

JOSEPH CLEMENS ----- 1895

[This diary begins with a revival meeting at Rouzerville that extends from January 3 to February 12. His mother, Jane James Clemens, divorced from his father Charles, seems to have lived with him since he left college and moved into the parsonage in Rouzerville PA. At annual conference in March he was returned to Rouzerville, but as he left a little early he didn't find out until he read it in the paper en route to Muncy Valley the next day.]

January 1895

Tue, 1st. Thank God that the dawn of the year found me trying to lead a soul to Christ. Was at Laporte with Mary. Had a pleasant time. Drove home to Muncy Valley. Finished Bow of Orange Ribbon. Called at Rev. Lepley's. Spent the evening with my Mary who told me of the great burden of her life. God bless my good innocent child.

Wed, 2nd. After bidding adieu to my love and her family, I started home. Missed connections at Harrisburg and stayed at Carlisle. Called on the Misses Gray. Met the boys and slept in the College. Found in Harrisburg that my friend Brown had failed in his book store. God had a poor weak one. Evert who had been at Convention said the catalog business was all right.

Thu, 3rd. Breakfasted with my frat men. Went to Chapel and then took train for home. At Waynesboro I found my horse and at home I found Mrs. Brown and Thomas [Brown]. Was sad, but God blessed me and helped me. Preached on Hebrews 3:16. Meeting seemed interesting. Had prayers at home and retired with praise to God. God help Mary.

Fri, 4th. Spent the morning in writing Mary, etc. Afternoon, wrote Harry. Prepared talk for the evening on Psalm 24:3,4. Had a good meeting and God blessed us. O God, save souls and give us a mighty revival. Bless my Mary.

Sat, 5th. [no entry]

Sun, 6th. Very rainy and I did not go to Mont Alto. Read in Harman's Introduction to Holy Scriptures and wrote Mary. Did not go to Blue Rock. Evening, preached on Luke 10:30-37 to a good house. 3 came to the altar and many wept. God is in our midst. O, send us the spirit.

Mon, 7th. 4 calls. Spent the morning in writing and visiting. Afternoon, went to the neighbors to try to help some one. Studied sermon on Matthew 12:26, last clause. Mrs. and Miss Row converted and 3 more at the bench. God greatly blessed us. O, send the Great spirit.

Tue, 8th. 4 calls. Spent the morning in talking to Old Sinney. Afternoon, did a little work in my study. Evening, preached on "Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" 2 professed Christ. God be praised. The enemy is at work. So is God. Hallelujah.

Wed, 9th. 6 calls. Spent the morning on Reid's Missions book. Wrote 2 peace letters to the brethren. Took dinner at Buhrman's. Did some visiting. Bap-

tized Addie Keperliss' child. Preached on Hebrews 2:1-4. God blessed. 3 more. Father come more to us. Bless my Mary, O God.

Thu, 10th. 2 calls. Spent the morning in writing to Mary etc. Evening, went to Mont Alto to pray and talk to Sam Nunemaker. He wishes to unite with the church. Heavy rain. Drove home. Preached to the people, a few. God save my people. A letter from my Mary. God bless her

Fri, 11th. 5 calls. Arose late and spent the morning in talking to people of their souls. Spent the evening in study and talked to Paul Miller of his soul. Lord save him. Amen. Prayed much. Evening, preached on I Timothy 1:15. O God, save the people. Lead me and save the people, Amen.

Sat, 12th. 8 calls. Spent the morning in calling on the people. God helped me. Evening, went to town and called at Rev. Reiley's and went to Stonehouse's and got him to come to Rouzerville. Evening, preached on [unstated]. God blessed us and we had a blessed time with Him. God bless my people. Convert, O Lord

Sun, 13th. A very cold morning. Had a meeting at 10:30 and took in 9 on probation. Afternoon, went to Fountain Dale and had a good service and a cold drive, but did not suffer. Evening, preached on Matthew 25: "The Parable of the Talents." One conversion and one taken into the church. God bless my people and save. God bless my child.

Mon, 14th. Spent the morning in writing. Dinner at Buhrman's. Spent the afternoon in putting things straight in my study. Evening, talked on "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me." Meetings here cold. God help us. Letter from my child. God bless her. Sanctify me, O God.

Tue, 15th. 9 calls. Morning, drove Bro. Stonehouse to town and then went to Midvale. Spent the afternoon in visiting and talking to the people. Evening, talked on John 3:16, "For God so loved." Meeting seemed discouraging. Had an after meeting and 2 or 3 repented and promised to continue. Letter from Mary. God revive us.

Wed, 16th. 1 call. Rain. Spent the morning in my study reading in Missions. Afternoon, came and called on Martha Stull who is in trouble. Evening, talked on Isaiah 55:6. Had 4 penitents and was going to dismiss. The Lord stayed me and saved 5 souls -- 2 old women, 1 man, and 2 young married women. Much joy and praise. Bless God. Come in greater power, Lord. Bless Mary, O God.

Thu, 17th. 10 calls. Rose late this morning. After breakfast went to visit people and talked to them of their souls. Home at 3:00 and talked to Sister Webb. Letter from my Love who is much interested in spiritual things. Evening, talked on Isaiah 55:7. 2 converts, and 1 more since last night. Meeting too icy. God bless my Mary. Amen.

Fri, 18th. 12 calls. Slept late. Called on the people and talked to them of their souls. Read in my study and read my mail. Evening, preached on I John 2:1-2. Had an impressive meeting. 1 convert and many praying. God help us. Amen. Save the people, Father. Keep and bless my Mary. Lead thy servant, O God.

Sat, 19th. Slept late, wrote Mary and ran errands. Wrote sermon on prayer, studied the Discipline to read on the morrow. Afternoon, rested a good while and tended house. Had a good letter from my Mary. Evening, talked on "Cutting off the hand, etc.," on "The worm that dieth not," and on "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem." God save.

Sun, 20th. 1 call. Went to Mont Alto, taught class. Read Rules and Doctrines. Took missionary collection. Made B. Small angry. Read same at Blue Rock. Went home and in the evening talked on "Entering into thy closet to pray." Had 2 penitents, no converts. House was much crowded and hot. I was very tired and warm. God care for me and manifest we are thine.

Mon, 21st. 4 calls. Went to Waynesboro. Bro. Reiley and I went to Mont Alto in the rain and gave Sacrament to Sam Nunemaker and exhorted his son and he repented. Gave Sacrament to Miss Bittinger and after dinner at Elden's went to Mrs. John Small for same. Talked at meeting to backsliders on Ezekiel 33. One more penitent. Meeting slow. God lead me.

Tue, 22nd. 2 calls. Spent the morning in writing an importunate letter to my Mary. Dinner at Buhrman's and then went to talk to Mr. Speilman -- penitent and tearful, but still. Evening, talked on "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" A good meeting, one professed conversion and one more penitent. God help me and take care of my interests. Bless my love and me. Amen

Wed, 23rd. Spent the morning in writing a poem to my betrothed on *The May Day*. Afternoon, wrote and slept. Was very fatigued. Evening, talked on Ezekiel 33:1-11. Had a serious meeting. 2 professed salvation. Thank the Lord. He works among us to love. Was tired in body. God is good to us. God bless mine. Amen.

Thu, 24th. Morning, wrote of money, etc. to debtors. Afternoon, read Sermons and made ready for the evening. Tended horses' sore feet, rested a little. Preached on "The Prodigal Son." 5 penitents came forward and 2 had been saved at home -- old Mrs. Keperly and Martha Stull. Thank God. He works. I leave the work to Thee. Help. God help Mary to decide right, Amen.

Fri, 25th. 14 calls. Spent the morning in making calls. Took dinner at 2:30. Read and talked. Received a letter of disappointment from my Mary. God helped me when I took it to Him. Preached on Ecclesiastes 12:1. 4 conversions, 4 more at the altar. God is good to me. O God, I trust in Thee. Thou care for my people. Amen.

Sat, 26th. Wrote this morning to Ma Strong and Mary, etc. Studied Bible on subject of baptism etc. Afternoon, read papers, etc. Talked to Mr. Hoover and looked after the horse. Evening, preached on John 3, last part -- full house and good interest. One who confessed the night before went down and 2 others. One professed. Letters from my strange much loved and loving child. God all mine are Thine. Amen.

Sun, 27th. Morning, took in 17 probationary members at Rouzerville and read the Articles of Religion. Had a good time. Afternoon, went to Fountain Dale, took missionary collection of Fountain Dale, read rules of church and talked. John

Sease along. God save him. Supper at home. Preached of Proverbs and "The Rich Fool" to crowded house. 2 converts, took in 6 probationary members. God is good. Revive us again.

Mon, 28th. Spent the morning in writing. Took dinner at Buhrman's and then read and wrote exegesis of Missions. Mail all blue. Evening, talked on the parable of "The Pearl of Great Price." Snow and a small house. Had 4 penitents, one new, and a good meeting. God is with us. Revive thy work. Amen.

Tue, 29th. Wrote and read much. Spent time in writing. Prepared talk and preached on Acts 9:12. Mr. Lohman professed conversion. The Lord is working. O God, lead me and mine to live for thy glory and honor.

Wed, 30th. 10 calls. After breakfast went to make calls. Had a pleasant round. Took dinner at Bro. Webb's. Came home to read and prepare for the evening but got no time. Preached on Acts. 3:19. Had a glorious meeting. 3 professed Christ, all married women. Had to keep the meeting up 'till 10:30. God be praised.

Thu, 31st. After chores I spent the time in reading Introduction to Holy Scriptures. Finished it after dinner. Prepared talk on John 20, part of verses 15 and 16. Had a glorious meeting but the results are known to God. I was worn out and am very much exhausted. The church is at work. God revive us again. Amen.

February 1895

Fri, 1st. Spent the morning in trying to read Missions. Stamey called. Afternoon, rested and slept and talked to Rich Webb. Prepared to talk in the evening on Matthew 8:2,3. Was weak but God gives strength to a weak man. Had a good meeting and 3 professed God. Thank God. God save the penitent. Lead us. Bless my Mary.

Sat, 2nd. Morning, did chores and went to town. Took dinner at Rev. Reiley's and went to Sam Brown's in the country and administered Sacrament to Mrs. Brown and baptized 5 of the children. Had a good time. Drove home and preached in the evening on Philippians. 3:14. Had a glorious meeting. 4 converts. Praise God. Much joy. God is with us. God bless my child. Amen.

Sun, 3rd. Mother and I started to Mont Alto. Preached on John 14:15. People well pleased. Dinner at Small's. Drove to Sam Nunemaker's and baptized him. Drove to Blue Rock, preached some, and then drove home. Preached on II Corinthians 6:17,18. Had a glorious meeting, 2 more penitents, no converts. God lead us and lead us. Amen.

