Samuel Reader's diary, volume 15

Section 9, Pages 241 - 270

The last volume of Samuel James Reader's diary. Reader gives a daily account of the weather, activities, and his failing health. Reader describes the May 1903 flooding that affected Soldier Creek. Some pages have newspaper clippings of personal interest attached and illustrations drawn by hand. Two cyanotype photographs of Reader are attached to the April 10, 1907 and October 16, 1907 entries.

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Feb 10 1906

Sat. 10 Some clouds N. colder 2m 12 Lane. Norris, Mr Field, Charley Leamy & McN. boys here and warned and off N. to hunt. B. cleaned up. J.H. hauling. P.M. I wrote p. 18# etc: J.H. hauled.

Sund. 11. Cloudy. warmer S.E. B. to Es and J.H. rode with her to Norris's. I got dinner alone. P.M. Painted on wrinking Satan. Norris & J.H. came and talked. B. back. Mrs. Cecil said they read my ms. "Border War" & "Hickory Point", and liked it much. Leon is better. Blanche may come in Apr. to Cemetery Sup't-Eq Read "Red Rock to B." (Blanche)

Mond. 12. Cloudy Dark Warm. J.H. hauling. Wrote. Well. I painted on BB. Foster's pony etc. A nice letter from Bo Ott & verses: Resting at ease
Thou perched in his arm chair, He well deserves release from toil
and care. May days to come increase his peace and pleasure,
And sorrow ne'er mar them in any measure.
And when death comes, May angels guard that chair, And bear him
hence Eternal joys to share.

P.M. Clouds but cleared.

J.H. drew. I painted. Read. Ate peanuts that C. McN. sent from Okla. Read Red Rock to B. Is good. B's neck pains.

1 P.M.

Tuesd. 13. Rain in night - 3/4 bl. water. Good Wrote. Painted at B.B. J.H. cut hedge P.M. Slept. Painted. We may have trouble with China over fool missionarys. Sec Jacques bro't washing P.M. Read RR to B. To bed late Cold NE

BEGAN ON 148 SKETCHES. F 23, 1906.

Wed. 14. Clear 2m 3. NE Sharp. All well. B. & J ironed. Letter from F.R. Wants sick.

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I drew pencil pictures in BB & Broom P.M. Clear Cold Hurt hedge. I drew etc. Read R Rock to B. Cloudy NE. Window ½ open
Letter from Chas. Curtis about B.B ½

Thursd 15. Clear. Some snow fell last night. B. & I finished ironing. Sewed up. BB book. China troubles. P.M. Clear nice. Made BB. pictures in pencil. Slept. Read RR to B & J.H. Window open Clear
1# & ½

Frid. 16. Cloudy. NE 2 in 23. Some clear Well. Made pencil pictures. China setting over wrongs. P.M. Cloudy & raw. 2 in 35. B. & I to Sent Bk. She in & got her 500 U.S. bonds & Lyt #76. — to me. Saw Bolman & Mr. Ott came out to shake hands. We to 8th & Mr. Hunt fixed spectacle frames free. We back & got Columbia record fiddle talks. I got blue pants 34 35 #3.50 of Mr Bonwell. Saw Tom Archer & F. P. Baker He's 85 & reads 4 books pr week, papers etc. Saw Mrs McFarland. To Dr P. No bill yet. Snowing S.E still. Fast home. Good time. Read RR. Slept pretty well. Head pain

Sat. 17. Snow 2 in Still Warm Cloudy Better. Lave. Fussing over china. P.M. I painted on Satan. Made more sketches in B.B. Read to B. She reading shorthand in my old 56 diary. Window open

Sund. 18. Clear 2 in 30. Still & warm. J.H. off with buggy. I painted Snake in glass. B. wrote

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letters. Spare ribs & honey P.M. Very warm
I made sketches in B.B. Read to B. 1 & F

Mond. 19 Foggy. Mist. Very warm 2m 45 Still
B. mixing bread. Well. "Whiskers cat," sharpens
her claws on my trousers whenever I tell her to.
I made sketches etc. China quiet 2m 60.
Very warm. P.M. Read. Made 20 phono pegs. Read
R.R. to B & J.H. Window open. Clouded. 5 & 6 x

Tuesd. 20. Sprinkle N.E. cooler Lightning in
the night. Few sketches. Pasted or glued in 20
pegs, nicely. P.M. Cleared off 2m 53 warm. I
sorted records. Read. cut wood Read R.R. 5 & 6 F

Wed. 21. Clear & still warm 2m 30. 7 & x
J.H. to go to Harp's daughters wedding. They say
Teddy's new son in law is a goose. J.H. away.
I sorted records, glued book etc. Dried apple
pie. P.M. Clear & still 2m 64 very warm. I
put new rope in blocks & tackle. Looked at
B's & 1's No. 1178. first time Due 1930 & x
I made 17 new pegs. J.H. back Wed at 3 p.m.
Read & finished Red Rock. Trashy. Warm & still 1 & 18.

Thursd. 22. Clear & windy warm 2m 35 1 & x
I sketched some. J.H. cutting trees at E road. No
mail. Slept. P.M. Clear SW warm. B & I to E's
and to Sch. house. E & girls there. No Leon

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Mrs. Cecil had me on the platform & she read of my "Border War", and at times would have me explain. F. read of Indianola & Ella Owens of "Nigger stealing". Mr. Owens told of his prison experience at Lecompton. ...r. 6 √x

J.H.
1# 10 pd. note

Frid. 23 Clear Still. Warm 40. J.H. gave me my note & I pd. 7/10 on ap. I looked at ms. of Border War. Glued 17 pegs. J.H. to town & back. B. cleaning. I am well. Good time yesterday. P.M. I fixed up a nice lever movement slide black 6 & 6 Rain

Sat. 24 Lot of rain. Cleared. J.H. to Johns. B. cleaning. I glued 3 peg boxes more. Nice day. Mail. China to tear up Jack, today. ($0 reporters say.$)
All quiet so far. J.H. brought Mr. Fields & they hunted. I sketched etc. P.M. Tout mangé. Clear Nice. I fixed a rotary magic slide. Mr F. away. He is intelligent. Read Tribune to B & sketched. ...r I am √

The residents of Rochester observed Washington's birthday by having an old settlers' meeting at the school house. The building was decorated with flags and other decorations. Mr. S. J. Reeder, who came to Kansas in 1854 and since that time has kept a diary, was the oldest settler present. Mrs. J. F. Cecil read a most interesting paper compiled from this diary. Miss Frances Cole, a cousin of Mr. Reeder, who came to Kansas with him, read an excellent paper telling of incidents that occurred in the early days. Although Miss Cole was a very small girl at the time she left her home in Illinois and came to Kansas, her paper contained many thrilling incidents that occurred in the early days. Mr. William Owens, another old settler, told of a trip he made to Lawrence in 1854, when he stopped at a farm house over night near Lecompton. The farmer had just had a slave to run away and take his best horse with him. The farmer inquired of Mr. Owens if he had seen the runaway slave, but he denied having seen him, although the slave had slept in Mr. Owens's barn several nights before and taken breakfast with him the next morning. Mr. Owens was then living on a farm at Rochester, which is now occupied by D. F. Hoover and he dug the well which is yet by the side of the road. The well was dug for the convenience of the public in 1854 and is still used for the same purpose. Miss Ollie Owens read a paper about the "underground railway" which was the means of assisting slaves to escape from the slave states. Music was furnished by Misses Grace Thompson, Grace Lukens and Grace McNoun and Mr. J. F. Cecil. Among the families represented were the Campdoras, Reeder, Scott, Hoover, Lukens, Shields, Button, Owens, McNoun and Cecil. The affair was one of the most enjoyable ever given in the school house.

