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At 2 o'clock p.m. a cold rain set in. Adjourned 4 o'clock. Came home.

Wednesday 10.

Rose at daylight, and Phoebe! what a frost. Sophia commenced her school to-day in the basement story of the church. In the afternoon a stranger called upon us who proved to be an American German from Philadelphia, a professor of music--a pianist. Tuned our piano. Gave the girls a few lessons on music. Staid all night, and in the morning "put out."

Thursday 11.

Cold morning but no frost. Our German set out for the Fort. Chilly and cold all day.

Friday 12.

Some frost. Fine day. Staid at home, did small work about the house. Wrote to H. Barrett. Warm and pleasant day.

Saturday 13.

Clear and beautiful morning. Went to Kansas in company with M. R. Walker, Joel Walker, Dr. Hewitt, C. Graham. Staid till the mail came in. Received a letter from H. Barrett. J. Walker opening a large stock of goods in Kansas. Came home in the evening, 8 o'clock at night. Beautiful moonlight night! Oh, 'tis my delight of a shiny night, to ramble o'er the grassy lea."

Sunday 14.

Fine morning. Went to church. M. R. Walker and Adam Hunt set out for the Pottawatomie payment. Some time after midnight it rained a heavy shower. What could have come more opportunely. 9 o'clock, showery. All nature seems to have put on her best array, her "best old and tucker" Now beautiful is the forest! M. R. W. and Adam Hunt did not go further than Westport learning that the payment did not take place till next week.

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Monday 15.

2 o'clock in the afternoon another rain and continued till night.

Tuesday 16.

Clear and beautiful morning. I must attend the Council to-day. An assault and battery case must be tried, John Cotter vs Milton Karchoo and John Williams. The parties not appearing, the case was postponed. Declared Smith Nichols of age and released him from his guardian.

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Wrote to Miss Jane R. Long and inclosed \$40.00 in Missouri paper, viz: one twenty dollar bill and two tens, to go by to-morrow's mail. ^{gave at my post office} Gave a turkey roast to our neighbors. Had a pleasant party.

Thursday 18.

Dark foggy morning. Prospects of rain to-day. Staid about home all day, not feeling very well. Worked some in my garden. Shut up Barnabus Barabones to fatten for a partecular occasion, for a select dinner party.

Friday 19.

A small shower at 8 o'clock a.m. Mr. Noble called, chatted awhile. Engaged him to do some more work. Worked in my garden.

Saturday 20.

Warm morning. Mr. Hunter called and brought a letter from Jesse Stern which informs me that he has had an offer of ten dollar an acre for the whole tract.

Sunday 21.

Staid at home all day. Warm day. Dr. Hewitt called to see Dorcas. Bled her. In the evening C. Graham called.

Monday 22

Daylight. Raining furiously. Rained till one o'clock and

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Monday 28.

Clear and fine, though cool. At 10 o'clock went to Kansas. Got my mail. Received a letter from J. Ridgeway Jr., Jesse ^{and his father} Stearns arrived at Joel's. Dined with them. George Dickson from Wolfston arrived. Set out some more sweet potatoes.

Tuesday 29.

Prepared for the session of the Council. John Catter vs. Milton Kayrahee, postponed. Adjourned to two weeks from to-day.

Wednesday 31.

Mr. Stearns^{son} called upon us, and staid till evening. Went to J. H. A's.

Thursday, June 1.

Went to Kansas. Bought two bushels of corn meal, one-half ream of letter paper, and some ratpoison. Sent another communication to the Telegraph.

Friday 2.

Cloudy morning. Prospect of rain. Weeded my garden. Went for a bag of corn. Mr. Noble ploughing my corn. It looks fine and thrifty. Sent Dorcas to Kansas. In the evening a heavy rain fell.

Saturday 3.

Clear, cool and pleasant morning. Caught a wart

Stept into the garden and found that that most troublesome of all "worms" had been ploughing up my beds again, and thanks to my lucky stars I caught Mr. ground mole upheaving the earth. By the dextrous use of the hoe I brought the digger out of his tunnel. Mrs. W. took him in her hand and held him till he died for the purpose of testing the truth of the saying that it will cure the rheumatism. She held him about an hour before he died. Set out fifty cabbage plants. Went to Kansas in company with Jesse Stearns^{son}. Called at the P.O., got my papers and a letter from

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John T. Walker. J. Ste²³ returned ^{first} on board the steamer "Kansas."
I came home. In the evening rained furiously.

Sunday 4.