Mon, 4th. After doing chores, etc., wrote and went to store. Read Wesley's Sermons and Advocate. Prepared sermon on Romans 12:1,2. Went to Clark's school house. Had a good spiritual meeting and Miller and Whitmer spoke. Thank God. Had but 2 penitents as several stayed home. Retired after our usual prayers. God bless my Mary.

Tue, 5th. After chores went to Mr. Henderson's, took dinner and talked to him much of his soul, then called at Speilman's Got apples. Letter from Mary, strange child. Prepared talk on Matthew 25:34. Had a good meeting and God was

with us and blessed 5 souls. Praise the Lord. Old [illegible] Whitmer. God is good to us. Lead us, Father.

Wed, 6th. Looked after horse, etc., and then wrote my love. Read in Missions book before and after dinner. Evening, prepared a sermon on John 11:25,26. Tried hard to preach. Had to believe in God for results. The Lord is good. God bless us and save us. Bless my Mary. Amen.

Thu, 7th. Arose and after looking after horse read and finished 1st volume on Missions. Wrote to Drew for Paul Miller (of school). Read Wesley's Sermons and started on ancient History. Evening, talked on I Kings 18:21 to a small house on account of snow storm. Good meeting. God save. A letter from mine. God bless us.

Fri, 8th. An awful snow storm. Everything drifted. Spent most of the day after writing to Mary in reading History. Evening, read [illegible] and History. Evening, only a few at church. Gave a talk and had prayers. God lead me. Carry on thy work. Bless thy child.

Sat, 9th. Spent the morning in History. Evening, went to town to get coal and hair cut and saw Rev. Reiley concerning preaching. Much drifted by the storm. Had more people at meeting. Had an interesting meeting. God bless and save my people.

Sun, 10th. Arose late and talked in the morning and held class. Had a good meeting and took 1 into church. Spent the day on Wesley's Sermons. Enjoyed them. Evening, preached on Jeremiah 8:20 to a goodly company. The meeting was dull. God increase our faith. Bless my soul to men's salvation. Bless her whom I love. Save my people.

Mon, 11th. Wrote my Mary and read History. Wrote others. Read, and in the evening prepared my talk on Luke 16:19-31. Preached to a remarkable good house. Looks as if I might be compelled to close. O God, give the victory to those who sit in hesitancy and save. Bless my love and make me a worthy and good man.

Tue, 12th. Spent the morning in History. Went to Buhrman's to dinner. He and I went over mountain to Fountain Dale. Home to get my 1st mail since the storm. Letter from my Mary. Preached on Matthew 11, last 3 verses. Had a good house. Great God, give the fruit. Bless and keep my work, and bless me to the people, and God bless my Mary.

Wed, 13th. Spent the morning in History and worked hard at it. Did a good deal of work. Evening, prepared and preached on Matthew 25:1-13: "The Ten Virgins." Had a good meeting. Closed then and left in good feeling. Studied late and retired. Wrote a letter to my Mary and slept well.

Thu, 14th. Arose and went to Webb's and we went to Buhrman's and formed 4 classes and Webb as prayer leader. Went to see the people to tell the leaders of their appointments. Went to town, took dinner at Reiley's, and called on Mr. Stonehouse and our Miss Snyder. Went home and put away sleigh. Letter from Mary.

Fri, 15th. Finished Fisher's History to page 360, 1st years' reading. Started on 2nd volume of Missions. Had to entertain some folks. An encouraging letter from my Mary. God lead us and do thy will concerning us. Bless our relation. Wrote Mary and a sermon on What is Man? Am restless and my work is hard. God will provide.

Sat, 16th. Spent the morning writing. Took notes on communion sermon: "What is man?" Felt weak. My class of young people met at 2:30. Very encouraging. Most present and had a good meeting. Read and felt miserable nervous reaction. Spent the evening in the house. Am lone and dreary because of love. God lead my love and bless us both. Amen.

Sun, 17th. Awoke feeling bad. Went to Mont Alto. Roads shoveled out as high as 2 horses. Preached on Psalm 8: "What is man?" Funeral of Sam Nunemaker. Blue Rock more encouraging. Went home, had supper in. Went to Fountain Dale and preached on Acts 1: "You shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, etc." Home at 10:30, tired and fearful. God care for me.

Mon, 18th. Spent the morning in writing and reading. Rested in the evening, being fatigued and weary. Went to Fountain Dale and preached on Ezekiel 29: "I will require his blood at thy hand." People very attentive and earnest. Drove home. God is good. Bless her whom I love.

Tue, 19th. Spent the morning in reading and then entertained men. Had visitors in the afternoon and Mr. S. Brown for supper. Voted at polls. Went across to Fountain Dale and preached on "Am I my brother's keeper?" God is reviving us. Had a good meeting. O God, come. Amen. Letter from my loving child.

Wed, 20th. Spent the morning in reading Missions and writing, also the afternoon. Evening, preached on "Seek and ye shall find." It was hard to preach at times and yet God was with us though we seemed weak. 2 men came to seek God. Thank God that he can work through weak men.

Thu, 21st. Arose to work hard on my books. Finished the one on Missions and started and finished the one on Digest of Methodist Law. Received my disappointing letter from Mary. God knows what is best. Went to Fountain Dale and preached on Psalm 51:10: "Create within me a clean heart." God was with us. We will trust in Him. Home at 11+.

Fri, 22nd. Started Conferences. Interesting. Afternoon, drove to town and saw fire. Attended to business and drove home. Then to Fountain Dale. Preached on "Cutting off the Right Hand." Drove home and was very cold. God is good to me and blesses me in discouragement.

Sat, 23rd. Spent the morning in visiting the people who wished to unite on probation. Had hard trials and temptation to lose patience. Afternoon, held class and then rested and went to Fountain Dale. Preached on John 14, or talked. Had a quiet meeting. An encouraging letter from my child. God spares me.

Sun, 24th. Arose very early weak and warm. Prepared to preach on "The presence of the Savior." Took missionary collection, took in probationers and talked on "Feet Washing." People much interested. Met my leaders and stewards. Laid

down. Arose and went to Fountain Dale. Preached on Romans 12:1-2. God is good, blessed ones.

Mon, 25th. Morning, spent in house on Conferences book. Afternoon, did same and rested a little. Evening, drove to Fountain Dale and preached. [Last sleigh ride of the season.] Had a good meeting and the church became more alive. God is good to us. His will be done.

Tue, 26th. Arose and went to town, called on Rev. Reiley and took dinner. Then went to Mont Alto and at 2:00 buried Mrs. Sam Nunemaker. Sad funeral. Hard to preach. So tired. Drove hard to get home. At Fountain Dale to preach, 1 fainter, God help.

Wed, 27th. Did some work on my book, then was tired and rested. Felt weak and much worn. Went to Fountain Dale and preached on Acts 3:19 with power and God was with us. Home, ate a piece. God bless my one whom I love. God revive Thy work.

Thu, 28th. Morning, went to Buhrman's to put my Conference report in order. Took dinner and worked at home. Tired and rested a little. Evening, preached at Fountain Dale from Galatians 6 on "Be not deceived, etc" -- penitents kept home by husbands and devils. God, thou canst work. Letter from Mary. God help.

March 1895

Fri, 1st. Morning spent in reading Conferences, and part of the afternoon. Evening, went to Fountain Dale -- meeting cold, and I have to get to work. One professed satisfaction. God revive us. Was despondent and had much heart ache. God care for me. My love is changeable as usual. God lead us and help.

Sat, 2nd. Morning spent in finishing book on Conferences. Afternoon, had class -- weather had men absent. Rested and went to Fountain Dale in the evening. Had a good meeting and God was with us. I am much burdened in heart from hope and fear.

Sun, 3rd. Drove to Mont Alto. Roads are very bad. Rev. Wilcox helped administer sacrament. Had the best meeting, 8 conversions at Mont Alto. At Blue Rock had a good meeting and much encouraging. God is good. Missed road and did not get to Fountain Dale. Was much worn out. God is good to me. Lord lead me and Mary.

Mon, 4th. Word of Harry, Tom, and Will's conversions. Thank God. Drove to town and called on Rev. Reiley, sent Wilcox home. Evening, preached at Fountain Dale and stayed all night at B. Buhrman's. Thank the Lord that the people are in better spirits and love me more. Tired and heavy-hearted. God lead us.

Tue, 5th. Morning, spent in reviewing Systematic Theology. Afternoon, same. Evening, preached on "One thing thou lackest." Had a quiet feeling at meeting. Many young people. God help and lead us. Drove home. I am Thine, lead me. God bless mine.

Wed, 6th. Spent the morning in missionary reports and books. Afternoon, also prepared my sermon and essay for Conference. Evening, preached at Fountain

Dale on "The Rich Man and Lazarus." Had a good meeting. Stopped at Bro. Holmes' and talked with him of various things. Had prayer and retired. God lead me and mine.

Thu, 7th. Hitched and with Bro. Buhrman drove to A.H. Eyler's and had a time to reconcile him. He promised to come to church. Visited Anderson, reviewed Theory of Preaching. Evening, preached on "The Ten Virgins." Had a good meeting. I professed conversion. Drove home. A letter from my Child. God lead us and help us to do right. We are Thine. In Thee we trust.

Fri, 8th. Wrote Mary and spent several hours on sermon on Baptism. Afternoon, read. Drove to Fountain Dale and preached on "Baptism" for 1 hour & 30 minutes to a very attentive audience. People seemed pleased. Then settled accounts with stewards. All seems to be promising. God is good. I will trust in Thee.

Sat, 9th. Spent the morning in trying to read with a headache. Looked over Conference accounts. Held Adjourned Quarterly Conference at class. Things look well. Evening, tried to rest and then held Love Feast. Had a good time and all felt well. Not very well. Had prayers. Visitors. God is our refuge. God lead me and mine.

Sun, 10th. Arose with headache. Preached in Waynesboro on "Baptism." Seemed to please. Dinner at Rev. Reiley's. Home, looked after Accounts. Went to Fountain Dale. Preached on feet washing, sacraments, etc. Gave Sacrament. Reiley gave Sacrament in the morning. Had a good day. Last Sabbath of Conference year. God lead me and mine.

Mon, 11th. At Conference. Drove to Waynesboro, took train to Tyrone. At Tyrone by 3:00. Sent to A.A. Smiths, a fine home and pleasant people. Am very tired and nervous from over work, but better than I could expect. Have some apprehensions of the exams of the morrow. God Bless My Child.

Tue, 12th. Began exams at 9:00. Found a pleasant committee and did better than expected. At it again at 1:30 and, though tired, did O.K. After supper went to take exam in Systematic Theology. Middling. Was tired exceedingly. God is mine. O, bless my child.

