

## 1916

### January

- 1 Thank God that last year so dreadful elsewhere has been in my beloved country a year of peace and plenty. Raining dark and warm for the season.  
Settlement with Flave Loudon.  
He came in and brought his book—he has worked 16 days = 12.00 and I gave him a check on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. for that amount.  
Flave sold our tobacco to Mr. J. Smith (Pepper) for 8.75 all round. It is a poor price but he says it is a poor crop and he wanted to sell as I agreed to. He is to leave the weights and my half of the money at Cit. Dep. Bk. Bellevue. Julia Foster telephoned about our going up there and I was getting ready to leave home.
- 2 Sunday.  
Settlement with Harry.  
Since our last see Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> he says he has worked 27 ½ days = 20.63 he has received cash 17.85 which leaves me owing him 2.78 and I paid him that in full to date, to the 1<sup>st</sup>.  
It was clear and bright to-day for a wonder.
- 3 A bright mild day. We waited for the mail, but it did n't come on account of high water probably. I arranged to leave Grace to stay at home and her mother is there to stay with her. Harry took us in the Ford to Julia Foster's. Lulu was there. Patty and I dined by invitation with Polly and Lawson.
- 4 Julia got my check for 66. from National Bk. Wash. cashed and I went shopping—after lunch went to Dr. Clancey's and had my teeth fixed.
- 5 Patty took her turn at the dentist's. We went in town and took the 1.50 train on the Pennsylvania for N.Y. The weather had been mild and good but after we started it poured day and night.
- 6 Sally met us at the Station—we had a safe comfortable trip on thank Heaven and found Sally well. I got letters from Belle R. and Lizzie H. cards from Mr. Parish, Leigh H., Fanny G., Sally W. Also I got letter from Farmers' and Mechanics' Natl. Bk. Georgetown with check for 28., B. F. Goodrich Co. check on Liberty Natl. Bk. for 22.75, Frank's check on Equitable Trust Co. for 125. and from National Bk. Wash. for 66. Sent letter to Julia.
- 7 Amy went away. I sent letter to Sally Vaughn. Bright day, turned colder went down to 20°.
- 8 Bright 16°. Got letter from Sue—bill for the chairs Sally had fixed—from Natl. Met. Bank proxy to sign and paper from Gen. Motors Co. Patty and I lunched with Susie Parish and went to the Opera matinée. Frank was sick and Sally did n't go. The opera was Boris Godunoff [sic]. Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Osthout were of the party.
- 9 Sunday. Patty, Sally and I went in the motor down to Locust Valley and took lunch with Carl Taylor at his new home. Saw Mammy who works for him. A bright beautiful day. Went to Frank's but did n't get out there.
- 10 Dark and raining. Sent letters to Sue and Jamie. At night went with Patty to sit with Mrs. D. Robinson in Mrs. Vanderbilt's box to hear the new opera of Prince Igor by Borodin—hear is the right word for apparently Mrs. V does n't care to see Ballet semi-barbarous and remarkable. Raining when we came home.
- 11 Bright to-day. A letter to Helen H. that I wrote yesterday sent. Went to Mrs. Robinson's, and with her to the Colony Club (new one) to see a performance in French by amateurs 'society girls' acting and singing. Patty was at Mrs. R's to lunch and went with us. Frank better and came down to dinner. Got letter from Sally V.

- 12 Raining at breakfast time—cloudy. Mrs. Walter Douglas and Miss Kay lunched here. Patty and Sally went to the funeral of Mrs. Bend. Eleanore Tew came to see me. Patty got a note from Helen H. who is going south to Garnett [South Carolina].
- 13 Very cloudy—raining off and on. Sent letter to Jamie T., to Cousin Frankie. Went with Sally to matinée at the Princess theatre to a French performance for the benefit of the Hospital at Nevers—a man named Stefano played the harp beautifully. Evening mild and bright—turned colder at night.
- 14 Colder and bright. Sent letters to Susan R. and Belle Raymond. Sally took me to the Hippodrome matinée to see the wonderful skating—Charlotte and the rest.
- 15 The paper says it was 9° above last night—it is bright. Got letter from Cousin Frankie. Sally took us all to the Play House Theatre to see Shaw's 'Major Barbara'—very interesting.
- 16 Sunday. Went to call on Mrs. Eckstein (Agnes [Davis]) and on the Scotts. Isabella's friend Mr. Fraser Campbell called—also Mr. Parish. Sally's little dog Ching very sick—got better. Not so cold—snowed a little at night.
- 17 Got letter from Lizzie H. and notice of Ins. Ass. 4.00 from B. B. Huey. 20° this morning. Returned card to B. B. Huey with check for 4.00 on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. Went with Sally to the Opera—heard Hänsel and Gretel by Humperdinck with Mattfeld and Mason, and Pagliacci by R. Leoncavallo with Caruso and Ida Cajatti. Conductor Gaetano Bavagnoli. Coldest 9°.
- 18 Got letter from Jamie Tew at Lakeside Hospital Cleveland where he had been operated on for appendicitis by Dr. Crile. Got Sally to have cashed for me the Goodrich Co. check for 22.75 (see 6<sup>th</sup>). Enid Yandell lunched here. Lowest temperature 8°.
- 19 16° Frank said. Patty got letter from Grace. Sent letters to Jamie and Grace L. Got note from Miss Furlong about Hilda and sent note to her at once—got letter from Julia F. Sally Woolley came to call. Sally and I went to the reception of Sophie Herrick's daughter Mrs. Hugh Francis Fox 222 Riverside Drive. Turned milder, Julia E[thridge, a cousin]. came.
- 20 Got letters from Sue and Belle R. Cloudy and warmer—rained a little before noon. Patty not well this morning. Miss Carrol came to lunch. John Riddle came. Got letter from Sally Vaughn and card from Julia E.
- 21 Mild and bright. Got letter from Susan. Patty, Sally and I went to the Pier and on board of the Morgan Line Steamer Creole to see how Patty liked the looks of it. Cousin Frankie called while we were gone. Miss Clara Hill came—and young ladies to tea.
- 22 Mild and cloudy. Wrote to Sally Vaughn. Frank went to the country. Went to Macy & Co. for high shoes. Sent letter to Lucy J.
- 23 Sunday. Sent letter to Cousin Frankie Went with Sally to L. Island to Mr. Taylor's and lunched there—went to Frank's house with him and Sally. A perfect winter day, more like spring. After we got home I received a telegram from Miss Mary Furlong stating that Hilda died to-day at noon. Lord rest her soul. As Frank said there was no train for Cin. to-night I have to wait till to-morrow. Sent letter to Miss Kate Shreve.
- 24 Patty, Sally and I started for home on the Pennsylvania R.R. at 10 A.M. Sally got cashed for me two checks Fs' and Mechanics' for 28. and Natl. Bk. Wash. for 66. see Jan 6<sup>th</sup>. Sent note to Cousin Frankie. Mild bright. Sent letter to Sue.
- 25 We got to Cin. at 6.30 A.M. Harry met us with the Ford and took us to Burlington. We went to Hilda's house—saw her little body like a husk from which the fruit has dropped. Dined there and got home before 2, found all right thank Heaven. While in Hilda's house we consulted with Miss Mary Furlong and Bob Huey about Hilda's funeral which was set for Thursday morning 10 to 11 A.M. Mr. Baker the Baptist preacher from Bellevue came out to see me about having Hilda's funeral at the church.
- 26 Cloudy and rained a little. Mr. Bob Brady came and told me about the pallbearers &c and took a list. I sent by him to Rev. Clyde Baker a little sketch of incidents in Hilda's life for him to use in his

