
Had a the letter from Phebe -
- 26 Pleasant. Mrs Wilson came from Leicester at night
- 27 Warm, after school I went to Leicester went to Mr
Scotts, found Sister Scott very ill with Collic, staid
There all night
- 28 Fair – after noon went home and staid all night
- 29 Sunday Pleasant and cool. Went to Leicester Meeting. Supped
at Calvin Hersey's --- rode to Spencer towards night
received a letter from PBN –
- 30 Rainy
- 31 Fair warmish. Mr Pope called upon me etc ----
Widow Whittmore from Leicester brought her
little Daughter to live with Mrs Wilson
- [page torn] Cunningham dined with me, Patty Wilson here after school
[page torn] attended
[page torn] 19-1 May,
[page torn] also ready
- [26]
- 2 Fair
- 3 Pleasant. Mrs Wilson and Mrs Wheelock spent the
afternoon here
- 4 Fair. Saturday kept school all day.
- 5 Sunday. foggy morn pleasant day – went to Spencer
Meeting
- 6 Cloudy, cold east wind and little rain, I went in to see Mrs Reed first time in morn
- 7 Warm, afternoon spent at Mr Wheelock
- 8 Warm.
- 9 Very warm. this afternoon spent at Mr James Watsons

- Mrs Denny called to see me.
- 10 Ditto. At noon went down to Major White, with Patty Watson and Nancy Cunningham made Mr Wilson a shirt,
 - 11 Very warm day. fine shower in evening
 - 12 Showery Sunday Went to Spencer meeting: saw a number 10 & 11 & 12 of Leicester People – no meeting at Leicester
 - 13 Fowl day ---
 - 14 Cloudyish rain at night. Nancy very unwell -----
 - 15 Fair cold windy, afternoon after school went ho[page torn]
With Nancy Cunningh[page torn]
 - 16 Coldish [page torn]
had 40 [page torn]
 - 17 Fair [page torn]

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- Spencer
Spent in Polly Denny's school, at the N East part of this town, drank tea at Mr Stibbin's after which went with Polly to uncle Denny's tarried all night.
- 18 Very warm, In forenoon went to Daddy's from thence in afternoon to Colonel spent 3 hours with Sally and Polly Denny, this evening returned to Mr Stibbin's in Spencer with Polly tarried with her all night bought canvas for samplers
 - 19 Sunday, excessive warm. Went to Spencer meeting with Polly Denny. after meeting returned to Mr Wilksons
 - 20 exceeding warm.
 - 21 Fair, warm. Had 52 scholars etc
 - 22 Cooler – had 48 Scholars. Nancy drank Coffee here PM.
Mr Wilson finished haying
 - 23 Fair agreeable weather cold morning and evening had 40 S-
after school went down to Major White's returned home before 8 -
 - 24 Clouded up in morn, rained 15 minutes at 6 oClock PM
 - 25 Cloudy morn cleared off warm, but, shower in afternoon and hail.
I went to Major Whites after school and drank tea ----
yesterday and to day made Mrs Wilson a calico gown.
 - 26 Sunday Fair cool Mr Wilson and Lady and Sally went to meeting –
[page torn] ..ods night went a blackburying with Patty Wilson
[page torn] spent at Mr Thomas Sprague's
[page torn] and Patty W.

[page torn] to me all night

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- 29 Fair Mr Wilson went to Worcester Court etc -----
after school, went home with N Cunningham, staid
all night – small shower at Dusk -----
- 30 Windyish Fair I came from Mr Watson's in morn
to school etc very windy afternoon and some rain
- 31 Cold for the season – after school went down to Major White and from Phebe
received a letter
staid all night -- Cold morning and evening and frosty
- September 1 1792 Fair cold frost last night
Come home early in morn from Major's etc kept school
all day (Saturday), after school went in to see Lucy Woodard
Cloe Sprague staid here all night
- 2 Sunday Cloudyish rainy from 11 AM to 3 oClock PM Cleared off ev[ening]
Went to Spencer meeting etc –
- 3 Fair Cloudy afternoon – after School went to Mr Agu
Sprague's staid all night
- 4 Fair came from Mr Sprague's to school in morn –
after school went to Mr Grout's visiting, Mrs Wilson went
- 5 Pleasant – after school went down to Mr Jos[eph] Berry's
and engaged Jerusha Atkins for 2 or 3 months to spin
to come in 3 weeks -----
- 6 foggy morn Fair day. Went down to Major White's dra[***]
tea – in evening went over to Mr James Watson's staid all
night --
- 7 Foggy [page torn]
Nancy [page torn]
- 8 [*****] [page torn]

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Leicester Sept

- 9 Sunday, very rainy afternoon. Daddy and Joseph went to meeting
Mr Nathan Waite Published to Miss Patty Bruce
- 10 Fair
- 11 Ditto
- 12 Fair. Went to Friends meeting Mr Gardner Earl Preached
at night went to uncle Wheeler's to sleep with Polly uncle and aunt at
Shrewsbury

- 13 Pleasant come from uncle Wheelers in afternoon. Phebe went there and stayed all night. afternoon Old Mrs Green Gardner Earl at our house. I drank tea at Mr Gil with Mrs and Mr Lynde
- 14 Pleasant. afternoon I set out to visit Betsy Conklin but was met by Mr Daniel Denny and Lady Mr Isaac Denny and Miss Tidd (from Brantree) and Sally Denny who returned and to our house and spent the afternoon. Nancy Cunningham here from Spencer. I went as far as Dr Flint's with them tarried there all night spent a very agreeable evening in company with BC, Isa Southgate, Polly Stickney, T Denny, BL, S Harris and others etc
- 15 fowl morning pleasant day spent the from noon at Mr Conklin's afternoon went home, Mrs Flint and Isa Southgate spent the afternoon at our house
- 16 Sunday fair AM very rainy PM – went to meeting
 [page torn] Mr Burr and Lady came out Bride
 [page torn] Mr Conklin all night on account of the rain
 [page torn] [***] to Mrs Stickney Sunday night
 [page torn] [*****] on the hill ---
 [page torn] Patty Bruce
 [page torn] I staid
 [page torn] [***]
- [30]
 afternoon went to work upon the wool ----
- 19 Fair, I carded for Phebe. filling for Baiz and maam wove on [***] web
- 20 Ditto. carding spinning weaving. Town meeting voted against small pox maam got web out
- 21 Ditto Ditto Ditto
- 22 Ditto Ditto Ditto
- 23 Sunday. Pleasant, went to meeting come home by [Antes'] Earls Daniel Workes and Sally Lynde here in evening –
- 24 Fair, Polly Wheeler here to warp, Mr and Mrs Lynde and uncle Swan spent evening here
- 25 Fair windyish, I went to Paxton spent 2 hours in Ruth Swanns School dined and took tea at uncle Nathan Swan's, come home in evening. Sally Upham B Henshaw Polly and Charlotte Wheeler at our house, Old Mrs Green dined here and
- 26 Very warm indeed for the season, General Muster at Worcester. Daddy and Boys went thither. I spent the

- afternoon at Mr Nathan Sargent's. Betsy Henshaw and I watched with Mr Joseph Sargents wife – uncle Nathan Swan and a Mr Morse from Paxton supped at our house
- 27 Rainy day, came home in morn – Mr Cheny called.
to see us etc –
- 28 Very windy. Borrowed Mr Fowler's horse and sent to Jerusha Atkins, who come to our house to spin a white Chantt[**]
- 29 Fair
- 30 Sunday Fair. went up in Town to go to m[*eeting*] [page torn]
But found Mr Conklin unable [page torn]
many oth[page torn]
of Mr [page torn]
and churned [page torn]
- 31 [page torn]

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Leicester Oct

- a dry time Aunt Sally come from Shrewsbury tarried here at night – Daddy went to Town meeting – they again voted against the small pox
- October 1792 Cloudy and cold In fore noon Aunt Sally went to Uncle Wheeler's Daddy went to Worcester -----
Patty Bruce, B Conklin and Isa Southgate dined here, after which, Phebe and I went to uncle Wheeler's with them and spent the afternooin
- 2 Fair – Mrs Lynde's here visiting – in evening Jerusha Phebe and I went to Pliny Earl's and [*Brikkiha*]
- 3 Fair – P Wheeler and Abigail Earl here to warp web.
afternoon Mr Nathan Green and wife, Mrs Gilmore took Pliny cards
Drank tea here – Daddy at Worcester –
- 4 Pleasant. Aunt Sally came down here from uncle Wheelers morning – Maam dined and spent afternoon at uncle Wheelers. Sally Lynde here afternoon – Jerusha began to weave on Web for Baiz and
I watched with Mrs Sargent, who remains very low –
- 5 Very pleasant
- 6 Sunday very pleasant Jerusha, Phebe and I went to friend's meeting – no meeting in Town nor Baptist
[page torn] Daddy all day at John Sylvester's settling Joseph's
[page torn] and [*Sestars*]. I went to Pliny

[page torn] afternoon I
[page torn] for
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- 9 Fair. Maam went to Mr Hawkins I spent part of evening etc
- 10 Ditto. Maam bought two and thirty slay, of a [**sudtar*] gave 5 " 4 – also combs etc –
- 11 Fair – this morning Mrs Lynde's had a son born and Maam came home at 11 oClock AM – went to bed at night unwell with a pain in her stomach ----- began to rain at night
I went up to Mr Lynde's at dusk Phebe came there from uncle Wheelers, from spinning to day for aunt we came home in evening very rainy Dark windy evening
- 12 A very great rain las night and exceeding windy rainy and sunshine alternately
Maam very unwell to day sent for Dr who came and Bleeded her – Dr carried Joseph Flint home who has been here a week
- 13 Sunday warm and Pleasant went to meeting - Sally Flint went home – came here last Monday and Maam no better at night sent for Dr – I watched Uncle Wheeler and Aunt spent part of the day here –
- 14 Fair. Maam no better Jerasha watched
Town meeting voted against small pox
- 15 Fair Daddy went to Worcester Mrs Gilmore watched Mrs Sargent here afternoon. – Major Miegs and Lady called here. but went to uncle Wheeler to stay all night
- 16 Fair Old Mrs Green spent the day with Maam
Daddy went and brought Betty Bond to [page torn]
a few days [page torn]
this [page torn]
- 17 Setting [page torn]
Mrs [page torn]