Wed, 13th. Conference opened. Had a good Love Feast and met many old friends. Business began as usual. Met Bro. Wilhelm, my former school teacher, and he asked me to go to preach for him. Started for Mill Hall at 4:00 and had a good meeting and then talked to Bro. Wilhelm. God is good to me.

Thu, 14th. Up at 2:30 and had to wait an hour at the train. Back in Tyrone for breakfast. Went to the morning session. Bishop Newman's lecture good. Afternoon, walked with Rev. Shriner and then rested and felt much better. Went to church and walked with the Smith girls. Retired early.

Fri, 15th. Felt much strengthened. After breakfast, heard Bishop Newman's lecture -- good. Attended the business session. Bought books -- Strong's Commentary, Preacher's Magazine and other preachers' books. Afternoon, walked and went to meetings. Evening, went to the church and then talked to Miss Smith of her soul until late.

Sat, 16th. Went to Bishop Newman's talk to young men. Enjoyed it much. Sat in the Conference session; I much admire the executive ability of Bishop Newman. Afternoon, walked and talked with Rev. Shriner. Evening, went with the Smith girls to hear a Cadman lecture on Abraham Lincoln.

Sun, 17th. Went to Love Feast and then to hear Bishop Newman talk on *Character and Holiness*. It did me good. After dinner walked with Singer and went to the evangelistic service. It was a session long to be remembered for the presence of the Spirit. Evening, went to the East Tyrone ME Church. Singer stayed with me. God is good to me.

Mon, 18th. Went to hear Bishop Newman's talk to young men. Good. Enjoyed the Conference session. Saw my elder was excused for the evening. Started to Scotia at 3:00+, walked to Hartsock's. Was well received and enjoyed seeing those who had been kind to me. Talked away the evening. Had prayers and retired in need of rest. God is good to me.

Tue, 19th. Arose early took 8:00+ train to Bellefonte, met there many preachers. Paper stated I was returned to the same appointment. Stopped in Williamsport. Arrived at Muncy Valley at 6:00. Found my love much better and all the rest well. Evening, spent a little while with Mary. Very tired and went to rest. Thank God for my Love.

Wed, 20th. Spent the day with my Mary and was very unhappy and dissatisfied. My child is kind and considerate. Spent the evening with her.

Thu, 21st. Spent day with Mary reading and with music. Her professor monopolizes too much of the time to please a teasy old bachelor. God is good to us.

Fri, 22nd. Arose and made ready to go to Dushore. Took train at 11:00 and took dinner at Satterfield. Arrived and went to the house of the Misses Lilly -- very fine people. Evening, called on Grandma Oman. Stayed at Lilly's. Very fine people. Had music, etc. A rough town.

Sat, 23rd. Arose betime and went to call, and then back for dinner. Took hack for Satterfield. Arrived home at 4:00. Evening, went on the hill and was frightened by a bear coming up towards us. Spent the evening with my Mary and she gave me her promise to be my wife on September 1st. It made me myself. God is good to me.

Sun, 24th. This morning I really feel like another person. Went to Sabbath school, taught Mary's class, came home to spend the time with Mary. Read the Bible, etc. Afternoon, went to see the bear place and found a chicken there. Evening, went to church and was with Mary. God is good to us.

Mon, 25th. Spent the morning in writing on "Feet Washing" in reply to a challenge from a Winebrennarian preacher. Made it harsh. Afternoon, went up to market for a walk and enjoyed it much. Spent the evening with my own Mary. I am thankful for my innocent child.

Tue, 26th. Finished the article for the preaching course and was pretty well pleased with it. Went on the hill with Mary to walk and took our supper. Had copied article on Rev. Lepley's typewriter. Home to chat a while and to bed at 9:00 to take a long rest.

Wed, 27th. Began to read Watson on *Baptism* and spent much time in it during the day. Am glad Mary can enjoy that which is elevating to the mind and soul, also that she takes much interest in music. Spent a happy evening with her. God bless and help me. Baptized Mead's child, Harry Mead.

Thu, 28th. Arose late and talked to Mary and then read Watson on *The Lord's Supper*. Mary and I enjoyed it much. Also, I read while she practiced. Read on exegesis. Went to Taylor's to walk, had a pleasant time. Spent eve with my Mary who is satisfied and content as seems. God bless her.

Fri, 29th. Arose early and greeted my child. Bade her adieu at train. Went on my way and commenced reading The Sisters by Ebers. Met several acquaintances. Found my horse at Waynesboro. Found mother well and things moving along nicely as seems. After prayers, went to bed refreshed. Thank God for my Love.

Sat, 30th. Spent the morning in writing the necessary letters. Afternoon, held my class and then made ready for Mont Alto. Drove to Waynesboro then to Mont Alto. Stayed with Small and had a good evening with him. All seems to be well. God bless us.

Sun, 31st. Arose early and took a walk. Made ready and preached on "Baptism" -- very dry. Afternoon, went to Blue Rock. Preached the same -- better. Had a talk with Brown and Lohman. Organized Sabbath school and class meeting. Talked to people and had a good meeting. Read and retired early. God bless my Mary.

April 1895.

Mon, 1st. Paul Miller came to stay a while with me. We began to make garden. Made onion bed. Went to Midvale for coal. Have to plant onions, etc. Evening, read The Sisters. Am in better spirits. God lead me and keep us good.

Tue, 2nd. Rainy. Spent the morning in writing, etc. Finished The Sisters. Afternoon, went to town with mother and got horse shod, etc. Called at Rev. Reiley's. Home after supper, called to help arrange the Easter program at Bro. Webb's. Tired, I went to rest. Mary's letter came. God bless us and keep us.

Wed, 3rd. Wrote on Easter sermon. Afternoon, read and wrote. Evening, went to Fountain Dale and stayed with Sam Barton and talked much with him of various things. Went to Christian Endeavor meeting. God be with my people and bless them. Bless my Mary.

Thu, 4th. After breakfast went up to Harbaugh Valley to the home of Mrs. McClain and at 9:30 began the funeral service. Buried on the hill. Took dinner at Anderson's. Drove home. Read papers then tried writing on *The Atonement*. Wrote on Mary's letter. God take care of my child. Help her health. Amen.

Fri, 5th. Morning, wrote Mary and read for sermon on Abraham. Worked in the lot. Drove to town to see after shop matters. After came home read, and being tired tried to read Miley on *The Atonement*. Laid it up as it was too deep for a tired mind. God bless my Mary and Thy servant.

Sat, 6th. Morning spent in reading of Abraham. Letter from Mary. After noon walked up in woods, talked with Paul about selling books. Brought sassafras. Read and studied on sermon of Abraham. Spent evening at home. Felt well and tired. Shaved and had prayers, retired. God is good to unworthy me.

Sun, 7th. Preached on Abraham -- middling. Went to Fountain Dale, preached the same. Home. Prepared for evening. Preached on "Baptism" to a very interested house. Preached well and people seemed pleased. Wrote my Mary. God, help us to live right and serve Thee. O, bless my people.

Mon, 8th. Worked on sermons and went to seek my fountain pen. Afternoon, arranged things in the study and talked to Bro. Buhrman. Letter from Bro. Small resigning the stewardship. Wrote him and Elden. Evening, read Miley on *The Atonement*. Tired. Went to bed after prayers. God care for mine.

Tue, 9th. Read Miley on *The Atonement*. Wrote many letters on business, etc. Afternoon, read and studied. Went to Waynesboro after supper. Left the business of the Powers brothers with the lawyer. Came home to find a huge donation party from Blue Rock. They brought much to furnish the parsonage buttery. God bless them. Bless my Mary.

Wed, 10th. 11 calls. After writing, etc., started over mountain to visit. Took dinner at Old Billy Benchoff's. Called at many places. Prayed at most. Evening, attended prayer meeting and read and talked on II Corinthians 6. Stayed at Martin's, and after prayers retired. God bless my people. Bless Mary.

Thu, 11th. 13 calls. Started to call, took dinner at Hefley's, made several calls after dinner. Evening, came to B. Buhrman's and called with him at Fry's. Talked till late to Buhrman and Wills on church matters, etc., and then retired. God is good to us.

Fri, 12th. Started early to call and went up on mountain to Warren's, etc. Took dinner at Miller's. Saw A.H. Eyler and didn't rake him. Was kind and asked him to come to meeting. Drove home. Read my mail and letter from Mary. Led my class and, after showing my children my study, retired early.

Sat, 13th. 2 calls. Wrote Mary and a letter in reply to Rev. Kipe on feet washing. Did a little gardening, etc. After dinner read and at 3:30 started to Mont Alto. Took supper at Rev. Reiley's in Waynesboro. Drove to Mont Alto and stopped at Elden's. Had a time to get them started on the finances.

Sun, 14th. 2 calls. Much trouble with Elden to get him to meet Small's demand. Preached Easter sermon. Afternoon, drove to Blue Rock and preached some to a good congregation. Baptized children for Mrs. Middour. Drove to Mont Alto. Had a good Easter service. Stayed at Stamey's. God is good and merciful to me.

Mon, 15th. 6 calls. Arose to prepare sermon for funeral. At 11:30 buried L. J. Heefner. John 6:27. Called on sick. Had business talk with Small. Left him in good spirits. On way home brought Stamey and called. Home at 6:00. Read my mail, etc. and was tired. God be good to mine and bless her and make me good.

Tue, 16th. 1 call. Spent time in reading and writing. Went to Speilman's to dinner. Drove to town. Bought shoes, etc. Back to mill and brought mother home. Wrote letters to Mary, etc. Read and worked in the garden. God help me. O, bless thou my life for good. Bless my people.

Wed, 17th. 1 call. Wrote Mary this morning about us. Read Miley on *The Atonement*. Ah, that I were pure and good in body and mind, God help me. Took supper at Buhrman's and drove to Midvale. Had Rev. Shipe at prayer meeting. Called with Buhrman afterward. God help us.

Thu, 18th. 1 call. Man plowed the lot. Paul and I planted 3 bushels of potatoes, and I covered them. Read after dinner and rested. Read Advocate, etc. Evening, called on Bro. Webb with Bro. Buhrman. Had chats on different little difficulties. All bound to be settled amicably. God care for my people and Charles [Buhrman]. Bless my love.

Fri, 19th. Arose and drove to Waynesboro. Met Ellen Evans. Took dinner at Rev. Reiley's. Went to Quarterly Conference at Blue Rock. Had a splendid representation. Salary raised to \$650. Resolved to meet at Mont Alto next and all attend. Sam Barton stayed with me. Held class and talked. Retired early. God is good.

Sat, 20th. Went to town and met Hoover at the train, and brought him home. Afternoon, wrote and talked. Drove to High Rock -- Barton, Hoover, R. Webb and I. Had pleasant time. Spent the evening in a pleasant manner. After prayers went to bed, having taken teas and bathed my feet in mustard. Bad cold.