Clear and beautiful morning. Mrs. W. and Sophia went to Kansas to church. I staid "to hum." Warm day. Mrs. W. and Sophia state that on their return from K. they found at the ferry a dozen or more people waiting to cross, and among these was John Charlie, very drunk, and had been severely beat. His face appeared to be very much bruised and mangled up. Perhaps his upper jaw broke.

Monday 5.

Josias Peacock commenced working in our corn. Mr. Noble commenced staking and riding the fence. Hauled the stakes and riders. Finished the f-----bait mistake.

Tuesday 6.

Mr. Noble finished the fence. Now I will bid defiance to grassy stock. If they should break through this fence, they then ought to be killed. Finished planting out sweet potatoes.

Wednesday 7.

Clear and fine weather, cool and pleasant. Finished another No. for the Telegraph. Josias finished dressing out my corn field. "Old White" commenced the process of incubation of thirteen eggs. So we may have one and one twelfth dozen of chicks if old white has good luck.

Thursday 8.

Rainy day. Went to Kansas. Got a speaking. Called at the P.O. No newspapers. No news. "It's a botheration." Hunted for my dog Carlo. Some rascally dog thief has decoyed him off. I shall deplore my loss if I never get him again. Came home at 5 o'clock p.m. Rained again. Cost egal.

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Friday 9.

Pleasant day. Staid about home, mowing in my fence corners.

Saturday 10.

Went to K. on a mule. Called at P.O. No. letters. Came home.
Read my newspapers. Nothing special from Europe.

Sunday 11

Clearing morning*. Clear and bright. A very heavy dew. Went
to church in the evening. Messrs. Peers and Donahoe called upon
us and staid an hour.

Monday 12.

Warm day. J. Walker afflicted with sore eyes. In the after-
noon an unexpected visitor called upon us in the person of John
S. Young of Perry county, Ohio, he being an old acquaintance of
Mrs. W., the latter was delighted to see him, not having seen him
for upwards of twenty years.

Tuesday 13.

Council day. No business of importance. Mr. Peery and Mr.
Young called in, and the latter introduced to the Council. Ad-
journd. Mr. Peery gave a party for Mr. Y. Spent an agree-
able evening.

Wednesday 14.

Presented Mr. Y. "Gragg's Commerce of the Prairies." Set
out this morning in company with Mr. Peery for the "Shawnee In-
stitution." From thence home. Called upon J. Walker. Found him
considerably improved.

Thursday, 15.

Wrote another communication for the Telegraph. Went to Ken-
sas. Called at the P.O., but as usual *Nothing for you*

The Whig national convention have nominated for Gen. Taylor
for President and Millard Fillmore for Vice President. So the Whigs are
doomed to another defeat.

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Friday 16.

Planted my fall potatoes, being the old of the moon. Warm day. Mr. Geo. Dickson called. Went to the church to help Lynch put up steps in the basement. Martha taught Sophia's school, she being sick to-day.

Saturday 17.

Went to Kansas to sign with my brothers and others interested a power of attorney for Jesse Ste^{sen} to dispose of our Seneca county lands *Signed sealed and delivered* in presence of Lot Coffman, J.P.

Pay the proprietors of Kansas for two lots in the new edition \$59.00 and got my deed. Received two letters from Esau, written from the *Halls of the Montezumas.* Came home late in the evening.

Sunday 18.

Quarterly meeting. Present L. B. Stateler, presiding elder, Thomas Johnston, E.P. Peery. I must go to church, as a good and
early christian man should do. In the *afternoon* a heavy shower of rain came up, which lasted two hours. Mr. and Mrs. Northrup, Mr. Stateler, and E.T.P. dined with us to-day. The clergy put out for church.

Monday 19.

Clear morning. Our ~~departure~~ departure ~~is~~ is ~~for~~ for ~~the~~ the last of Barnabus Barabones. Mrs. W. went to Kansas. Received ~~in~~ a letter from John Goodin inclosing one from Greer. The latter must be an infamous scoundrel.

Tuesday 20.

Council in session. Had a variety of business. Some matters were postponed. Read a letter to the Council from Dr. Frost upon the subject of intemperance among the Wyandottes. Appointed a committee to investigate the causes of the drowning of a female

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woman at Kansas. Fined that prince of all loafers, Tips.
Standiwater, \$5.00.

Wednesday 31

Went to town. J. Walker making preparations to leave for the east. Waiting for a coat. Wrote to M. H. Kirby on business and also to John Goodin and L. Shalley.

Thursday 22.

Went to Kansas. On my way and passing by Joel's house I found they had not gone east yet, the steamboat 'Cora' not having come down yet. Got no news. Dined with Mr. Smart. Mr. Mosby arraigned for an assault and battery on his brother Shoemaker James Wilson.

