

Martha Farnsworth diary

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Martha Van Orsdol Shaw Farnsworth kept a personal diary from 1882 through 1922 with only a few gaps. The diary starts when she is a teenager. The entries in this volume describe her daily activities as she is growing up in Winfield and later Silver Lake and Topeka. She marries John W. Shaw on September 4, 1889. She refers to him as Johnny or Winnie in the diary. He works for the post office. Many of Martha's diary entries are very emotional about the boys she dates and her marriage to Johnny. From the beginning of her marriage, Martha expresses her unhappiness in her marriage. It seems to stem from Johnny's drinking and his anger when he was intoxicated. Johnny dies in October 1893 and Martha soon marries another post man Fred Farnsworth in 1894. It is possible that this diary was rewritten from an earlier version because some entries are underlined in red.

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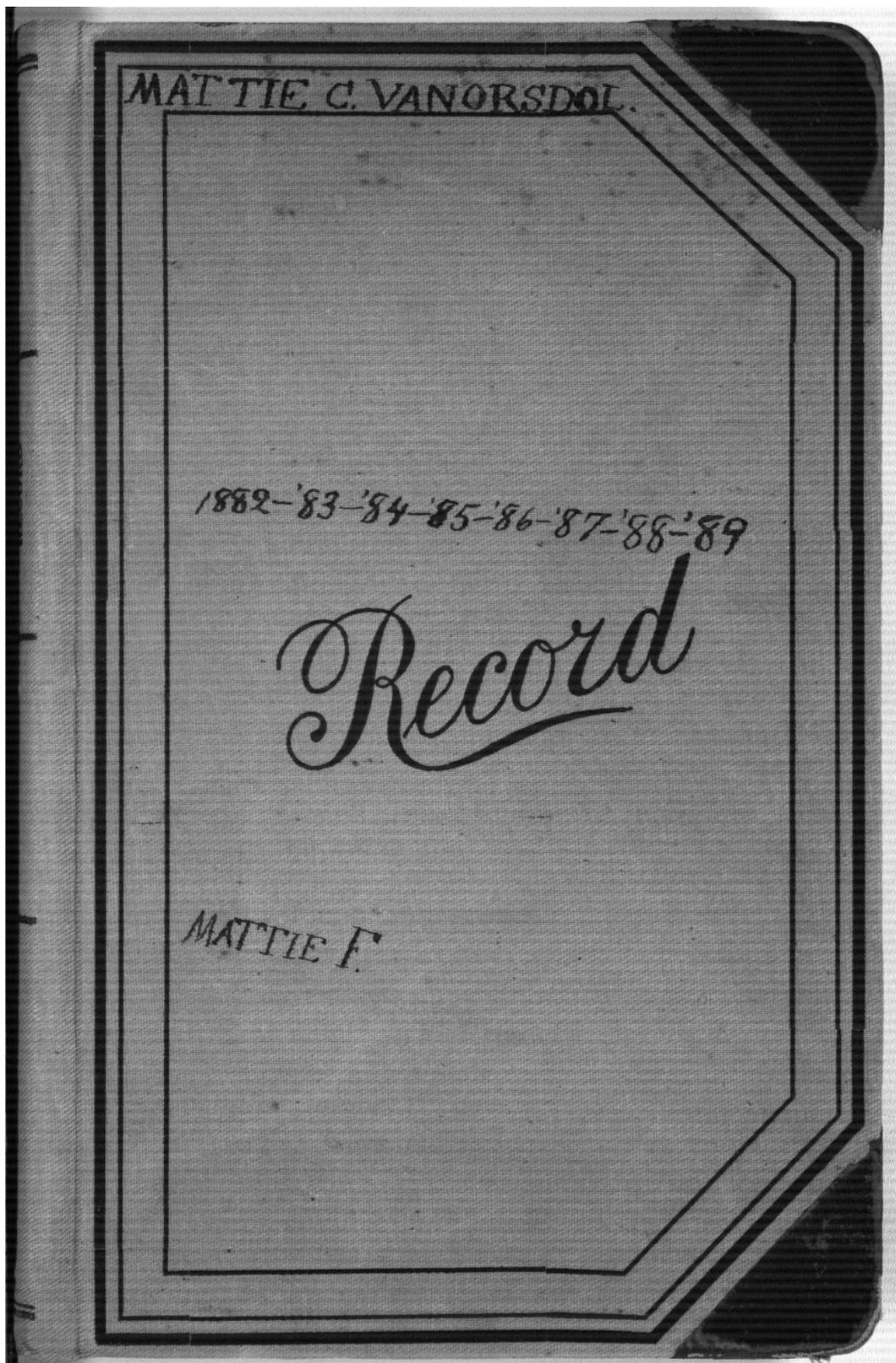
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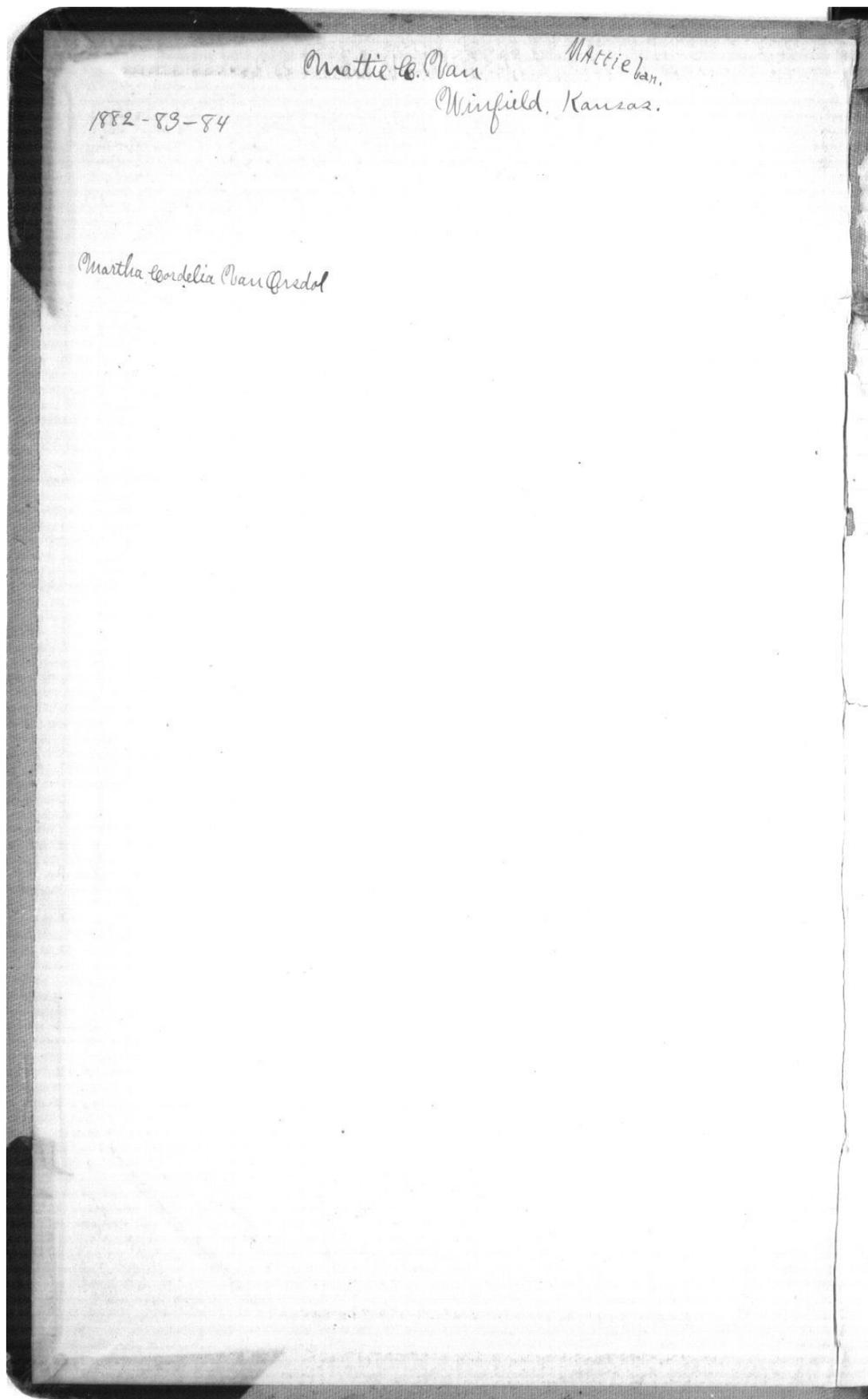
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Winfield.	January 1882.	1
Sunday 1.	Prairie Grove, Cowley Co. Kansas. At home. Anna + Alex Bommershine came over in the evening I and Mrs. Reidney went to call on Mrs. Pontious. South wind.	
Mon. 2.	At school, a pleasant day. wind blew from the north-east. at school all day. at home all night.	
Tues. 3.	At school all day. at home all night. wind blew from the east.	
Wed. 4.	At school all day. Eliza Johnson came home with us from school to stay all night, it being Lottie Pontious' birth day. her, Mary, Belle + I went down to spend evening. wind blew from North.	
Thurs. 5.	At school all day. Wind blew from south. at home all night.	
Fri. 6.	At school all day. Very foggy all day. Wind blew from the south.	
Sat. 7.	At home all day. Went to meeting at night with Mrs. Whites, to the Stone Church over on the Walnut river: came home after meeting. South wind	
Sun. 8.	At home all day. went to meeting at night with uncle Gekia: came home with Mrs. Whites. Wind blew from the north.	
Mon. 9.	At school all day. At home all night. snowed in the night, melted before noon next day. wind blew from north.	
Tues. 10.	At school all day. a very cloudy day. wind blew from south. at home all night.	