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Leicester

- 18 Very pleasant aunt Wheeler here all day Children

- up there Old Mrs Green took tea here – Mrs Anti Earl [****]
- 19 Pleasant afternoon Mrs Scott and Mrs Flint here and uncle Joseph from Shrewsbury but lodged at uncle Wheelers Betty Bond went home. in Evening Ruth and Sally Swan came here tarried all night Mrs Scott and S Swan watched This morning Mr Joseph Sargent's wife died after A very lingering illness ---
- 20 Sunday very Rainy night last and to day rain and sun shine alternately – Sally Scott and S Swan went home – Ruth Swan staid and watched Uncle Wheeler and aunt here and a number of others Dr here and Dr Lyon likewise – Maam no better
- 21 Fair windyish. Daddy rusha and Phebe and children attended Mrs Sargent's Funeral – Ruth Swan Mrs Robert Earl watched – Polly Wheeler here –
- 22 Fair Daddy carried Mrs Earl home – Suky Henry in here C [*Wheston*] Mrs Sargent Mrs Greens and many others I watched –
- 23 Fair Suky Henry in here C [*Weston*] and others Maam better [page torn] and Windy – I went to uncle Wheeler with Jerusha [page torn] Maam better [page torn] the grey [page torn] in aunts loom [page torn] P Wheeler [page torn] [***] and [page torn] weave [page torn] [***]
- [34]
Leicester
- 26 Very pleasant indeed. Ma'am much better Joseph came from Mr Scotts went Thursday night Jerusha went to Mr Sargents to work
- 27 Sunday windy smoky weather Daddy went to meeting Mr Anti[*p*]arse Earl and a Friend of his by the name of Hopkins spent the evening here –
- 28 Fair, Daddy went to Worcester in Company with Friend Hopkins
- 29 Ditto Pleasant. Charlotte Wheeler here – Ma'am came into the other room first time after sickness
- 30 Fair but signs of a storm – Dr Flint drank tea here Mrs Hawkins here in morning – at night Mr Scott and wife

- came here tarried all night also a Stranger from
by the name of Gillmore lodged here – his business upon Convers lands
- 31 NE Storm. Rained all day. Mr Scott went home and left
Sally on account of the badness of the weather.
- November 1 1792 Cleared off in morn very pleasant Sally Scott went home
Caty and Lucinda went with her – A Stranger here from
about Convers Lands – cloudyed up again at night and rained
viz hard in evening Daddy went to town meeting Betty
Bond here to tea –
- 2
- 3 Sunday Fair pleasant went to meeting Daddy came
home at noon Maam rode out I supped at Mr Conklin's
Jerusha came there from Mr Sargents to weave [***] [page torn]
Daddy went to the [*hospital*] for [*****] [page torn]
- 5 Very [page torn] [*****] [page torn]
and I [page torn]
will – [page torn]
- 6 Very [page torn]
Heard this morning of Daniel Denny's wife's being
bought to bed of a fine son likewise Calvin [*Sh***sess*]
wife of a Daughter – Jerusha got the web out and went home
- 8 Foggy morn cleared afternoon – Daddy went to
Shrewsbury – deliver me from such a pin -----
- 9 very rainy day. Daddy came from Shrewsbury
- 10 Cloudy windy little rain at 1 oClock PM – Caty and Lucy came from
Mr Scotts, a Gentleman here about uncle Josephs lands –
I went to uncle Davids drank tea and at night went
to Dr Flints in company with [***] tarried there
- 11 Very pleasant this morning
Mr Nathan Waite aged 25 was married, at Dr Flints, by the Reverend Mr Conklin
to the agreeable Miss Patty Bruce
aged 21 had the pleasure of being a witness –
afterward went to meeting after which
accompanied our above mentioned friends to their
new habitation where we drank tea and spent a [page torn]
of the evening very agreeable returned to Dr [page torn]
and staid all night
- [page torn] Cloudy and Cold. afternoon [***] [page torn]
[page torn] and drank tea [page torn]

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- 15 very warm and pleasant Polly Wheeler spent the afternoon here
 - 16 Snowed little last night and misty dull weather this morn cleared off afternoon
 - 17 Pleasant uncle Wheeler and aunt and Daughters went to Hardwick
 - 18 Sunday cloudy southwest wind – Daddy went to meeting
 - 19 Very pleasant fore noon, rainy disagreeable afternoon
Daddy went to Worcester came home in rain etc
 - 20 Fair and Cold Daddy went to Town carried maam to Daniel Dennys who spent the afternoon there
 - 21 snowed some and rained little AM Fair PM D. Denny dined here
 - 22 Fair coldish – Old Mrs Green here visiting
 - 23 Cold began to snow about two AM continued all day and night in increasing every hour
 - 24 Storm continued all day and part of this night the most severe storm ever known at this time of year
 - 25 Sunday Cleared off last night: very pleasant to day but snow 2 feet deep no stirring abroad.
 - 26 Very pleasant
- [page torn] [27] Ditto
- [page torn] Cloudy and sun shine alternately. began to rain at
- [page torn] rained all night exceedingly windy [page torn]
- [page torn] Earl's brought Turkey [page torn]
- [page torn] very pleasant [page torn]

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- December 1 1792 Fair and Coldish Benjamin Hubbard here AM and Ann Hawkins also
- 2 Sunday Fair and windy Daddy went to meeting. Jerusha came up here from Mr Sargents to spin tomorrow
 - 3 Fair. Billy Earl Breakfasted here. Polly Wheeler and Charlotte spent the afternoon here Daddy at Joh Sylvesters PM Jerusha went away
 - 4 Fair day, rainy evening Daddy to Town – Mr Smith one of our former Preceptors supped and lodged here
 - 5 Pleasant and warm Mr Smith went away in morn Daddy went to Town with him – Mr Goss from Gerry supped and lodged here – in evening Captain

Southgate, Mr [Antes] Earl, John Sylvester and B Kent
here and supped with us -

6 Very pleasant. Daddy killed his Hogs – Phebe and children went to school

7 Little snow last night Mr Jono Sargent dined here to day likewise

8 Fair cold

9 Sunday. cloudy morn, but fair and moderate weather. Daddy
and Billy went to meeting

10 Pleasant but cold Phebe and Children went [page torn]

11 Cold and Clear

[page torn] Fair [***] [page torn]

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December

15 Fair this day I am 20 years of age spun 3 skeins lining

16 Sunday clear and coldish I rode to meeting alone and
found it not only coolish, but cold. After meeting supped
at N Waite's – Daddy received a letter from
Middletown Dated 17 November – that uncle
Benjamin was dangerously sick.

17 Fair. Anne Hawkins came after her caps

18 Daddy went to Worcester. Began to snow before night

Billy and Daniel went to Colonel Denny's and got 24 pr wool cards to set

19 Snowed some morn but cleared off Daddy to Worcester –

20 Very pleasant and warm I went to Town

in Sleigh with Daddy. Drank Coffee at Dr Flints
with [Phineahas] Bruce and others came home in evening
PM P Wheeler came here wound and warped a web
staid all night

21 Very pleasant. PM Maam at Mr Green's visiting

Old Mrs Green sick with rheumatism – Dr Flint

Dined here Polly Wheeler and I went down to Mr Sargent's visiting

[page torn] Fair. Afternoon cousin Samuel Denny here staid all night

[page torn] [Sun]day Pleasant. Went to meeting in Sleigh with D & S [page torn]

[page torn] Daddy carried [page torn]

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Ruth Henshaw's Journal for 1793

January 1 Fair pleasant

2 Snowed a little last night foggy and [****] this morn fair day

3 Pleasant pretty cold Daddy to Worcester Baird here

4 frozen rain last night and today. Cleared off. Daddy at uncle
Wheelers in evening

5 Snowed little last night cleared off this morn. Cloudy
and sunshine by turn all day. I went to Shrewsbury
in Sleigh with Daddy, called at Esquire A. [Harris] dined
at Mr Salisbury's arrived at Cousin Joshuas
[S***] at 4 PM and drank tea: Slept at uncle Josephs

6 Sunday fair and pleasant rode to meeting in uncle's sleigh
dined at cousin Joshuas went from meeting to uncle Josephs
went evening at Cousin Wards and lodged there with
Polly Denny – fine sleighing

7 A most beautiful day. set out for Leicester
rode with Daddy to Worcester from there to Leicester
in Mr Wards Sleigh with Mr Ward and Lady and P Denny
I spent evening and lodged at uncle Swans with Aunt Washburn

8 Pleasant: sleighing poorish: rode down to uncle
David's with Benjamin Conklins in S. where I spent
afternoon and evening in Company with A. Sargent
Betsy and N Henshaw Isa Southgate and others
I lodged there with Anne Sargent

9 very misty AM Cloudy PM in morn rode home
in uncle David's Sleigh with uncle and Betsy
[**an] we going to Shrewsbury – Daddy killed
[****] weighing 7

10 fair th[***] Daddy at Worcester.

[**] Cleared off at night

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12 Clear exceedingly windy last night and to day. cold

13 Sunday Clear and cold all staid at home from meeting

14 weather pleasant moderate. Daddy at Town meeting
For choosing federal Representations I went Pliny

15 Cloudy and thawy

- 16 began to rain AM very rainy PM and night
- 17 Rainy AM Snowy PM cleared up evening
- 18 Very pleasant – Daddy at Worester -
 Mrs Hawkins, Anne, Mrs Green and Mrs Eddy in
 here an hour PM Dr Flint and wife here visiting
 Polly Wheeler went to Shrewsbury in Sleigh with uncle
 David. Major Farar of Shrewsbury died Tuesday night last
 was of a mortification begun in his Toe was buried this day
 has left an amiable wife and 3 Children to mourn
 their loss
- 19 Pleasant. Aunt Wheeler, Mr Thomas Earle and Lady
 and Mother Gould dined here drank Coffee
 and spent the Evening here Daddy carried aunt and Mrs Earle home
- 20 Sunday Cloudy and moderate weather all staid at home from meeting
- 21 Very pleasant Daddy to town Grandma'am came
 here from uncle David's
- 22 Cleared windyish. PM Phebe and I went to Mr
 Lyndes to brake w – etc
- 23 Fair cold – nothing remarkable – this day 2
 Miss Sparhawk's from Templeton came
 to Dr Flint's to board –
- 24 Cold Daddy Maam and Grandmaam went to
 Uncle Wheelers and Antipas Earle visiting
- 25 Pleasant warmer. Daddy carried Grandmaam
 home in Sleigh
- 16 Fair cold very poor sleighing –
- 27 Very pleasant went up in Town in sleigh
 but no meeting Mr Conklin very unwell came
 home PM brought Sally Flint home
- 28 Snowed little last night rainy this morn cloudy day
 Spun 4 skeins linen
- [3]
- 29 cleared up last night. cold and very windy and so continues
- 30 Cloudy fore noon – began to snow PM very
 stormy afternoon and Evening and night – Dr Southgate
 and his Lady from Scarborough and Captain Southgate and
 Lady dined, took tea and spent the evening here
- 31 Very windy stormy night last. Cleared off this
 Morn at to oClock very blustery day indeed