This afternoon an awful storm came up and lasted about two hours.

Friday 23.

Cool and pleasant, but alas! my corn is flattened by yesterday's storm. My cats considerably damaged by the storm.

Saturday 24.

Went to Kansas to settle a matter pending between Henry Sagar, John Sarraress and William S. Chick, Adm. of estate of W. M. Chick postponed. Got no mail, no news.

Sunday 25.

Charles G.--and I at an early hour crossed the Kansas river and called at the residence of Rev. James Porter, pressed him into the service, and we galloped over the prairies about five hours, and arrived at the house of Mrs. Mary Bartleson, a widow, where we found a large company of people assembled. Whereupon we in our wisdom, caused the aforesaid C. G. and Mrs. B. to be united 'in the holy state of matrimony.' Thence returned in company with a Mr. Abston and family and staid all night with

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then.

Monday 26.

After breakfast we set for home. I reached home about 3 o'clock p.m. and found our folks, with the invited guests, waiting for the bride and groom, and dinner waiting. But we set down and did ample justice to what was before us without them. Rain rain.

Tuesday 27.

Dark and dreary morning. More rain. Cleared off at 6 o'clock. Wrote to Harriet to be sent ~~my affairs by the next~~ by Thursday's mail. Put in a Q...t. Now I must husband my stock of patients.

Wednesday 28.

Broke my ax handle. Joel Walker and family set out for Kansas ~~for~~ east. J.S.Co. met at the school house and adjourned to meet again some time hence.

Thursday 29.

Went to K. Got my news. Came home in the evening.

Friday 30.

Nothing worthy of note. Mrs. W. went to K. Sent by a Mr. McLean a dress and a letter to Harriet. At 3 o'clock p.m. the thermometer stood at 96 degrees in the shade.

Saturday, July 1.

Went to K. Paid my postage bill. Received a joint letter from Harriet and Miss Jane R. Long. M.R.W., his family, and Mrs. Maria^C Garrett went to Sibley. Returned in the evening. At night it commenced raining, and rained all night most furiously.

Sunday 2.

Clear and beautiful morning. The Deason being absent, consequently no sermon. I staid at home, reading Stones Life of Thayendanegea or Joseph Brant. Issiah called and dined with us.

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Heard of the death of a man ¹⁸⁴¹ ~~Irvin~~ ^{de Koster} by a night's deluge which took place last night during the storm.

Monday 3.

Staid at home and potted about, doing all sorts of things such as cutting down weeds, repairing fences. Mr. Noble called, chatted awhile. Uncle Joseph R called and did the same. Heard of the death of J. W. GrayEyes wife in the evening. C.G. called and staid till night.

Tuesday 4.

"Independence Day" Mexico free. "Glory enough for one day!" Council meets to-day.

Wednesday 5.

Made a hog-pen. C. G. and lady visited us to-day. Thermometer 95 degrees.

Thursday 6.

Went to R. While there heard of the illness of W. H. Big-river. (Myatus) Found him dead.

Friday 7.

He was buried.

Saturday 15.

The nation met at the school house to make the national nominations as follows: Against James Washington, F. A. Hicks. Against Fearonsee, M. Hudester; against Geo. Armstrong, J. S. D. Brown; against W. Walker, J. Rankin; against G. I. Clark, G. W. Grayeyes.

Sunday 16.

Staid at home. Had company, W.G.

Monday 17.

John Moffet and S. Rankin commenced harvesting my oats. Interrupted by being called away!

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Tuesday 18.

Staid at home and potted about.

Wednesday 19.

Finished harvesting the oats.

Thursday 20.

Excessively warm. Thermometer 95 degrees. In the evening a very severe storm came on from the north. Rain and hail in an horrible tempest, which lasted till night. After 9 o'clock it commenced raining ^{again} and continued till midnight. ~~Westminster~~

Friday 21.

Went to town. C. G. gone to his farm. Came home. A Mr. Smith and Mr. ^{J.} Givens of Lexington called and spent the afternoon.

Saturday 22.

Mrs. W. went to A. and got our papers, also a letter from Mrs. ~~and~~ of upper Sandusky.

Sunday 23.

Both staid at home, it looking too much like rain. Neither of us enjoying the best health deemed it most prudent not to expose ourselves. Cloudy evening, prospect of rain. Sun set no rain.

Monday 24.

Fine morning, went to town. Got a sack of corn, but no news. Sultry but still no rain. One half past two p.m. thermometer 100 degrees. Warm truly. At 4 o'clock p.m. Harriet reached home from Lexington.