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- 2	January 1882. Prairie Grove, Mo., Winfield P.O., Cowley Co., K.
Wed. 11.	At home all night, at school all day. Pleasant day. wind blew from North-east.
Thurs. 12.	At school all day, May Frederick was at school. wind blew from east. rained all day. At home all night.
Fri. 13.	At school all day, wind blew from the south, Organized a "Literary" in the afternoon, after recess. Jessie Miles visited the school.
Sat. 14.	At home all day, had the sore-throat, At home all night. Wind blew from the south.
Sun. 15.	At home all day, had sore-throat, wind blew from the south. At home all night. Snowed a little. Not enough to show very plain.
Mon. 16.	Very cold day, Ester Slagle visited the school. At school all day. Only 10 scholars at school. wind blew from the north. Gattie Pontious, Aliza, George + Della Johnson, Manly + Henry Anderson, Elfy White, May, Belle + I were all there was at school.
Tues. 17.	At school all day, at home all night. Wind blew from the south-west. Miss Fanny Pontious (teacher took sick at noon went home leaving Carrie Chubbett in charge.
Wed. 18.	At school all day, Wind blew from the north. At home all night.
Thurs. 19.	At school all day, wind blew from the south. At home all night: rather a fair day.
Fri. 20.	At school all day: wind blew from the south. A cloudy & rainy day. Mrs. Slagle & Charlie Pontious were at school & had a good literary.



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"Lunny Slope" Farm, 1882 January 1882 Prairie Grove, school district No 108. Winfield P.O. address.	
Sat. 21.	At home all day. Mrs. Kidney went to town. Wind blew from the north. Emma Weber came over to stay all night.
Sun. 22.	South Wind. At home all day. Emma Weber, George Rogers, and Gattie Pontious were here. I went home with Gattie and stayed till after dark. South wind.
Mon. 23.	At school all day. At home all night. Wind blew from the south. Zelma Weber was at school: her birthday, 5 years old.
Tues. 24.	A cold day, wind blew from south. At school all day, at home all night. Zelma Weber at school. George Rogers, run a wolf by the school-house, on his pony, "Pet", but did not catch it.
Wed. 25.	At school all day. At home all night. Very cloudy day. Wind blew from the south. Gattie + Fanny Pontious + Uncle Zeke Rogers were here.
Thurs. 26.	At school all day. At home all night. A grand wolf hunt took place. About 100 out; no wolves caught. plenty of other game. Wind blew from North-west. Mrs. Rhinehart + Annie Krueger at school.
Fri. 27.	At school all day. Wind blew from south; had "Literary" in the afternoon. Went home with C. F. White and stayed all night.
Sat. 28.	A very cold day: strong north wind. At Mrs. Whites all day. Mrs. Pontious and Fanny had been to town and came by Mrs. Whites. I rode home with them and took supper and then came home. At home all night.
Sun. 29.	At home all day + night. Fanny + Gattie Pontious + Henry + Mauley Anderson were here. A still + cloudy day. What little wind there was blew from East.
Mon. 30.	At school all day. At home all night. snowed last night + all day today. wind blew from South + East.
Tues. 31.	At school all day. At home all night. wind blew from West. Sun shone all afternoon. cloudy till about 5 o'clock. Uncle Joe Anderson was at school.