Sund. 25 Cloudy Still Warm. I pasted John A's caisson picture in B.B. book by cutting down etc. B. writing. I sketched. P.M. Clear SE warm. J.H. to Norris. His horse. I sketched

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and painted in water "Assistant cook" etc. Worked hard all day. Like it too. B. writing Her neck red & itches. Began Barton ~~Sar~~ Resartus's Resartus to B. Dryish. Clouds.

Mond. 26. Clouds NE Light snow storm raw. Sketched. etc. P.M. Cloudy Raw. Slept. I made 17 more pegs; for all I have xx wall paper held out~ to over ½ inch. Read Barton. Better reading Clear. New moon Left. Window open.

$3. capital.

Tuesd. 27. Clear 25 Cool pleasant Still. I glued 17 pegs in boxes & back of B.B etc. Read Wrote Shaved. P.M. B. stomach ache. I to Central Bk. alone L 1 1 6 x Saw Ott. I to 8th Round Edith Ott & Mr. Poole. Nice talk. I paid 3.00 for Cap~ ital to Judge Stafford's daughter. to May 15. 06. c of J 25¢. L 15. Osage river. Saw Jim Evans and Dr. A. called from window. Got B' medicine 50. 3 oz chloroform 30. Tom James & Jim Stewart Button~ holed me. Running for Co. Com'r. Home after Sun~ set. B. better. Read Barton. Window wide Still clear.

Wed. 28. Clear SE breeze Raw. All better. I got all my soft records in peg boxes & 15 good entries left. PM Breeze Warm Some clouds. I made 15 pegs of old pasteboard. J.H. cutting trees, wood and trimmed grape vines nicely. Read Barton. Its quite good. Sketched till 12:30 Cleared F

March 1st A. D. 1906
S. J. Readers Diary N. Topeka Kans.

Thurs'd'y 1. Clouds & windy warm. I glued last 15 peg boxes, extra ones. I glued up books etc. B. writing. All well. P.M. slipt. Windy clouds & C. I painted on magics. Man hitting lamp-post etc. Rain in eve. Thunder Read Sartor. Good. Dreamed of Gen. Washington stealing money & promised B. a live heron as hush money &

Frid 2. Clear & warm. All well. I sketched. etc. In 45 P.M. Clouded. I put records in peg boxes, & Columbia & Edison, gold moulded, 24 of them in large peg box. Glued Border War mss. etc. Began to snow NW Read Sartor pr through. Like it. J. H. [illegible] 7 1/2 6 6 F

Sat 3. Clouds partly clear. Sunny sketched. P.M. Food Gingoes want to fight and whips China with 25 000 men, and make 'em trade &c. Sketched. Records all on pegs now. Read to B. Sartor. She studying shorthand in my diary today. NW windy In 25 Raw. Clear. Window shut.

Sund. 4. Clear N.W. cold In 22. J. H. away. Sketched I have now 115 in my B. B. mss. B. writing. P. M. I india inked some sketches, nicely. B. no supper. Read Sartor. Sketched. Snow gone. Clear NW. I some pain in left right hip & shoulder

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Mond. 5 Clear 2m 20. NE Cold. Pleasant. Ate alone. J.H. chopping. Wrote Sketched some. J.H. got dinner. PM. He to town & got flour medicine etc & les payé route. I read Journal 1861 & 63. Began to sleet and rain. Raw NE. B. up. Soupé. Read Barton.

Tuesd. 6. Ground white & slippery NE 2m 28. B. up & around. Still. Wintry. Wrote some and to on p. 182. Retouched sketches. No mail PM Cold NW. Still 2m " 30. I at slides. Made Mrs. Nation & hatchet. Read Barton to B. J.H. Slept. Its dry again. y x

Wed. 7. Clear. Still W Still 2m 29. Haze. I pasted papers on slides & John A. picture to take out curl. B. cleaned up. J.H. hauling manure. Another black cat is here. PM. Clear Wrote p. 183 ½ 184. Slept. But wood. etc Read Barton. Better. B. likes it. J.H. sleeps. Played flute & piano. Windows wide 6 5 x

Snow gone.

$5. Unity Church

Thurs d. 8. W. Frozen. Pleasant. I repasted my John A. on back. Sent Bit. Bk. check $5 to Mrs. J.W Robinson Treas. Unity Church by mail B. got paper. No news. PM. J.H. at hot bed. Slept. B. wrote. Pasted. Read diary 1861. Windy raw, N. clear. Read Barton to B. 6 5 F

Frid 9 Clear but clouded. Poison for mice. Wrote S.W. I got B.B. out of frame and worked at the trunnion smoke, howitzer, ground etc, all day.

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P.M. Clear. B. writing. Finished Sartor. Put on new Sexton, first time. It's not good Clear Still 6°

Sat. 10 Cloudy Still E. Good election day for the whisky ring. All well. Wrote. Shaved. Shaved. Sketched etc. P.M. Snowing. Will not go to primary. No right to go anyhow, J.H. went on horse. I pasted etc. B wrote. Read papers to B. Window open. NE brisk Snowing.

Sund. 11. Snow 2 in. Clouds & Snow. All well. 2m 20 [illegible] x J.H. shaved etc. & to Nonis. I colored and inked my B.B sketches nicely. P.M. Cloudy Cold NE. Read Francis Bacon to B. It's good. Right hip lame. Window Shut.

Mond. 12. Clear 2m 10 Still. Better J.H. killed young rooster and I dressed it. I wrote Adj. Gen. Report 1864 extracts. B. cleaning pantry. P.M. NE Foster nominated Co. atty & I sketched and wrote. Read Bacon to B. She squeezed my lame feet. Cloudy.

Tuesd 13. Cloudy NE. Still 2m 22. I worked fixing up sketches & Veales Report; in B.B. book. Miss Susan B. Anthony dead, 87. Gen. Schofield other day dead 75 about P.M. Cloudy raw. B. to Buttons. I at pictures etc. Still.