Tuesday 25.

Wrote a friendly epistle to H. Barrett. Finished hoeing my potatoes. My spring run dry, the water having undermined the trough. Must give it an overhauling to-morrow. To be without water, "sweet cold water" this warm weather! The thought is insufferable. No, no. I won't do. Sowed my turnip seed.

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Cloudy morning. Showers of rain. Went to town and employed John Lynch to assist in repairing the spring. Assisted by Mr. Peery after three or four hours work, we succeeded in confining the water in the spout and set it to running. Now we have ^{water} water.

Mrs. W. went to K. and I sowed my yard and meadow. Got some newspapers. Another bloody insurrection in France which lasted from Friday, 25d of June, till Tuesday the 27th. The insurrection was put down with a loss of from twelve to fifteen thousand killed and wounded on both sides. Ill-fated France: When will you enjoy peace and tranquillity? Never will you be content till brought under the scepter of some powerful despot. Answered Saml Barrett's letter.

Cloudy and raining occasionally. Staid at home all day. Did little or nothing.

Mrs. W. went to A. to sign a power of attorney. Dined in my cats. Received some newspapers. The French insurrection completely subdued. Gen. Cavaignac, the hero of the National Guards will most probably be the president of the nd Republique.

Staid at home and read all day, Though somewhat cloudy, still
a pleasant day.

Went to town. Called at the Doctor's, who was not at home.
Called at the blacksmith shop. Came home. Potted about the
house. Fine weather.

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Tuesday, Aug. 1.

Mrs. W., Mrs. Peery, and Mrs. Graham went to Independence. I went and attended Council. Resolved to sell the National Arms. I bought one, \$3.00. Came home at 5 o'clock. Mrs. W. and company returned after dark, accompanied by Mr. Gilmore.

Wednesday 2.

At dawn of day, raining furiously. At 4 o'clock p.m. pouring down in torrents, having rained all day. Cleared off in the evening. While some of S. Armstrong's hands were swimming in the Kansas river one of them was drowned.

Thursday 3.

Clear, cool, and pleasant day. Staid at home. Mowed in my Woods pasture. Having fatigued myself rested myself the remaining part of the day by reading.

Friday 4.

The girls went to K. to take their music lessons. Got no mail. Sent the Power of Attorney to Col. Goodin.

Saturday 5.

Went to town. Came home and resumed mowing my Woods pasture. Folks going to the Delaware camp meeting. We spent the evening at C.B.G.'s.

Sunday 6.

Harriet and Sophia went to the camp meeting. Wrote a long letter to Major Harvey upon the subject of our difficulties of "N. and S." The girls returned at sunset.

Monday 7.

Staid ^{at} home and worked at my pasture. The Deacon returned from camp meeting.

Tuesday 8.

Attended the Council. Transacted a variety of business, mak-

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ing the necessary arrangements for the election and barbecue.

Wednesday 9.

Moved in my pasture. Mrs. W. and Harriet went to K. Joel Walker and our Mexican warriors landed off the Wyandotte steamer. "Sweet Lady Pinks" got a young 'un. "Ah ha, a ha."

Thursday 10.

Warm, warm and sultry. Hauled some wood.

Friday 11.

Warm and sultry.

Miss Jane R. Long, Miss Blackwell, and Miss Lykens here on a visit. Returned this morning. A small sprinkle of rain.

Saturday 12.

Went to town to clear off the ground for the barbecue.

Sunday 13.

Clear and beautiful morning. Intended to go to church, but having a headache gave it up. 2 o'clock p.m. Thermometer 100 degrees.

Monday 14.

Worked all day in my pasture. In the evening Rev. Mr. Johnston and family came over to attend the green corn feast.

Tuesday 15.

The glorious feast--the election in the midst of a most furious rain, which continued all day, unfavorable as the day was, a large number of white people attended, both ladies and gentlemen, and enjoyed the feast in real gusto. The following persons compose the present Council, as decided by the annual election: Francis A. Hicks, principal chief;

John D. Brown.

Matthew Reddick.

James Rankin.

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George I. Clark.

Councillors.

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Wednesday 16.

John Hofet came to chop cordwood. I sowed in my pasture.
Cloudy day.

Thursday 17.

Killed a shoot for table use. David Young called. We had a long chat on politics.

Friday 18.

Cloudy morning. The sun has not been seen for a week. Dr. Hewitt captured a ^{va}triloquist last night just as he was commencing his performance at J. W. Gray Eyes house. He was however released and sent out of the Territory.