sermon. Miss Furlong called up to say that the undertaker was there and everything all right. Sent letters to Lucy J. and Belle R. Patty went out to Hilda's house after dinner. It cleared and was very mild but rained at night.

- 27 Rained all night probably hard sometimes. Hilda's funeral took place to-day—that is Mrs. Isabella Hill Brady's. Rev. Clyde Baker officiated. He read my little obituary of her—read the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter of Revelations to the 14<sup>th</sup> verse—the 13<sup>th</sup> being the text for his sermon. He read the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter of St. John—three hymns were sung[:] 1<sup>st</sup> All hail the power of Jesus' name—2<sup>nd</sup> Rock of Ages—3d Saved by grace—and one verse of Nearer my God to Thee at the vault—and recited the Lord's prayer in addition to his own prayers. The pallbearers were Hubert Brady, Bob Carver, Bob Huey, and the three Scotts, Xen, Ott, and Sebe. Hilda's coffin was put in the upper crypt next the river above the crypt containing her husband's coffin. I walked with Mr. Bob Brady. Miss Mary Furlong and Sally Vaughn and Mrs. Vaughn came down with Patty who went out to Burlington and came down with the procession. Hilda was buried from her own church the Baptist in Bellevue and her vault is in the New Cemetery. According to her own cousin's letter, (Mr. D. W. Rawlings) she was born July 17, 1821. She married Mr. Seaburn [sic] Perry Brady Sep. 20<sup>th</sup> 1883, and died Sunday Jan. 23, 1916. Patty and Sally were with me at her funeral. Amy Campbell and Harriet Eckstein came down to the funeral. Patty went home with them—it was mild and did not rain during the funeral but about 3 P.M. rained hard and rained later too. I got a long letter from Cousin Frankie. Weather unusual, warm and wet.
- 28 Cloudy. Harry went to Bellevue to get Patty's bureau. Sent by him to Rev. Baker \$10.00. Bob Brady came by going to the vault to remove the flowers. Sent letter to Miss Kate Shreve. Later Harry went after Patty who came down on Spinny's boat. Harry brought out this morning the package of French books Cousin Frankie sent me.
- 29 Sent notes to Julia and to Sally W. and the Recorder to Miss Kate Shreve. Rained off and on all day.
- 30 Sunday. Rained part of the day. Ernest and Lily came and dined. Still warm.
- 31 Rained all night and still raining. Patty went with me to the Courthouse in Burlington to see Judge Cason about the business of Hilda's estate &c. We went to see Miss Mary Furlong and Sally Vaughn. I left my Bk. book with Mr. Revill to be balanced. The pike is horrible—washed out so that at one place we had to get out and walk and it was all Harry could do to get the Ford through. It rained again. The weather has been wet and warm so long that in B. and here the daffodils and jonquils are up—and will probably be frozen and ruined. Got letter from Sue. Harry brought from B. the andirons &c. Patty got at the Lassing sale.

## February

- 1 Colder and bright—sun shining for the first time for days. Sent letter to Cousin Frankie—got one from Belle Fisk Andrews, about Hilda.
- 2 Harry's Settlement.  
Harry says that since our last see Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> he has worked 21 days, which came to 15.75—he said he got .75 so I gave him a check on the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. for 15. and we are square up to Jan. 29. Sent note to Belle Fisk Andrews. We three Patty, Sally and I left home in the Ford with Harry—got to the Pa. Station by noon—Amy came and lunched with us at the Station. Sally and I started for N.Y. on the Pa. R.R. about 1.50. Patty was to start at 8 P.M. on the Q. and C. for N. Orleans. On leaving I got a letter from Lucy J. and card from Sally W. It had turned colder and the road was frozen and better—but bad enough. After the train left the weather changed and it snowed.
- 3 Snow all along. Train an hour late. Henry met us with the motor—snow 4 inches deep the papers say—banked up along the streets and crowds cleaning—weather cold. Sent letter to Patty. We got back safe and sound thank Heaven. Jamie Tew came to lunch with us—looks fine after his operation. Later Mrs. Cutting called and gave us news of the Fergusons. Frank at Aiken.