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4	1882. February 1882.
Wed. 1.	At school all day, at home all night, went down to Mr. Portions to go to meeting down to Filoral but they did not go ^d I came home. Wind blew from south.
Thurs. 2.	At school all day, went with Mr. Portions' down to Filoral to meeting in the evening; came home after meeting <u>wind blew from the south.</u>
Fri. 3.	At school all day; wind blew from the south; had <u>Literary</u> in the afternoon, Mrs. Plunket + Annie were there, I <u>was sick all day.</u>
Sat. 4.	At home all day sick in bed; wind blew from ^{the} south. At home all night, <u>Gottie Portions</u> was up in the evening.
Sun. 5.	At home all day, George Stalter + wife, Aunt Mat, Uncle Joe, Sadie + Dadie Anderson, George Rogers, Charlie Fille ^d + Ella Weber, were here; at home all night. North wind
Mon. 6.	At home all day; sick and did not go to school; strong south wind. At home all night. Fanny Portions here in <u>the evening.</u>
Tues. 7.	At home all day sick. At home all night; rained all forenoon; cleared away ^d very fair all afternoon. Geo. Rogers + Fanny Portions here in the evening. <u>North wind.</u>
Wed. 8.	At home all day and night sick. Wind blew from <u>south.</u>
Thurs. 9.	At home all day + night; sick ^d did not go to school; wind <u>blew from the south.</u>
Fri. 10.	At home all day ^d night sick, wind blew from south.
Sat. 11.	At home all day ^d night sick. The wind blew from <u>the south.</u>
Sun. 12.	At home all day ^d night sick. The wind blew from <u>the south.</u>
Mon. 13.	At home all day ^d night sick. The wind blew from <u>the south.</u>



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Tues. 14. At home all daynd & night sick; wind blew from the south.

Wed. 15. At home all daynd & night sick. Wind blew from the south.

Thurs. 16. At home all daynd & night sick; Wind blew from the south.

Fri. 17. At home all daynd & night sick; Wind blew from the south.

Sat. 18. At home all day and night sick; the ^{wind} blew from the south.

Sun. 19. At home all day and night sick. Sleeted and snowed all day and night. Wind blew from the north.

Mon. 20. At home all daynd & night sick; Sleetednd & snowed all forenoon. Wind blew from the North.

Tues. 21. At home all day and night sick; wind blew from the south.

Wed. 22. At home all day and night sick. Wind blew from the south.

Thurs. 23. At home all day and night sick. Wind blew from the south.

Fri. 24. At home all daynd & night sick; Wind blew from the south.

Sat. 25. At home all daynd & night. Wind blew from the south.

Sun. 26. At home all daynd & night. Wind blew from the south.

Mon. 27. At home all day and night sick. Wind blew from the south.

Tues. 28. At home all daynd & night sick. Wind blew from the south. Sick with Malaria fever.

MARCH.

Wed. 1. At home all daynd & night sick. Wind blew from the south. Mrs. Plunkettnd Annand Mrs. Parmer were here.



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6	1882. MARCH. 1882
Thurs. 2.	A light wind blew from the south. At home all day ^{and} night sick. Aunt Tressa, George + Mabel Sapp, George Rogers Emma Weber ^{and} Fanny Pontious were here. A very pretty day.
Fri. 3.	At home all day ^{and} night. Aunt Mary, Uncle Gebe ^{and} Bert Rogers ^{and} Grandma Leach were here: did not stay long <small>(wind blew from the south)</small>
Sat. 4.	At home all day ^{and} night sick: able to "set up". Very nice day: light wind from the south. George Sapp ^{and} Emma Weber came over in the afternoon and stayed all night.
Surr. 5.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the south. Uncle John Anderson came up in the afternoon.
Mon. 6.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south. Aunt Tressa Sapp and Mabel stayed all night here. George Sapp ^{and} Uncle Bill Weber, were here in the afternoon.
Tues 7.	At home all day ^{and} night. Aunt Tressa, Mabel ^{and} Geo. Sapp were here all day ^{and} night, snowed all afternoon. Wind blew from the north.
Wed. 8.	At home all day ^{and} night. Wind blew from the north. Snowed most all day ^{and} night. George Sapp stayed all night here.
Thurs. 9.	At home all day ^{and} night. Wind blew from the north. Mrs. Kidney went home to stay. George Rogers + Charlie Piler were here in the evening. George Sapp stayed all night.
Fri. 10.	At home all day ^{and} night. Manly Anderson was here in the morning. Wind blew from the south.
Sat. 11.	At home all day ^{and} night. Aunt Tressa ^{and} Mabel Sapp stayed all night here. Wind blew from the south.
Sun 12.	At home all day ^{and} night. Uncle Henry, Aunt Kate Lulu, Jessie, Maude, Ellenworth + Tiny Rogers,



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	and Uncle Geke, Aunt Amy ^{2nd} Bertz Rogers, Grandama Leach ^{2nd} Mrs. Pontious were here, ^{2nd} Aunt Fressa Mabel ^{2d} George Sapp. North wind. Mrs. Sapp stayed all night here.
Mon. 13.	At Mrs. Pontious' all day; at home all night. Hattie Pontious, Gattie + Fanny were here in the evening. Wind blew from south.
Tues. 14.	At home all day and night. Fanny Pontious was here in the evening. Uncle Bill Weber and Willie + Almon were here. Wind blew from the north.
Wed. 15.	At home all day and night. Fanny Pontious was here in the morning; wind blew from the north.
Thurs. 16.	At Uncle Bill Weber's all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the south; a pleasant day.
Fri. 17.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south; a damp and cloudy day.
Sat. 18.	At home all day and night. Hattie + Fanny Pontious took supper with us. Wind blew from the south. It rained some in the afternoon.
Sun. 19.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the north. It rained some in the morning. Mattie Van Grondol aged 14.
Mon. 20.	At Uncle Geke Rogers' all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the north.
Tues. 21.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south.
Wed. 22.	At home all day and night. Fanny, Hattie and Gattie Pontious, Carrie Plunkett, and Willie Weber were here in the evening. Wind blew from the south.



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8	1882, MARCH 1882. Mattie Van Brsdol Age 14.
Thurs 23.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south.
Fri. 24.	At home all forenoon. At Mr. Pontious' all afternoon. Wind blew from south.
Sat. 25.	At home all day and night. Very strong south wind.
Sun 26.	At home all day and night. Uncle Joe, Aunt Mat, Sady + Sady Anderson, were here also Jim Hamler and George Rogers. Wind blew from the south.
Mon 27.	At home all day and night. Cold wind blew from the north.
Tues 28.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south. Willie + Myrtle Weber and George Rogers were here.
Wed 29.	At school all day. At home all night. A very pleasant day. The wind blew from the north.
Thurs. 30.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south.
Fri. 31.	At school all day. The last day of Fanny Pontious' school, at Prairie Grove. Had a nice dinner and a "spelling-school" at night. Wind blew from south.
1882. APRIL 1882	
Sat. 1.	At home all day and night. George Rogers and Ella Weber were here. The latter stayed all night. The wind blew from the south.
Sun 2.	At home all day and night. Ella Weber was here and stayed all night. The wind blew from the south.
Mon. 3.	Wind blew from south. At home all forenoon. Fanny Pontious and Ella Weber were here; the latter stayed all night. Elfy White, also was here and I went home with her and staid all night.
Tues. 4.	At Mr. White's all day and night. Wind blew from the south a very cloudy day.