Wed. 14. Cloudy NE 2m 22 Raw. Well. I worked at furnishing sketches as usual, all day. Mist, sleet etc. J.H. cut wood. I read Bacon to B. Slept well. Window shut

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Thursd. 15 Cloudy NE. 2m 18 Some snow J H. to town B. washing towels etc - I at sketches with indian ink & colors, all day again. Snow cold NE. No paper. P.M. Snowy. I worked away, as my time is short, now. I read Bacon 1/3 through now. Dryer. Window open 6 ~ 6 x

Frid. 16. More snow NE Cold 2m 16. All well. Wrote. Finishing sketches all day. 2 paper & Tribune. P.M. J.H. at wood. Wintry. Read to B. Chilblains hurt me 6 ~ 6 F

Sat. 17. Cloudy Still 2m 10. Quite well. Wrote. Worked on sketches. Lave.
P.M. Clear. Warm. Thaw. Slept. Mr. Field, May McNown and brother here. Hunted, looked at pictures, phonography, and had phonograph. Away. Read to B. Elle Lave. Slept well, Clouds.

Sund. 18 Cloudy & snowing again. B. sore throat. Wrote, Worked at sketches. J.H. to Norris. P.M. Slept. A heavy NE snow storm. Read to B. Bacon 6 ~ 6 F

Mond. 19 Cloudy Hard NE drifting 2m 23 Very cold. J.H with wash to Jacques. I at pictures all day long. B studying Pitman short-hand. Read papers at night. 6 ~ 6 x

Tuesd. 20. Clear Still 2m 3 Sharp but not cold. J.H. cut down blackjack W of house. I at sketches. Paper. Old Mrs. McCormick dead, 87 yrs. Colored sketches Slept & read. B. studying Ben. Pitman, nicely. I wear my new shoes to break them. Snow melting. I read of vocal sounds in Pitman, to B. 6 ~ 6 x

Dr Plummer
1 $10. March 21. 1906.

Wed. 21. Clear. 25° Still. All well. Jacques got bro't clothes last night $1. B. & I ironed some. P.M. Clear N W B & I to town. Paid Dr. P. at Lacys his small bill of $10. I held horse & B. got things. I in at Lacys & left my 70th photo for Dr P. Saw Asa Ward and Annie Taylor Scudder. Home early. Roads muddy. Wm. Reamy here to rent & away late. Slept well. Open w. Clear still. N

Thurs'd. 22. Cloudy N still 2 in 20. Lots of eggs. All well. Wrote. Smoked. We finished ironing. I put new cord in clock & oiled: P.M. Clear mostly S.E. I burnished and gessed took. B at Pitman. Read Bacon. Pretty good. Window wide, slept well.

Frid 23 Cloudy 2 in 28 I inked sketches etc. B. for paper. [illegible] x Musting. P.M. Slept some. At pictures. B at Pitman. I read Bacon to her. Window open. Ground icy. F

Sat. 24 S NE. Cloudy 2 in 28 Slippery. J. H. for town with saw. Well. Lave & hair cut. I at pictures. No Nat'l Tribune & P.M. Slept. Sketched etc. Read Bacon.

Sund. 25. Cloudy. Warm & E raw. All well. Wrote J.H away. I at pictures. Sprinkle P.M. Slacked. B & I hitched up "Fan," and B. to E's I at sketches. J.H. and Reuben McN. came. Had phono' etc. B. back. Irene & baby at E's. Clarence came to Cemetery Apr 2. Books. Played flute. To bed after 10. Cloudy. Warmer Mud. Lightning and rain.

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Mond. 26. Some clouds. Warmer Snow gone Reuben waited for Norris. He came in and talked & they drove calle away. I at pictures etc, P.M. Cloudy W. Creek banks full. B at Pitman, I slept- Inked. Read LaHarpers. Frank Johnson is dead 81. Worth $150,000. A cripple etc. I began reading "Klansman" to B x/H. Anti-nigger. Cloudy F

Tuesd. 27 Cloudy NE 2m 35. Creek safe, wrote J.H. at garden. I at pictures. P.M. Read and at magic slides, (Mrs. Nation et-al.) Read to B 1-½ x

Wed. 28. Cloudy Still E, warm. Pretty well. I fixed at pictures. Japan wants Philippines. Let-them have 'em, and stop expense and disgrace. P.M. B. to town & back with flour etc. Cloudy E. Few drops of snow. 2m 40. Slept. Painted etc. Read. Window open.

Wrote to Stark if farm sold. If not leave note with Gillett.
Thursd. 29. Cloudy 2m 35 Still E. I up first- before 7. I at sketches etc. all day. P.M. Cleared some J.H. cut stalks. Read Klansman to B. Window open New moon 1 V. x

Sent photo Mrs Smith to Mrs. Gutings etc
R B Stark Atwood Kansas

Frid 30. Cleared off NE breeze 2m 34 Sketched in book. B. made dried apple pies. Devlin creditors at Kans. city today. Hope for the best. Am well. P.M. Slept ½ h. Colored sketches nicely. Read to B 1 ~ F

Sat 31- Clear NE Still 2m 33. Colored sketches all day. Have.
P.M. Warm. Read to B. Clear E. 5 ^ < 12 F x

April 1. 1906.
North Topeka Kans. S. J. Reader

Sund. 1. Clear but clouded S E. Chilly. Well. Wrote. I at pictures all day. Made Gens Pleasonton & Curtis etc. J.H. To Norris. B read. P.M. Clear 2 in 60. SE. No one. I put on new shoes. I can walk without a cane, but cant stand straight. Read & skipped Clansman 1 to 6 x

Mond. 2. Clear SE. 2 in 44. J.H. early to town. Wrote. Well. I I at pictures. 3 Papers. No news of 1st Natl Bk. P.M. B sickish. Painted. Geo. R. here for stalk cutter. 6 to 6 x

Tuesd. 3. ASSESSMENT. Up late cloudy 2 in 55. Comrade Purdum here & assessed. 1000. ~ 440. x ~ given in by J.H. [illegible] x J.H. cutting & planting potatoes. Mrs. P. looked at some of my book pictures. Light rain. 10:30 B. in bed still. Looked at St. Nicholas etc. P.M. Rainy some. B. up. Coal strike. Joe Friederling here & got onions. He got 38 cts for corn today. Finished Clansman. Skipped a lot 6 to 6 x

Wed. 4. Cloudy. Misty N.E. 2 in 41. All well. Raked back yard. J.H. planted potatoes. I at pictures all day. P.M. Light rain. Read A.H. Stephens to B. Rain F

Thursd. 5. Cloudy NW 2 in 42 Raw. Stomach wrong. At pictures all day. Very good. Card from Steele. Farm rented for $100. No note. All O.K. (?) Not sold yet ? P.M. Clouds. cleared. Read Bacon 1 to 9 x 8 to 6 x

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Frid 6. Clear Still In 35 Frost. Pleasant. All well. Wrote B. baking. I colored and retouched pictures in B.B. book all day. Tired, and not well. No paper. P.M. B. to town. Clear & chilly in house. B. back. Frank Nichols crazy. So is John Wilkerson's son. Read paper to B. Quinine. Window wide. Slept well.