Sun, 21st. Prepared for sermon. Easter Sermon. Good house. After dinner the 3 of us went to Fountain Dale. Same sermon. Hoover said much different. Drove to Pittenger's, took supper. Went to Monterey, talked in Christian Endeavor. Preached on "Jonah and the Whale" to an attentive group. Drove home and retired early. Thank God for strength.

Mon, 22nd. 1 call. Had cold, spent time in reading after making garden. Read Miley on *The Atonement* and the discussion on *Baptism*. Called on sick Katie Sease. Evening, read -- after I had given young Pittenger a lecture on canvassing. God keep me and mine, bless my work.

Tue, 23rd. Spent the day in reading and rested part of afternoon with a cold. Evening, read and talked. Am trying to lay plans to get church on mountain for a preaching appointment.

Wed, 24th. 1 call. Was spent in reading, etc. Took dinner at Buhrman's. After resting went to call on Katie Sease. Led prayer meeting and talked from Isaiah 53. Had a good meeting. Spent the evening 'till midnight finishing Miley on *The Atonement*. God keep mine.

Thu, 25th. Arose to find the women ready to paper the rooms. Helped them

till noon. Went fishing on mountain. Had a good walk and no fish. Hill on fire. A letter from my Mary child. God bless her and help her to health. Retired at 10:00. God bless my people. Amen.

Fri, 26th. Spent in trying to think and write a sermon. Bad attempt. Went to store. Afternoon, slept. Went to store, etc. Led class, few present. Studied and wrote at sermon till midnight. Felt more encouraged but retired with a heavy heart. God be merciful to me. Bless and keep me and mine. Bless my people. Amen.

Sat, 27th. Spent the morning on sermon and reading. Afternoon, studied sermon and married C. E. Eylar to Lattie F. Haines. Fee: \$1.00. Drove to town to see lawyer and Rev. Reiley. Drove to Monterey to see Tracey, and then to another brother to form a compact to preach for them. Home late. God lead me. Bless mine.

Sun, 28th. Drove to Mont Alto and gave them a Scripture reading. Dinner at Small's. Drove to Blue Rock and other places. Preached to children. Back to supper with Wm. McFerren. Preached on Matthew 5:16. Drove home. Had a wet day. My heart was sad and lonely. God have mercy on me and help me. Amen.

Mon, 29th. Spent the day reading and writing. Very rainy and had cold. Was sad because of great shortcomings. O, that I were like Him, my Father. God lead me in all my ways.

Tue, 30th. Spent the morning in reading Ecce Coelum. Much interested in it. Read and wrote and tried to improve my time. Men from mountain came with petition for me to preach to them. Dinner at Buhrman's. Went to town, bought fence, etc. God bless mine.

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Fri, 1st. Up early and took 7:30 train for Baltimore. On way read Ecce Coelum. Called on Mrs. Hawley and son-in-law to try to arrange to preach at their chapel on mountain. Called on May Elden at Johns Hopkins Hospital. Supper at Bohers. Visited Women's College, Washington Monument, Pratt Library, Cathedral Church. Called at McRiley's. Put up at Charles Hotel, tired and sleepy. God lead.

Thu, 2nd. Up at 7:00, breakfast. Took train home. Read Ecce Coelum. Took notes. Walked from Pen Mar. Took dinner, rested and wrote Mrs. Hawley and others. Letters from my good loving Mary. God lead us, Thy children. Called at Reachard's. God bless the people. My trust is in Thee.

Fri, 3rd. Worked in yard and cut tubs for flowers. Wrote letters to Mary. Afternoon, rested and read in the papers. Wrote notes from Ecce Coelum. Evening, had a good prayer meeting and then finished Ecce Coelum -- very good. God blesses me and helps me. I trust in Him. Bless her whom I love, Lord.

Sat, 4th. Worked in study. Wrote outline of Ecce Coelum. Had Paul spade the lot for sweet potatoes. Sent Ecce Coelum to Miss Elden. Spaded a little, read and wrote. Fry and Warren came from Fountain Dale to tell me of the trouble of B. B[uhrman]. God lead me. Worked in yard. Shaved and dressed. Went to Love Feast, enjoyed the meeting. God bless my people and my child.

Sun, 5th. Drove to Waynesboro, preached on "What is man?" After dinner

lay down and then called on Bro. Lloyd. After supper went to Bro. Stonehouse. Evening, preached a sermon to wives and brothers. Walked and came home. Thank God for His day and house and people. God bless Mary and all my people.

Mon, 6th. 12 calls. Drove up to Samuel Brown's, took dinner and started to call at Roadside. Had a pleasant and profitable time. Supper at Miss Bear's. Drove home and held a meeting of the official board. Had a profitable meeting. Letter from Mary. God lead me in the way of all truth and help me to do right. Bless Mary.

Tue, 7th. 12 calls. After writing, went to Waynesboro. Dinner at Reiley's. To Tomstown, fed horse, then started to visit. Took supper at Harbaugh's. Went to John Brown's, etc. Stayed all night at Harbaugh's. Talked and after prayers retired. Thank God for His help to a weak man. God bless and care for Mary.

Wed, 8th. 14 calls. Arose at 5:00. Hitched after prayers and breakfast. Called at Ressler's and their child was very sick. God bless the child. Called around, took dinner at Ressler's. Called and reached home at 5:00. Had a good rain. Went to prayer meeting and led it. Few present. Read Advocate. God bless my maiden. Letter from Ketterman wanting to build church for me. God lead.

Thu, 9th. 7 calls. Spent the morning in writing letters. Went to Buhrman's, took dinner. Made ready to go to mountain to accept offer from Ketterman's letter to build church, etc. Then to Fountain Dale to settle the Sabbath school trouble with B. B[uhrman] and S.S. God helped me and O.K. Came home and felt better satisfied. Letter from Mary. God is good to me. God bless my child.

Fri, 10th. Hoed cabbage, wrote Mary, etc. Went to Buhrman's, took dinner, and went over mountain to Highfield and then to Fountain Dale. Inquired into the difficulties of S.S. and B. B[uhrman]. Called to see B. B[uhrman] and at his resignation of superintendent appointed Sam Barton. Afternoon, rested and read. Evening, met people from Highfield to build church. After their departure, talked, had prayers, retired. God lead.

Sat, 11th. 2 calls. Spent the morning in writing and reading. Had much on my mind of church affairs. Afternoon, made ready for Sabbath. Went to town and then to Mont Alto. Took supper at Small's. Drove to Fayetteville. Stayed at Breckenridge's. Was cold and damp. Talked then retired after prayer.

Sun, 12th. 2 calls. Up early and studied a little, very cold. Went to Sabbath school and spoke, preached on "What is man?" Interesting people. After dinner took W. Breckenridge and drove to Scotland, preached on Jonah, in school house. After supper had prayer and talked to people of house. Went to Green Village. After Epworth League preached on Articles of Religion. Stayed at Bollinger's. Was tired and cold. God is good to me.

Mon, 13th. 2 calls. After prayers and breakfast drove toward Mont Alto 14 miles. Found Rev. Mumper still there and after dinner spent the afternoon in talking to him. Evening, called at Elden's. Talked to Mumper of various matters of Conference, etc. Found him a fine man. Retired in good time feeling I had wasted too much time. God is good.

Tue, 14th. 20 calls. Went to call on Bro. Slaybaugh's sick child. Left

Mumper and called on several. Took dinner at John Reed's. Returned to John Slaybaugh's child sick. Had a pleasing time in calling on the people. All seemed pleased to see me. Took supper at Reynolds'. Called on 5 more then stayed at Reynold's. God is good to me. Bless Mine.

Wed, 15th. 17 calls. Arose betimes and started to call. Made a good and profitable time. Called on some for friends of the church. Started home after dinner via Waynesboro. Talked to Brown, my steward. Home. Glad of it. Read letters from mine. God bless mine. Led prayer meeting. God was with us.

Thu, 16th. Arose feeling sick and bluish. Had potatoes plowed. Read very much, some on children's baptism. Felt as if I had not done enough. I would I were able to measure up to my capacity. God gives me a strong body and mind. I want to use them for Him. God bless me and mine. Amen.

Fri, 17th. Spent the morning in writing and reading. Much troubled about the church at Fountain Dale. Afternoon, went after mail. Started to Fountain Dale. Had letter from Barton. Went on mountain to Highfield. Took supper at camp. Held meeting. Indefinite.

Sat, 18th. Drove home in dark and rain. Spent the morning on my sermon on "Children's Baptism." Finished it for a late dinner and rested. Evening, drove to town -- got hair cut and called at Reiley's. On way back went to Love Feast at Amsterdam Old Tunkers. Home to retire early. God help and keep me more like Thee.

Sun, 19th. Prepared sermon on "Children's Baptism" and preached at 10:30 to a good house. After dinner drove across to Fountain Dale, same sermon. Had a meeting of Sabbath school committee. Trouble. God helps me. Drove in rain to Monterey. Evening, took supper at Tracey's. Preached the same. Home. God is good to me. Bless Him.

Mon, 20th. Spent the morning in reading and writing Mary and others. Afternoon. was tired. Rested. Evening, drove to town to consult lawyer of settling Powers brothers. Drove home. Am in good health and feet. God keep me good and pure and holy. I am Thine, Lead me and mine. Amen.

Tue, 21st. 2 calls. A very rainy day. Spent the morning in reading articles in Self Culture and Methodist Review. Afternoon, started to read Steven's History of Methodism, 1st Volume -- good. Evening, same. Wrote answer to my strange child. God lead us, Thy children. Amen. I love her much.

Wed, 22nd. 13 calls. Set out cabbage and lettuce, carried over water. Wrote Ketterman. Started to call. Spent the rest of day in calling, took dinner at Sister Webb's. Had pleasant calls. God bless my much tried people. O, help me to live for my people. Led prayer meeting. Had profitable time. God lead me and bless my Mary.

Thu, 23rd. 11 calls. Spent the morning in garden and study. Afternoon, went to call. Made several calls during the afternoon -- some pleasant, some otherwise. Spent the evening at home in reading. Thank God for the privilege of a busy life. I trust in Him to keep me good and pure. God bless mine.

Fri, 24th. Wrote Mary and others. Word of a funeral on the Sabbath at 12:00

at Blue Rock. Read. Afternoon, went to town and called on Sam Brown. Bought things. Home. Went on mountain, took supper with Demas. Went to Ketterman's then to Wuntz's. Started to form class. Had prayer, drove home. God lead me in this church.

Sat, 25th. Spent the morning in reading and studying sermon. Afternoon, rested and made ready to go to Mount Alto. Drove through the rain. Mother stayed at Elden's. Baptized the Amsley child, then drove to Slaybaugh's. The old man is not well. After prayers said, had talk with him and his boys on different things. God lead me and mine.