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1882, APRIL, 1882.	
	MATTIE C. VAN ORSDOL. Aged 14
Wed. 4.	At home all day and night: a very cloudy day, wind blowing from the south and raining some all day. Ella, Emma and Myrtle Weber were here.
Thurs. 5.	At home all day and night: wind blew from the south. Myrtle Weber was here in the morning and Carrie and Bert Plunkett, in the evening.
Fri. 7.	At home all day and night: wind blew from the south; rained at night and hailed a little.
Sat. 8.	At home all day and night: wind blew from the south. Geo. Rogers was here and stayed all night.
Sun. 9.	At Uncle Geke Rogers all day. At home all night. wind blew from the south.
Mon. 10.	At home all day and night. A cold and cloudy day, the wind blowing from the north-east.
Tues. 11.	At home all day and night, a very cloudy and rainy day, wind blowing from the east.
Wed. 12.	At home all day and night: a very cloudy day, wind blew from the east. Mimmie Weber here in the afternoon.
Thurs. 13.	At home all day and night, a cold and cloudy day. wind blew from the north.
Fri. 14.	At home all day and night, a cold and cloudy day. Wind blew from the north. Geo. Rogers was here in the afternoon.
Sat. 15.	At home all day and night, rather a fine day. Wind blew from the north.
Sun. 16.	At home all forenoon. At uncle Ge's in the afternoon. Fanny Panton and uncle Bill Weber were here. Wind blew from the south. Martha Cordelia Van Orsdol.



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10	1882. April 1882.
Mon. 17.	At home all forenoon. At uncle Geke's in the afternoon awhile, then went to Mrs. Kidney's and stayed all night. Wind blew from the south.
Tues. 18.	At Mrs. Kidney's all forenoon. Went to uncle Geke Rogers in the afternoon and stayed all night. Wind blew from the south in the morning, but changed to the S.W. buzzing wind, rain + hail.
Wed. 19.	At home all day and night, a very pleasant day; a light wind blew from the north.
Thurs. 20.	At home all day. Went to Mr. Pontious' and stayed all night. Wind blew from the south.
Fri. 21.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south.
Sat. 22.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the north. Ella Weber came over and stayed all night.
Sun. 23.	At Uncle Joe Anderson's all day. At home all night. Wind blew from the north. Ella Weber here all day and night.
Mon. 24.	At home all forenoon. At Mr. Pontious' in the afternoon. Fannie, Pottie + Mrs. Pontious, Minnie, Myrtle, Ella, Zelma, Adam and Geke Weber, and Mrs. McClain, a peddler, were here. Wind blew from the south.
Tues. 25.	At home all day + night. Wind blew from the south. Uncle Henry Rogers and Mr. Underwood were here: he was a peddler.
Wed. 26.	At home all day planting corn: at home all night. Wind blew from the north. Geo. Rogers was here. My birthday. Aged 15.
Thurs. 27.	At home planting corn: at home all night. Wind blew from the south east. George Rogers was here.



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Fri. 28.	At home all day and night. rained all fore noon. Wind blew from north-east.	
Sat. 29.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the north.	
Sun. 30.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the West. Mrs. Parr, Mrs. Pixley and Frank, Fannie Pontious and uncle Bill Weber, were here.	
1882. MAY 1882		
Mon. 1.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the north-west. rained all day.	
Tues. 2.	At Mr. Pontious part of the fore noon, and afternoon, and all night. rained all fore noon and part of the afternoon. Wind blew from south-east.	
Wed. 3.	At home all day and night. very cloudy day. Wind blew from the south.	
Thurs. 4.	At Mr. Pontious about 10 minutes in the fore noon, and about one hour and a half, in the after noon, the rest of the time at home. Wind blew from the south. At home all night.	
Fri. 5.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the north. Mr. Kittle was here in the afternoon.	
Sat. 6.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the north-east. Dottie Pontious was here in the after-noon. rained in the morning.	
Sun. 7.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the south. rained all day at intervals. Fanny Pontious was here in the after-noon.	
Mon. 8.		
Mon. 8.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night. wind blew from the south.	
Tues. 9.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day, at home all night. wind blew from the south. Dottie Pontious was here in the evening.	
Wed. 10.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the north.	
Thurs. 11.	I have the chicken-pox. At home all day and night. wind blew from the north. very cloudy. Mrs. Pontious and Ella Weber were here. Ella stayed all night.	



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12	may 1882.
Fri. 12	At home all day and night. got the chicken-fox. wind blew from the north. Mrs. Stalter, Ella Weber and Nettie ^{and} Mary Plunkett were here.
Sat. 13.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the north. have got the chicken fox.
Sun. 14	The wind blew from the north. At Mr. Portions' from five minutes after 12 until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the rest of the time at home. at Uncle Joe Anderson's all night. Berry, Quarly, Sady Vady + Aunt Mat Anderson + Gattie Portions were here.
Mon. 15,	At Uncle Joe Anderson's all day. stopped on my way home at Mr. Whites, about 10 minutes. at home all night. very light wind blew from the east.
Tues. 16,	At home all day and night. wind blew from the north, very pleasant day.
Wed 17.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the south.
Thurs 18.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the south, rained most all day.
Fri 19.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the south, very cloudy day. Celly White + Mrs. Portions were here.
Sat 20.	At home all day and night. rained very hard most all night, and forenoon. wind from the north. Gattie and Mr. Portions were here.
Sun. 21.	At home all day and night wind blew from the north. Mr. Carr, Celly White Anna Boomershine, uncle Geke, Aunt Mary and Bertie Rogers were here.
Mon. 22.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the south. Ella Minnie + Emma Weber, and Grandpa + Mary Rogers were here
Tues 23.	At home all forenoon and night. At Mr. Portions in the afternoon. wind blew from the south, rained last night.



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May 1882.		13
Wed. 24.	At Mr. White's all day at a quilting; at home all night wind blew from the north, rained very hard most all after- <i>noon.</i>	
Thurs. 25.	At home all day and night, cloudy; wind blew from the north. Uncle Joe Anderson, Mr. Norman Darling and Lottie Pontious were here.	
Fri. 26.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the east, rained most all afternoon.	
Sat. 27.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the east, rained most all forenoon, Elmor Weber was here.	
Sun. 28.	At home all night; at Uncle Bill Webers all day; wind blew from the north, Mrs. Pontious and Lottie were here.	
Mon. 29.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the south-east, a man, woman, and a little boy by the name of Crawford, all strangers to us, and Lottie Pontious and Walter Riehlart were here.	
Tues. 30.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the east; rained almost all afternoon, Myrtle, Ella and Germa Weber and George Rogers were here.	
Wed. 31.	At Uncle Perry Rogers all day; at Mr. Douglas' about 15 minutes in the evening and at Mr. George Stalter's all night wind blew from the north.	
JUNE 1882.		
Thurs. 1.	At Mr. Geo. Stalter's all day, at home all night, wind blew from south.	
Fri. 2.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the north, rained some in the afternoon, Jessie Rogers, Myrtle Weber, Dottie and Mr. Pontious were here.	
Sat. 3.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the north, Dottie Pontious and Estella Pixley were here. Estella came out from Winfield with Pa and Belle to stay a few days.	