Saturday 19.

sowed in my pasture. In the evening Martha returned in company with Mr. Charles Pore, Mr. G. being sick. Harriet brought our mail, but no interesting news.

Sunday 20.

Warm and sultry day. In the afternoon several gentlemen called upon us, two from N.Y. At night we had heavy rain, accompanied with uproarish thunder and lightning.

Monday 21.

Worked about the place all day, cutting down weeds in my fence corners. John Hofet ^{chopped} ~~cutting~~ cord wood.

Tuesday 22.

Mrs. W. and Harriet went to K. Prospect of a warm day.

The presidential race is all the talk now. Taylor and Cass "Go it ye cripples!" Mr. Van Buren of the barn burning party seems to be gaining strength among the abolitionists. Free territory ^{DEAD} ~~AND~~. Among the latter are some prominent Whigs.

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Electoral Votes.

Maine	9	Alabama	9
New Hampshire	6	Mississippi	6
Vermont	6	Ohio	23
Massachusetts	12	Louisiana	6
Rhode Island	4	Kentucky	12
Connecticut	6	Tennessee	13
New York	36	Indiana	12
New Jersey	7	Illinois	9
Pennsylvania	28	Missouri	7
Delaware	3	Arkansas	3
Maryland	6	Michigan	6
Virginia	17	Florida	3
North Carolina	11	Texas	4
South Carolina	9	Iowa	4
Georgia	10	Wisconsin	<u>4</u>
			290 votes.

Wednesday 23.

Feel unwell. Try and work it off. In the evening getting worse. Bloody flux. At night worse. Sent for Dr. Hewitt, C.B.G. and Mr. Peerey. Became insensible. Took blood. Blistered. Took calomel, blue mass, and all sorts of things. Inflammation of the bowels.

Thursday 24.

Inflammation somewhat reduced. Weak and feeble.

Friday 25.

Improving a little. Less fever. Taking oil, Dovers powders, etc. Blisters sore.

Saturday 26.

Taking charcoal, morphine, etc. Improving. Got my newspapers but got much news.

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Sunday 27.

Improving on charcoal and morphine. M.R.W. and lady, J.W., C. G. and ~~X~~^{Mr.} Hunter called to see me. Beautiful day. In the evening T. H. Noble called and spent an hour.

Monday 28.

Feel ~~leaky~~^{bad}, no appetite. Fever down. Weak pulse.

Tuesday 29.

Attended the sheriff's election. The result was Irvin F. Long vice John Hicks, jr., Michael Frost re-elected. A committee of thirteen ~~constitutions~~ tinklers appointed.

Wednesday 30.

Quite unwell. Sent for S. Armstrong for consultation about the schism cantankerous papers of the abolitionists. Appointed Friday, September 1 for ~~Sa~~^{the} National Convention at the camp ground for the discussion of the question North and South. A little rain in the evening. Took a blue pill on going to bed. Heard of the death of W. Bowers' wife.

Thursday ~~31~~¹.

Quite unwell. Ro~~de~~^d up to F. A. Hicks and spent the evening. Warm and sultry.

September 1.

Pursuant to notice the nation assembled at the camp ground and at 12 o'clock proceeded to organize by the appointment of James Washington president and John Hicks, sen^r vice president and W. Walker secretary. The object being to determine whether the nation will declare for the southern division of the M.E. church or the northern. After an animated discussion by S. Ann[?]strong, W. Walker, M.R. Walker, J. D. Brown, F. A. Hicks, David Young and others in favor of the south, and J. H. Armstrong, G. I. Clark, Esqr. Gray Eyes in favor of the north. A pre-

amble and resolution adopted by which the nation declared for the south.

Saturday 3.

Warm and sultry. In the afternoon we had severe and sharp thunder and lightning. Struck a lintree at our barn. Rained about half an hour. Cleared up in the evening.

Sunday 3

Warm and sultry as usual. No preaching at the church. Staid at home.

Monday 4.

Received a letter from Major Harvey upon the subject of N. and S., abolitionism, etc. Mrs. Chies paid us a visit and staid all night.

Tuesday 5.

Staid at home all day. Writing an appeal to the Ohio conference. C. G. and I wrote ^{joint} a letter to Col. Goodin. ~~Wednesday~~

Wednesday 6.

Quite unwell. Gastrites, Enterites, taking "Longley's Panacea." Horrid stuff!

Thursday 7.

To-day the church members were to be assembled at the new brick church to vote on the question "North or South," but unfortunately the members refused to attend and spoiled the affair. A rather severe rebuke to the agitators.