- February 1 1793 Pleasant clear but pretty cold
 Daddy went to Town, Anne Hawkins here after her cap
- 2 Pleasant
- 3 Sunday Very cold -went to meeting in
 Sleigh carried Sally Flint home
 heard 2 Sermons preached by Mr
 Stone of Shrewsbury one of our former Preceptors.
 Stephen Harris and Sally Denny Published
- 4 Cloudy and sunshine and snowed a little most all day
- 5 Pleasant Daddy to Town. Nancy Henshaw
 came here at noon, staid all night
- 6 Fair AM Phebe went to school with Nancy
 Rainy afternoon
- 7 Very pleasant went to Mr Hawkins in
 sleigh very poor sleighing came home in evening
 Mr Arnold and Sylvester here on business
- 8 Fair forenoon cold and cloudy PM this night
 about sunset Joseph Flint was kicked by
 a horse which fractured his scull [sic]- they
 went immediately for Dr Waldo and Dr Flint
 of Shre[***] Joseph went up there in evening
- 9 Cloudy Sunshine and Showers by turns Similar
 to those as have in April -----
 Daddy went to Dr's early in morn spent
 The day - Dr Waldo came at night

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- AM I went to [T]atnick carried cloth
 to Mr Man's to be dressed London brown - uncle
 Swan dined here. Benjamin Convers here
- 10 Sunday pretty cold windy PM Daddy at Town
 all day, but no meeting Polly Wheeler here 4 hours
- 11 coldish. Bill Earle here to breakfast Daddy
 at Town all day - very little snow on the ground
- 12 began to Snow at 8 AM Very Stormy and[****]
 [*****] day indeed. Daddy to Town
- 13 Cloudy morn stormed all afternoon Boys broke
 paths AM
- 14 Windy snowed little most all day Boys broke
 again - snow in plenty Daddy went to Town in

- sleigh. spun 3 Skeins ½ linen
- 15 Fair if I mistake not spun 4 skeins linen
- 16 Fair cloudyish PM – Went up in
Town in sleigh very good sleighing ----
Dined at Mr Conklins spent afternoon
at Dr's with 2 Miss Sparhawks Isa
Southgate Betsy C – William Harris T Denny
and others – this night watched with J
Flint who is much better and likely to do well
- 17 Sunday foggy rained all day
steady PM I rode home in sleigh
by water – Mr Joseph [*Wesslan*] and a Mr
M – Came from Providence in here etc
- 18 Very warm and Pleasant for season – Mrs
Hawkins warped here etc spun 3 Skeins
- 19 fair cloudy PM began to rain at sunset very rainy windy
night. PM Mary Sylvester here Dudley came here
likewise Joshua and Andrew thence [****] came home with
boys from school staid all night. I spun 3 ½ S[keins]
- 20 very rainy windy morning cleared off PM Windy and cold Mr
Nathan Sargent here PM spun linen
- [5]
- 21 Moderate weather I spun linen maam [***]shing
- 22 Cold windy
- 23 This evening snowed but rainy windy
Charlotte here to warp
- 24 Sunday rainy and uncommonly windy day
cleared off in evening
- 25 Cloudy PM Anne Hawkins here at night
Daddy at Town
- 26 Haily morn rainy day
- 27 Pleasant but cloudy. Daddy at Town bought cotton Dr
here carried Sally home. this evening a Mr
Stephens and wife of Ward supped here on
their way down from N-fane, left their
Sleigh borrowed saddle etc and proceeded on horse back
- 28 Very cold and windy in morn Matthew Livingston
came here to work Mr Stephens came after
his sleigh. Sally Lynde here in evening. I spun 6 Skeins cotton

took 20 pair wool cards of D Denny to set
March 1 1793 Fair day moderate. Cloudy evening
in evening Phebe and I went up to uncle Wheelers, staid all night
came home early in morn

2 Very pleasant indeed, Maam got in shirting web
Daddy at Town. Matthew went home at night

3 Sunday. last night rained and cleared off this morn,
Very beautiful day no snow to be seen or nearly. no meeting
This afternoon Departed this life Mrs Lucinda
Conklin (wife of the Reverend Benjamin Conklin of this
Town.) of the Dropsy and Consumption aged 59

4 Something cloudy. Matthew came here to work in morning
March meeting The Old Town clerk chosen again the
5th time, viz Dr A Flint etc etc

5 Misty cloudy AM, afternoon rained snowed etc

[6 *****]ed, a most disagreeable afternoon

Went to Mrs Conklin's Funeral, which was attended with
great solemnity. heard a very good sermon

[6]

Preached by Reverend Mr Sumners of Shrewsbury
from 1 Corinthians 7 – 30 first part, and they
that weep as though they wept not ---
staid at Dr all night on account of the weather, slept
with Polly Denny -- Bill Lark and J Denny S Harris
spent the Evening there – windy evening and night very.

6 Very pleasant indeed, came home from Town [*****]

7 Cloudy. Daddy at Captain Lyon's Vendue. bought andirons and half a cart load of
[irons]

8 Cloudy south wind forenoon fair afternoon

9 Rainy last night and this morn very snowy and blustery

10 Sunday very pleasant, Daddy went to Town but no
meeting. Dr and Mrs Flint and 2 children came home with
Daddy. went back at night in sleigh

11 rained all day steady. David at Captain Lyon's brought
home [*****] etc bought at Vendue. All the snow went off

12 Pleasant forenoon. Cloudy afternoon Mr John Sargent
here likewise Mr Eaton. Boys Captain [*****]

13 began to snow at 9 AM left off at 2 [*****]
maam went up to Mr [Nickery's] in Sleigh to get her

- coat cut out [*****] W – here PM
- 14 Pleasant. Maam at Aunt Wheelers to get her coat
made all day. I worked on Phebe's at home – this day
Mr Gilmore, wife and son are gone to their father
Harwood to witness the knot, about to be tyed
between Mr Isaac Nerry of Spencer and Mary Harwood
- 15 Fair Daddy at uncle Wheelers. brought Maam's coat
home – Mr Gillmore and family returned from wedding
- 16 rained a drop in morn but very pleasant day
I finished Phebe's Josea alias [*****]
- 17 Sunday very warm and pleasant. Ma'am and Phebe
went to Town in expectation of a attending meeting but
were disappointed. Polly Charlotte W and Sally Lynde drank
Coffee here afternoon – pretty windy day this went to [*****]
- 18 Cloudy coldish something rainy Mrs Hawkins warped here
- 19 Fair. I carded and spun 7 Skeins cotton
- 20 Very pleasant indeed Old Mr Green and Lady
Mr Gilmore and Polly Sargent here visiting
Phebe and Sally R visiting at Antipas Earle's which finished the [****]
I am afflicted with a bad cold and violent headache
- 21 began to snow at 9 very stormy day
indeed: this day unwell [***] not all day
- 22 cleared off last evening very windy blustery
night last, and this forenoon afternoon more pleasant
did [****] work etc
- 23 Fair something cold. Phebe and I spun
- 24 Sunday Ditto – Daddy went to Town but no
meeting one of Mr Elisha Arnold's children died aged 4 years
- 25 Very Pleasant day. PM. Boys at Stephen [*Sargents*]
shed – raising Polly Wheeler spent PM here
Phebe spun on Mrs Lynde's little wheel at their house
- 26 something cloudy AM rained constinly [sic]
hard all afternoon and evening Daddy at court
came home in rain. Phebe went to Elsa
Arnold's Funeral at 11. came home PM in rain
- 27 pleasant windyish – Daddy at Worcester court
from thence to Shrewsbury staid all night
- 28 Fair Daddy came from Shrewsbury PM
Mr Lynde here visiting. took 18[*] W cards D Denny

- 29 Fair windyish. I went to Colonel Dennys
old Mrs Green here PM – spun nothing
- 30 Pleasant. Daddy to Town I spun flax
- 31 Sunday. very pleasant no meeting. Daddy went uncle Wheelers
April 1 1793 very pleasant indeed
Daddy at Town meeting for choosing Governor etc
Betsy Henshaw here visiting. Boys began to Plough
- 2 Pleasant, Daddy troubled with a lame
Knee – I spun linen for [*curtains*] etc
- 3 Very warm – June-like day. went
to Pliny's in morn bought me 3 yards
mode, for a cloak, at 6 c a yard
afternoon went to Captain Watson's visi
ting and cut out my cloak by Naby's
Daddy to Town –
- 4 Very pleasant. Captain Lyon dined
here Charlotte W – and little Sally
Flint here – Sally tarried all night

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- 5 Cloudy most of the day Phebe went
home with Sally Flint. Daddy to Captain Earle's
- 6 Rainy day chiefly. Slade Earle here left a
note and Cato be sued. Bill Patten
uncle Joseph's man came up here
at night, staid all night etc – this
day finished the warp for curtain web
excepting one skein –
- 7 Sunday rainy windy night last and this
morn – cleared off at 9 AM – very windy
and cold. Daddy went to meeting brought
Phebe home from Dr's Mr Davis of Holden -
preached Bill Patten went home in morn
- 8 Very pleasant something windy – Maam at aunt
Wheeler's making Joseph's coat Polly Wheeler
here visiting Daddy to town
- 9 Fair extremely windy
- 10 Rainy very windy last night cleared off this
noon windy day. Joseph went to Shrewsbury
to live with uncle Joseph Henshaw

- Phebe visiting at uncle Wheeler's etc –
Daddy finished sowing grain
- 11 Fast day pleasant. no meeting in Town –
Daddy went to Mr Scott's
- 12 Fair forenoon very rainy afternoon
Cleared off in evening very windy and cold very
- 13 exceedingly windy day this: wind went down at
sunset Captain William Watson and Thomas Bard here
had deed written etc – PM I went to uncle
Wheeler's. Charlotte came home with me stayed all night.
- 14 Sunday something cloudy Daddy, Maam, Phebe
Charlotte and I went to meeting heard two sermons
from Mr [Pass] of Spencer. Supped at Dr's
Ruth Swan came home with me
- 15 Very pleasant. I went to Mr Antipasse's in morn
Thomas Denny spent the day here PM Mr
Slade Earle's wife here visiting. Daddy to town at
Ruth Swan and I spun linen

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- 16 Fair [***] Towards night Ruth and I took a
Walk as far as Pliny Earle's Spent a very
agreeable Evening – I bought ½ yard [Hollared]
¼ yard made 5 skinny thread Paris [****]
1 skein blush silk 1 Lawn Handkerchief and
1 packet ditto – amounting to 9 2
- 17 Very pleasant. Daddy to Town. Uncle Swan
Mr Joseph Mr Watson from Thomson
Matthew Watson drank Coffee and spent
the evening here -
- 18
- 19 Fair. Anne Sargent here at noon
PM Mrs Flint and Joseph here Sally went
home with her Joseph stayed Ruth
and I spent part PM and evening at Mr
Nathan Sargents, with uncle David and wife
and Betsy Henshaw
- 20 Cloudy rainy. at night I went home
with Ruthy Swan staid all night
- 21 Sunday cloudy rainy morn. Haily

rain snow and sun shine by turn
attended meeting from uncle Swan's Mr
Samuel Sumner from Southborough
(one of our former Preceptors) preached
after meeting Stephen Harris and Lucy Washburn
walked home with us drank tea Lucy
went to Mr Sargents from here
This day Polly Wheeler goes to Dr Flint's to board

22 Snowed in morn Fair atfternoon Eben[*ezer*]
Boyington came here to live 6 months
for which Daddy gives him 14 10
AM Daddy went to Shrewsbury PM maam
visited Mrs Lynde I spun 4 skeins linen

23 Pleasant. Young Mrs Green drank tea
here. Daddy came home at night
I spun 4 skeins 1 2 3

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24 Warm and pleasant. I went to uncle
Wheeler's staid all day made fringe for my
muslin gown.