Sun, 26th. Up at 7:00, went to Sabbath school, taught class. Preached sermon, baptized an infants. Had hasty dinner, drove to Blue Rock. Conducted funeral of little Nora Ressler. Sermon at church, buried in cemetery. Drove home, supper. Had a good prayer meeting. People much interested. Talked at home. Thank God for His help. Bless mine, O God. Amen.

Mon, 27th. 1 call. Spent the morning in writing. Went to store. Wrote a form on departure of Nora Ressler. Went to see Fleagle who is sick. Drove to town and called at Reiley's for supper. At lawyer's to see after Powers brothers account. Home. Read Oration at Bunker Hill. Went to bed early.

Tue, 28th. Morning, wrote to debtors and read. Started to form my memorial oration. Was much interested. Afternoon, resumed it. Walked in our valley. Came home to rest. Evening, went to GAR reception. Led in the devotional exercises. Enjoyed them much. God is good to me. Bless mine.

Wed, 29th. 1 call. Worked hard on my speech and finished it in the afternoon. Took it off on the typewriter. Went to Sam Browns and studied speech and found them sick. He and she. Took supper. Had prayers and drove home. Mother with me. God bless my people.

Thu, 30th. Arose to find a hot day. Studied my speech in the morning and drove to Mont Alto. At 3:00 the GAR came and we went to the cemetery and decorated the graves. In front of Small's store I delivered an oration on "The Patriots." Evening, drove home. Was fatigued and tired. God care for my child.

Fri, 31st. Morning, wrote and rested. Felt weary. Afternoon, went on mountain and worked to organize a Methodist Society at Highfield. In evening, met in Wuntz's dining room. Preached. Took in 2 full members at Monterey. Appointed trustees. Drove home. Married a couple. Letter from my love.

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Sat, 1st. Looked after yard work and rested. Started across mountain. At 2:00 helped decorate the soldiers' graves and then delivered an oration. Evening, drove to Highfield and organized the board of trustees. Gave them blank sheets, etc. Went to Fountain Dale, stayed at B. Buhrman's. Tired.

Sun, 2nd. Up early and felt good. Studied Sabbath school lessons. LECTURED Hawn. Taught Sabbath school, preached to children. After dinner drove to Sabillasville. Orated. Drove home and after supper went to children's service and was well

pleased. Crawled about college. As Sam Barton was here, sent Paul home with him. God is good to me and mine.

Mon, 3rd. Up early to go to Carlisle to Commencement. Called on Rev. Drum in Shippensburg. At Carlisle at 9:00+. Met the boys and others. Felt at home. Afternoon, attended Law School exercises lecture by Smith on educational philosophies. Spent the evening with the boys and talked with Dr. Evans. Slept with Charlie Evans. God is good to me and helps me.

Tue, 4th. Spent the morning in business in town and in U.P. Society, where I made a speech, etc. Afternoon, went to class day exercises after chatting with Wilson '94. In the evening, took Miss Gray to concert. Stayed with Charlie Evans. Had a busy day. God help me. Bless my Mary.

Wed, 5th. Morning, went to the Commencement Exercises conferring 85 degrees. Then to Commencement Dinner. Had a right pleasant time and then took tea with Jesse Akers. Went to reception at Dr. Reed's. Stayed with Charlie Evens. Enjoyed Commencement very much. Was profitable.

Thu, 6th. Took 8:00 train for Harrisburg. Went to book store. Talked to a wine merchant a sermon. Missed my train. Was much disappointed. So much. Went to ME Book Room. Lay down. Took 3:00 train to Montgomery. There at 6:00, ate and called on Rev. Wharton. Stopped at Hotel. God help me.

Fri, 7th. After breakfast took train to Muncy Valley. Found my Mary well and was very happy to see her. She seems stronger and better, thank God. Afternoon, went to Edkin's to look at oriole's nest. Had a pleasant ramble in the rain. Thank God for my Mary. God keep us.

Sat, 8th. Made ready and drove to Eagles Mere. Rained most all day. Senior Class of Dickinson Seminary was there -- Dr. Gray, Miss Hoag, etc. Had a pleasant time with them. Evening, drove home. Had a pleasant day. Spent the evening with my child. God make me worthy of her. Amen.

Sun, 9th. Went to Sabbath school. Preached to the children on "Idols." Very interested. Home, and read, and talked. Afternoon, went in woods with Mary. Evening, did not go out. God is better to me than I deserve. We read in Introduction to Holy Scriptures.

Mon, 10th. Drove with Mary's father's horse to Edkin's to study the birds. Sat near the oriole's tree, and then in the evening drove home. Had a lazy day together. God bless us and help us.

Tue, 11th. Morning, started for Highland by way of Rock Run. Had a wonderful drive over the hills. Took dinner way up on mountain. Drove to Highland then to Crystal Lake. Drove home another way. Had a lovely day. God help us always.

Wed, 12th. Spent the morning at home and I looked up my accounts with the Powers brothers. Got them straight. In the afternoon, Miss Laird came and Miss Laird and Mary and I went to Edkin's bird hunting. Cut down nest and the young only just hatched. Spent the evening with folks and Mary. God lead us.

Thu, 13th. Morning, hitched horse and went to Hunters Lake -- all of us and

Maurice [Strong]. The man there gave us boots, fishing tackle, etc., and we had a good time fishing. Caught perch, etc. Mary and I were in a drenching rain and hail storm. I led horse to road. Wet and tired that night. Cleaned fish and retired.

Fri, 14th. Morning, hitched horse and went to top of North Mountain, so steep I led the horse. Found there a beautiful spring where we ate dinner. Broke bit. Went to top of mountain. Drove home in good time. Child wants to postpone wedding. I was very sad. In the evening she put the time to her next birthday, January 3rd. In my sadness I was glad, and in my gladness I was sad.

Sat, 15th. Mary came to the train to bid me adieu. Took dinner at Montgomery. Read Introduction to Holy Scriptures on the way. In Waynesboro, hired a team to bring me and my buggy home. Was glad to get home and find everything in good order. Thank God. Help me, dear Savior. Prayed much all day.

Sun, 16th. Mother and I drove to Fountain Dale to Children's Day Service. Splendid. Baptized 11 people at Hardman's, where I took dinner. Drove home and in the evening preached in Rouzerville to an attentive audience on "The Whole Armor." God is good to me, God bless mine.

Mon, 17th. Started to Mont Alto to preach funeral of John Slaybaugh's child. Went to Chambersburg to bury. Called on A. T. Wright, bought books. Started to read Ships that Pass in the Night. Back to Mont Alto. Supper with Small. Drove home. Mother was with me at Mont Alto. Finished book, okay. Went to rest. Thank God.

Tue, 18th. Hired Bleystep boy to help plow and weed the lot. Worked hard most all day, and put things in fine shape. Left garden in good shape. Was very tired and went to rest early. Thank God for His goodness to me. God help my Mary who wrote me a good letter.

Wed, 19th. Spent the morning in writing Mary and others. Afternoon, went to Waynesboro -- bought suit and things of various kinds. [His account at end of books shows the following for the 19th: postage, etc. \$1.16; horse shoeing 1.00; suit clothes 9.00; satin shirt mother 10.40; drugs, etc. .30; watering can .40; to Preachers' Relief 10.00; horse feed .30.] Called at Rev. Reiley's. On way home, horse got colic. Home at 5:00+. Worked with horse all evening till 10. Seemed better and I retired very weary. Men were very kind in their help.

Thu, 20th. Was weary during the day. Morning, wrote and read. Afternoon, tried to work and read. Looked after garden, weeded and worked. God bless mine.

Fri, 21st. Spent the morning reading in the house -- felt indifferent. Afternoon, drove to Highfield to see Ketterman. Things go slowly. Talk of camp ground. Home, read mail, spent the evening walking. I am Thy servant, O God, lead me.

Sat, 22nd. 1 call. After the morning work, wrote outlines of sermon on "Mansions." Had a clear mind. Afternoon, rested to be clear for Sabbath. Evening, drove to Sam Brown's, stayed all night, talked with them. God is good to me. I felt discouraged about Blue Rock. God revive Thy work.

Sun, 23rd. Started early for Mont Alto, studied my notes. Fortunately, for I lost my Bible and notes on the way. Morning sermon on "Children's Idols."

Afternoon sermon on "Children's Baptism." Baptized J. H. Harbaugh's child. Drove home, rested, and looked up notes to lead prayer meeting in the evening. God is good to me. God bless her.

Mon, 24th. Watered garden, wrote Mary, spent much time on Introduction to Holy Scriptures. Keperly called. Cut grass in yard, lawn care in afternoon. Read much in Introduction. Had a good day of work. Wrote my Mary urging marriage soon. God lead me and deal wisely with Thy wicked servant.

Tue, 25th. 10 calls. Spent the morning at making calls. Found people pleasant and enjoyed it pretty well, but find it hard to do. Took supper at Buhrman's. Evening, read in Introduction. Am in good health and the Lord is good to me, but the bad weather, etc. is oppressive. God bless her.

Wed, 26th. Morning, arose and gathered cherries and read. Afternoon, went a fishing -- caught 1 trout, and had an afternoon to myself. Caught in the rain. Evening, Mr. Lerew came. Read in Introduction to Holy Scriptures and retired early. Am wanting my own companion.

Thu, 27th. Arose to read and pick cherries. Weeded some. At noon, began to rain very hard. Afternoon, stayed in and rested and read. Hard rain. Evening, planted celery and read till 11:00 in Introduction to Holy Scriptures. Had a good time. Eyes got tired. God bless my absent companion and make me good.

Fri, 28th. Spent the morning in work and cherries. Evening, read and after supper drove to town with Rich Webb. Called at Rev. Reiley's. Found Sam Barton at parsonage on his way to Quarterly Conference. Spent the evening in chat and retired feeling blue.

Sat, 29th. 2 calls. Started to Waynesboro on way to Mont Alto and after doing business there reached Mont Alto at about noon. Quarterly Conference met at 3:00. Had few present. Good reports and some encouragement. Drove to park and then held Love Feast. Had a good time and felt better. Stayed at Slaybaugh's. God bless mine.

Sun, 30th. 3 calls. Arose after a restless night. Went to Sabbath school and led the service. Presiding elder Evans preached Communion Service. Not many people. Afternoon, drove to Blue Rock. Presiding elder preached. Back to Mont Alto, Sam Barton and I. Heavy rain. Supper at Stamey's. Evening, preached on "My Father's House." Stayed at Small's. Felt better in heart. God bless mine.

July 1895

Mon, 1st. 6 calls. Drove home via Waynesboro. Looked after business. Took dinner at noon and then went on mountain to take Sam [Barton] over. Made calls on my people. Came home very tired, went to rest early trusting in God. O, I want holiness. God help me and bless my child. Amen. I need Thee, O God.