Sat. 7. Cloudy. Sprinkly. J.H. planting yellow corn. Better. Wrote. Retouched. Rainy. Papers. Nothing of Bradley & (holding) receiving Co. for Devlin. P.M. Rainy. Slept. At pictures & corrected them. Read Bondsman to B.

Sund 8. Cleared and clouded. Thunder shower last night. S. warm In 58. Sketched head of J.H. mare. He for Norris's. I at pictures all day. Some clouds. Read Hall caines Bondsman. Good. House burned 16 yrs. x

Mond. 9 Clear In 44. W breeze. Chilly. B & I washed flannels. I not well. Slept. Quinine. Wrote. P.M. No pictures Letter from Mattie & her daughter Kate. Slept. I made a frame for B's vine of wheel spokes & Surrey rods  Read Bondsman till 10. B not well. I better.

Tuesd. 10. Clear J.H. to town. Got green apples & In 46 E Still. All well Wrote. The Devlin mines closed & I at pictures all day P.M Clear. Painted. Read to B. Slept well.

Wed. 11. Clear In 52 E. Stomach not right. About finished pictures. P.M. Quinine Slept. I out to

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stack yard and made rail pen and put damaged corn in it. Lots growing. Worked hard. S. warm. Read to B. Slept well.

Thursd. 12. Clear mostly SE. 2m 60. Better, I tinkered at pictures. Clouded. P.M. Sprinkly & rain & thunder towards night. Dark. I at phono'. B can now read shorthand very well. Read. Rain.

Frid. 13. Cloudy SW raw 2m 52 Creek in field. J.H. to town. Looked at mags. Wrote. Well. P.M. Clouds Creek rising all day. Wrote doggerel in B.B. and painted. Read Boudsman till 10. Sprinkly windy. 1 x

Sat. 14. Cloudy & windy Raw 2m 41. Lots of water in field. Drivins. Peach blossoms. I worked at pictures all day. P.M. Vesuvius quiet. Read to B at. 1 ~ 6 C x

Sund. 15 Easter. Clear 2m 35. Still SW. Yest-ready. B & I to Downey bridge. Can't cross. I out & we backed out in the mud & by Markens to Es. Clarence bro't Irene & baby Leon. All well. P.M. All to S.S. but E. Le, Kate, baby & I. No news of 1st. Nat. Spill way is put off. We back at sunset. Bert's Real estate cheated him. Leon better. 1. ~ x E sold old farm house & 12 A for $2000. Clarence a balky horse. Read 1 ~ NE Still clear Hat boy took clothes.

Mond. 16 Clear. J.H. to town Still Cool I at the pictures again and think them finished There are

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144 of them. P.M. Clouds at times. Bloches home. I read Bondsman. B. headache. Slept well.
Letter from A Gilings.

Tuesd. 17. Clear Still. J.H. off with pie plant. I counted pictures etc. Ironed some. P.M. Hazy Still Warm. B to the cemetery. Slept. Looked at pictures. Sketched another picture in india ink p. 78. Read to B. Cleared. 6 F.

Wed. 18. Clear In 47 Still SE. Up early < 6 x ~ 10 x
Ironed some.
Wrote. Came back. P.M. B. to Library for Eggleston book Slept. Read. Tried to see how a horses legs walk. Failed. Raked in yard & burned. Read "Caine". 1-1/2 Calomel.
San Francisco Cal. an Earthquake.

Thursd. 19. Clear Still. Warm & same haze. Better. I at pictures. Mr. Benham here with daguerreotype of E and me taken 1854. & paper. He looked at my Book pictures. I can hardly believe I looked like my picture 52 yrs. ago. P.M. Clear. Slept. At pictures, retouching etc, and gazing at dogtype. Its a good plate. SW Clouds Thunder No rain. Read Eggleston to B. Slept not till 12. (1/2 x

Matties + Kates.

Frid. 20. Clear Warm. In 65. Still. I wrote to Mattie. Thanks etc. Sent her photo 70th & Crutches, Wrote to Kate about hospital, magic lantern views etc. Sent her B's photo with glasses, & Sheik, with explanation. B got greens. Very pleasant. Blossoms. P.M. Glued photo frame or dogtype case. Slept. Grace & Eda here. Coupé. Think I Looked odd 52 yrs. ago. Gave them my 70th photos. Looked at sketches etc. Read Caine to B & J.H. Good Slept well < 1 ~ x

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Sat. 21 Clear 2m 50 - J.H. back early from town. Wrote Well. Glued hinges on case. P.M. Clear Pleasant - B. out at her flowers. I read, to B. & finished Caine 6 C F I

Sund. 22. Clear NE. Pleasant. wrote. J.H. away. I finished sketch p. 51 nicely & colored others. B. wrote to Kate Morgan [illegible] P.M. B. to S & S.S. Cecil sick. Devlin estate dont pay expenses. At pictures. Read Library book to B. Slept first rate NE cooler.

Mond. 23. Clear Windy NE. 2m 51. I painted at slides. P.M. Windy S. Warmer. J.H. listing W of house. I made frame to hold B.B. book to photo' sketches. Read to B.

Tuesd. 24. Clear Warm S W windy dry. Born 42 cts in town. B. & I took little stove up stairs. Greens. P.M. Warm 2m 88. Slept. At sketches again. Improved. Read &

Wed. 25 Clear S W windy. J.H. to town. B. cleaned up stairs. I tinkered at pictures P.M. Clear W NW. windy. I read diary 35 yrs. ago. B. can now read my short-hand well. I set 2 posts to rose bush frame. Read to B. 6 C &

Thrsd 26. Clear & still. Pleasant. Wrote. All Well. At pictures. Cant photo. P.M. Clear E SE. Slept. I out & burned big lot of brush & trash W of house. Clouds & lightning. Read Library book to B. Wind & shower at 12 & [illegible]

Frid 27. Some clouds. Warm. Dust laid [illegible]

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Plate 300 & 301. I photo'd sketch "6-1½" and E & I 185-4 both indoors at N table. Clear at 10 a.m. 3/16 & 9 & 11 sec. P.M. Clouds. but B. started to town but turned back. Thunder & hard shower with hail. Soon over & cleared. Slept-Read to B. in book. Quinine. New moon 1 1/2 x 5.05 E

PLATE 302 Sat. 28 Cloudy S.W. Chilly. I photo'd "Hospitality" 2:7 at 9 a.m. Cloudy 1/4 d. 15 sec. Lave. Wrote. P.M. Slept. Clear. B at short-hand. Writes it well. J.H. to Rochester show. Read to B. Quinine 2 1/2 - 9:45 - 12 x

Plate 303. Sund. 29. Clear 50. NE Still. B. ate none. J.H. early to Norris. I photod B.B. ½ plate at 9. W of house. Tied canvas tight with thread & washed picture. Will be good No. Ate alone. No appetite P.M. Clouds E. Got dissolved ½ of Snows developer, and got things ready & developed at night the 4 plates. B.B. thin. E & I no good. Other 2 good. Developer too strong. Ate some. Sprinkle. My stomach sick.