25 Fair windyish. PM I went to Cato
Denny's spent afternoon with Mrs Flint
and Eliza Conklin went Mr Hawkins and Mrs Flint
Sargents on errands

26 Fair windy. afternoon Phebe and I
attended Polly Worster's Funeral
who died 24 – of a consumption.
a travelling stranger lodged here –

27 Uncommonly windy – Mrs Hawkins
in here.

28 Sunday. Yesterday and to day the windyst
that ever I knew – attended meeting
Mr Chaplain of Charlton Preached
this day went to Dr Flints to
board

29 Pleasant calm – attended school with
Polly Wheeler and Charlotte. Nabby Sparhawk
and Isa Southgate after noon Mr
Sparhawk resigned his care of the
School into the hands of Mr Crost.

30 Pleasant. at night took a walk with
Nabby Bruce Mr Sparhawk and Mrs Chapman

May 1 1793 Pleasant attended
school etc in evening walked down to
uncle Swan's in evening – yesterday
took the part of Maria in a
Comedy called the Contrast, to be at
the 22 of this month

[11]

2 Fair something windy – Polly
Denny Ruth dined at Dr – Dr brought
Ruth [****] etc

3 Rainy disagreeable weather attended school

4 Very warm – Saturday – afternoon
Eunice Eddy here 1 hour N Sparhawk [Rice]
Eunice and Mr Green and I took a walk to the meeting house
after which, I went home, Betsy Conklin
N Sparhawk, Sally Flint went [***] home
came back in evening left Sally at our house

5 Sunday Cloudy AM – Cold Fair PM –
no meeting – in evening Bill Earle B Conklin
E Conklin Polly Richards, Jamison, Banister
Selferedge, and others here to sing Psalms –

6 Fair coldish – attended school – in evening the
Girls and myself, Denny Bannister and Rice went
down to Colonel Washburns for a walk, I slept
with Sally Swan –

7 Very pleasant day. attended school after
which Charlotte and Isa S went to Captain Livinston
in evening Sally Ruthy Swan in here
we took a walk with them and Scholars

8 Fair

9 Very warm at morn. Betsy Fields from Oakham
came here to board 6 months
afternoon Aunt Sally came to Dr's in stage
Polly Stickney here at night Nabby Sparhawk
Thomas Denny and I went home with
her I bought a Chis[*] for hat 12 etc

10 Very pleasant aunt and Mrs Flint at

N Waites visiting. Uncle Wheeler [****]
went to their house -- Scholars
spoke Contrast at Dr's

[12]

- 11 Pleasant windyish AM attended
meeting with School-mates.
Mr Bancroft of Worcester preached
after meeting went to Academy and sang
evening scholars here to sing
- 12 Very pleasant after school we spoke the
Contrast in Preceptors chamber – Miss
Peters and Miss Millins came from Mendon
came to Dr's to board
- 13 exceedingly pleasant. after school all the
young ladies visited Betsy Conklin
excepting Nabby Sparhawk and myself
- 14 Something windy I went home AM carryed Ned[***]
- 15 Pleasant. I returned to Dr's from
morn but did not go to school
this evening had a dance at uncle Swans [*****] to
- 16 Pleasant. PM I went to uncle Swan
making my stays. Did not go to school –
at night went to Colonel Denny's bought
Phebe 7 yards calico (the ground of [*fabric*] is straw
colour) at 4 6 a good ---- L 1 10 5
this evening we met at the Academy to sing
- 17 Warmish pleasant - MM spoke contrast
Citizen etc etc. I did up my muslin gown
and petticoat – afternoon Spent at Captain
Lyon's, with Preceptors, Scholars, etc
sung psalms songs and danced etc etc
drank Coffee and returned at 10 ---
attended meeting Mr Conklin here a [***]
in evening met at the academy to sing
this evening Sharrod set out
for Providence after goods

[13]

- 19 very pleasant. Spoke at the Academy

all the forenoon etc

20 Pleasant afternoon spoke in meeting

[**]case upon the stage, to day I finished
my stays etc. Sharrad returned from Providence
had an invitation to the [****] tomorrow evening S Danford

22 Something cloudy forenoon. - Wednesday

the day appointed for the annual Exhibition
half past 9 the Scholars of both sexes
met at the Academy, and walked in
procession to the meeting house, the
smallest boys first and so on to the
Ladies being in number 16 in like manner followed by the
Preceptors and Corporation, Mr Denny
and Mr [Ferundon] escorted the Ladies to the
seats at the Right hand, Gentlemen
following taking the left hand [***]
Mr Sumner made a prayer - after
which vocal and instrumental music
sounded some minutes --- When exhibition
was begun, An oration, by W. B. Ban[****]
A dialogue by Davis and H Southgate
Ditto by E Burdan and Betsy Fields
Ditto by E [Grun] and Betsy [Tessendan]
A [Luthen] Oration and by T Denny
A poem by P Rawson

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An Oration in Greek by J [Jamoreson]
Ditto, English by -- Church

The Toy shop, a farce, by [Elvins], Billings
Hubbard, Green Cole [Cartlin], J Fields, Pelham,
C Wicker, C Wheeler, H Waite etc
Prolouge to the Old Maid by P Rawson
The Old maid a [**]er, by - Church, Gould,
Selferage, P Richards, Nabby Sparhawk, and
Betsy Fields --- At intermition many
favorite pieces of Musick were performed by Mr
Betsy Watson Mrs Hubbard N E[***] Mr [****] Mr [****]
At 12 oClock returned in Procession

to the Academy – scholars before the Academy
door opening to the night and left. Ladies passed
followed by Preceptors and Corporation
Spent intermission at Drs with many
acquaintance
at 2 oClock The Procession moved as
before mentioned to the meeting House
Elegant Musick added beauty to the
1 An address to the Ladies by Church
By J Fields

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“Lady Rackett” by Banister, Hubbard
Cutler, Isa Southgate, C Wheeler H Waite
And Betsy Fersundon
“The Citizen” a Farce By Tependan, Baird,
Green and R Henshaw
A Dialogue by Gould, Cutler
“The Duke of York” by Church, Selferege
Whitcomb, Nabby Sparhawk
The Contrast a Comedy by Denny,
Rich, Banister, Tependem, Jennison
Davis, Isa Southgate, N Sparhawk
Which concluded the entertainment
of the day, which was honored by a
very [***]ded Audiences – Took Coffee
at Dr Flint’s, after which attended the
Ball, at the Academy (with Mr Danforth
Spent the evening in Company
Of 30 Couples, from Shrewsbury Miss
Hawkins and Brookfield etc returned at [**]

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to Dr Flints * 2 Miss Flints
from Shrewsbury slept there ---
We were favored with a delightful
Evening tho a heavy shower at inter
mission cleared off at 2 PM very pleasant
*with A Peters --- J Church
N M[***] --- A Rice

N Spark	---	J Jennison
C W	---	J Fersundon
I Southgate	---	William E
	---	Baird
	---	S Danforth

[17]

- 23 Exceedingly pleasant. in forenoon
 about 6 Couples walked down to Mr
 Stone's spent 2 hours and returned to Dr
 with, Mr Keys Mr Crosby, Miss S Stone
 and Miss Brown all from Shrewsbury.
 This morning Nabby Sparhawk left
 Leicester with her Pah for Templeton
 this afternoon the 2 Miss Flints set off
 for Braintree – I spent the afternoon
 at work Swans in company with ab[ove]
 14 couples, from Brookfield, Shrewsbury
 and Leicester etc had a very agreeable
 dance -returned at 10 evening with S Danforth
- 24 Fair something warm – this
 afternoon went to Captain Lyons with J Rich
 spent a very agreeable afternoon and evening
 in Company with 18 Ladies and Gentlemen
 from off the hill, Captain Lyon and Lady etc
 Dancing [*****] etc returned at 10.
- 25 Fair windy afternoon, Sally Swan
 went home with me staid all night
 Betsy Conklin sick with hysteric fits
- 26 Sunday Something rainy forenoon
 Sally and I returned to town at noon,
 afternoon attended meeting. Mr [Anglis]
 of Worcester preached. At night
 Hannah Bruce

[18]

- Pelham, Church, and I watched with
 Betsy Conklin
- 27 Fair did not go to school
 Miss Flints return from Braint[ree]

- towards night took a walk with them
and mates Rice, Danforth etc beautiful Shower
at night – Betsy Conklin here after noon is much better –
- 28 Fair pleasant. attended school – PM 2
Miss Flints set out for Shrewsbury, Betsy C
here this afternoon --
- 29 Cloudish, cold; at school all day for
Election, after school scholars played ball
Phebe and children up here at Dr's –
after school Charlot, Isa, Betsy Fields
N Henshaw visited Hannah Waite
Lydia Rice from [*Nanderick*] drank tea here
Scholars here in evening, likewise Watson,
Earle, etc This night, Amy Peters,
William Harris T Denny and I watched with
Betsy Conklin, who is very sick again.
- 30 Cold Cloudy day, Betsy Conklin better
attended school. In evening I went down to uncle
Swan's with Nabby M. and Sharrod staid
- 31 Cloudy east wind. some misty attended
school after which Isa Southgate and I
rode to Spencer lodged at Major Waites
I [****] Betsy C better misty dull fore noon I went up
[page torn] Williams staid 3 hours [*****]

[19]