Tue, 2nd. Spent the morning in reading, started Rhetoric and enjoy it much. Went to Waynesboro to Mrs. Lloyd's funeral, helped in service, met preacher. Drove home. Back to Waynesboro to the Epworth League reception for GAR. Spoke at supper. Drove home and felt encouraged. God is good to me. Bless Mary.

Wed, 3rd. Arose to do chores and read Rhetoric, etc. Spent day at home and enjoyed it much. Evening, went to prayer meeting and read Hebrews 11. Had a good meeting. Felt that God was good to me. O, that I were even as my pattern. God bless me and help my child, and give her peace of mind.

Thu, 4th. Spent the morning in my study, wrote, etc. Afternoon, read and then drove mother up on mountain to Pen Mar and around by Monterey, etc. Saw and talked with Ketterman urging him to push the church work. God bless the work. Evening, read. God is good to me. I want Him more.

Fri, 5th. 9 calls. Started to read, and Charles Wills came to have me help him in his Latin. He stayed all day, as it rained. We talked to edification. Evening, went to visit those who wished to be immersed. Called at Webb's. Felt a desire to sacrifice more for Christ, my all is His, even my betrothed.

Sat, 6th. Went to make ready the place to immerse the people. Wrote Mary. Studied some. At 2:30, went to the Red Run and found there a goodly number of people. I immersed 9. Changed clothes, read and retired early. God bless my people. God bless my Mary.

Sun, 7th. 4 calls. Arose early, sick. Caught a cold. Drove to Mont Alto, preached on "Abraham." Took dinner at Small's. Went to call at Bittinger's then to John Small's, baptized his 5 children. After supper drove to Blue Rock for preaching. Drove home and had terrible headache. God helped me through the day. He is good.

Mon, 8th. Arose very late. Had an awful night with headache. Took salts and after breakfast lay down. Afternoon, felt better and then read. Drove to town with mother and called at Reiley's. On way home it rained. Evening, read. Had a letter from Mary. God bless my child and lead us. Amen.

Tue, 9th. Morning, wrote and read. Reiley's boy and mother called. Let them do as they choose and in the afternoon took them for a drive on mountain and after supper drove with them to town. Saw fancy bicycle riding. Came home tired. God is good to me. My Father, lead and bless my child and me. Amen.

Wed, 10th. Spent the morning in writing and reading, also the afternoon. Am not well and was compelled to rest some. A letter from my child. Evening, prepared and led prayer meeting. Retired after walking to Webb's with Rich [Webb]. God bless my people.

Thu, 11th. 2 calls. Lay abed late. Read in Self Culture magazine. Went to bed, not well. After dinner some of my people came. Called at Frye's with mother and baptized 2 children. Took supper at Webb's. Went to Festival. Came home early. God is good to me.

Fri, 12th. Spent day in my regular work. Have pleasure in study of Rhetoric. Evening, took mother to concert at Waynesboro -- middling. God is so good to me. He keeps me and blesses my people. God bless my child. Keep me good and holy.

Sat, 13th. Prepared sermon on "The Wicked Husbandmen" for a funeral. Went to Waynesboro with Mrs. Myers. Came back and drove home. After supper went to Pen Mar to look for old man Lloyd. Missed him. Led Love Feast. Lloyd came. Talked to the old man. Had a good Love feast. Retired to rest.

Sun, 14th. 3 calls. After breakfast prepared for service. Bro. Lloyd preached. I helped in sacrament of Lord's Supper. Baptized adults and infants, 3. God was with us. Afternoon, rested a little. Went to Fountain Dale, preached in the evening after baptizing Sterns' 4 children. Supper at Charles Wills'. Had a good time with the Lord. He is good to me.

Mon, 15th. 3 calls. Arose rather early at Berk Buhrman's, called on the way. Home at noon. Wrote my darling. Afternoon, rested and went to Buhrman's for supper. Evening, worked a bit and talked to old man Lloyd. Bought corn, etc. Am thankful to God for His goodness. God bless my good child.

Tue, 16th. Arose early, prepared, and took Rev. Lloyd to town. Around to see about tombstones for his wife. Afternoon, did some reading and writing. Looked up some things for lecture. Read much. God is good. My Mary's letter states she may not come to visit.

Wed, 17th. 1 call. Got to work in earnest writing. Rev. Reiley came and I spent the day with him. Drove on mountain and took supper with his folks at Beau Webb's. Led prayer meetings. Came home and read and searched late. Went to bed late. God is good to me.

Thu, 18th. After breakfast hitched up and drove to the park to take dinner with the [illegible] and Bower girls. Had a very pleasant day, and pleasant talk with the preachers. Home early. Letter from my Mary. God bless my child. Am tired and will rest. God help me and mine.

Fri, 19th. Morning, wrote to Mary, etc. Worked on my speech. Did not feel very strong. Rested part of day. Spent the time in work. Am not in the best health. I want to live free from the appearance of evil. God lead me and bless mine. Amen.

Sat, 20th. Spent all morning on speech on Liberty. Also the afternoon, and had it in hand, but rain came and we postponed it. I offered to give a lecture once a month to the J.O.U.M. on different subjects. God have mercy on me and bless mine, Amen.

Sun, 21st. 2 calls. Morning, arose with much prayer with fear and repentance. Went to Mont Alto and God had mercy and blessed me in preaching on "Trees." Preached on "The Holy Spirit" at Blue Rock in a storm. Preached the same at Mont Alto with freedom and power. Drove home well and tired. God is good.

Mon, 22nd. 2 calls. Arose to write Mary and others and then started to finish sermon. Went to call at Hess' and Wells'. At 8:00 had a meeting of officers and discussed various church affairs. Am anxious and zealous concerning Zion. God revive us. Bless my Mary.

Tue, 23rd. Wrote Mary, etc. of going to School of Theology at Ocean Grove. Am much anxious to go. God lead me in it. Finished sermon on mercy. Better pleased now that it is finished. Spent the afternoon on modern History. Had to rest, am not very strong. God, I want full power. God bless and lead Mary.

Wed, 24th. After breakfast spent the morning on History and was interested. Afternoon, worked in the garden and did much weeding. A letter from my Mary. God bless the child. Worked some in History and read Advocate. Led prayer

meeting. God revive my people. Help me and fill me with power. Bless and lead Mary.

Thu, 25th. 3 calls. Spent the morning in History and was much interested. Afternoon, rested some and continued in History. Evening, read various things. Went to Bro. Webb's, etc. Felt out of sorts very much and grieve much to be perfect in the great things of God. O God, lead me.

Fri, 26th. 2 calls. Wrote Mary, etc. Read History and other things. Afternoon, went to Waynesboro and called on Brown and Rev. Reiley and Rev. Lloyd. Lloyd wants to study the Greek Testament. Drove home and read papers and Mary's disappointing letter of Ocean Grove. God, lead Thou me.

Sat, 27th. Spent the morning in light reading of papers and rested my over-worked mind. Afternoon, read a little History. Wrote Mary and her Ma. Rested and prepared to lecture. Rain cut off the lecture. Read History. Felt better in health, thank God. O, thank God, He is good. God bless my darling and lead us.

Sun, 28th. Prepared sermon and went to Sabbath school. Addressed the school and preached. Took benevolent collection. Very good, \$23.50. Afternoon, drove to Fountain Dale and preached. All right. Drove home and rested. Evening, preached. Had a good day, but very weak and worn. God is merciful to me and good. God bless my child.

Mon, 29th. Felt very good and happy to be so. Worked about house. Read in study, tried some analysis. Evening, was tired and went to bed. O, that my body were strong enough to bear the work of the mind. God lead me and mine in Thy ways.

Tue, 30th. Arose and made ready to go to Mont Alto to spend the day in the park with Mrs. Webb's people. Saw E. J. Small and then went to the park. Had a pleasant day, except I felt weak and over worked. A letter from Ma Strong says Mary will go to Ocean Grove. God is good to me.

Wed, 31st. Spent the morning in my study and about the house writing, etc. Afternoon, went to Fountain Dale with Mr. Cachel to arrange for a concert. Drove back to take supper with Mrs. Sprenkle. Led prayer meeting and had a good meeting. O Lord, lead in love my people and bless and heal my Mary.

August 1895

Thu, 1st. Spent the morning in writing and entertaining people. Drove to town and had a talk with Bros. Lloyd and Reiley. Am to tutor Lloyd in Greek testament. Came to be disappointed at not finding a letter from my Mary. God, Thou art my help, unworthy as I am. God help and lead us. Evening, read in Revelation. Ladies to supper.

Fri, 2nd. Morning, Ed Small came. Spent the morning in writing, etc. Afternoon, did not do a great deal -- am indifferent. Evening, drove to Monterey then to Waynesboro to telegraph Ma Strong in answer to her letter. Drove home, felt tired and went to bed. Thank God that He is so good to me. O God, help me be pure and good. Bless and take care of mine. Amen.

Sat, 3rd. 5 calls. Spent the morning in writing and reading. Wrote Paul Miller, one of my straying boys. God lead him back. Afternoon, went to see about giving baptismal certificates. Made out many. Called at Bro. Webb's. A letter from my negligent child of my love. Gave out tickets to Epworth League to sell for concert and led it. God bless my people. Amen.

Sun, 4th. 3 calls. Up early and drove to Mont Alto, then after preaching on "Mercy" took dinner at Reynolds'. Drove to Blue Rock. Rained during preaching. Drove to Fountain Dale, supper at Martin's. Went to Christian Endeavor, then preached. Drove home. Was tired but felt better than for a long time. Thank God for strength. To bed at 12:00. God bless my people.

Mon, 5th. Up early and started for Ocean Grove. Had a pleasant trip to Harrisburg where I joined Mary. My child looks well. Am so glad to be with her. God make me good. Bro. Lloyd was lost from us at Philadelphia, found him at Ocean Grove. Mrs. Neill had gotten lodgings. Very nice. Went to the sea and had a lovely time. Thank God, praise Him. God keep us.

Tue, 6th. Woke early with headache. Drank Saratoga water. Helped me much. Went to ocean. Will Westwood and I went in bathing. It did me good, so that I feel like another man. Bro. Lloyd was with us. Afternoon, went to Long Branch with Lloyd -- his treat. Evening, went to beach and pier. God bless us Thy children.

Wed, 7th. Went with Mary to sea before breakfast. Morning, went to 1st lectures after the opening. Went to session by C.J. Little on *Augustine*. After dinner went bathing with Mary -- very good. Went to lecture by Upham, then one by Hanlon. Evening, heard Bishop Fowler on *Abraham Lincoln*. Very good, much enjoyed it. God is good.