- 4 Cold and bright—got note from Fanny G. Sent letter to her—got letters from Belle R. and Amy C. Stayed by the fire. Sally sent Patty's trunks to N.M.
- 5 Frank came home from Aiken S.C. I went to Sally Woolley's apartment to lunch with her and Jenny Anderson. Much milder.
- 6 Sunday. Sally got telegram from Patty that she was at Denning safe, dated Saturday. Sally and Frank had been married 25 years! We all went to the Philharmonic Society concert, Strinsky Con. Beatrice Harrison, Violin cellist, Soloist. Milder—cloudy.
- 7 Got two postals from Patty from N.O. and a letter from Miss Kate Shreve. Sent letter to Cousin Frankie and Patty. Ruth Sutton came and lunched with me and when Sally got back from Belle's Farmington lunch she took us up to Mrs. Hutcheson's to hear her lecture on hedges and gateways for the benefit of the Appui aux Artistes, Paris. Enid was there.
- 8 Cloudy and rather cold. Sally and I went to a matinée at the Théâtre Français to see a play by Brieux 'Blanchette'—for the benefit of the poor French children of N. York.
- 9 There was a slight snow last night, cloudy. Sally and I lunched with Susie Parish and went from there to the Colony Club to see the Exhibition of Women's Household Arts and Industries. Sent letter to Susan R. At night we went to the Cosmopolitan Club on Enid's invitation to hear Artists speak, Mr. Bartlett and Mr. Gregg I think.
- 10 Sally had company to lunch—Enid Yandell, Miss Bell and her brother Mr. Bell, and Mrs. Winchester. Later Cousin Frankie and Madeleine came. Later Mrs. Scott.
- 11 Cloudy and snowed some. Sally and I went to the Belmont to see Cousin Frankie who told us that last night they got news that Bobby Huntington at St. Paul's was ill and threatened with an operation for appendicitis and that Madeleine, Willie and Helen Astor had gone up to Concord to see him taking Mrs. Hoskins the trained nurse—news this morning was that he was easier and perhaps would escape the operation. Sent letter to Belle Fisk Andrews. Got one from little Julia.
- 12 Cloudy and dark—sent letters to Julia and Sue. Sally took me to a matinée at the Republic Theatre to see 'Common Clay' with Jane Cowl and John Mason. It was snowing and sleeting—horrid weather. Willie and Eleanore came to see me.
- 13 Sunday. Snowed hard nearly all day. Sent letter to Patty. Sally Woolley came to see us. Coldest 12° above.
- 14 Got letter from Patty at Isabella's. Colder 4°. Mrs. Fanny Parsons and Miss Alice Perkins came to see us—remember to tell Patty. I got a valentine and flowers, and a beautiful flowering plant with card from Louisiana.
- 15 Colder last night—the morning paper says it went down to 2° above. Bright sun to-day. Sent letter to Patty. Got one from her and Martha. Sent letter to Belle R. Sally had company to dinner. Cousin Dorothy Miller, Mrs. and Dr. Kenneth Taylor, Mr. Carl T. and Col. Monroe.
- 16 Bright and milder. Got letters from Sally Vaughn and Susan. She said my cow Ella had a heifer calf born Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. Sent letters to Martha and to Mary C. Sally and Mrs. Bessie W. McNeal went to hear Mrs. Hutchenson's second lecture on gardens (with views) to aid the Appui aux Artistes. Saw Enid there. We went to the Opera—it was Lucia with Madame Marie Barrientos, Martinelli, De Luca, Bothier, Conductor Bavagnoli. Beautiful opera—Barrientos sang exquisitely.
- 17 Very cloudy. Sent letter to Joe H. Mild—went out with Sally—shopping—got a nail in a tire and had to come home. Madeleine sent us tickets and we went to Carnegie Hall to the Boston Symphony Concert—Musk con. Debussy, Strauss and Haydn. The streets were full of slush and snow piles.
- 18 Sent letter to Lily. May Eaton Nelson was here to lunch and Mrs. Evy C. Tinlow. Afterwards we went to the Colony Club to hear a French lady Vicomtesse de Rancongne speak on the needs of soldiers in Belgium. She was introduced by Mrs. West Roosevelt, was young, pretty and interesting. At night cold wind blew.