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14	June 1882.
Sun. 4.	Went to Mr. Pontious' in the morning and went with them to meeting down to Floral. came home after meeting. Fanny + Mr. Pontious and Estella Pixley were here at home all night. north wind.
Mon. 5.	At home all day and night. Willie Weber, Geo. Rogers, Estella Pixley + Lottie Pontious were here. wind blew from the north.
Tues. 6.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the south. Estella Pixley here all day and night.
Wed. 7.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the south. Estella Pixley here all day and night.
Thurs. 8.	At home all forenoon, went down to Mr. Pontious in the afternoon, and went down to Mr. Reinhardt's with Lottie Pontious. Lottie Pontious and Estella Pixley were here. south wind stayed all night at Reinhardt's.
Fri. 9.	At Mr. Reinhardt's all day. at home all night. wind blew from the south. sprinkled some in the afternoon. Estella Pixley here all day and night.
Sat. 10.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the south. Estella Pixley went back to Winfield this morning with Mr. Pontious.
Sun. 11.	South wind. At home all day, went to uncle Joe Anderson's in the evening and stayed all night. Aunt Mat, Henry, Sady and Vady Anderson and Lottie Pontious were here.
Mon. 12.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day, at home all night. wind blew from the north. rained a little last night.
Tues. 13.	At home all day and night. Uncle Gek, Aunt Mary rd Gerty, Henry and Mr. Plunkett, Charlie, Fannie and Lottie Pontious were here. wind blew from the south.



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Wed. 14	At home all day and night, except very early in the morning, I was at Mr. Pontious'. Wind blew from the west. Uncle Joe Anderson was here.	
Thurs. 15.	At home all forenoon and night. Went down to Mr. Pontious' in the afternoon and went a "fishing" with them down on "Dutch creek." Wind blew from the south.	
Fri. 16.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south. Myrtle and Ella Weber and Fanny Pontious were here. Charlie and Mr. Pontious Uncle Joe Anderson + Uncle Geke Rogers were here yesterday.	
Sat. 17.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south, a very hot day.	
Sun. 18.	At home all forenoon. Gattie Pontious was here. Her + I went up to "Prairie Grove" to meeting in the afternoon. Mr. Brown preached. Wind blew from the north-east.	
Mon. 19.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the east. Rained a little in the afternoon. Gattie and Mattie Pontious and Bessie Hooker were here.	
Tues. 20.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south. Mattie + Gattie Pontious and Uncle Geke Rogers were here.	
Wed. 21.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south. Mr. Douglas was here.	
Thurs. 22.	South wind. At home all day. Went to Uncle Joe Anderson's in the evening and stayed all night. John, Ella + Myrtle Weber, Uncle Ken, Elsworth + Jessie Rogers, Uncle Geke Rogers + Uncle Joe Anderson + Mr. Pontious were here.	
Fri. 23.	At Uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night. Wind blew from the south.	
Sat. 24.	At home all night at Uncle Joe Anderson's all day. Stopped a few minutes at Mr. Whites, on my way home. Wind blew from the south.	



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16	1882 June 1882.
Sun. 25.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the south Hattie Pontious was here.
Mon. 26.	Minnie and Willie Weber were here. At home all day and night, wind blew from the south, uncle Geke, aunt Mary, Bert Elsworth + uncle Henry Rogers, uncle Joe Anderson + Mr. Pontious were here.
Tues 27.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the south. Fannie, Hattie + Mr. Pontious, uncle Geke, uncle Henry + Elsworth Rogers, Willie + Myrtle Weber + uncle Joe Anderson were here.
Wed 28.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the south. Mr. Douglas was here.
Thurs 29.	Hattie Van Gerdot at home all day and night, wind blew from the south. Hattie Pontious was here.
Fri. 30.	Very hot, rained a little in the evening. At uncle Joe Anderson's all day, at home all night. Wind blew from the south, uncle Joe + Henry Anderson, uncle Geke Elsworth, and uncle Henry Rogers, uncle Bill Weber Charlie Pontious, Belle + Charlie Johnson were here.
JULY.	
Sat. 1 st	At home all day and night, Fannie + Hattie Pontious and Wauly + Henry Anderson were here, wind blew from the south, very hot day.
Sun. 2.	At home all forenoon and night, went to uncle Joe Anderson's in the afternoon, south-east wind, Fannie + Hattie Pontious were here.
Mon. 3.	South wind. At Mrs. Rinchart's all forenoon, at home all afternoon, and night, Fannie, Hattie + Mr. Pontious, Emma + Willie Weber, uncle Geke Rogers, Henry Anderson, and Walter Rinchart were here. <i>(very hot day.)</i>
Tues 4.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the south, Hattie and Fannie Pontious and uncle Bill Weber were here.



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	1882.	July 1882.	17
Wed. 5	At home all forenoon and night. At Mr. Whites all afternoon. Gottie, Hattie and Mr. Portious were here, also Uncle Geke Rogers + Henry Anderson. Wind blew from the south.		
Thurs. 6.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south, rained some. Uncle Geke, aunt Mary and Bert Rogers were here.		
Fri. 7.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south. Charlie Fannie and Gottie Portious were here.		
Sat. 8.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south. Gottie and Hattie Portious were here.		
Sun. 9.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south, rained most all day. Fannie, Hattie, and Gottie Portious were here.		
Mon. 10.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the south. Mr. + Mrs. Reinhart and Walter, Mrs. Portious, Gottie + Charlie and Emma Weber were here. Emma stayed all night.		
Tues. 11.	At Uncle Joe Andersons all night. At home all day. Wind blew from the south. Emma Weber, Charlie Portious and Uncle Geke Rogers were here.		
Wed 12.	At Uncle Joe Andersons all day and night. Wind blew from the south.		
Thurs. 13.	At Uncle Joe Andersons all day and night. Wind blew from the north west. Uncle Joe is sick with fever and I'm helping Aunt.		
Fri. 14.	At Uncle Joe Andersons all day and night. Wind blew from the north west.		
Sat. 15.	At Uncle Joe Andersons all day and night. Wind blew from the south, rained all day.		
Sun. 16.	At home awhile in the forenoon. at Uncle Joe Andersons the rest of the day and night. Wind blew from the south.		
Mon. 17	At Uncle Joe Andersons all day + night. Wind blew from the south. rained very hard in the afternoon.		