Thu, 8th. Went to coast to board walks. Heard lecture by Dr. B. P. Bowne on *Morals and Life* and by Dr. C.J. Little on *Hildebrand*. Went bathing. Heard Dr. S. Upham on *How to Build a Sermon* and Dr. T. B. Neely on *Administration in the Local Church*. Was impressed with the great privilege. Evening, heard the Hon. A. W. Tourgee on *The Righteousness of Olivet* -- was disappointed. God is good to my Mary and me. In Him will we trust.

Fri, 9th. We arise early, and my child and I go to the shore and then write or walk. Heard lecture by B.P. Bowne on *Morals and Religion* -- so good. Heard Dr. Little on *Bernard of Clairvaux*. Rested. At 3:00 went to hear Dr. J.R. Van Pelt on *What is revelation?* At 4:00 heard Col. Hadley on *Rescue Work*. Went bathing. Evening, heard the Hon. H.W. Blair on *The Future of Temperance*. Had a good full day. Thank God for Mary.

Sat, 10th. Arose early and went to beach. Then to lecture by Dr. Bowne on *Foundations of Belief*. At 11:00 heard Dr. Little on *Dante*. At 3:00 heard Dr. Van Pelt on *Outline Sketch of the Theology of Science*. At 4:00 heard F.M. North on *Best Books of the Year*. We went bathing. Evening, heard Dr. J.W. Bashford on *The Outlook for the 20th Century*. Had a good day. God be merciful and help us to serve Thee. Bless us and my people.

Sun, 11th. Arose later, read Bible, etc. Went early to get seats in the auditorium. Bishop Newman preached -- good sermon. Afternoon, rested. Went to Dr. Hanlon's class, then walked. After supper went to hear Bashford preach on *The Beatitudes* -- a pretty good sermon. Had an aftermeeting. God keep us. Bless my love.

Mon, 12th. After breakfast went to hear Dr. G.S. Burroughs on *The Teaching of the 12 Apostles*. At 11:00 heard Milton Terry on *The Canon of the Old Testament*. At 2:00 heard Van Pelt on *The New Testament Doctrine of the Church*. At 3:00 heard Dr. G.K. Morris on *Courage in Oratory*. Went Bathing. Evening, Gen. J.B. Gordon spoke on *The Last Days of the Southern Confederacy*. God, Thou art good.

Tue, 13th. Mary weighed 107 pounds, and I 172. After breakfast went to Burroughs' lecture on *The Unofficial Gospel of Peter*. Heard Terry on *Zechariah*. Afternoon, heard Van Pelt on *Outline Sketch of the Theology of Science*. At 3:00 attended Morris' session on *Personal Magnetism in Oratory*. At 8:00 heard Jahu Dewitt Miller on *The Stranger at Our Gates* -- very good for him. Mary attends all lectures and we retire early. God bless her.

Wed, 14th. Heard lecture at 10:00 by Burroughs on *The Syrian Codex*. At 11:00 heard Terry on *Zechariah*. Dinner. Mary rested. At 2:00 heard Snedeker on *The Incarnation, the Transcendent God* and Morris on *The Minister as a Leader of Men*. At 8:00 heard B. Fay Mills on *The Coming Revival* -- good. Dear Lord, hear us and lead us. Bless and restore mine. Amen.

Thu, 15th. Dr. Snedeker lectured at 10:00 on *The Incarnation*. At 11:00 heard Terry on *Zechariah*. In the afternoon was Pennington Seminary Day. Dr. William V. Kelley of the *Methodist Review* gave us a splendid sermon on *Inert Tendencies*. Mary and I went bathing. Evening, we went to the Pennington Seminary services. Came home tired. God, Thou art good to us.

Fri, 16th. Dr. Snedeker spoke on *The Incarnation* at 10. At 11:00, Dr. Morris. spoke on *Pulpit Oratory, the Winsome Minister*. Afternoon, Dr. Kelley spoke on *Robert Browning, the Poet for Ministers* and Dr. Morris spoke on *Homiletic Value*. In the transition period we went bathing. Evening, we heard the oratorio of *The Messiah*, led by Walter Damrosch -- splendid. Retired weary. God is good to us. God bless my people.

Sat, 17th. Spent the morning in reading *Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush* by Ian MacLaren and chatting. Afternoon, we went out on a yacht and Mary was pretty sick. We did have a very pleasant time, but we felt better on land. Evening, went to the Auditorium and heard a sermon. Thank God for His health and strength. God bless my people.

Sun, 18th. Read and talked and then went to hear Miss Danforth of Japan -- did exceedingly well. I was pleased with her better than any woman speaker. Afternoon, mostly rested. Evening, went to the Auditorium to preaching. O God, help me to do Thy will and to live close to Thee. God bless my Mary.

Mon, 19th. Up early and went to beach. Read in *Miley* on *The Atonement*. After breakfast read on the porch. Went to try to get a bicycle for Mary. Went bathing -- good. Afternoon, stayed ashore and read more. Evening, went to

communion and God blessed us. God is good to us.

Tue, 20th. Mary weighed 110 and I, 180. Went to the shore and read. Heard Brubach Andrews -- a spiritual sermon. God send a baptism on the conference. Afternoon, read some and did not bathe. Spent the evening with Roy [Strong]. Our poor discontented brother. Went to bed early. Thanks for health.

Wed, 21st. Went to the coast to read in Miley on *The Atonement*. After breakfast read, and went to Asbury pavilion. Did not bathe because of rough sea. Evening, went to beach to hear phonograph and lanternscope. Rowed on Wesley Lake. Retired to rest. God is good to us.

Thu, 22nd. Our last day at Ocean Grove. Did not read much but walked about and spent time getting presents, etc. At 3:00 went bathing. Had a good bath. After supper, called on the Misses Ward. Went to go up on wheel and to Casino, then to row. Home to pack up, etc. Retired late. God bless mine.

Fri, 23rd. Up at 5:00. After breakfast I took the train for home. In Harrisburg at 12:00. Took dinner and rested. Mary decided after much entreaty to accompany me home. My God bless the child and make her well. In Waynesboro at 6:00. Finished Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush. Home, supper, retired in good time. God is good to me.

Sat, 24th. Up in good time. Sharpened scythe. Paul Miller came. Poor penitent tramp. Talked and prayed with him. God bless him. After dinner read and prepared for Sabbath. Cut weeds. Spent the evening at home, sang and talked. God is good and blesses us. O Father, keep us near to Thee. Amen.

Sun, 25th. After breakfast prepared sermon and went to Sabbath school. Addressed them. Preached on "Mercy." After dinner drove to Fountain Dale and preached on "The Suffering Servant." Home, studied and preached on "What is man?" Went to Webb's and heard some splendid singing. O God, care for us and help. He helped me.

Mon, 26th. 3 calls. Started a sermon against "The Moral Theory of Government." Mary and I called on the sick and then went to the woods where we read Rhetoric. Came home to read and talk. O God, we thank Thee for Thy goodness.

Tue, 27th. 3 calls. Spent the morning in study, etc. Afternoon, went to Waynesboro and called at Reiley's. Went to Blue Rock and called at Middour's, Lohman's, and then to Brown's. Took supper and spent the evening there. Drove home to rest. God is good to us. God lead us. I am strong in mind and body.

Wed, 28th. 4 calls. Made preparations to go to Mont Alto. Met woman with broken arm. Set it. Called at Burns. Ate in park. Called at Bittinger's and Slaybaugh's. Lost Mary's cape. Drove home. Was very tired. God help me and lead me in Thy ways.

Thu, 29th. Finished Sermon on "Atonement" and read and wrote. It is a busy time with me. Mary is very well. Eve drove to Waynesboro to call at Miss Snyder's. Not in. We called at Reiley's. Drove home in rain. God, Thou art good to us.

Fri, 30th. Spent the morning in reading and having callers, etc. Can't get my

work caught up. Evening, went to Waynesboro and preached for Rev. Reiley. Thank God for His goodness in giving us food and raiment and His spirit. God help us.

Sat, 31st. Spent the morning in sermons, also the afternoon. After the rain drove to Fountain Dale to festival. Had a very pleasant time and stayed awhile after supper. Drove home in lovely moon light. Am thankful for His help.

September 1895

Sun, 1st. 2 calls. Arose early and went to Mont Alto. Mary went along. Preached on "Atonement." God helped me. Took dinner at Smith's. Preached at Blue Rock on "Let your light shine." Drove home and rested then preached on "Atonement" with God's help. O God, help me always to do Thy will. Strengthen us, O God.

Mon, 2nd. Lost diary. [The following brief entries were apparently made from memory after he found his diary 19 days later.] Mary went with me during this week to visit the sick at Blue Rock and Mont Alto. Evening, went to concert.

Tue, 3rd. [no entry]

Wed, 4th. [no entry]

Thu, 5th. Spent day in reading and other duties.

Fri, 6th. Went to mountain one day. Finished Miley on *The Atonement*.

Sat, 7th. Home late. Went to Rouzerville Sabbath school picnic, made speech. Evening, studied speech.

Sun, 8th. Morning, preached at Rouzerville. Took in 19 people. Then at Fountain Dale. Evening, at Rouzerville. God bless my people.

Mon, 9th. Afternoon, went to call on Bro. Bailey who had an operation a week ago. Gathered chickopins together, Mary and I.

Tue, 10th. Took my beloved to train and sent her home. Sorry to be alone. God bless my child and give her Thy presence.

Wed, 11th. Started to work alone. Started on my work for mid-year exams.

Thu, 12th. Worked at home.

Fri, 13th. [no entry]

Sat, 14th. Drove to Mont Alto. Stayed at Bro. Small's. God bless my Bro. Small.

Sun, 15th. Preached at Mont Alto on "Doing Good." Afternoon, preached at Blue Rock on "Atonement." Drove to Fountain Dale to Harvest Home Service. Stayed all night at Berkley Buhrman's. God bless my people at Fountain Dale.

Mon, 16th. Arose early and brought home fruit from the church from Harvest Home. Rested after writing Mary. Read a little.

Tue, 17th. Had much headache all day. Read History. Took physic. Went to Buena Vista to look for Bro. Lloyd.

Wed, 18th. Went to town. Bro. Lloyd promised to help me Sunday. Led prayer meeting. God bless my people at Rouzerville.

Thu, the 19th. Worked hard on the books. Not very well, but getting all right. God help me.

Fri, 20th. Spent on Miley on *The Atonement* and Rhetoric. Prepared lecture. Went to Waynesboro, brought home Bro. Lloyd. Lectured in J.O.U.M. on "Liberty."

Sat, 21st. Read, and at 10:00 bought a bicycle. Then made ready my report for quarterly conference and wrote notes herein. [Apparently the lost diary was found!] Went to Fountain Dale. Held quarterly conference. Stopped at Bro. B[uhrman]'s. Bro. Lloyd preached. God blessed us and made me happy. Had few at the conference.