Friday 8.

The president, James Washington, vice president, John Hicks, senr, the committee, S. Armstrong, F. A. Hicks, W. Walker, and Little Chief met and adopted an address to the Ohio Conference to be sent to Cincinnati for publication by next mail.

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Saturday 9.

Dry weather. Jesse Steth and a Mr. Crowwell of Ohio called upon us and staid awhile. Warm, warm. The Deacon gone to the P.O. Sent the Document by him to be mailed.

Sunday 10.

Cool morning. Went to church and heard a sermon by Rev. Mr. Harburt. Large congregation. Warm and dry weather. ~~At~~ half past three o'clock p.m. commenced raining, but did not continue long.

Monday 11.

Foggy morning and cloudy. 11 o'clock it cleared ~~off~~^{up} and became warm.

This ~~afternoon~~^{afternoon} David Young lost his little boy--died of a remittent fever. In the afternoon thunder and lightning, but had no rain.

Tuesday 12

Cloudy, ~~miskxxxxix~~ misting rain. To-day our people commence their worship in the wilderness, in other words, their camp meeting. Fears are entertained that they will have bad weather. M.R. Walker, Jesse Steth and company making preparations for a buffalo hunt. At night a most rain came on; continued all night till daylight.

Wednesday 13

Raining furiously. Cleared up at 10 o'clock. All in a bustle. Packing up preparing to move to camp meeting. Wrote to Samuel Kerr of Pennsylvania to go by to-morrow's mail. Loaded up our effects and put out.

Thursday 14.

Thursday 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th at camp meeting. Came home at 4 o'clock p.m. During the meeting the weather was

cloudy and cold.

Tuesday 17.

Cloudy morning. Cold and chilly. William Gibson, Joseph White and Peter Buck came to cut up my corn and proceeded to operations. I this day presented to the Council A. Guthrie's memorial to that body. one a claim of \$250, and the other praying for a divorce from his wife Nancy. Clear and cold night. We may have frost.

Wednesday 20

Sure enough. Jack Frost has paid us his first visit for the season. Farewell summer; Mrs. Guthrie called upon me to make inquiry about her husband's application for a divorce,-----I wish she and her husband were in Patagonia; I would as soon ~~with~~ meet with the ghost of unforgiven crimes as come in contact with her. After a few long wailings about her troubles, I left her and she departed.

Thursday 21.

The boys finished cutting up corn. Mrs. W. and Harriet went to Kansas.

Friday 22.

Wrote to Mr. A. Guthrie the decision of the Council upon his petition for a divorce.

Saturday 23.

The nation assembled to hear the report of the Revising Committee, after which a legislative committee was elected as follows: W. Walker, J. M. Armstrong, Jas. Washington, George Armstrong, and J. W. Gray Eyes. Failure in the mail. A failure in the mail to-day.

Sunday 24.

Went to church and heard a sphawk sermon by Mr. Cusick.

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Monday 23.

Went to town. No mail yet. Writing for Dr. Hewitt. In the evening commenced raining.

Tuesday 24.

Went to town. Called upon the Council and submitted a proposition. Came home.

Wednesday 25.

Hunted my oxen all day, but could not find them. They are not to be found when wanted.

Thursday 26.

Hunted again but with like success.

Friday 27.

Went in company with ~~Mr.~~ Mrs. H. W. to hunt grapes, but found few.

Saturday 28.

Went to Kansas. Got ^{mail} mail, not much news. Dined at Mrs. Chick's. Came home in the evening. Done up my Saturday's chores

October 1.

Sabbath morn. Fine weather. Staid at home all day.

Monday 2.

Probus: What a frost! Thermometer mercury below freezing point, but clear and a fair prospect of a warm day. Attended ~~at~~ the meeting of the legislative committee.

Tuesday 3.

Frosty morning. Cloudy. Foul weather. Per adventure rain.

Attended the legislative committee. It turned out a pleasant ~~day~~ ^{day} ~~evening~~. However at night we had a slight sprinkling.

Wednesday 4.

Mr. W. went to K. intending to stay all night. Warm day. My oxen, through the carelessness of that drunken Irishman got out

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of J. W.'s lot and made their escape. Finished reading Senator Benton's speech in opposition to Gen. Kearney's nomination for Brevet Major General for services in California. The speech occupies 11 numbers of the National Intelligencer. Well A's nomination was confirmed, but he did not deserve it.

Thursday 5.

Went to attend the meeting of the legislative committee, but the Council convening, called upon the committee to sit in joint meeting for the transaction of extraordinary business. Adjourned and came home. Wrote a letter to John F. Walker at Laguna. Indian summer, warm and pleasant.