~1.00

Mond 30. Cloudy. Better all. Washed negatives Wrote. Intensified 303, 301, 2d Lattarpe, Explanation. Slept. Earnest McN. here. pulling pieplant all day. P.M. Slept a lot. Clouds, thunder. B. No rain here. Geo. L. here and kept $1. for having stock cutter. Boys away. Slept well. Corn 50 cts. in town, 42 quoted.

Plates 304 & 305. Tuesday May 1st 1906. S.J. Readers Diary N. Topeka. Clear, warm. Better. S. J.H. to town. Will sell corn. Photod E at noon 1/4 d. 60 sec. & Won 3/16 8 sec. Clear 9 a.m. P.M. B. to dentist & Library etc. J.H. got 5k flour. I left-

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1,50 up stairs for him. I printed 17 pictures. Quite good, but 303 & 301 no account; A.T. sketches. N.T. night developed. Good plates. To bed late, Clear.

Plates 306 and 307. & 308

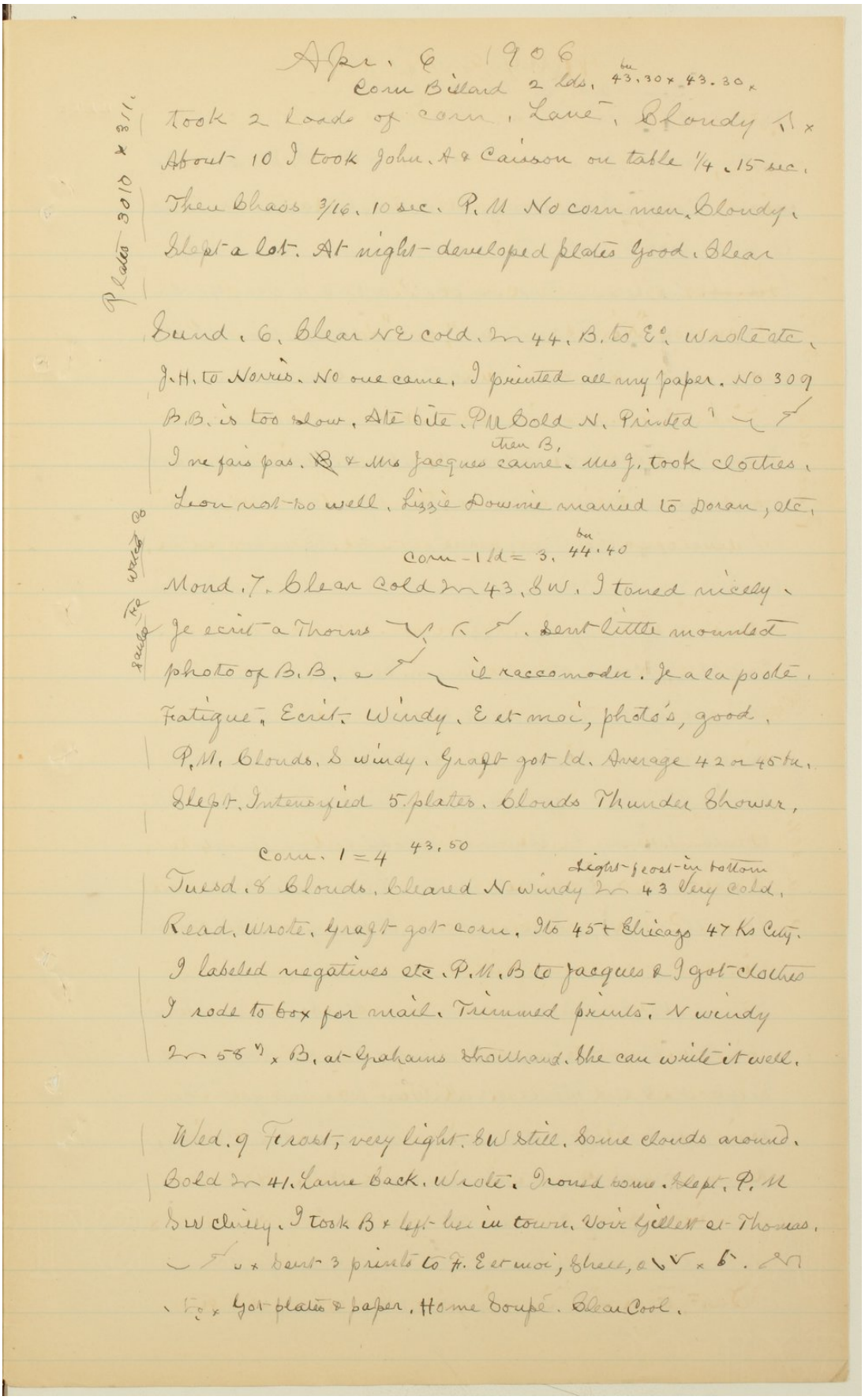
Wed
~~Tuesd~~. 2 Clear NW, cooler, Plates are good. I photod "Night before battle", and "Rebel sharpshooter" at 9 + a.m. 3/16 d 8 sec. W. cole, Some clouds around.. Tired. P.M. J.H. cutting stalks. Clouds. Still. Cool. A.T. 4+ I photod B.B. W of house 1/4 d 60 sec. Sprinkley B a bad cough & taking Cutacura. Thunder storm S.W. No rain. I developed 306 & 307, Came out good. 6° ~ & Clear.

Plate 308.

Thursd
~~Wed~~. 3. Clear Still. Better all. Washed negatives. Tolerable. Rested. P.M. Clear & warm. I printed a few pictures. Tired. Developed B.B. Weak and foggy like the other. Lettuce. Slept well.

Friday
~~Thursd~~. 4. Clear. NE still Pleasant Whiskers 4 kids. I photod B.B. W of house 8 a.m. 3/16. 32+ sec. Made developer. P.M. N. cool Clear. B & I to town. Had her tooth filled. I over river. Gillett no Hassel money. I to Thomas. Got flute record & recorder ear dem et demi piasters. & got tobacco of Henry. Saw Ashmore and he got up and danced. J.K. Wilson came by and I paid dues $1. We I to Billard and sold 1 crib of corn at 44 & Grapt will haul for 3 cts. Home early & I fixed scoop place. Developed Dems. 6° ~ 37 ~ &

Sat. 5. Rain in night. Grapt & Slater



April 6 1906
Corn Bilard 2 lds. bu 43.30 x 43.30 x
took 2 Loads of corn. Lane. Cloudy 11 x
About 10 I took John. A & Caisson on table 1/4, 15 sec.
Then Chaos 3/16, 10 sec. P.M No corn men. Cloudy.
Slept a lot. At night - developed plates Good. Clear

Plates 30 10 x 3/11.