- last summer wages for haying etc
come home at noon with Isa called at
Mr Oliver Watsons etc – very rainy aftern[oon]
- 2 Sunday very rainy – no meeting
Earle, Danforth and Ric spent evening here –
- 3 Fair – attended school all day for the [*last*]
after tea went down to uncle Swan's with
Nabby M and H Bruce and others –
- 4 very pleasant forenoon – Come home
from Dr's Cloudyish PM – Mr Joshua
Henshaw and Lady from Shrewsbury and
Aunt Wheeler dined here, past afternoon
- 5 Cloudyish misty day spun cotton
Mr Joshua H. drank tea her, more fair afternoon

- 6 Cloudy and rain by turns. Mrs Hen[****]
 Aunt Phebe in here on their way to Worcester
 Amos Wheeler from Hamsted dined here
 Children went to school began last Monday
- 7 Fair something windy. Daddy to Town
 and Captain Lyon's bought Mr Holland at 3 [***]
 Aunt Lalan and her daughter Serene
 Swan, from Conway came here tarried
 all night etc -
- 8 Very warm day indeed but cool air
 Aunt Lalan and serene went from here this
 morn after breakfast I spun cotton
 Joseph came from Shrewsbury
- [20]
- 9 Sunday very warm indeed – no meeting
 Daddy went to Town – afternoon I
 went to uncle Wheeler
- 10 Excessively warm – Joseph and Jack
 set off for Shrewsbury early in morn
 PM – Daddy to Town about choosing
 officers – Phebe at uncle Wheelers.
- 11 Excedingly warm. I went to Worcester in
 morn. Bought me 7 yards muslinet for a
 gown lining at 3 3d ¼ per yard, - at Mr Nazro's. 1 pair
 black russet shoes, at Mr Paysons 5
 [Chiss] for hat, for Phebe 8d at Mr Chand[ers]
 and Black mode ½ yards 2 at Daniel Denny
 [*] yard black ribbon 6 – 2 brass thimbles
 Cath and Lucinda at Mr Salisbury – 2 – Total L 1 10 7 ¼
 returned afternoon. Daniel Lyon to go to school
 to the Academy.
- 12 Very warm but cool air. Uncle
 Wheeler and Mr Joshua Henshaw dined here
 Daddy and Uncle went to Worcester. Mr
 Henshaw and charlotte Wheeler drank
 tea here, uncle Joseph came home with daddy
- 13 Warm forenoon Mr Henshaw and Lady
 Uncle Joseph set out for Shrewsbury
 Daddy to Worcester I went Mr [*****]

at AM staid till 6 PM made
green fringe. Maam went and helped
Old Mrs Green quilt. Very windy

[21]

- afternoon indeed. Mr Tim Sprague
supped here.
- 14 Fair. Betsy Henshaw spent the
day here. Betsy Conklin dined here
at night I went to uncle wheeler with Betsy Henshaw
- 15 Ditto. This afternoon the Preeptors,
(Mr Adams and Mr Croset) and Betsy Henshaw
drank tea here Betsy tarryed all night.
- 16 Sunday Warm day. I walked to meeting
with Betsy Henshaw. Mr Davis of
Holden preached. Mr Crosby and Polly
Green published. Sally Flint came home with children
- 17 Fair AM. Showers in afternoon and heavy
thunder. Mr Thomas Wheeler of Hardwick
drank tea, and staid here all night.
- 18 Warm day. Mr T M[****] Breakfasted
and dined here. afternoon Maam went to
quilting at Mr Green's
- 19 Showery windy forenoon, very warm
afternoon. Mr Nathan Green and wife and Mrs
Gilmore drank tea here. I went and helped
Mrs Green quilt. Ordination at Rutland.
- 20 Fair Windy some showery at night
Mr Scott and wife came here staid all
night.
- 21 a moderate storm. Mr Scott went to
Rutland. They stay here to night on
account of the rain

[22]

- Afternoon Mrs Flint here visiting
I rode home with her, slept at uncle
Swans.
- 22 very pleasant. I made my white
Muslinet at uncle Swans. In evening took

a walk with a number of Ladies and Gentlemen
slept at uncle Swans with Ruthy.

- 23 Sunday. very pleasant and cool
attended meeting from Drs with his Girls
Mr Ward of Brookfield preached 2 very
good sermons – PM text in James C3 17
after meeting came home –
Betsy Conklin sick with fits –
John Phillips and Patty Livingston Published –
- 24 Pleasantish for season – Daddy
met Independent Council in Town at 4 PM.
I went to Mr Rices spent 2 hours
Widow Southgate here AM –
- 25 Pleasant morn. Cloudy PM. Rainy at night.
Dr Flint returned in rain –
Polly Wheeler spent the fore noon here –
- 26 Very Rainy night last and this morn
Cleared off pleasant PM.
- 27 Very pleasant. Polly Wheeler past
the day here helped us sew and
at night Phebe and I went home

[23]

- with Polly on an errand
- 28 Cloudy morn pleasant day.
this afternoon 21 young Ladies
made us a visit (assisted us in
quilting) among whom were B Conk
lin Miss Peters Miss Mi[ssins] Miss Fields
(from Dr's) Miss Rice from Hendwick
Miss Sargent 2 Miss Watsons 2 Miss
Wheelers 2 Miss Henshaws, N Bruce, Ruth Swan
Dr Conklin and Mr Watson drank
tea with the Ladies -----
- 29 Exessively Warm. I spun linen
- 30 Sunday. Very warm indeed –
attended meeting with Phebe. Spent
intermition at Dr's with P Denny etc
Mr Baily of Ward preached ----
uncle Wheeler and Polly here after meeting –

July 1 1793 Very warm indeed

Mrs Lynde Old Mrs Green Mrs Gill Mrs
Hawkins and Mrs John Sargent came
and helped Maam quilt her bed coat

[24]

2 Fair AM fine rain at 3 and 4 PM

Mrs Lynde and Mrs Gil here helping maam

Quilt towards night I went to [*]

Earles bought of Jonathan Earle

1 Muslin handkerchief 3/9

½ yard thin Muslin 2/11

2 ½ yards purple ribbon 3/1 ½

4 Skeins Holland thread 4 ½

Total – 10 2

3 July Wednesday Fair Phebe went to
Uncle Wheelers –

4 Pleasant at 5 oClock in morning

The Troop and alarm Men met in Town

and began the Celebration of Independance

by firelight at 3 oClock PM an Oration

was delivered upon the ortion, by

Church (one of the Scholars) a large

Collection of people attended the Militia, Scholars

and about inhabitants walked in

procession to the meeting house – made

a very elegant appearance: ornate

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instrumental musick added

beauty to the Scene – after the

oration upwards of 100 Gentlemen

dined upon the Common

drank a toast for each of the units

States each of which was followed

by Musick and the firing of Cannon etc

lastly Huzzas as the clapping of hands

etc etc – I drank Coffee at Dr

Flints with a number of Ladies ---

after which the Gentlemen came and

conducted us over to the Academy
Hall when we had quite an
Independent Dance – after which
I went home with Polly Denny
and Samuel --

- 5 Fair Warm: a Shower at noon –
I spent the day with Polly ---
- 6 Fair Showers, PM - Sally and
went down to Billy Denny visiting
- 7 Sunday Pleasant. Polly and I
went to Spencer meeting heard 2

[26]

Sermons – by Mr Pas[****] dined
at Mr Whittmores etc

- 8 Pleasant
- 9 Rain some in morn something cloudy
day began to rain at 5 PM
left off at 9 evening very sharp
lightening indeed hard thunder -
Polly D and I went to Calvin
[Hersey's] visiting Tommy Denn[y]
from the Academy and came after us
we rode home after the rain –
- 10 Very pleasant Polly Denny
Ruth Swan and myself visit
Sally M[****] at uncle Nathan
Swan's in Paxton. Lucy Washburn
came and styed all night at uncle
Dennys ----
- 11 Very pleasant - Bill Harris here
to dine. Billy Denny wife here visiting
- 12 Very pleasant towards night
Rode down to Town with Tommy
Slept with Betsy Swan.

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- 13 Very pleasant and cool – afternoon a
Number of Ladies and Gentlemen
visited at uncle Swan's among whom

were Mesiuer Morris (a French Girl)
from Worcester. and Major Blodget with
their Violin's – we had quite an agreeable
dance returned home after sunset -

- 14 Sunday pleasant and very cool.
attended meeting from Drs – Mr
Hol[***] from [Sterling] preached –
after meeting returned home after an
absence of 10 days – left Phebe
at Drs – what not?
- 15 Pleasant AM Cloudy PM. Thomas Denny
Here. Phebe came from Dr's afternoon
- 16 Cloudy misty AM very warm afternoon
Small Shower PM Thunder etc A Rice
Sally Watson Ann Hawkins here. I spun lin[en]
Phebe at Mr Lyndes
- 17 Very Cold morn, Windy day
I went to uncle Wheelers towards night.
this day Cousin [Tim] Denny with
9 of his class mates set off for Cambridge
with expectations of entering
Colledge [sic]. This week being Commencement
- [28]
- 18 Fair and windy. I went to Mr Rice
at night errand -etc – this day spun lin[en]
- 19 Rain last night and this morn
forenoon very warm fair PM – [****] [****]
- 20 Pleasant day warm but good air and
Washed at the spring (first time this year) [*****]
this afternoon expected a small party from Town
but was disappointed reasons unknown. pleasant evening
- 21 Sunday pleasant. Attended meeting Horatio unwell.
(Mr Avery of Holden preached from
from Mark C 9 V5 Have sat long our selves from
PM 5 Psalm v) Saw the New
Preceptor Viz Mr Pierce from
Cambridge Colledge [sic] – drank tea
at Dr's – after which walked home
accompanied by Amy Peters,

Nabby Watson Danforth and A Rice
as far as S Waites

- 22 Warm and windy AM very windy
PM Daddy went to Town
Dr here in morn to see Horatio who is some better PM
This afternoon Old Mrs Green and Sally
Lynde here to tea. I am almost
Sick with head ache etc ----

[29]

- 23 Windy. Cato Phinehas
Newell here bought 9
Lambs of Daddy – I spun lin[en]
- 24 Warmish. Mr Joshua Henshaw
and Miss Peggy [Fase] came from Shrewsbury
and dined here, and went to aunt [*****]
I spun linen small shower in afternoon
- 25 Pleasant. Mr Henshaw and Miss
Peggy called here PM on their way
to Shr[ewsbury] Phebe went to aunt Wheelers
PM Nancy Henshaw here PM I rode
to At[***] Larks with her and back
Daddy went to Worcester brought material
for Girls' hats, Maam's bonnet ribbon etc etc etc
- 26 Very pleasant. Nelly Reed from
Northbridge and Charlotte Wheeler spent PM here
I took a ride to Town PM drank tea at
Dr's with Old school mates returned at dusk
received a letter from Mrs Harris
- 27 Fair. Altered my hat by making
A turn down at the sides after weaving it other ways
till I was quite out of fashion! altered
Phebe's gown by knitting on a small frill
behind etc and finished several little materials to
be a little more fashionable – in evening
Joseph came here from Shrewsbury staid
at night – Daddy to Town bought blue Mug