- 19 12° at breakfast time, and bright. Sent letter to Sally Vaughn. Sally took me to a matinée at Longaere Theatre to see Leo Ditrichstein in 'The Great Lover'—very fine play—amusing at that. Frank went to the country with Mr. Taylor.
- 20 Sunday. Snowed off and on all day. Julia E. came to tell us goodbye as she is going to Louisiana on a trip Tuesday with friends. Frank came home. We all went to Col. Monroe's to dine—Carl Taylor was there.
- 21 10° only an inch of snow fell yesterday. Sent letter to Patty—got one from her. Sally went to the Farmington meeting at the Navy Yard—cold. We went to the Opera. Rigoletts of Verdi with Barrientos, Caruso, and de Luca—grand. Moderating. Frank said he got letter from Patty saying what Dr. Bullock said of Bob's case.
- 22 Bright and milder. Stayed home. Sent letter to Bob F. Sally and Frank dined at Mrs. Finley Shepard's (Helen Gould).
- 23 Got 4 pictures of Julia from little Julia—lovely little snapshots of her and a pony. Also a post card from Lucy J. at Miami, a note from Hubert asking to cut briars. Mary found in the box at the door a note from Mrs. C. Elizabeth Osthout that was mailed the 14<sup>th</sup> about my book that Patty sent her. Sent letters to Julia F. and to Susan about Hubert's working. Got letter from Mr. R. Webb Willard Haddonfield N.J. asking about Hilda's will. We went calling, saw Belle and May G. Sally W. and Mrs. Osthout. It was the worst fog of the season papers said.
- 24 Got letter from Cousin Frankie with tickets for Opera. Sent letter to Mr. Willard. Yesterday got note from Sue, and sent her letter. Mrs. Fanny Parsons came to dine and went to the Opera with me. It was Lucia with Barrientos &c. same as 16<sup>th</sup>. It rained at night. Helen came.
- 25 Raining hard, very dark. Got invitation from Mrs. Chase for Enid's reception March 2<sup>nd</sup> and Cousin Helen called up and offered me the Astor Box for to-morrow matinée—Lohengrin—declined it. Got letter from Sally V. I forgot to write that yesterday Sally and I went on Julia Ethridge's tickets to the Princess Theatre to a Musical and Dramatic performance for the benefit of the Normyl Ass. (Temperance) of U.S. and Canada. Sally and I went as guests of Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Fanny Parsons to the luncheon given by the 'Poetry Society of America' to John Masefield the English poet, at the National Arts Club—very interesting—a crowd with various literary celebrities—speeches—best of all by a woman Mrs. Josephine Dodge-Dasham. We sat at table D. with our sponsors. It poured down rain—at night turned to snow. Heard Vachel Lindsay recite his poem 'The Chinese Nightingale.' John Masefield read a few of his. Sarah Cleghorn read a sonnet on Masefield &c.
- 26 Got note from Frank telling of his selling my bonds and enclosing check for 36.80 int. Sent letter to Patty. Sally and I went to Mrs. Taylor's. I got a letter from Frances Sampson saying Mary C. is ill—sent answer directly.
- 27 Sunday. Clear and colder. Frank went to see his mother. Sally and I went to lunch with Pauline Emmet, and afterwards went to Helen Astor's to see her mother and Bobby Huntington who was recovering from the operation, and came down to see us. We also met Mrs. Alice Huntington and Alice Astor.
- 28 Clear and rather cold—got letter from Patty. Sent letter to Cousin Frankie and to Sue. Got telegram from Julia F. saying that Polly had a little daughter last night, sent letter to her. Rutger Miller's cousin Dorothy came. Sally and I went to the Opera—the Valküre. It was the début of Maude Fay—with Gadski, Homer &c.
- 29 Clear and rather cold—sent letter to Belle R. Stayed in the house.

### March

- 1 Bright and rather cold. This morning's papers announce the engagement of John Riddle and Miss Theodate Pope of Farmington Conn. A letter from Lily Grant came. Sent letter to Patty with piece about John. Mrs. Wood (Sips) came to lunch. Got letter from Julia about Polly and sent letter to

- Julia. Miss Clara Hill came to dine and Sally went with her to the opera. A letter came from Belle Fisk (Mrs. Byron Andrews).
- 2 Snow on the ground, seems to be over an inch. Got letter from Susan. She said Betsey's heifer had a b. calf Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>. Sent letter to Fanny Gibbon. Got note from Cousin Helen (John Bs) saying that Lizzie D. Goodrich died Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. Sent letter to Helen. Sally and I went to Enid Yandell's studio tea—saw Belle, May, and Charlie.
  - 2 Sally W. came. Got letter from Sue. Frank said he talked by telephone to a man in San Francisco (Mr. Bowie) to-day. Cold.
  - 4 Between 7 and 8 the chimney in the library burnt out and Frank had a man from the Fire Dept. to attend to it—it seems not to have done any damage thank goodness. We got invitations to Lulu Foster's wedding—it is to be at Laura Robbins' West, Mass, the 25<sup>th</sup>. She is to marry Edwin Ball Bartlett of Milwaukee. Sally took me to a matinée at the G theatre to see Mrs. Fiske in 'erstwhile Susan'—funny play about Pa. Dutch. Frank went to the country—still cold.
  - 5 Sunday—a little skim of snow that melted. Bright but cold. We took a motor ride in the park and on Riverside. Frank came home. Mr. Parish called. Sally had company to dine—Eleanore and Willy. Mr. and Mrs. Lew Bigalow and Col. Monroe. It was cold.
  - 6 Frank's and my birthday. Sally gave me an autograph copy of Masefield's sonnets—got a letter from Patty and a birthday card and handkerchief from Fanny G. After breakfast snowed hard, and all day long. We got telegrams from Patty and Isabella. Sally invited Sally W. to go to the opera and dine with us. She came and we went. The first Opera was Cavalleria—Rusticana, (Mascagin's) and the next was Gyescas by Granadas. Sally W. had seen it and the night and snow were so bad we only stayed for the first act.
  - 7 Papers say the snow is 5 or 6 inches deep—it is dark and cold. Got letter from Julia. Sent a letter to Sue. We stayed at home. Mrs. Parish came.
  - 8 Snowing, raining sleet &c.—dark and dismal. Got birthday letter from Lily and one from Fanny. Lily said it was down to 4° above, the 3d and there had been rains winds snow &c. in March. Belle Breck came to lunch in the snowstorm. Got letter from Sue. We did n't leave the house all day on account of the snow.
  - 9 Bright and colder. Sent letter to Frances for Mary C. Got letter from Belle R. Got Sally to have cashed Frank's check for 36.80 int. see Feb. 26 and have taken out a check or draft for Julia Resor Foster[']s] Lulu. Snow so bad I stayed in the house. Sent letter to Fanny G.
  - 10 Snowed again last night. Sent by Sally note to Lulu Foster (Juia R. 3) including draft for 20. Sally sent her a present, silver. Dorothy Siebel Miller called. Frank started to San Francisco on business in the afternoon.
  - 11 Fair and colder. Sally took me to a matinée at the Harris Theatre to see 'Hit the Trail Holliday'—Fred Niblo &c.—amusing. Got letter from Mary C. written by herself.
  - 12 Sunday—stayed home all day.
  - 13 Bobby's birthday—bless his life. Got letter from Patty. Sent letter to Susan, and to Patty. Sally and I went to the Opera—Aida with Rappold, Homer, Martinelli &c., beautiful. Julia Ethridge came.
  - 14 Cloudy and not so cold. Got note from Lulu Foster (see 10<sup>th</sup>). Sally and I went shopping—got curtains &c. Went to the Colony club with Julia Ethridge to lunch and to hear Madame Chenew ? lecture on fashions from the time of the Consulate till the present—she is a red cross. Got letter from Patty, and note from Julia. We went to dine with Belle and John B. at the Metropolitan Club and went with them to the Eltinge Theatre to see 'Fair and Warmer'—very amusing. Charlie G. was with us in the theatre.
  - 15 Dark and snowing and sleeting hard—a gang of street cleaners are working in front of this house. Snowed all day and thundered. We stayed in—sent letter to Patty.