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18	1882. July 1882.
Tues. 18.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night. wind blew from the south.
Wed. 19.	At uncle Joe's all day and night. wind blew from the south.
Thurs. 20.	At uncle Joe's all day and night. wind blew from the east.
Fri. 21.	At home all day and night. wind blew from the north-east. rained.
Sat. 22.	At uncle Joe's all day and night. wind blew from the south.
Sun. 23.	At uncle Joe's all day and night. Wind blew from the south.
Mon. 24	At uncle Joe's all day and night. south wind.
Tues. 25.	At uncle Joe's all day and night. south wind.
Wed 26.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night. south wind.
Thurs. 27.	At uncle Joe's all day + night. Wind blew from the south.
Fri. 28.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night. south wind.
Sat. 29	At uncle Joe's all day and night. south wind.
Sun. 30.	South wind. At home in the afternoon. at uncle Joe's, in the afternoon and night. Carrie Plunkett, Minnie Heber, Lottie & Charlie Portious, Mr. Caspar and Mr. Cunningham of Burden, were here.
Mon. 31.	At uncle Joe's all day and night. south wind. August.
Tues. 1.	At uncle Joe's all day. and at home all night with wind.
Wed. 2.	At Winfield all day, at home all night. wind blew from the south. rained. Lottie Portious was here.
Thurs. 3.	at uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night. wind blew from the north. rained.



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Fri. 4.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night, rained, wind blew from the north.
Sat. 5.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night, wind blew from the north, rained
Sun. 6.	At uncle Joe's all day and night, wind blew from the north, rained,
Mon. 7.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night, wind blew from the north, <u>rained</u> .
Tues. 8.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night, rained in the evening, north wind
Wed. 9.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night, wind blew from the north,
Thurs. 10.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night, wind blew from the north.
Fri. 11.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night, wind blew from south,
Sat. 12.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night, wind blew from the south,
Sun. 13.	At home all day and night, at uncle Joe Anderson's & Mr. White's in the evening. Henry, Sady & Lady Anderson, uncle Zeke, aunt Mary & Bert Rogers, uncle Bill, Gelma, Ella, Myrtle & Elmer Weber, Walter, Sarah & Mrs. & Mrs. Rinehart, & Scottie & Mrs. Portions Glenn Schock & George Rogers were here. south wind
Mon. 14.	At Mr. Portions' while in the forenoon, the rest of the time at home, at home all night. Mrs. White, Effy & Harris were here, south wind. Henry Anderson here,
Tues. 15.	At uncle Joe Anderson's all day and night, wind blew from the south, rained, Scottie Portions and Henry Anderson was here.
Wed. 16.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the south, uncle Bill and Willie Weber, Scottie Portions and Geo Rogers were here.
Thurs. 17.	At home all day and night, Mr. Cass, Scottie Portions and Effy White were here, wind blew from the east.



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20	1882. August. 1882
Fri. 18.	At Mr. Dixley's in Winfield all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the south. Gattie & Mr. Pontious here in the morning.
Sat. 19.	At home all day and night. Gattie Pontious, uncle Geke Rogers, John Harlan & Mrs. White & Harris were here. Wind blew from the east.
Sun. 20.	Mr. Leacons was here. Mr. Pontious was here. south wind. At home all forenoon and night. at church at Prairie Grove in the afternoon. Mr. Brown preached. Uncle Bill, John, Emma, Minnie & Ella Weber, uncle John Sapp, Geo. Rogers, Jake Hestler, Maria Harlan, Gattie Pontious and Carrie Blunket were here.
Mon. 21.	At home all day and night. Uncle John & Will Sapp, uncle Geke, aunt Mary & Bertie Rogers, Gattie Pontious, Will Giles, John Woolery & Mr. Leinakers boy and girl were here. south wind
Tues 22.	At home all day and night. Mr. Seimerick & Charlie Sanford were here. Will Giles & Sam Hogue were here all after noon and night <small>wind blew from the south.</small>
Wed. 23.	South wind. At home all day & night. Mrs. Peard & two daughters & daughter-in-law, Mrs. Rogers, - Mr. Page & son, Gattie Pontious, Minnie Weber, Will Giles & Sam Hogue were here.
Thurs. 24.	Rained. Wind blew from the south. At home all day and night. Alf, Bertie & Harris White, Gattie & Mr. Pontious, Willie Giles and Sam Hogue, Mrs. Johnson, and uncle Geke Rogers <small>and uncle John Sapp were here.</small>
Fri. 25	Mr. & Mrs. Fletcher and little boy & girl were here, south wind. At home all day and night. Mr. & Mrs. Rogers & Emma & Ida, Mrs. & Mrs. Pake, Minnie, Ella and Myrtle Weber, Willie Giles and Sam Hogue and uncle John & Will Sapp, Gattie Pontious were here.
Sat 26.	At home all day and night. Mr. Rogers & Frank, Emma, Willie, Elmer, Adams & Geke Weber and Gattie Pontious were here <small>south wind.</small>
Sun. 27.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the east. Mr. Cars, Mr. Pontious & Gattie and Mrs. White & Alf, & Willie & Elmer Weber were here.



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Mon 28.	South wind. At home all day & night. Uncle Geke, aunt Mary & Bertie Rogers, Mr. Pontious & Gattie, uncle Joe Anderson & Henry & Mrs. Gubbison were here.
Tues 29.	At home all afternoon & night. At Mr. Pontious' awhile in the forenoon. Frank & Mr. & Mrs. Nichols, Frank & Mr. & Mrs. Rogers, Will & uncle John Sapp, Henry & uncle Joe Anderson, & Gattie Pontious, Mr. Cole , uncle Bill Weber, Mr. Gubbison, Mr. Cornet & Mrs. Cole were here: north wind.
Wed 30.	Very cloudy and misty all day. north wind. At home all afternoon & night. At Mr. Pontious' awhile in the forenoon. Mr. & Mrs. White & Elfy, Bertie & Harris, Mr. Pontious, Fannie & Hattie, Henry & uncle Joe Anderson, uncle Geke Rogers, uncle Bill Weber, Will Sapp, Mr. Cole, Mr. Cornett, Mr. Gubbison, Elijah Gubbison, Alex Bonnershine, Mr. Plunkett, Mr. Hollo way & Walter Reinhart were here.
Thurs 31.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the north. Will & uncle John Sapp, Mr. Pontious & Fannie, Minnie & Ella Weber, Mr. Plunkett were here: rained.
SEPTEMBER.	
Fri. 1.	At uncle Geke Rogers' all forenoon; at Mr. S. S. S. & uncle Geke Rogers in the afternoon; at home all night. Mr. & Mrs. Hanlen and their little "Baby" were here: north wind.
Sat. 2.	At home all day and night. Fannie & Hattie Pontious, Will & uncle John Sapp, uncle Bill Weber and uncle Geke Rogers were here and blew from south west.
Sun. 3.	South wind. At home all day & night. Mrs. Anna & Alex Bonnershine, Mag, Jim & Maria Hanlon, Clarence Kistler, Fannie, Hattie & Mr. Pontious, uncle John Sapp & Mr. Hogue were here.
Mon. 4.	South wind. At home all day & night. Mrs. Rogers, Hattie Pontious, Jane & Ella Smith, Ora, Hilda, Allie & Mrs. Anstot, Alex & Mrs. Bonnershine, Minnie, Willie, Elmer, Myrtle, Ella, Gelma, Adair & Geke Weber, John and Mr. McCallum & uncle John Sapp were here, also Will Sapp. Grand-pa Rogers, aged 75 years, died today; he was my mother's father.