[30]

[page torn] Sunday 28 Cloudy day little

- sprinkle of rain – no Meeting at
Leicester. PM Joseph returned to Shrewsbury
- 29 Pleasant warmish made girls hats AM PM – Pelham,
Betsy Conklin and P Wheeler drank Coffee
here – I went home with Betsy to
spend a day or 2 in evening took a long
walk with Betsy, Sharrod, Pelham, Amy Peters,
Miss Newall, L Rice, A Rice, B Earle, Be Earle,
Etc etc etc Returned at 10 to Mr Conklins.
- 30 Cloudy l[**]ary day spent the day with B
Conklin sewing on the Callico Cotton.
in evening walked down as far as Mr Vickery's
and from [*****] to uncle Swans in company
with L Rice, A Rice, P Earle, R Swan, B Conklin,
Sharrod, Pelham and others – danced, talked laughed and returned
at 10 to Mr Conklins --
- 31 Beautiful Shower PM. spent the day
At Mr Conklins: at night Pelham and Betsy
came home with me. received 2 letters from Shrewsbury
- August 1 1793 Pleasant day PM Maam
went to Betty Bands carried fine web to
weave 38 yards – Nancy and Sally Henshaw
here maam drewed in shirting web –
- [31]
- 2 Cold morn pleasant day. PM Phebe and I
went to Mr Sylvesters had a feast of pears
Charlotte here
- 3 Pleasant. Joseph Denny dined here and spent
(4 hours with us – on his way home from Shrewsbury
- 4 Sunday cloudy morn but fair day
Phebe and I walked to meeting – Mr
Firk of Brookfield preached a very
good sermon from John 3 4 and 4
Psalm 14 – spent in [****]tion at Dr's with cousins
after meeting Mr Pelham
walked home with us received a letter from SS Brookfield
- 5 Fair and windy. washed at the spring.
- 6 Beautiful rain in morn. fair by 11 windy day
Uncle Wheeler and Ichabod Sylvester dined here. Daddy

- to Town PM carried cards to Colonel Denny's 2 pairs 3d paper
- 7 Calm and something warm. PM Phebe went to see Anne Hawkins who is sick. Mr Nathan Green supped here. Mr Jackson here after hay
- 8 pleasant PM Spent afternoon at uncle David's in company with Polly Denny, Polly and Charlotte Wheeler, Nabby Watson etc I tarried all night – Pelham spent the evening there.
- 9 Hard rain chief of the day – I spent this day at Uncle Davids
- 10 Fair windyish. I rode with uncle David to Mr Scotts in morn.

[32]

- helped Sister Scott quilt all day
received a letter from N Sparhawk
- 11 Sunday Fair attended meeting from Mr Scotts. Mr Chaplain from Sutton preached from 11 and 14 Hebr[ew]
- 12 Warm day – AM Joseph Conklin Sharrod Harris here on their way home from N London. PM I visited Mrs Phillipson in Ward. Billy and Daniel came here
- 13 Very warm. Mr Phillips and Lady here visiting staid all night Billy and Daniel went homoe
- 14 Windyish – PM Polly Wheeler rain in evening Betsy Henshaw and Samuel Denny Here visiting – Samuel Tarried all night
- 15 [lo*ery] with rain by turns - Samuel went home AM – PM Daddy here. I went to Mr Thomas Scotts and engaged a girl to come and help us spin a while –
- 16 Pleasant. PM went to Mr Richardsons
- 17 Ditto. cool morning and evening
- 18 Sunday. something cloudy Sprinkle a

little warm PM attended meeting from Mr
Scotts. Mr Johnson from Dudley

[33]

Delivered 2 very good Sermons
from 2 Kings C5 V12
drank tea at Drs, after which
rode home in Company with
William Harris – Andrw and Billy Scott came here
beautiful evening

19 Fair pleasant. spun 3 skeins lin[en]

20 pleasant. I spun 4 Skeins
lining. Mrs Rice and young Mr Green
here visiting. Pelham spent
the evening here

21 Fair.

22 Pleasant – very warm AM – Maam
went to Shrewsbury with uncle and
aunt Wheeler. Polly Denny and
Betsy Hawkins dined here
after which took a ride to
Worcester – drank coffee at Mr
Denny's returned at dusk called
to see rs Sargent at Mr
Andrew's, had a very agreeable
Ride stoped I forget – went to
Mr Paxton's bought me a pair

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Florentine shoes 5/3 etc
Nancy H and CWheeler visited
Phebe – Polly Denny tarried
me all night -

23 Pleasant something windy PM
after breakfast rode up to uncle Wheelers
with P Denny past 2 hours and returned
in evening Uncle and Ma'am returned from
Shrewsbury Phebe and I rode home with uncle
in carriage and returned same night

24 Cloudy PM some rain – Dr

Flint and Lady, the Preceptors (Viz
Mr Adams and Mr Pierce) Amy
Peters, Nabby Mellen, and Isa Southgate
P Wheeler made us a visit ate Watermellons etc

- 25 Sunday Cloudy and windy very cold indeed
for the season no meeting
at Leicester – went to Paxton meeting
in the carriage with Polly and Daddy
wore a cloak but was almost frozen
Heard 2 very good sermons from
2 Kings 12 5 – thou art the man
spent intermission at Dr Russet's

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with Polly Denny Patty Davis etc
PM saw a number of Leicester people at meeting

- 26 Very pleasant – PM – Pelham here
- 27 Very pleasant day and evening –
at 7 AM – Rode up to Hinkley
Hall in Company with Mr Pelham
about 16 Couples collected
had a very agreeable dance
Returned – past 1 oClock!
- 28 Fair – AM Uncle David's wife
here – Daddy went to Court Uncle
Richardson from Sterling came home
with him, tarried all night – evening
Sharrod Harris here –
- 29 Fair and warm PM Went to Mr
[****] Earle's spent a very agree
able afternoon in company with
B Earle, Lydia Rice, Caty
Darr and Rebeca Newalk = Charlotte here
- 30 Rainy night, last , dull and
misty day this
- 31 Fair and warm – AM Phebe set out
for Shrewsbury with uncle and Char[lotte] Wheeler
in Carriage – at night Sally

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Harris came here to spend a day
or two PM I mended my muslin petticoat
which I unluckily tore at the ball the other
evening – a careless [***]!

September 1 1793 – Sunday

warm no meeting in Town Sally
Harris and I went to Friend's meeting
evening little thunder and lightening but no rain

- 2 Fair and Windy – AM Sally Harris went
Away – Old Mrs Green here visiting.
PM – Pelham came over here – coldis[h]
- 3 Fair – began to card our wool but was
interrupted (by Company (which I think is
a bad sign) Viz Mrs Denny from
Worcester and Polly Wheeler. Mrs Denny
Tarried all night. Ebenezer very unwell
- 4 Fair day windy PM. A Mr [King] from
Charlton here took up a note – of Harris'
Mrs Denny went away after breakfast –
Ebenezer sick and went home – uncle W
Breakfasted here
- 5 Fair and windyish – washed at the spring
- 6 Last night rain but how long
can't determine being asleep
to day fair PM Maam went to Mr
Scotts
- 7 Very pleaseant PM Maam came
home brought a Girl to spin Viz
Lucretia Scott --

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at night Mr Pelham, Amy Peters
and Nabby Mellen called here on their way
from uncle Wheelers the latter staid
to spend Sunday with me

- 8 Sunday – Very pleasant – Miss
Mellen and I attended Friend's meeting
Henry Earle made a short speech
after which, shook hands and

returned home – satisfied ---

9 Rainy disagreeable day

Sharrod Harris breakfasted here
after which waited upon Miss
Miller at home -

10 Storm moderately continuous –

11 AM Cold East wind PM we may add rain

12 Very windy – an east wind but fair

Mr Scott dined here PM – Phebe returned
from Shrewsbury after an 11 days visit
I drank tea at uncle Wheelers where
I read the paper – found some agreeable
some disagreeable news – the Yellow
fever very mortal in Philadelphia - disagreeable
Heaven preserve us from the fatal disease

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Widow Watson and R Sargent spent the
evening here -

13 Very Pleasant AM – PM cloudy –

Went to Mr Ashr Earles

14 Very pleasant indeed – Ruth

Swan and her visitor (Mrs Watson from
Thomson) spent a part of the afternoon
with us – unexpected but agreeable.
This we received a letter from
a Friend (or one who professes to be
such)

15 Sunday – something cloudy –

attended meeting – Mr Davis
preached – to the young people
from – “Young Men likewise
exort to be sober minded”
may his unwearied exertions

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be crowned with Success –
uncle Wheeler and family supped
here.

16 Cloudy AM Fair PM at 1 oClock PM

attended Mrs Webster's Funeral
who died Saturday last, after
a very short illness (aged)
May such instances of mortality
awaken us to a vener of our
own approaching dissolution –
- From Mr Potter's – rode up in
Town in Company with Sally
Harris, Mr Earle, Rice, J Denny
and others – had a fall from
my horse – but very little hurt-
drank tea – and spent the evening
at Colonel Denny's – in Company
with Sally Harris, Lydia, Rice, Miss
Watson, Preceptor's
Mr Earle, Harris, Rice and others

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too many to enumerate – played
plays etc – Slept at Mr Cutting's
with Lydia Rice –

17 Cloudy little rain PM Fair windy

spent AM at uncle Swan
very agreeably with Ruthy, Sally Swan and Mrs Katy Watson
PM spent at Dr's called at Colonel
Dennys and took my leave of Sally
Harris, who is to return to Boston on
friday next – evening very pleasant
rode home in Company with
Mr Pelham and Miss Peters, the
latter tarried all night -

18 Very pleasant AM Miss Peters

returned home. PM. Joseph Denny
made us a visit – tarried all night
Received a letter from PD

19 Pleasant – Polly Wheeler dined

here – I spun a little, sewed a little
knit a little, prepared to do something
but did many nothings

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- 20 Pleasant – Daddy bought
a young horse of Mr
Nathan Green of Gardner – for 12L
to all whom it may concern etc –
- 21 Cloudy
- 22 Sunday. Warm and pleasant –
attended meeting – AM Mr Davis
preached from Solomon's songs
PM – A Mr Chapman from Ganby
from Ecclesiastics C8 V11 –
- 23 Pleasant – Spent this day
alone in my chamber – (spinning
linen) very agreeably – received
a letter from B Henshaw
- 24 East wind, Cloudy and sunshine
alternately
- 25 Misty morn' cloudy day
- 26 Cloudy cold disagreeable day – Maam
went to Mr Benjamin Watsons, brought fine
web home – went to uncle David's, Mr
Hawkins etc etc Lucritia Scott went home.