Sun, 22nd. 4 calls. Arose early and went out in woods to meditate and study my sermon. Bro. Lloyd held the Love Feast. I preached and we gave the Sacrament. Dinner at Will's. Went to see Bro. Bailey. Evening, Bro. Lloyd preached. Poor collection. Thank God for His help. O, save. Took in 2 at Fountaindale and 3 at Rouzerville.

Mon, 23rd. Made ready to go to Harrisburg to the mid-year exams. Reached Harrisburg at 3:00. Stopped at Mrs. Ernst's. Ate at Mrs. Piper's. Lecture by Dr. T.B. Neely, *The Model Minister and the Model Church*. Was very good and instructive. Went to rest early.

Tue, 24th. Did not rest well. After breakfast studied a little in Miley on *The Atonement*. Went to morning prayers, Lecture by Dr. Duncan. Discussions on Miley by J.B. Mann. After dinner studied and from 2:00 to 6:00 wrote the exam on Miley's book. Did O.K. Evening, heard *The Golden Age* by Dr. Elliot.

Wed, 25th. A little better rest. After breakfast studied general History. Prayers. Heard Elliot on *Exegesis*. Went to Capital Building, studied History. After dinner, at 2:00 took exam on History. Did well, I think. Evening, heard *Outlook of the 20th Century* by G.E. Reed. Very good. Retired early. God help and love me.

Thu, 26th. After breakfast studied Rhetoric. Went to hear Dr. Beiler talk, then class instruction by Stein. Good. Exam at 2:00. Hard, but made good work. Was very tired. Evening, Dr. Beiler lectured. Was very tired and went to bed early. God is good to me.

Fri, 27th. Started home at 7:55, in Waynesboro at 10+. Called at Reiley's. Walked most of way home. Spent day in resting. Was very tired, and the rest felt good. Evening, started to learn the bicycle. Slow, but did middling well. God bless my wife, my love.

Sat, 28th. Rode bicycle a little better. Started to write and get my work caught up. Drove to town to arrange for preaching exchange. After supper went to Epworth League to elect officers for the League. God bless our League and give my people a revival. Amen.

Sun, 29th. Drove to Waynesboro and preached for Rev. Reiley while he went to Mont Alto for me. Preached on "Do Good." Felt very blue and rested awhile. Bro. Reiley came. Reports not so good. My people, O God, bless them. Evening, preached on "By God's Atonement." Drove home. O God, help.

Mon, 30th. 1 call. Tried bicycle a little and then wrote letters to Powers brothers. and others. Had a day of redding up my desk. Made it pretty good. O, my heart is anxious for the souls of my people. God help them. Spent the afternoon at

Webb's. Evening, gave a speech at Monterey on the relation between Sabbath schools and teachers.

October 1895

Tue, 1st. 2 calls. Spent the morning in hoeing celery. Afternoon, went to Roadside to see Mr. Miller. God Love the drunkard. Took my bicycle and had a rough journey. Evening, went to Sister Webb's to look after Epworth League interests. God bless my people and revive Thy work in our hearts. God bless my Mary. Amen.

Wed, 2nd. Spent the morning, in writing notes on sermons. Went on wheels to Waynesboro. Took train to Mont Alto. Called at Small's and found him in good spirits. Spent the morning hoeing celery. Afternoon, dug sweet potatoes. Evening, led meeting and wrote on sermon. God save my people.

Thu, 3rd. 21 calls. Spent the morning in study. Went to Waynesboro on wheels and took noon train for Mt. Alto. Called at Small's, found him in better humor. Called on people on wheels. Had a pleasant time. Spent the evening with Bro. Small and Elden. Formed records. Stayed at Elden's. God bless my people and give them a revival.

Fri, 4th. 13 calls. Started to call on the people. Went 5 miles to see a sick woman. Rode as far as McFerren's, took dinner. Rode on a narrow path to Waynesboro. Had hard time. Out from Waynesboro to Rouzerville 25 min. Spent eve reading and had poultice put to my leg where I struck it. O God, bless my maiden. Save me and my people.

Sat, 5th. 2 calls. Arose with sore leg from bicycle hurt. Finished sermon on "Salvation." Afternoon, took mother to town to get her teeth drawn. Came home and read letter from Mary and Advocate. Called at Lepley's to see Paul sick. Am tired. God bless my child and help me to do Thy will. God revive Thy work and save my people. O God, bless me and help.

Sun, 6th. Morning, preached at Rouzerville on Ephesians 2:8. Spent the afternoon at home and went to Fountain Dale in the evening. Same sermon. Started my revival meetings. O God, help us. Drove home. O that He would come and do the work.

Mon, 7th. Spent the morning in writing and arranging things in my study. Wrote and read. Evening, preached at Fountain Dale on "The Man with the Palsy." Not many present. O, I'll trust in Thee. Thou wilt save. Stayed at Berkley Buhrman's. God bless mine.

Tue, 8th. 13 calls. Morning, started in to call and had a pleasant day. Prayed and talked with the people. O God, give the increase. Evening, preached expository sermon on Matthew 7:14. Had a good spiritual meeting. O God, come to our help for Thou art our only hope. God bless Mary.

Wed, 9th. 15 calls. Morning, started in to call in the hills. Had a day of power and God was with me. Dinner at Anderson's, then tried to do God's work. Supper at Fuller's. O that God would have mercy on His children. Evening, text was

Romans 12:1 -- hopeful. God bless and help. Home.

Thu, 10th. Spent day at home. Gathered my apples. Received letter from my child. God bless her. Evening, at meeting. Had a good meeting. God work on us to save us. Stayed at Will's all night. God save.

Fri, 11th. Started to call and had a good day. Visited school and many families. Had a good day. Took supper at Tracey's and studied. Evening, preached on Matthew 5:6, "Hunger and thirst after righteousness." God bless us and help us. Thine is the work. O, come and help us. God bless Mary.

Sat, 12th. Spent the day in preparing for Sun, etc. God is good to me and I'll trust in Him. He can do all things. Drove over mountain and preached from Matthew 8:2-3. Had a slow meeting, but trust in God for results. O, in Thee will we trust. Help us we pray Thee. Home.

Sun, 13th. Went to Mont Alto. Preached from Ephesians 2:8. Took dinner at Mentzer's. Drove to Blue Rock. Then came home and took bicycle across mountain. Was very tired and had hard work to preach. Spoke from Acts. 4:12. My faith is small, God's power is great. O God, help us and bless me. Amen. And bless my Mary. Amen.

Mon, 14th. Started from Charles Will's. Home, spent the morning in study. Afternoon, rested and studied. Went over mountain on bicycle. Evening text: Luke 9:26, "There is none other name under heaven given among men." Had a good meeting with reasonable promise. O God, help us. It is Thy work. Stayed at Tracey's.

Tue, 15th. 5 calls. Started to read Archeology. Took dinner at Martin's. Talked to Don [Martin]. God have mercy on the wicked family. Gathered chestnuts. Evening text: The face of the Lord is against him that doeth evil. Small house. O God, help us. Rode bicycle home. God bless my Mary. Amen.

Wed, 16th. Spent the morning taking up cabbage, celery, carrots, beets. Afternoon, did work around house. Went across mountain and preached on Luke 9:23, If any man will come after me, etc. God gave me help. Stayed at Berkley Buhrman's. Went to rest early.

Thu, 17th. 3 calls. Arose early and read all morning. After dinner went on mountain to Benchoff's. Took wheels up mountain. Came down to Schrader's for supper. Preached on Luke 9:24, Whosoever shall save his life shall lose it. God help me. It was dark, and I prayed much coming up mountain. O God, help me. God bless mine.

Fri, 18th. 2 calls. Slept late. Spent the morning in writing and looking after bicycle. Afternoon, went to see Bro. Bailey who had undergone an operation. Found him going about. Had a good talk to him. Went after supper to Fountain Dale. Had an experience meeting and good time with the Lord. Came home. God is good to me. O, send the victory.

Sat, 19th. Up late, read and helped at corn crib. Afternoon, went to Waynesboro. Looked after different affairs. Rode wheels. Called at Reiley's. Home to supper. No letter from my Mary. Disappointed. Read Advocate and talked to

Mother. God bless my people. Bless my child.

Sun, 20th. 1 call. Preached at Rouzerville on "If any man will come after let him deny himself, etc." Afternoon, studied Bible on the ways of seeking Jesus. Evening, preached thereon. Am much concerned as to my meeting. Had a good many people in the evening. One member came forth to pray. God send the power. Drove home, George Lukabaugh along.

Mon, 21st. Up late, spent the morning in writing. Afternoon, rested and read. Evening, went to Fountain Dale on wheels. Had a dry meeting, yet I hope good. God send the victory. Came home. My heart is troubled yet I trust in God. O God, help me. Bless and save my Mary. Send a great revival, O God.

Tue, 22nd. Spent day, at home reading History of Methodism. It does me good. Rev. Davisson spoke, I followed. Had a good meeting. O, the promise is with us. Father, help us. It is Thy work. God of love, help Mary, my child. Save my people.

Wed, 23rd. 1 call. Spent day at home, read in History of Methodism. Had a good day. Often wish I could do such great work for God. Was disappointed at the evening service on finding none of the people there for whom I prepared my talk. God bless my people. Keep my Mary.

Thu, 24th. 4 calls. Took breakfast at Tracey's. Went with Sam Barton to the Sisterhood at Emmitsburg, also to St. Mary's College. Then to dinner at Sam's sister's. Had a long ride, 30 miles. Back at 5:00. Sermon on "What is a man advantaged if he shall gain the whole world, etc." from Luke 9. O God, give the victory.

Fri, 25th. 3 calls. Went up after visiting, etc. with Mother and Mrs. Martin to Anderson's. Spent the day, there. Evening, preached on "Ye shall be converted and become as little children, etc." Reproved 2 boys. Had a time of correcting after church. Was much worried on way home. Feared it might do hurt. God turn it to Thy glory. Home late. God bless Mary.

Sat, 26th. 1 call. After breakfast, read and wrote. Afternoon, went to town and called at Reiley's. Then to see Sam Brown. Office, hair cut, etc. Home on wheels. After supper went to Fountain Dale, praying God to bless us. Fearing the result of last night's fuss. Preached on "Why halt ye?" God was with us to bless. O God, give us the souls.

Sun, 27th. 3 calls. Drove to Mont Alto. Preached from Luke 9:23. Had good attention and power. Dinner at Brumbarger's. Baptized child. Drove to Blue Rock, preached to 4 adults and 1 child. Same text. Drove to Fountain Dale and preached on "Harvest is past, summer is ended." Had good hard constant rain. One confessed conversion. Thank God. Father, keep her. Raining. I stayed all night at Tracey's. God help us.

[This concludes all entries in the 1895 diary, neither are items entered into the ledger at the back of the diary. It may have been misplaced.]