Friday 6.

Warm and smoky weather. Somewhat cloudy. Rained perhaps. Got Irish John and the team and hauled some cornwood, then hauled a barrel of flour to S. Armstrong's, then came home.

Saturday 7.

Cool and cloudy. M. R. Walker and company returned last night. All well. Had glorious sport. Killed lots of buffaloes. Lived luxuriantly.

We (ie) three of us, Mrs. W., Harriet) went across the Missouri and paid Mr. T.H. Noble a visit. Dined and came home.

Sophia went to Kansas to get our mail if any there be. Returned, but brought but little news. No letters.

Sunday, 8.

Cold and cloudy morning. Prospect of rain. Rev. Mr. Harriet ^{sent us to friends today. Staid at home.} called over and staid some time, during which time an interesting conversation ensued upon the slave question and its concomitants.

Tuesday, 10.

Set out for the grand convocation of Indian tribes near Fort Leavenworth, in company with John Hicks, Senr., James Rankin,

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and F. A. Hicks and arrived at the general camping ground in the evening. Found the Delawares, Shawnees, Kiowas, Peoris, Kansas, Sacs, and Foxs already on the ground, and the Kansas camp in a bustle, making preparations for a grand dance.

Wednesday 11th.

In Council.

Wednesday 12.

Returned from the Great Council after dark.

Thursday 13.

Went over and spent the day with M.R.W. In the evening a gang of the official members of the church assembled in our house on ecclesiastical business, and remained till 11 o'clock at night.

Friday 30.

Went to town and gave to Dr. Hewitt some ms. and had some chat with him upon Indian affairs, annual reports, difficulties in the nation upon church matters. Came home.

Saturday 21.

Wrote an address to the Indian mission conference for the official members. In the evening Mr. Peerey returned from K. but brought us no mail. No news from Ohio about the election. In the evening the ~~apostolic~~ Bishop Andrew came over. Called upon him at the Deacon's. Found him sociable and affable--a real berry Georgian.

Sunday 22.

Attended church and heard the Bishop preach. After noon he dined with us. Rainy and unpleasant day.

Monday 23.

Went to town for news. Sent Mich. Frost to the P.O. Got a lot of newspapers. The formation of the dog skinning committee

published in the Western Advocate. It has created some excitement among the seceders. Chiefs making out the pay roll. A number of visitors this evening. A preacher it seems is appointed by the Ojibwa conference to come in here and sneak about like a night burglar or incendiary to do harm and not good. What is it that religious fanaticism will not do? The seceders have ~~stole~~ stolen the church records.

Tuesday 24.

Staid all day at home. At night a number of our friends came and staid till a late hour discussing various matters. Determined to call in the authority of the nation and the Indian agent to protect their rights from the seceders.

Wednesday 25.

Payment of the annuity commenced. Esau returned. Nothing of interest. Paid out \$5000.

Thursday 26.

Payment continued. Paid out ~~\$25000~~ \$3000.

Friday 27.

Payment continued and closed. Wrote to ^{Mr.} Greer. Gave him Yorkick.

Saturday 28.

Went to town. The chiefs commenced paying the public liabilities. By the steamer "Leistang" Adam Hunt and his sister Mrs. Williams, and Mrs. Dickson returned from Canada. Came home. Found our young people engaged in a party. Martha went to the P.O. but got no mail. No news, too bad!

Sunday 29.

Went to church, and to our astonishment found the presiding elder of the ³Qu³ Northern District, a ~~Mr. Mr. Still~~ the Deacon as a matter of grace, asked him to preach, which he attempted to do, "Sorter" preached. The church was then divided

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South from the North. Meeting appointed by the northerners for evening.

Monday 30.

Went to town. The Wyandotte chiefs paid the Delawares the fifth installment of \$4,000.

Mrs. W. went to A. Came home 3 o'clock p.m. At candle light the Wyandottes chiefs met at our domicile and prepared a communication to the agent, asking the interposition of the government to keep out of our territory those reverend disturbers of the nation.

Tuesday 31.

Yoked up my oxen. Cut and hauled some wood. Went to town, called at J. Walker's house, and found him and P.A.R. in close consultation upon state affairs. Bought a barrel of flour. Came home.

Wednesday, November 1.

Cold winter morning. Thermometer 29 degrees! Snow! Went out to hunt my swine, but could not find them. Went to town, thence to the ferry. Sent a letter to John Goodin by S.J. Squandenter to the P.O. Came home and done up my chores. Winter's coming. the forest is dousing her garments and displaying her modity. For shame.