- 16 Paper calls yesterday's snow a 'baby blizzard' and states that it was 14° at midnight. Trains from L. I. stalled from break in cable. Sun out this morning. Sally got cashed for me Frank's check for \$125. in. and paid for my tickets, see Jan. 6. We went to make calls—no one at home. Cold. Sent letter to Patty.
- 17 Got letter from Susan and note from Mrs. Parsons. Clear and cold. Susan said young Blanche has a calf born March 8<sup>th</sup>. Sally got letters from Patty and Sue. Did n't go out of the house. Mrs. Parish came to tell us goodbye—late Sally Woolley and cousins Charlie and Dave Goodrich. It kept turning colder and at 10 P.M. was 10 above. Sally checked my trunk and had it sent on and also her green suit case and my bonnet box by Ex. to Aurora. I sent letter to Julia Loving and note to Cousin Frankie.
- 18 Paper said it was 9° last night. We started from N. York about 10 A.M. by the Pennsylvania. There was snow on the ground all the way to Cin. In the mountains it was snowing hard and everything snow covered. But we were comfortable and safe.
- 19 Sunday. We got to Cincinnati about 7.30 A.M. Came down on the Louisville—pretty day but rather cold, river a good stage. We got to Bellevue by noon. Harry met us and we got home and found all as usual thank Heaven. Grace was here cooking—and the house ready for us. During the day she gave me 3.40 butter money. Flave gave me the bank notice that he had put in the Cit. Dep. Bk. 137.16 my half of the tobacco money. We went to see the calves.
- 20 The weather was all sorts to-day—cold early began to sleet a little in the afternoon and towards night rained with thunder and lightning. Sent letters to Patty, Sue, Belle R. and note to Amy. Harry was most of the time helping load alfalfa—he said Ott Scott got 1 load last we[ek] and to-day Mr. Green got 2 loads, Ott Scott 1, Morris Rice 1, and Ralph Cason 1. Harry also cleaned outhouses.
- 21 Heard doves before breakfast. Bright and warmer. Sent note to Julia—got letters from Sue and Patty—she said they all expect to start for here the 27<sup>th</sup>. Sue is to be here Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ott Scott got 1 load of alfalfa—not perfect and he got another later fine. Sebe Scott got a load 1720 lbs at 10. a ton and it came to 8.60. There was some mouldy bunches and I told him I would knock off .60 and he paid me 8.00 cash. Paid Mr. Dolph for the work he did while I was gone 7.20. Went to Cit. Dep. Bk. and Mr. McNeeley gave me the weights of Flave's tobacco. He had 3135 lbs and at 8 ¼ cents it came to \$274.32. Flave deposited my half in the bank and Mr. McNeely set it down in my book 137.16. I paid Hubert Brady for what Grace bought 2.15. Stopped to see Will Arnold and engaged [sic] of him 250 bus. good corn at .80 (cents) a bushel. Sally was with me. I got from Mr. McNeely the tin box of papers and the silver I left in Bank before I went to N. York. Ernest and Lily came. Mrs. Jap Sullivan's funeral was to-day.
- 22 Rained last night with thunder and lightning. Wind blowing hard. Got forwarded letter from Patty and Mary C. and Ex. notice that I sent to Spinny. Harry ploughed and Flave was ploughing in the watermelon patch. It was a very unpleasant day. Mr. Deck trimmed grape vines ½ day—some of the best of them—there was a chilly drizzle part of the time.
- 23 Bright and not so cold. Harry ploughed for alfalfa and went to Spinny's to get Sally's rug, china and my bonnet from Ex. and plough beam.
- 24 Mr. Asa McMullen got a load of alfalfa. Got a letter from Amy C. Found turkey peas—the first. We all worked cleaning—and getting the house ready. Harry hauled wood. Some daffodils bloomed. Stopped having the furnace and fires.
- 25 Ralph Cason came and paid me for his load of hay—he got 1630 lbs and he paid me 8.00, that is gave me his check on Peoples' Dep. Bk. for that. Harry went to Mr. Berkshire's for apples and vinegar. It rained after dinner and towards evening with thunder.  
Settlement with Harry.  
Since we settled up to Jan. 29—see Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> Harry said he had worked 47 days which came to 35.25 and as he had n't received his wages I gave him a check on Ct. Dep. Bk. for 35.25 in full to date. Got postal from Lucy J.

- 26 Sunday. Rained last night very hard sometimes. Rained off and on, and hard at night. Flora came over after dinner. The big poplar across the ravine—the one that leaned and had broken roots fell near dusk.
- 27 Sent letter to Lucy J. and jonquil bulbs to Laura R. Got letter from Patty. Harry got up the hogs and put 24 in the lot to fatten. Cloudy and chilly, had grate fire again. I worked with flowers. Harry took the tank to Bellevue. Julia telephoned me.
- 28 Chilly drizzly day—had good fire. Harry went to Bellevue twice, took the mare down, had her shod and brought out the tank that Mr. Dolph mended and also 5 boxes that Patty sent or ordered from Cin. Later he had Hector shod. I got letter from Patty with directions about coming—and from Bob F. and Sally W.
- 29 Mr. Asa McMullen got a load of alfalfa. Harry hauled 2 loads of corn from Will Arnold's. Susan went to R. Sun to take the children to their grandma's, brought Ethel back—she said the backwater was high. It was chilly but the sun shone. I got a letter from Belle R. Got telegram from Patty by telephone after 10 P.M. She was probably at N. Orleans.
- 30 36° at 6.30 A.M. Harry hauled 1 load of corn from Will Arnold's. Then fixed up around the yard—machine &c. We went to Bellevue, got onion sets. Went to Cit. Dep. Bk. and got Ralph Cason's note for 8.00 cashed (see 25<sup>th</sup>). Bright day—and warmer. Harry hung hammock and swinging seat. River high.
- 31 Harry went up to Cincinnati to meet Patty. She and Isabella and Marth and Bobby came down—got here about 1 o'clock. Patty had telephoned. Got letters from Patty and Julia F. Pretty day—warmer. Trunks did n't come on the boat.