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22	1882. September 1882.
Tues. 5.	Went to Grandpa Rogers funeral; was there until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. he was seventy-five years old. Stopped at Mr. Whites about 5 minutes, on my way home. Hattie + Fannie Pontious + a "peddler" were here. at home all night. South wind. "He died yesterday"
Wed. 6.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the north. rained. Mr. Houston + wife + sister, Mr. Nichole + two little boys, Hattie Pontious + uncle Bill Weber were here.
Thurs. 7.	At home all day + night. Wind blew from the north west. Myrtle + Ella Weber, Mary Rogers + Hattie Pontious were here.
Fri. 8	At Mr. Pontious about 5 minutes in the forenoon; the rest of the time + all night at home. Roy Cass, Mr. Holmes, and Fannie + Hattie Pontious were here. Wind blew from the north.
Sat. 9.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the north-east. Roy Cass, Fannie Pontious, a stranger, and Hattie Pontious were here.
Sun. 10.	South wind. At home all day + night. Mr. Pontious, Charlie, Hattie + Fannie, uncle Jake, aunt Mary + Bertie Rogers, uncle Bill + aunt Till Weber, Bessie Hooker, Miss Kraiser and Nellie Kretzinger were here.
Mon. 11.	At home all day: at Mr. Whites all night. Ella + Myrtle Weber were here. Pa started up to Topeka to the "Old Soldiers Reunion." Wind blew from the south.
Tues. 12.	South-west wind. At home all day and night. Mr. Hardy, Sady Vady, and uncle Joel Anderson, Harris, Bertie, Elfy, + Mrs. White Mrs. Harris, James + Eliza Hanken, Queen Kate, Mr. Kretzinger + Eddie, Hattie + Nellie were here.
Wed. 13.	At home all day and night. hot south-west wind. Hattie + Hattie Pontious, Bessie Hooker and a strange man was (here).



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Thurs. 14.	At home all day and night, wind blew from the south. Will Sapp, Fannie + Gattie Portinus, Bessie Hooker and Mr. Anderson were here.	
Fri. 15.	South wind. At Mr. Portinus about 6 minutes in the forenoon. The rest of the day + all night at home Will Sapp, Henry, Lady + Vady + uncle Joe Anderson and Cally White were here.	
Sat. 16.	At home all day + night, wind blew from the south. Pa came home from the "Old Soldiers reunion" held at Topeka. Gattie Portinus was here.	
Sun. 17.	At home all day and night, strong south wind. Will Sapp, Henry Anderson, Mr. Portinus, Hattie + Gattie, Mr. Rinckhart, Grace + Walter, uncle Bill Weber + uncle Gebe Rogers were here.	
Mon. 18.	At home all day and night, very strong wind. Uncle Bill Weber was here.	
Tues. 19.	At home all day and night, rained very hard last night, north-west wind, uncle Bill Weber, Gattie Portinus and Ella Weber were here.	
Wed. 20.	At home all day + night, cool day, North wind, uncle Bill Weber, Hattie Portinus + two women + men + a little girl + boy, all strangers to us were here.	
Thurs. 21.	At home all day and night, rained a little in the morning. North wind Dottie Portinus + Hattie and Fannie were here.	
Fri. 22.	At home all night. At Winfield all day at the Fair, wind blew from the north.	
Sat. 23.	At home until about 10 o'clock, the rest of the day + night at uncle Joe Anderson. Wind blew from the south. Henry Anderson and Gattie Portinus were here.	
Sun. 24.	South wind, At uncle Joe Anderson until about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the rest of the day + night at home. Lady + Vady Anderson, came home with me + stayed all night.	



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24	1882, September 1882
Mon. 25.	At uncle Joe Andersons all day + night, wind blew from the south. Got a new boy at their house, on the 22 inst.
Tues 26	At uncle Joe Andersons all day + night, wind blew from the south. Have named the "new boy" William Walter.
Wed 27.	At home all forenoon, at uncle Jake Rogers all afternoon and night, south wind, rained, Ella Weber, Lady + Lady Anderson were here.
Thurs 28.	All day and night at uncle Jake Rogers, west wind.
Fri. 29.	All day at uncle Jake Rogers, all night at home, south-east wind, Lady + Lady Anderson were here, also Fannie, Hattie + Lottie Pontious.
Sat. 30.	All day and night at home, Lady + Lady Anderson, Mr. Pontious, Hattie rained all forenoon, south wind.
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Sun. 1 st	John Weber was married to Lisa Grummours today, south wind, went to meeting down to Floral in the forenoon, came home after meeting, then went to Mr. Pontious + from there to Mr. Bush's, with Mr. Pontious, Fannie + Lottie + Will Sapp, Will + Geo. Sapp, uncle Jake, aunt Mary + Kerby Rogers, Fannie + Hattie Pontious + Mr. Corea were here.
Mon. 2.	All day at school, all night at home, Elfy + Harris White, Willie + Arthur Swan, Myrtle, Cella + Zelma Weber, Geo. Sapp + Mr. Corea were here, south wind, Mrs. Quinerick teaches the school.
Tues. 3.	At school all day, at home all night, Elfy + Harris White, Willie + Arthur Swan, Henry Anderson and May Frederick were here, south wind.
Wed. 4.	South wind, at school all day, at home all night, Elfy + Harris White, Willie + Arthur Swan, Henry Anderson + Mr. Johnson a sewing machine agent were here, rained.
Thurs. 5	At school all day, at home all night, Lottie Pontious, Elfy + Harris White, Willie + Arthur Swan, and Henry Anderson were here, south wind, rained most all day.