Thursday 2.

Mrs. W. went to A. for our mail. Received a few papers. Ohio gone democratic.

Friday 3.

Raining, stormy. Finished copying the journal of the Indian congress. Went to town and hauled up a barrel of sugar and ^{and} flour.

Saturday 4.

Clear and cold morning. Wintry weather. opened a barrel of

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Sugar, (200 pounds.) We'll see how long this will last.

Hauled wood enough to do a month if the Thermometer don't run down to (°0°) zero.

(J.W.)

Wrote a warning epistle to Tées qau shu touh to go by Monday's mail.

Mr. G..... of Independence arrived, and then the Deacon. Both staid all night.

Sunday 5.

Clear and frosty. Prospect of a fine day. Went to the Synagogue. Heard the Deacon preach. J. W. Gray Eyes made his ^{debut} ~~as~~ as interpreter for the church. We have full autumn upon us, and black winter near at hand.

"At last, old autumn rousing, takes
Again his scepter and his throne
With boisterous hand the trees he shakes
Intent on gathering all his own."

Monday 6.

Clear cold and frosty morning. Thermometer 38 degrees. The Deacon took leave of us and put out. Went to town. Purchased twelve and a half bushels of winter apples at 40¢ per bushel.

Tuesday 7.

Thermometer 30 degrees at sunrise. Must kill a pig. Went first pork. Tired of rusty bacon and poor beef. Roast pig, and that's it. Fetch it on Doreas. Went to town and found the Council in session. They requested the school directors to report the state of the school funds, which they did and closed their years account for 1848.

Wednesday 8.

Went to K. and paid my taxes.

Thursday 9.

Severe morning. Thermometer 10 degrees. Winter weather.
Ice floating in the Kansas river.

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Friday 10.

Cloudy weather. Prospect of snow. Thermometer 15 degrees.
Hiatus---- Blank---neglecting my journal.

Thursday 23.

Pretty clearly ascertained that Gen. Zachary Taylor of Louisiana is elected president of the U.S., beating Lewis Cass, and Martin Van Buren. Aye, and Gerrit Smith.

Attended a party at J. Walker's.

Friday 24.

Mrs. W., Sophia and Theodore went to Independence. I cut up and salted away a quarter of beef.

Saturday 25.

Cut up some wood. Read newspapers, chatted with Mr. Russell, and so whiled the day away. In the evening Theodore and Sophia returned from Independence, but no Mrs. W. She had wisely come to the conclusion it was a little too cold a day to travel.

Sunday 26.

Went to church. Mr. Russel officiated. Came home, ate dinner, and felicitatus. By the way, C. Graham called upon me and informed that Col. Goodin was about to remit me \$600. Welcome news. Now, I'll, I'll, Ahes--etc.

Monday 27.

Went to town. Called at the smithshop. Had a chat with Dr. H. upon the subject of our difficulties. Came home and sent an invitation to Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Hunt to come and spend tomorrow afternoon. In the evening C.B.G. called and spent the evening.

Tuesday 28.

Warm and pleasant day. Received a communication from Col. Goodin covering a remittance of one thousand and sixty dollars,

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the proceeds of my Hardin county lands..

Rev. J. Thompson Peerey, our newly appointed missionary, moved into the parsonage. In the evening by invitation Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Hunt spent the evening with us.

Wednesday 29

Fury and dangers: Snowing at Jepu's gait. Storm and tempest. Attended the session of the legislative committee. Adjourned at four o'clock, came home.

Thursday 30.

Clear and cold morning. Attended the session of the legislative committee. Mrs. W. and Harriet went on a friendly visit to the E.F.P's and staid all night. To-night will be held the first official meeting of the church south under the administration of Rev. J. T. Peerey.

Friday, Dec. 1.

Called upon Mr. Peerey and presiding elder Steteler. Cut and healed wood. Mrs. W. and Harriet returned from their visit.

Mr. James Gurley, the preacher sent by the Ohio annual conference to preach abolitionism to the Wyandottes, has just arrived. So I suppose we are to have religious dissensions in full fruition.

Saturday 2.

Mr. Gurley called upon us and defended his position.* If he follows the instructions received from Bishop Morris we shall not have much trouble, for he will "gather up his axis" and put out. Mr. Graham and Joel came and staid till bed time.

Sunday 3.

Cloudy morning, prospect of snow. Went to the synagogue and hear Mr. Gurley "hold forth." He held forth. Went to church at early candle lighting and heard the preacher in charge, J. T. Peerey.