Sund. 6. Clear NE cold. In 44. B. to E°. Wrote etc.
J.H. to Norris. No one came. I printed all my paper. No 309
B.B. is too slow. Ate bite. PM Cold N. Printed 7 ~ 7
I ne pais pas. B & Mrs Jacques then B, came. Mrs J. took clothes.
Leon not too well. Lizzie Downie married to Doran, etc.

Corn - 1 ld = 3. bu 44.40

Mond. 7. Clear Cold In 43. BW. I toned nicely.
Je ecrit a Thoms ~ 6 7. Sent little mounted
photo of B.B. a 7 ~ il reccomoda. Je a la poste.
Fatigué. Ecrit. Windy. E et moi, photo's, good.
P.M. Clouds. S windy. Graft got ld. Average 42 or 45 bu.
Slept. Intensified 5 plates. Clouds Thunder Shower.

Corn. 1 = 4 43.50

Tuesd. 8 Clouds. Cleared N windy In 43 Very cold. light frost in bottom
Read. Wrote. Graft got corn. Its 45 t Chicago 47 Ks City.
I labeled negatives etc. P.M. B to Jacques & I got clothes
I rode to box for mail. Trimmed prints. N windy
In 58 ½ x B. at Grahams Shorthand. She can write it well.

Wed. 9 Frost, very light. BW still. Some clouds around.
Cold In 41. Lane back. Wrote. Proved some. Slept. P.M
SW chilly. I took B & left her in town. Voir Gillett et Thomas.
~ 7 0 x Sent 3 prints to H. Et moi, Shell, a 6 V x 6. In
. 5 ° x Got plates & paper. Home Coupé. Clear Cool.

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Corn 2 = 6. 43-30 x 42-60 x

Thursd. 10. Clear Cool. I printed Lot. Graft and Slater each a ld corn. I some cold. P. M. Clear & W warm. Before 2 I for town. At Forbes'. Born has come up to 46 ¢. Safe to hold. Talked with Ashmore. Says I will live for 25 years. That my photo of 1854 is too good-looking for me. T. came with B. In Laceys and had ice cream. B. & I home. Read to B. Slept well.

Frid 11. Clear & W. Pleasant. Mr. Cooper here about drainage district. Nice man. I painted all day on B.B. pictures. P.M. Clear warm In 86. Rigdon here for the Capital. Painted. Piano. Slept well Clouds W. ~ x Quinine

Billard (Not sent P)

Corn 1 = 7 bu. 43

Sat. 12. Some clouds Warm. Sore. Graft got load. Billard offers 45 c. I wrote to accept it, but changed and took note back. Lave. Rested Slept. P.M. Clouds, Sprinkle. Born up 2/4 cts in Chicago. Glad did not sell. Wrote. Windy & Sprinkles Wendel concert tonight. I painted well on B.B sketches. Clouds. At 6 B to E's all night. I ran phono. It was good. Cleared x

Sund. 13. Clouds. Warm. No rain. Up before 6. Ate with J.H. Ache some. He away. I painted etc. all day. P M Slept. Mr. & Mrs. Stover & 3 children here and got "The Gun & Gospel," looked at pictures &c. B. in late. Good time. Geo. R. & Eda to entertainment. 1 ~ | x 6 : 6 x

Billard

Corn 1 = 4, bu. 45

Mond. 14. Clear & W. W. All well. Graft for corn. Sent note to Billard. 2 small or 1 big ld left, and

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Plates 312, 313 & 314.

Proverbs XI, 26. Clouds at times, I took E & F daguerreotype. 1/4 · 60 sec 10 a m. 3/16 8 sec 3/16 8 sec Made good developer.
"Prisoner, and Militant". Tired. No news. P.M. Slept-Clouds.
S. warm. Headed 9 kits. Left 1. Read etc. B. sewing
Developed nicely. Awake till 1 a m Clouds.

Plates 315 - 3/16, 317, 318

Tuesd: 15. Cloudy. Clear at-times. Wrote-Well all.
Painted ink sketch "Change of Base", nicely. Light rain. Cant-photo.
P.M. Cloudy. Slept. Mr Mordant here to buy corn. No sell, but-
if J.H. had been here would have sold Bat-short-hand.

Plates 319, 320, 321.

Wed. 16. Clear S. Clouded up. Wrote. No rain. B. took
down all the pictures etc, to dust. Slept. 3 little Button
children for tomato plants. Looked at-sketches and
had phone. P.M. Cloudy Slept: At 3 in kitchen and
photo'd; Fox 3/16 10 sec. Rest on fog plate 3/16 15 sec x Rain,
3/16 20 sec. Uncle S. James dag. 1/4 d. 90 sec. Some sun.
At-night developed. All good. Clear.

Thursd: 17. Clear Warm S W. I in big room and
took. "Base", Shell, and Tiehold 3/16 10 sec, all. My last for a
time. 4 plates left: Filtered hypo. I got mail Windy
P M. Some clouds. Hung pictures. Thunder Sprinkle. Looks
like a drouth. No Graf: Developed all right: Cloudy.

Frid. 18. Cloudy. All well Still No Booker. B knitting.
Washed & dried plates. P.M. B & I to town. Cloudy Thunder.
No rain. B. got-things. I got-toning powder 1 S. Paper

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Solid 30. Overalls 70. Straw hat-50. So 1. ~ x
Gillet-lent me $1. for y M C A furnishing etc. We
home early. Clouds around. Read yp x Strawberries.
All gone.
Corn 2= 10. 41. 50. x 21. 20 x

Sat. 19. Clear Cool N.E. B. cleaning. I printed
P.M Graft & Slater took 1 large and one small
load of corn. All gone. More straw'd thought-Snake
cat, hier, brought 2 little rabbets and raising them
with the kitten. P. M. Printed a lot. Good. Mixed
toning bath. Lave. Wrote. Wm Owen was here
yesterday to see my pictures. Nice day. Tired. I
played piccolo on porch. My bed turned head west.
Looked over prints. ~ x 6~ 6

Sund. 20. Clear. Cool N.E. 2m 63. I toned & washed 48.
prints. Good and black. J.H. to Norris's. Wrote. Cold in
my head. P. M slept-some. Retouched negatives. J.H.
and Norris came et part soupé avec nous. Prints are too
yellow. Bath too warm. To bed late 6~ 6 x Fats took clothes.