## April

- 1 Did n't write in this till the 3d. Sue telephoned from Erlanger that she was coming that way and Isabella and Patty went for her in the machine and brought her down. Harry tried to plant some potatoes in the garden—it rained. We did not have any mail on account of high water.
- 2 Sunday. Harry went to Burlington to get Sue's trunk and later to the river to meet the mail boat and get Patty's and Isabella's baggage. It rained later and turned cooler.
- 3 County Court Day. I went out to Burlington with Patty and Isabella and went to the Court House to see Judge Cason. He went with me to the Bank and Mr. Revill got the will of Mrs. Isabella H. Brady and of her box and took it to the Court House to the office of the County Clerk, W. R. Rogers I think—he then called in on Sheriff Mr. Cropper who acknowledged his signature as witness and the will. Then Judge Cason swore me as Executrix, and said that would be sufficient till he had time to attend to the business of Hilda's, Mrs. Brady's, estate. He read the will over to me and I asked him to have a certified copy made for me. We three went to Hilda's house and Sally had dinner for us. I went to the Bank and deposited 80. and had it set down in my book. It rained part of the day and the roads were very bad—full of puddles of water and muddy. Harry said he hauled a load of corn from Will Arnold's and a load of coal 41 bus. 59 from Hubert Brady's. I saw Ott Scott at the Court House and he gave me a check for he alfalfa he got 33.93. Harry weaned Blanche's calf.
- 4 Warmer and sun came out. Got letters from Natl. Bk. Wash. with check for 66. int. from Farmers' and Mechanics' Bk. Wash., check for 28.00 int. from Byrne & Cutcheon per J. H. First check for 22.75 int. on Goodrich Co. stock—also letter from Laura Robbins. Went to Bellevue and to Bank. Took Ott Scott's check for 33.93 and had it cashed—deposited 20. of it and took the balance. Went to Hubert Brady's and he gave me the weights of Mr. James Northcutt's load of alfalfa—1035 lbs. net and Hubert gave me 5.17 that Mr. N. left with him. I paid Hubert 5.40 for the coal 41 bus. 59 lbs. that Harry hauled yesterday. Harry said he hauled 2 loads of corn from Will Arnold's.
- 5 Harry took Sprite to be shod and set out the onion sets. Amy Campbell came down in her motor and brought Frank Cutcheon. It was rather chilly. Mr. Asa McMullen came and got a load of alfalfa.

- 6 Cold and cloudy. There was a little ice on pans at the cistern. The line above was written for the 7<sup>th</sup>. I forgot to write for the 6<sup>th</sup> till now.
- 6 It was bright but chilly we had fires as we have even in the furnace. Amy C. went back to Cin. after dinner. Harry said he made a hot bed and planted some seeds.
- 7 Remained chilly and cloudy—with wind. Got Frank Cutcheon to write my will for me—all ready to sign and have witnessed. We heard that Mr. Jim Rogers was dead.
- 8 Cold and snowed all day—melting mostly. Frank and Sally went to Cin. on their way to N. York. Patty went to Cin. with them in the motor, Harry driving—they had a safe trip. It was very disagreeable all day. I got from Judge P. E. Cason a certified copy of Hilda's (Mrs. I. H. Brady's) will and a letter from Lucy Johnstone.
- 9 Sunday. Patty and I went to the funeral of Mr. Jim Rogers—buried from his house in the new Cemetery—it was cold and a keen wind blowing. Ernest and Lily and Flora came later.
- 10 31° after sunup—ice. Sent letter to Julia. Got letter inclosing check on People's Dep. Bk. Burlington from A. G. McMullen for 22.10 for 2 loads of alfalfa hay. Harry hauled 2 loads of corn from Will Arnold's. Told Mr. Beemon he and Ralph Cason could have a load of hay partly mouldy for 6.00 a ton. Ralph Cason got a load of alfalfa for Orin Phipps.
- 11 My beloved sister Belle's birthday—in bliss I hope. 44° at 6 A.M. Fair and warmer—went up to 72° Patty said. I sent letter to Mary C. and one to Sally inclosing Lucy J's. Went to Bellevue, met Mr. Beemon who had a load of alfalfa (see yesterday). He said it was a little over a ton and paid me 6.10. Went to Bank and endorsed Mr. McMullen's note—see yesterday—and deposited the money 22.10. Went to Hubert Brady's store and he gave me 2.77 that Mr. Rue had left with him for 'a jog of hay' he bought—alfalfa. So hot to-night we had to turn off the furnace and open doors. Julia Foster telephoned us.
- 12 Flave got 6 bushels of potatoes to plant. Sent to Burpee's for garden seed 4.80. Harry ploughed part of the garden. Patty took the children to Burlington.
- 13 Harry brought out the big wardrobe Patty got for me in Cin. and he worked the rest of the time cleaning and setting it up in my room—also he brought he[r] four chairs. Very warm—like summer. Susan went to R. Sun and brought Fay home. I got a letter from Sally—just starting to L. Island.
- 14 Rained some last night and much cooler. Got letter from Julia. Harry ploughed in the garden. Went to settle with Will about the corn—he had no weight—turned cool, had fire in the grate.
- 15 Bright. Harry worked in the garden. Isabella took Patty and Sue to Burlington in the motor after dinner. I worked in the yard most of the day. Miss Leona Cason came.
- 16 Sunday. Blew and felt like rain about dark lightened. Amy and Harriet came down and went back by moonlight, and Isabella went with them. Jesse came to see about taking his Bobby to the hospital and Patty went to see Dr. Richmond and to plant Hilda's peony and lily roots on her lot. Mrs. Lou Scott came by to see me.
- 17 Harry started about 7 to take little Bob Loudon, his parents, and Dr. Richmond to the hospital probably. Will Arnold came and brought the rest of the corn weights. The 8 loads came to 259 bus. 50 lbs. Will knocked off the 50 lbs. and the 259 bus. at .80 came to 207.20. I gave him a check for 100. on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. and one for 107.20 on Cit. Dep. Bk. Bellevue—in full. Got check for 10. from Natl. Met. Bk. Wash., Ins. Ass. for 2.00, and receipt from Atlee Burpee (see 12<sup>th</sup>). Cool and windy. Harry brought the Dr. and Loudons back again.
- 18 Chilly day—rained a little towards night. Sent a letter to Julia Foster with check for 22.75 Goodrich (see 4<sup>th</sup>). Got letter from the man who shipped the wardrobe with bill of lading. Harry worked in the garden &c.
- 19 Patty started for Cin. in the motor—gave her the check for 28. endorsed to A. R. C. see 4<sup>th</sup>. She came home and brought with her Isabella. Patty bought one 1 ½ bus. alfalfa seed and a lot of garden