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Fri. 6	All day at school; all night at home; south wind. Willie & Arthur Swan, Henry Anderson, Elfy and Harris White were here.	
Sat. 7.	At home all day + night; rained all day; south wind; Fannie Pontius, uncle Bill Weber & uncle Joe Anderson were here.	
Sun. 8.	At home all day & night; wind blew from the south east; uncle Bill Weber & Hattie Pontius were here.	
Mon. 9.	South wind. At school all day at home all night; rained in the evening. Elfy & Harris White, Willie & Arthur Swan & Lottie Pontius were here.	
Tues. 10.	At school all day; went to Mrs. Limerick's with Elfy White. Henry Anderson & Bert Plunkett after school; at home all night, south wind.	
Wed. 11.	At home all night; at school all day; wind blew from the south; Elfy + Harris White, Millie + Arthur Swan & Henry Anderson were here.	
Thurs. 12.	Henry Anderson was here. At school all day; at home all night; south wind. Elfy, Harris + Mrs. White, Willie + Arthur Swan, Ella Weber & Lottie Pontius were here.	
Fri. 13.	At school all day; at home all night; wind blew from the south; Lottie Pontius and Elfy White were here.	
Sat. 14.	At home all day & night; wind blew from the south; Charlie and Mr. Plunkett, Elfy & Harris White, Myrtle and Ella Weber, Lottie & Hattie Pontius and Roy Carr were here.	
Sun. 15.	South wind; at home all forenoon; at Prairie Grove in the afternoon was to be meeting but the preacher did not come; Glenn Schock, George Rogers + Carrie Johnson were here.	
Mon. 16.	At school all day; at home all night; wind blew from the south; Della Johnson, Arthur Swan, Roy Carr & Mr. Pontius were here.	
Tues. 17.	At school all day; at home all night; wind blew from the south; frosted a little last night; Mr. Pontius were here.	



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26	1882. October 1882.
Wed 18.	At school all day; at home all night; wind blew from the north.
Thurs 19.	At school all day; at home all night; wind blew from the north.
Fri. 20	South wind. At school all day; went down to Valley Center at night to the Teachers Association. Elfy White, Anna Bowershine, Minnie Emma & uncle Bill Weber & Lulu Rogers went with us.
Sat. 21.	At home all day & night; wind blew from the south. Hattie Fanning & Hattie Portions & two men, both peddlars & both strangers to us, were here.
Sun. 22.	South wind. At home all forenoon; went to Sunday school at Prairie Grove in the afternoon. At home all night. Minnie & Emma Weber Aunt Mary, uncle Jake & Lulu Rogers and Hattie Portions were here.
Mon. 23.	At school all day; at home all night. Hattie Portions, Elfy White Mrs. Cunningham & a man a stranger to us & Minnie Weber were here. Wind blew from the south.
Tues. 24.	At school all day; at home all night; wind blew from the south. Ella Weber here all night. Roy Bass was here.
Wed 25.	South wind, at school all day; went home with Anna Bowershine from school & stayed all night; stoped out in the yard at Mr. Leahr's and played with Maude one year old.
Thurs 26	At school all day; at home all night. Minnie & Hattie Limerick & Roy Bass, stayed all night here; wind blew from the south.
Fri. 27	Hetta & Minnie Limerick were here. At school all day. At home all night; was at Mrs. Portions a little while in the morning. Fannie Portions, Ella Weber, & Roy Bass, Mrs. Stalter & Elfy White were here. south wind.
Sat. 28.	At home all day & night. Ella & uncle Bill Weber, Mrs. Portions & Charlie Clunkett were here. Gracie & Mrs. Rinehart, Hattie & Hattie Portions stayed all night here, west wind.



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Sun. 29.	Gracie + Mrs. Rhinehart, Hattie + Hat Portions were here. Went to Floral to meeting in the forenoon. Went to Prairie Grove to Sunday school + meeting in the afternoon. Lizzie Walgar, one of my school mates at Floral, died this day; she had not been married a year. Uncle Joe, Aunt Mat, Lady, Dad + Willie Anderson + Elfy White were here. At home all night. East Wind.
Mon. 30.	At school all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the south. Joe Cunningham and Minnie Weber were here.
Tues. 31.	At school all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the north. 1882. November 1882.
Wed. 1.	At school all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the north.
Thurs. 2.	At school all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the north.
Fri. 3.	South wind. At school all day. Went to Literary at night. Came home after Literary. Got the Portions, Minnie + Emma Weber Anna Bosmerchine and Elfy White were here.
Sat. 4.	At home all day + night. Will Lapp, Emma + Minnie Weber + Hattie Portions were here. Wind blew from the south.
Sun. 5.	At home all forenoon + night. Went to Prairie Grove to Sunday school in the afternoon. Wind blew from the south.
Mon. 6.	At school all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the north. We thrashed today.
Tues. 7.	At school all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the south.
Wed. 8.	At school all day; at home all night. Wind blew from the north. Minnie Weber was here.
Thurs. 9.	At school all day. Wind blew from the south. Went to Floral to meeting at night. rained a little in the morning.



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28	1882, November 1882,
Fri. 10.	At school all day: at Literary at night, wind blew from the south. Uncle Joe Anderson and Henry were here.
Sat. 11.	At home all day and night. Wind blew from the north: rained.
Sun. 12.	At home all forenoon and night. Went to Prairie Grove to Sunday school in the afternoon. Will Saffin and Elfy White and Gattie Britious were here. <u>cold north wind.</u>
Mon. 13.	At school all day: at home all night. Aunt Mat, Uncle Joe, Sady, Vady, Willie + Henry Anderson and Roy Cass were here. Wind blew from north.
Tues. 14.	North wind. Roy Cass was here. At school all day. At home all night. Henry + Mary Anderson and Gattie Britious came up and stayed till 10 o'clock. We made "taffy" and pop-corn balls.
Wed. 15.	Uncle Joe and Henry Anderson were here. At home all night. At school all day. Wind blew from the north. Mr. + Mrs. Stalter were here, also Roy Cass.
Thurs. 16.	At school all day: at home all night. Rained about all day. Snowed about 5 minutes. Wind blew from the north.
Fri. 17.	Anna Bomershire and Elfy White stayed all night here. At home all day, there being no school. Wind blew from the north. Gattie Britious and Bert Plunkett were here. Went to "Literary" at night.
Sat. 18.	At Mr. Gubbison's all day: at Uncle Bill Weber's about five minutes in the evening: at home all night. Anna Bomershire and Elfy White were here. Wind blew from the north.
Sun. 19.	At home all forenoon and night. Wind blew from the north. At Sunday school meeting, in the afternoon, Mrs. Gatlins preached. Uncle Bill Weber, George Rogers, Vet Schofield and Helen Schlock were here.
Mon. 20.	At school all day: at home all night. Wind blew from the north. Will Saffin here all night. Gattie and Hattie Britious and Anna Galvin were here in the evening.