Mond. 21. Clouds & clear some. One of Snake cats little
rabbit's gone. Tired. Wrote. Stomach not right. I
mended up W. door screen nicely. Slept. Clear PM
Warm. I retouched B.B. negatives etc. Read etc.
Thunder. Sprinkle. Guess none at all.

Tuesd. 22. Clouds. Little shower. No good. Cool.
I painted sketch in B.B. "yankee Trick". negatives etc.
P.M. Clouds. B. to Jacques and got clothes. Slept. I
painted etc. Read in Pathfinder to B. ~ x ~

23. (what does it mean?)

Wed. 23. Cloudy. up at 6. Better. Wrote. I helped iron. Devlins men meet next month. Put off again. P.M. Some clouds. I painted, on sketches. Done about. Slept well. Lettuce & onion.

Thursd. 24. Sprinkle at 5½. Clearing. Drouthy. G to B's 9 to 1. 2 to 4 & 6 to 7 — N & B aboard. I got down prisoner water painting of Feb. 13 1865, and corrected & retouched all day. P.M. Few sprinkles. No rain. Rudges says 1st Nat. Bk. will pay all. Clouds. Slept well.

Frid. 25. Shower last night. Cloudy Cool. Wrote. I at 65 Prisoner picture. J.H. relisting Thomas sent recorder. P.M. Clear & windy warm. Slept. Tried recorder. It is weak as my old one. Wrote to Thomas about it & if he can fix me out with one like last summer etc. I sent print of "Surrender". Send to E. 1st & 2 photo of ourselves, E & F, Chaos, Surrender, Hospitality, Change of Base. B. not well, and will not go to E's to night. Phono. B. likes new flute tremolo record. Slept well. Lightning. No rain. New moon 1 x

Water Co.

Sat. 26. Clear. Clouded some. Ate alone. Did house work. I think stem weight is wrong on recorder. It is not. B an lit. Warm. I tinkered at pictures phono's etc. P.M. Norris here and J.H. to Enoch's got his disc tool #23. B ate nothing & an lit. Slept. Clear & windy. Got N.W. Cool. B. took bromo. I rubbed her head that ached badly. Window shut 5 to 6 x

Sund. 27. Cloudy N. cold wind 2 to 48. B up & ate.

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J.H. to Norris. I corrected & retouched old 1865 prisoner picture, all day etc. P.M. Cold N. 2m 60.[deg] x Read Bacon to B. Cold Window shut x

Mond. 28, Cloudy Cold NE. 2m 50 up 6+ Well. I finished up 1865 picture etc. Papers. No news. J.H. discing in bottom. Cut-worms. P.M. Clear mostly. No sleep. John A. & Winans here. Both going to Dodge Soldiers' home! Looked at B.B. book, photo's etc. Phone. yanker Morse is busy & crabbed. Away, Read. Cold NE 6+ 6 x

Tuesd. 29 Cloudy & sprinkle. Thunder. All well. I retouched & pasted back on John A & caisson, & other pictures. P.M. Cloudy. & sprinkles. At night-rain & 1/3 bbl. water. J.H. relisting. B. not-feeling well. Read to her.

Wed. 30. Decoration day. Mostly clear, still warm. Wrote, pasted. Rasé-moi. No mail. J.H. relisting. P.M. Clear S.E. Some clouds. B. & I to Blue Post-Hall. Drum corps there under Comrade Moore. Whitekind & others spoke Dr. Buck read story, Rev. Reed talked strong & well. I excused myself. An agriculturist. Stores closed. Home fast. Soupe. Onions etc. 6+ 6 x

Thursd.
~~Wed~~. 31. Clear still. Dry. Well. Photed Trick & last shot at 10 3/10 & sec & 1865 Prisoner 3/16 15 sec. P.M. Clouds thunder & sprinkle. B. got wild strawberries. Painted retouched etc. Read Bacon to B & she sleepy. Slept-well. Cool NE still.

Plates 322, 323, 324

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S J Readers Diary N. Topeka Kans.

Billard ~ $169.09 cks Born

Friday. 1. Clear mostly. I up early 5½ V. x NE Bool 2m 58. 1st Nat. may pay 15 cts more I took "Risky". by mistake no cap, no stop. 3 or 4 sec! Mr Billard sent check $169.09 for 4 12 bu. 30 lbs corn More than I expected. I called it 250 or 300 bu! P. M. I glued edges on backs of B B. book. Filtered old developer etc. Some clouds. Developed. All were good but 325. 2t-may do. Slept not till 1 a m. x Ached. I rubbed her.

Plate 325

Sat. 2. Cloudy & Cool 2m 57. Washed negatives. They are splendid. I make my own developer after this. Lave. John A. & Wm E. Connelley here, and had nice time. Dine. P.M. Clear mostly Cool Still. I gave Mr. C. dozen or more prints of sketches & one of Lathrop for Gen. Lew Waters. They away. Slept. Flute. Slept-Letter x

Sund. 3. Clear but clouded. 3 Cool 2m 64. up late. Jth to Norris. I dated & retouched 4 last negatives. 3 are very good. I declared 325. P. M. Clouds. People singing in our woods. Slept. John McN. & Mr. Fields came and looked at pictures & photo's etc. A smart little shower Away. Mr. F. likes this farm. Flute. B & I played. Singing in woods. Slept first rate. SE cool. Mostly clear.

Hassell int. ~ $5 = $5.5 left.

Mond. 4. Sprinkly. ½ bl. water. Up before 6. Wrote. Tinkered at pictures etc. Cleared mostly. B. got greens. P. M. B & I to Stovers. She staid. I to Shawnee State Bk with Billards check of $169.09 Dep'd $150 at-

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3 pr ct. Rest cash. I to Thomas & returned recorder No 94004 and got another 203438 I think it will be good. Got records Paloma & Black Joe. To Jones Store & got 1 oz guinine 35 cts! Got photo plates. At Gillett & he paid $5 on the Hassell a/c. Only $65 left I think on principal. Got flour butter etc. Fast home after 6. Ate big supper. Phono. Clear & W. Cool 50 ~) 6 x

Tuesd. 5. Clouds. Cleared & pleasant. I wrote up accounts etc. B. was at our new neighbors at Hills' Mauney's. She got wild strawberries. I did little. Slept. Burton resigned & one rascal less. P. M. Very warm. Tinkered. Slept. Tried new recorder 203438 and its splendid & Clear & breeze 50 6 x

Wed. 6. Clear & W. windy dry. Glad I did not sell all the corn. Wrote card to Watch Co. Thomas that recorder is all right etc. (Not sent.) Kitchen flue took fire. Wrote rhymes on photos P. M. Hot 92 Windy SW Clear. Slept. Glued some on B.B. book etc. Clouds & thunder showers on both sides. Sprinkle. Read Bacon to B ~ 1 ¢ Thunder & Sprinkles, ~ 81 x

At Thomas.

Plates 326, 327, 328 & 329.