seeds. We found Fanny mare with her foot cut. Sent letter to Sally and got one from her. Harry ran the Ford.

- 20 Went to Flora's and got the yellow rose and planted it also the hyacinths Harriet brought me. There was rain with thunder and again towards night a rain with lightning and thunder. Sue got a telephone from Jamie saying Elinor had a girl baby the 19<sup>th</sup> yesterday. Harry worked in the garden. Mr. Rue told me about having to have Hilda's crypt sealed in her vault.
- 21 Ott Scott brought his steers and put them in the big pasture 27 he said. Mr. Wm. Aylor came by and gave me a check for 7.80 on Cit. Dep. Bk. for the bricks he got here that I sold him Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> 1915. Harry went up to patch holes in the pasture fence. He and Flave put out the crêpe myrtles. Flora came over for some plants. Got some roses from Mary C. Harry turned out his heifer calf to wean.
- 22 Patty went to Cin. in the motor and took Jesse, Rose, little Bobby Loudon and Rose's baby—she took them to the Hospital and left all but Jesse who came home with them. I gave Patty the check Mr. W. Aylor gave me—see yesterday—she got it cashed in Burlington and paid Harry 5.00 for me. Bob Brady came to see me and brought me the key of Hilda's vault. It was cloudy and chilly all day.
- 23 Sunday. Not quite so cold and brighter. We all went to Ernest's to dine. Miss Cason went home. Amy and Harriet came down and stayed to supper.
- 24 Patty, Isabella and the children and Harry started in the Ford for Louisville about 8.30. Mr. Wm. Green came and said he got 3570 lbs at 8. a ton. He paid me 15.25 for it. The bundle of Seeds from Burpee's came, see 12<sup>th</sup>. Sent letter to F. W. Kassebaum & Son about Hilda's crypt in her vault—and to Sally—got letter from Belle R., Easter card from Margaret and notice about letter in N.Y. Forwarded Patty's and Isabella's letter to Ballard and Ballard. Chilly and rained towards evening.
- 25 Got telegram night letter from Patty by telephone. Got letter from Mary C. Chilly and later rained and at night.
- 26 Very disagreeable day—cold rain most of the time. Sent letters to Belle R. and Mary C. Got one from Messrs. Kassebaum. Poor old Frank Jeffries came on his way to the Poor House and I got Oakley to take him there.
- 27 Chilly and misting rain sometimes. Sue got a telegram from Jamie saying he could n't come Sat. Got telegram from Patty. Sent letter to Sally W. Rained hard towards evening. I called up the hospital for Jesse.
- 28 Went to the Cemetery—met Mr. Kassebaum (Jr.?) and gave him the name and date to be carved on Hilda's tablet—to be sealed up, left the key with him. Went to Bk. and paid Mr. McNeeley Ins. Ass. 2.00 (see 17<sup>th</sup>). Sent letter to Sally, got one from her, and later one from Lizzie Hodges. Patty and the rest got home from Louisville about 5.30—all well and it did n't rain.
- 29 Settled with Harry.  
Since our last March 25 Harry said he had worked for me 25 days = 18.75. He had received 5.00 leaving a balance of 13.75. I paid him cash in full to date. Got Easter card from Susie P. Harry hauled wood, went to mill &c.
- 30 Sunday. Pleasant bright day. Harry took Dixie away. Leeomer put a spotted heifer calf on pasture. Patty and Isabella and the children went to the cliffs. Julia telephoned. Heard whip-poo-wills.

## May

- 1 Sue started for home via Aurora. Patty went with her to Aurora—it was very windy. They got back all right. Got Kassebaum's bill for work on Hilda's crypt 10.30 and a note from Albert Stephen's H.S. Burlington. Did n't write in this again till 10<sup>th</sup> and will try to put down the main things.
- 2 Patty and I went to Julia's in the Ford, Harry drove us. We went to see Polly and her little baby. Amy was invited to dine and go with us to the first concert of the May Festival—it was rainy and chilly—the concert fine with a packed house.