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- Cleared off at night. I went up to
Uncle Wheeler's and Mr Rice's whence I saw
Sally Stone of Shrewsbury very unspiritedly
- 27 Fair and windy. uncle Denny called and here at night
Was disappointed in not being able
to attend Exhibition to day - but hope
it is all for the best.
- 28 Pleasant.
- 29 Sunday very pleasant. Attend
Ed meeting with Phebe. Mr Davis preached
(from Leviticus C26 V2 "Ye shall keep
my Sabbath etc) 2 very good sermons
hope it will have its wish for influence
upon the minds of the people
spent intermission at Dr's, where we
took Coffee: after meeting – Mr Pelham

walked home with us ---

- 30 Fair and windy – Stephen Harris
dined here – PM I went to Pliny Earle's
bought a number of little Articles
(amounting to 2/3) among which was
paper: dozen I shall be more

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particular in my journal for
the future, as paper will be
more plenty –

- October 1 1793 – Somewhat Cloudy
set in to rain at 6 PM rainy
evening – Mrs Watson finished
keeping School in our quarters
- 2 Windy cold AM – pleasant PM –
Daddy and Daniel set off for Gerry
in morn. – H H drank tea here
PM I took a walk as far as Mr N Sargent arrived
AM Thomas Denny called upon us.
on his way home from Cambridge -
- 3 Pleasant – invited to attend a quilting
Art Mr Calvin [*Harney's*] this afternoon
But am quite unable to attend –
Cold windy night
- 4 Rainy AM Cloudy PM – Daddy
and Daniel returned from Gerry and
brought me a letter from N Sparhawks
- 5 Fair and cold -

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- 6 Sunday. Joseph came up from
Shrewsbury in morn, I rode to meeting
with him. Mr Davis preached from
Hebrews C10 V23 – I spent intermission
at Colonel Washburns with PD and others
after meeting. Drank Coffee at Dr's
- 7 Very pleasant
Daddy and Billy went to Shrewsbury with Joseph
drove uncle's cattle etc –

- 8 Very pleasant – PM Daddy and Billy came from Shrewsbury – at 9 in evening Thomas Denny came here, tarried at night – AM Phebe went to Pliny Earles – took 4 pair of 7d cards to set. from thence to Dr Flints on errands etc etc returned at 12
- 9 Very pleasant William Harris breakfasted here likewise Thomas Denny

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- AM – Rode from Leicester to Shrewsbury in Company with Cousins Thomas Denny was overtaken, at Mr Denny's in Worcester by Uncle and Polly Denny, arrived at Shrewsbury at 11 oClock AM, found uncle and aunt Henshaw gone to Leicester Ordination – PM, went a shopping purchased me a pair of [****] gloves Captain Eddy's
- 10 Exceedingly pleasant – at 8 in morn set out for Boston in the Stage, in Company with Lawyer [****] from Worcester a Mr Dickenson from Northampton, Mr Clark from Spencer, Mr Pelham and 3 Strangers – had quite an agreeable Journey – Breakfasted at Mr Munroes, Northborough - dined at Weston, Mr Flagg's – arrived at Dr Haywards about 6, Where I slept with Mrs Henshaw of Middletown,

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- 11 Very warm and pleasant spent AM at Dr Howards and at 6 PM made a ceremonial visit at Dr Hankin's with Mrs Howard Mrs Henshaw and 9 other Young Ladies returned at 8 with Dr who showed to us [Norths] Abby Gibbins went etc etc

- 12 Cloudy Morn, went a Shopping
from Dr Howards, with Mrs Gore and P
Denny, was caught in a shower
and returned in Brooklin
Stage,
- 13 Sunday fair and windy
AM went to N South meeting, with
Mrs Howard and Mrs Henshaw, heard Mr Clark
Text in Galatians C2 V20
Dined at Dr's PM attended Old South
meeting with Miss Bass text in Proverbs Mr Eckly preached returned to Dr's
in evening very pleasant, took a long
walk with Dr, Mrs Hayard Mrs Henshaw
1st to the end of long Wharf, from thence
back by the Market, up Court Street etc
and thro the Mall, I saw many very

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Elegant Buildings (among which was
Governor Hancock's House) and other
curious matters too many to ennumerate

- 14 Very pleasant – 11 AM Went to the
Mall (with Dr Mrs Hayward etc) to see
the parade, which was [*]ationed by
the Death of Governor Hancock
afternoon a number of Young Ladies
drank tea at Dr's who collected to
to see the procession pass – which
consisted of
Several Company of
Horse Commanded by General Hull of
Newtown Companies of Artillery
the field pieces covered with black
[*****] - Drums muffled – the
played the dead march and the
band a Solemn dirge ([*Roslin*] castle) proceeding
the corpse walk. The Lieutenant Governor
Secretary – Judges of the supieror
Court, Members of Congress -etc
after the corpse, Mourners Townsmen

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Spectators etc followed by 21 Carriages
belonging to Boston – all of whom
made a very elegant repass table appearance
the Bells even tolled and shops
shut from PM till the funeral ceremonies
were passed – Mrs Sh[***]ks went
to Cambridge with Mr and Mrs Pomory
Polly tarried all night at Dr's with me.

15 AM very pleasant – PM Cloudy

Cold windy disagreeable weather - Mrs
Shaw and son set out for home ---
was disappointed of going to Beacon hill
on account of the weather -

16 Cloudy and cold – Mrs Henshaw returned
from Cambridge. Polly and I spent the day at Dr's

17 Windy – at 11 went to [*lectors*]
(with Mr Howard Mrs Henshaw and PD)
to the Old Brick meeting house heard
Mr Belknap preach after which
went to Beacon hill etc dined at
Dr's – PM Mrs Howard Mrs Henshaw
PD went to Captain Harkins visiting
I went to Mr Gill Bass's

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spent an agreeable evening, tarried
all night -

18 Pleasant spent AM, and dined
at Mr Bass's, PM returned to Dr's
3 Miss Hills and Mrs Swither
spent PM there -

19 Cloudy cold day, Polly and I went
to Mr Bass's to dine. PM we went
with Mr Bass and Daughters to Beacon
hill where we had a delightful
prospect of Boston and the neighboring
Towns – from there went on to the
new bridge leading from Boston to

Cambridge on our return took a view of the Alm's house work house [rose] walks etc took tea at Mr Bass's after wjhigh went up to see Aunt Bass who is 87 years of age but in good health – returned to Dr's in evening

20 Sunday – very pleasant --
AM went to Church – Stone Chappel -

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in Company with PD and H Bass was much pleased with the Building which is a very elegant one – likewise No Sermon musick etc heard Mr [Freeman] dined at Drs PM went to Mr Thacher's meeting – heard the Governor's funeral Sermon - Delivered by Mr Thacher from Psalm C 37 V 37 (Mark the psalm) A very numerous collection of people attended – took tea at Dr, in evening walked down to Mr Gores in company with Polly and Mr [Wanright] – tarried at Mr Gores all night.

21 Very pleasant PM and evening spent at Mr Harris with Mrs Gore S Harris Polly etc very agreeably returned to Mr Gores evening

22 Rainy windy night last pleasant this morn – cleared off at 9 am pleasant at 10 being low water, out of curiosity went on board a Schooner with PH.

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Mrs Harry Bass sent her Chaise for Polly and me who went there, dined and spent an agreeable afternoon and evening in Company with Mr Bass and Lady – sons and Daughters Mr Wheeler and 3 Miss Bass's in evening went To Dr Hayward's

23 Very Pleasant, Dr William Hayward and Mrs Henshaw went to Dorchester Ordination AM Polly and I went a Shopping I bought me a buff colored shawl 4 yards ½ [**] 5/4 – Called to see Miss Chapmans ½ hour. dined at Dr's – PM spent at Mr Moses Bass's with aunt Bass and Betsy. walked with Misses Bass to the Duck Manufacturing With which I was much pleased returned to Dr's in evening -

24 Pleasant, spent the day at

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Dr's – Reverend Mr Shaw and Lady from Haverhill dined there -

25 Very pleasant. PM went with Dr Mrs Hayward Mrs Henshaw and PD to see the New Theatre – from thence to Fort hill and had a fine prospect of the Town, long wharf and harbour -etc Returned to Dr at 6 PM -

26 Very pleasant – Set out from Dr's by The break of Day in the Stage, Accompanied by P Denny and others for Shrewsbury – before we reached a mile, the Carriage Broke - and we were detained till another was procured in the interim – we called at Mr Gores about sun rise we bade them adieu and set out again in good Spirits – being 11 in number among whom was General Town of Charlton and Major Taylor – Northborough- PD

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J Patch Worcester the others unknown - Breakfast at Mr Flaggs Westin Dined at M[***]s Northborough I was attacked with a bad headache

- all day otherways had an agreeable
 Journey – arrived at Shrewsbury at Mr
 Wards at 4 PM where we tarried all night
- 27 Sunday – Very cold cloudyish day
 attended Meeting from Mr Wards
 with Patty Farrar. Heard Mr
 Bancroft preached from 1 Corinthians
 C13 V13 – dined at uncle Josephs
 found him very unwell with the
 jaundice – in evening Mr Farrar
 and Son Mr Ward and P Denny here -
- 28 Cold Cloudy PM Polly and I spent
 The afternoon at Mr Joseph Stones very
 agreeably evening called at Mrs Joshua's
 found Mrs Henshaw unwell with
 headache – I went home with
 Polly staid all night at Mr Ward's

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- 29 Snowed last night and to day
 very cold windy stormy day
 Similar to those we have in January
 at 11 AM I rode up to uncle
 Joseph's from Mr Ward's in as
 Severe a storm of snow and I ever experienced
- 30 Fair and cold AM spent at uncle Joseph's
 PM at Mr Wards. Polly and I prepared to go
 to Worcester in the stage but were
 disappointed by its being full. Polly
 returned to uncle's with me and tarried
 all night.
- 31 Pleasant – This day
 appointed for the condemned some
 weeks since, for the Murder of Captain
 Elisha Allen of Provincetown ----
 AM Polly Denny etc came up to Worcester
 in a Chaise – went to the Meeting house
 at 11 with Mr Denny heard the