Thurs. 7. Clouds Still. Some clear E. Pleasant B. baking. I photos at 10 + "Last pose" 236. 3/16 s. 8 sec. and Tired, & Lodgings, 327 & 328, Same stop & time. Josiah Smith ambrotype 329, 1/4 s. 70 sec. 1st Nat may pay 15 pr. ct. July 4 & M. will be $121.35 for me $162.15 for B.

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Henry King made address at Lawrence. Cyclone N W of us at Marysetta yesterday. I thought it must be wind or hail. P. M. Glued at book. Slept. B. sewing on machine. I am well but tired. Minnie for her, 4 doses. I made good fresh developer, and down cellar and they all came slowly & bright. ~ x

Fri. 8 Clouds but cleared W Cooler. Washed and dried negatives. Glued at book. Well, but B. tired. I made record "Cot-House". Good. She to Money's & can get milk, butter etc. Paper says that 1st Nat. is now likely to pay out, all $. P. M. B to town. I slept, and sorted negatives. Floods and wind at Newton etc. Soupé Geo. Reamy here till 10. He & Edn & others a picnic Sunday & ~ 1 x Slept 6 x I must have 400 bu. corn yet.

Sat. 9. Clear Cool. 2m 60 & Still. Wrote. All well. I printed 36 pieces. About all day. Very Warm 2 98. Same P. M. Hot slept. Printed. B. sewing & Knitting. Floods in S. Kansas. Dry here. I read Henry King's address at Lawrence, to B. Its good. Slept well ~ x

Sund. 10. Clear NE Still 2m 68. Up 6½ Hs now & B. not up yet. Up & ate. I printed more. Have 45 to tone when I get ice. P. M. B to Es. Felt to Norris's. I sent E. some prints of 1854. I wrote to Mattie & sent. Wom & Chaos. Slept. B back. with hen & chicks from Kate, and La Harpers & 3 mags. G. R. goes to) P. ~ Smoky not vented. Leon's feet are lame 7° ~ 1 ½ x Read to B. Slept well Cooler.

Meteor

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Mond. 11. Clear Cool NE. 52. B and I got gasoline stove in shed (which I cleaned.) Read etc. Clouds. PM. Fitz brot water from spring. Then, ill dit. [illegible] All well. A. H. Barnard ("Foul & Unnatural") poisoned himself at Enid Okla, of Wellington, Kans. said he was old & poor. Too much whisky & "fawncy". I glued at book backs. I read to B about old scamp Depew. [illegible]



Tuesd 12. Clear NE. mostly. W haze as usual. No rain. Grass dying in yard. Up at 6. To wash. I turned wringer & hung clothes. Done 11:30. All tired. P.M. Clear. Slept. Helped get in clothes N.E. Pleasant. B. reading shorthand journal of 1870. Can do it well. I mixed & filtered toning bath. Read maga to B. [illegible]

Wed. 13. Clear cold NE 52. I up at 5 and toned 45 prints in woodshed, nicely. Good cold toning bath. B. starched clothes & I hung em out. All well. Dry. P.M. Clear NE. I ironed some. B. baked. Trimmed prints. Read "Treason in the Senate" by Phillips, to B. [illegible]

Thursd. 14. Flag Day. Clear Pleasant - Still some W. haze. No rain. B. tired. We ironed some. P.M. Clear. I retouched sketches, etc. Read in maga. to B. To bed late. Slept first-rate. [illegible]

Frid. 15. Clear 52. Still. Pleasant. Well. I wrote. Read etc. Judge Benson takes scoundrel Burton's

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place, and says his own pave. P. M. Hot- Clear mostly. B. to town & got F. I retouched my negatives. Some clouds and two sprinkles of a very few drops ✓ Looks drouthy. Yard smells like a hay field. Parlé etc. Slept well. ✓ ☺ ×

Sat=. 16. Clear 7m 64. Still Warm. Chickens have mites ✓ Clear. Will have street cars to Shorey & the Reform Sch. Read. Lave. P. M. Parlé. etc. Got hot- S. W. 7m 103. At night played flute & phono. F. likes the flute solo. ✓✓ ☺ Slept nicely.

Sund. 17. Clear. SE. W. haze. All well. B. cooked. I shelled peas. Irving on wheel. Kate, Irene and baby came. Dine. J. H. gone. P. M. Hot- b. 7m 102+. Windy. Irving read my B. B. & I gave him carbine barrel, flint- lock & old burnt saber. All away. Geo & Wm R came. On porch & talked. J. H. came. Away Soupé. W clouds & lightning. F telling Alladin. ✓✓ ☺ ☺ ×

Mond. 18. Clouds. W breeze. Cooler 7m 72. up late. B. making bread. All better. Little shower 1/20 of inch ✓ PM. Some clouds NW breeze. Sprinkles. Read etc. B. baked. Phono & flute. Rains NW of us. ☺ ☺ ☺ + ×

Tues d. 19. Clear Cool NW 7m 62. Lame back. I read etc. More rains N of us. Corn down 2½ cts in 1 day. PM Clear NW. B. took F. to town. Wrote I made 2 records: "Casey as Judge & Backyard". Slept. B.

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back at C. J. H. cut oats. NE and NW clouds & sprinkle at dark. Read to B.

1 $1. Fee Geo. W. Martin

Wed. 21. Little rain in night. Clearing. W still. Cool. B up late. Longest day, about. I sent $1. Central Bk. check to State Hist Soc'ty and 9 unmounted photos: "Jaws" No 1, $1. — 1 ½ x 2 Shelling ½ x 3 Last shot ½ - ½ x 4 Change of Base. ½ x 5 1st - 2 Caisson. 6 Surrender. ½ x 7 Hospitality ½ x 8 Last Foe, " ½ x ½ x ½ - 1865 - ½ x P.M. Cool NW. Breezy. Slept. B. tired x driving out 2 flies. Wrote. to F & R. & sent 7 unmounted photos. 1:70 with lines. 2 as a rebel in corn field. 3 Night before ½ x 4 Shelling ½ x 5 Sharpshooter. 6 Chaos. 7 Surrender. Read to B. Clear still. Slept cold.

Geo. W. Martin. Re Reader

Thurs d 21. Clear still. Very cold 2m 50 or 53. Wrote. I tired all day. Slept. P.M Warm. I tinkered. I wrote a little auto. B no supper. Read Bacon x

Frid. 22. Longest day by one second. Clear. 8 2m 65. Dry as a bone. B an lit. I pasted photos and strips on pastel card etc. Got dinner. B. up ate some Hot-S. Clear. At 3 thunder and 3 drops of rain. Clouds NE. Read bk. Elmo to B. Slept. At night a storm of wind & rain at 10. Good. Up late. 6 ½ x

Sat. 23. Drizzly. Broken limbs in yard. Water in bottom. A bad washy rain. Pretty well. B & larger