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Execution Sermon, from Samuel 1 C3 V13 -
Delivered by Mr Bancroft of [*****]
Dined at Mr Denny's in Company
with PD, PW, Mrs Abbot from Oakh[am]
Mrs Wheeler from Hardwick Cousin Billy
and Tommy Denny etc --
after the Execution, went
with Thomas and Polly Denny to Mr
Joseph Wheeler, where we spent the
evening very agreeably. - returned to Mr
Denny's and tarried

November 1 1793 -- Warmish

Snowed moderately all forenoon. PM
cleared off – we spent the day at Mr
Dennys – at dusk went with Mr
Denny and Polly to Mr St[**]s to see
the carding and Spinning and weaving
manufactory – on our return called
and spent the evening at Mr Rice's

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- 2 Very pleasant – Spent AM at Mr
Denny's with Mrs Denny and Polly –
PM – Came home in Peas' Stage –
Found all Friends well – but I was
much disappointed in not seeing Aunt
Jos who has made a lengthy Visit
at Leicester since I have been absent
received a letter from N M 2d
- 3 Sunday Cloudy morn. Phebe and Daddy
I was detained from meeting by a bad headache
went to m[**]ny – began to rain at
8 stopped at 9. Cloudy dull day
- 4 Cloudy morn cleared off fair AM – This
day very unwell with headache etc PM
rode up to see the Dr who was gone
to Town meetings – at 4 PM clouded up
and misted a cold east wind made disagreeable
weather I tarried all night at Dr's
slept with Amy Peters etc –

- 5 East wind continues likewise the frozen
visit – AM I came home Daddy went
to Shrewsbury to see uncle Joseph who is very unwell.
- 6 Foggy misty rainy. Betty Bond came here AM
PM and evening very rainy at 6 in evening Daddy returned

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- from Shrewsbury – Uncle Joseph remains
much the same
- 7 Thanksgiving day – very pleasant
indeed. Daddy and Boys went to meeting.
Joseph and Sally Flint, and Daddy came home
with them: Polly and Charlotte Wheeler and Sally
Lynde spent the week here Mr Thomas Parker here evening
- 8 Pleasant – PM Daddy to Town Old
Mr Green and Lady and Nancy Henshaw here
visiting. AM Dudley and Jo Flint went home -
- 9 Very pleasant and warm – Daddy went
to John Sylvesters on Business PM – AM sewed PM
washed at the Spring
- 10 Sunday. Misty dull
Daddy and Billy went to Meeting.
- 11 Fair. Daddy went to Worcester and Shrewsbury
Polly Wheeler home AM.
- 12 Very pleasant. Mrs Lyndes here visiting
- 13 snowed all day wind NE
- 14 Cloudish. pleasant. Daddy went to Ward
From thence to Town on Arbitration business
Between Court and Upham. Returned at eleven PM
- 15 Pleasant cold etc. Spun wool for a rarity 3 Skeins
- 16 Fair. Southardly wind. O[ld] Mrs Green here in morn

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- 17 Sunday. Rainy this morn – fair calm PM
detained from meeting as usual. Daddy
attended. Mr Foster of N Braintree
preached – received a letter from PD likewise
one from L Rice Hardwick
- 18 Very rainy windy night last
Very cold windy rainy forenoon. PM

- Squawly cleared off at night very cold
And windy – Benjamin Convers here Bill Rice
- 19 Fair – Daddy went to Shrewsbury
Phebe and I went to Mr Rice's visiting evening
came home by uncle Wheeler's -
- 20 Very pleasant indeed. Daddy
returned from Shrewsbury – uncle
Joseph very little better – Evening,
Daddy Ma'am and Phebe at Mr Lyle's
- 21 Cloudy – looked for snow but was
agreeably disappointed evening cleared
off after snowing 10 minutes
- 22 Very pleasant indeed – Daddy at
Town all day PM. Dr here carried
Sally home – Spun cotton -
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- at night Betty Bond here Phebe went
to uncle Wheeler's tarried all night
- 23 Cloudy with signs of snow or rain
Daniel Denny here left 9 pairs 4d cards to set
- 24 Sunday – last night very
rainy and windy – this morn
cloudy, rainy, then sunshine 9 cold, cloudy 10
rain, hail 11 and sunshine, at noon –
PM fair and cold – Daddy attended meeting alone
Mr Appleton of Brookfield preached
- 25 Fair windyish. A Mr Wood and Phinehas
Sargent here in morn on business with Daddy
Daddy went to Shrewsbury returned at
- 26 Clear and cold.
- 27 Ditto. Mr Joseph Sargent spent PM and Evening here. D D here
- 28 Cloudy little snow cold. PM Charlotte W and
Betsy Warren here visiting. Phebe and Charlotte
with Pliny Earle's. I spun Worsterd this day
for the first time! Daddy went to Town on
Business, evening being very dark, tarried all night
- 29 Rained a little chief of the day which
froze and made the going disagreeable and
dangerous – bought eggs of Bill Rice [*]d a doz

Who courted them upon the ice
And of the cake, must have a slice

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30 Ditto

December 1 1793 Sunday something

cloudy AM little snow PM which melted
as soon as fallen – Phebe and I attended
Meeting. Mr Dana (Pastor of the
Baptist Society – South End) preached
Text in Matthew Evening Uncle W. here
Received a letter from Shrewsbury PBW.

2 Fair coldish – Daddy to Town carried
cloth to Clothier's for Baize – Evening Mr
and Mrs Lynde's and Sally here visiting. this day
knit Daddy a stocking

3 Last night very windy to day fair pleasant
in morning – Daddy set out for Shrewsbury
Mr Scott and Sally and James came here
the former went to Oakham left the 2 latter here
PM Uncle and Aunt Wheeler and Mrs Gill in here
This day snowed, knit and waited upon Company.

4 Very stormy blustering disagreeable day
PM Daddy returned from Shrewsbury – Mrs Scott
from Oakham

5 Clear and cold – Mr and Mrs Scott went home
AM.

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6 Cloudy dull day PM and evening little rain
Mrs Green Mrs Sargent Mrs Lyndes spent
Evening here and assisted us in sewing the two
former tarried all night – AM Daddy to Worc[ester]

7 Rainy all day, evening and night
Mrs Sargent, Mrs A. Earle, Mrs
Lynde, and Mrs Gilmore spent evening
here. 3 former tarried all night

8 Sunday. Cloudy and Windy
AM Mrs Earle and Mrs Sargent went home,

9 Fair very windy last night and today

- 10 Fair coldish – Old Mrs Green here PM
Daddy killed his Hogs Mr A Earle and Gill sp[***]
- 11 Fair pleasant coldish. Daddy went to Shrewsbury
returned in evening! Uncle Joseph much the same.
Mrs Lydne and Sally spent evening here
- 12 Fair Pleasant coldish. Ironed and fringed [*mittens*]
Mr Convers supped here.
- 13 Fair Cold windy. Daddy to Town
- 14 Pleasant AM Squawly PM – Daddy went
to Worcester. Billy to Colonel Denny's took 12 pairs 3d cards
evening Daddy [***]d a man for a short [****]
who tarried all night

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- 15 Sunday Pleasant. Attended
Meeting. Mr Thombleson from Oakham
preached from C3 Romans V 28
Mr Conklin, Dr Harvy's wife and Phinehas
Sargent prayed for. Daddy went in
morn and Married Amity Washburn
to Mr John Howard of Sutton. May it
be a happy union – spent
intermission at William Harris's at their
new habitation, find them to all
appearance happily situated. –
This evening Mr Hawkins and wife
spent at our house. -----
And this is my birth night!
Twenty one years have rolled
Almost insensibly away: it seem
but a very few days since my first
remembrance – May the few remaining
be spent more Productively ----

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- 16 Cloudy – rained some in evening
AM C Wheeler here PM Old Mrs Estabrook
borrowed a 32 harness etc – PM Daddy went
to Town Committee meeting for Library
I carded 6 spun 5 skeins cotton BB.

- 17 Fair windyish AM – Carded and spun
7 skeins cotton – Daddy to Worcester
- 18 Cloudy AM – snowed from 12 to 4 then
rain till 10 fair cold – I carded and
spun 6 skeins of cotton. Daddy to
Worcester – Reference between Goulding
and Convers -----
- 19 Fair – sewed all day mended dark
Calico etc Daddy to Worcester and Shrewsbury
- 20 AM pleasant. Daddy to Worcester PM clea
red up and snowed 3 hours – Dr Flint here
in Sleigh I rode home with him at 1
spent PM at Dr's Evening at Mr Harris's
in company with A Rice and Amy Peters
slept at Drs Received a letter from N Sylvester
- 21 Cloudy AM – PM fair and windy
AM went to Colonel Denny's with Mrs Flint
assisted Mrs Denny in sewing – dined
at Dr's at 1 o'clock PM – attended

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- Phineas Sargents Funeral
(at Colonel Denny's) who died Friday
morning last December 20th (aged 23 years 4 months
of a Nervous Putrid Fever ---
Came home at night. left
Phebe at Dr's
- 22 Sunday Very cold. Daddy
attended Meeting – Mr Alexander
from Mendon preached ----
Phebe came from Dr's at night
- 23 Something cloudy but pleant.
- 24 Very pleasant. Daddy attended Court
Evening, William Harris and Lady,
Billy, Ruthy and Sally Swan,
Thomas Denny Amy Peters, Nabby
Bruce, and Abner Rice made
us a Visit – returned at 12 midnight
- 25 cloudy AM rained PM snowed
Evening I went up to uncle Wheeler's

[*****] to spend the day – at night
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- 26 As cold a day, as they say
as ever blew, or ever that which knew
spent the day at uncle Wheelers
by fire side -
- 27 Ditto Ditto ditto
- 28 snowed very moderately drifted the day
I rode home with Charlotte Wheeler
Went to Anti Earles took 6 pairs [*]d paper [***]
- 29 Sunday Very pleasant indeed
no meeting at Leicester Town.
Uncle Wheeler and Billy here at night
Daddy spent PM at uncle Wheelers
- 30 Very pleasant Daddy went
to Shrewsbury in morn. at night
Joseph came up from Shrewsbury
Daddy sets off tomorrow morn
for Cambridge or Barns[***]
for uncle Joseph – I spent evening
at Mr Lynde's

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- 31 Began to rain at Ten rainy
disagreeable day cleared off at
Night cold AM Our hired Man
Viz James Robbe went away
and took with him our Eldest
dog named Beaux -----
Nor Beaux nor Belles were never than he
Who'd hardly look at [*lyson*] tea!
"Nonsense! Downright nonsense!"