- 3 Isabella and the children came up to visit at Julia's. We stayed the rest of the week at Julia's and I went to all the six concerts. The weather was rainy and chilly and turned hot Sat. We went to see Polly. Julia took me to call on Sally Gray and Friday, Patty, Isabella and I lunched with May and Mr. Nelson. Sat. I went to Dr. Clancey's to have my teeth attended to. Julia gave me back 2.75 of the check (see April 18<sup>th</sup>).
- 7 Sunday. Before day and after it rained hard with thunder and then cleared off and was lovely. Isabella, Martha and I came home on the mail boat. Patty and Bobby stayed because Bobby was sick Sat. night. Jamie Tew met us on the boat and came home with us. Rose Loudon came with her two children Bobby and the baby from the Hospital. After dinner Leona Cason came.
- 8 Jamie and Isabella went to Cin. about 3 P.M. because Jamie had to go home and wanted to see Patty. Harry took them. At night Patty and Bobby came home with Isabella, also Mrs. Flatow, who is here on trial with Isabella about going to N.M. with her.
- 9 Sent Harry to get seed corn from Mrs. Mary Ott Gaines—he got 10 bus. at 2.00 a bus. and I sent the 10. by Harry. He got 4 of Boone Co. white and 1 bus. yellow. After dinner he took Leona home. May and Mr. Nelson came down stayed to tea, perfect day. I wrote to Lucy J. asking them to come. Got announcement of the marriage of John W. Riddle to Miss Theodate Pope the 6<sup>th</sup>. I had two letters from Sally since I left home to go to Cin. and wrote to her several times, also got letter from Sue and Lizzie H.
- 10 Patty and Isabella started for Cin. Sent by P. to be mailed in Burlington note to Mr. Albert Stephens (see 1<sup>st</sup>). The wind blew hard all day and it was a hot wind—at night it sprinkled. Patty and I. got home before night. Harry disked and harrowed on the ground that had peas ploughed in. Georgy came back from Jesse's.
- 11 Harry finished planting the little piece of corn 3 ¼ acres he says. Flave helped him lay off a while. It was bright and turned cooler. I sent letter to Julia, got one from Sally. I worked in the yard.
- 12 Sent letter to Sally—got one from her and from Jamie and note from Mrs. Gaines about seed corn. Harry disked on alfalfa ground—it rained a little and was chilly, snowball winter. I worked in the yard.
- 13 The wedding day of my beloved parents. I wish them bliss. A bright rather cool day. Harry ploughed in the garden some and ran the motor. Patty took Mrs. Flatow to Burlington to go to Cin. I worked in the yard and planted some flower seeds. Got letter from Lucy J.
- 14 Sunday—fair hot and windy—90° on the gallery after dinner. Amy came down towards evening—said they came in 59 minutes. The children went to Woolper with Harry.
- 15 Amy went back after breakfast. Isabella went with her. Sent by Amy letter to Sue. Got letters from Sue and Julia, card from Bob, and Crouch's bill for Isabella's telegrams. Turned very cool. I planted some flower seed.
- 16 Harry worked in the yard. After dinner went to Cin. with Patty who brought Isabella home. Lucy and Lewis Johnstone and Sally Tevis came by motor. It was bright and so cool we had fire. Harry put the lard in the cellar.
- 17 This is Sarah's birthday and Lucy said she was glad to spend it here—after dinner they all started home. Ernest and Frances came to dine. I got Ernest and Frances Grant to see me sign my will and they signed it as witnesses (see April 7<sup>th</sup>)—the will that Frank wrote for me. Patty was present when we all signed it—and I burnt the one that I wrote myself and that Ernest and Frances had signed before, in Ernest's presence. It was so chilly we had fire in the parlor all day, and after dark it began to rain. Harry worked ½ day for Flave ploughing in the bottom. Got a letter from Julia saying that Henry Stettinius was dead.
- 18 Did n't write in this till 20<sup>th</sup>. Patty and Isabella went in the Ford to Anderson's Ferry—and Harry came back. Amy and Harriet brought them home later and they stayed all night. It was very cold for that reason we had fire.

- 19 Bright and cool—had good fire in the parlor. After dinner Amy and Harriet went home. Harry took Isabella's trunks to Aurora and sent them to Cin. I got letter from Susie Tew.
- 20 Patty left for Cin. with Isabella and the children on their way to New Mexico. Harry ran the Ford. Susan took Ethel home. Ott Scott came and took away his 27 steers—said he was afraid of bloat on account of clover. Patty got home at 5 P.M. said Mrs. Flatow met them and they all got off comfortably—Isabella, Martha, Bobby, and Mrs. Flatow.
- 21 Sunday. Started Harry and Flave with the 24 fat hogs—gave Harry a letter for George Shiner of Cin. as I sent them to his stock yards—one of the hogs as fat as any of them died before they got them to Bellevue. Flave hauled it back and threw it into a hollow. It was rather warmer and towards night began to rain. Dode Pope came to see about some work. Joe West said he would cut briers?
- 22 Rained last night and this morning—a gentle soaking rain. Sent letters to Sally, Susie Tew, Julia and Belle R. Harry came back on Spinny's boat and brought the weights of the hogs—they were weighed in two lots 12 weighed 2410 lbs. and 11 weighed 1640 lbs. Patty drove Fanny for the first time. Heard Bob Whites for the first time this year and saw fireflies at night. Warmer.
- 23 Warm and bright. Sent letter to Mrs. John Riddle with John's picture and to Fanny G. Got letters from Isabella and Martha from Kansas City, and from Lucy J. who told of Lucy Chenault's motor accident. The paper says she was with Wm. Anderson Kansas City. Got letter from George Shiner Cin. The hogs were weighed in two lots 12 weighed 2410 lbs and at 10 cts came to 241.00. The other 11 weighed 1640 lbs and at 9.60 came to 157.44 total 398.44. The expenses were 12.66 and deducting this leaves 385.78 and George shiner sent me a check for this amount on The Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. Cin. Patty got a telegram from Isabella at Deming. Harry harrowed and dragged the alfalfa and Joe West sowed it—he was out here cutting briers.
- 24 Did n't write in this till 26<sup>th</sup>. Sent letter to Sally Chenault. After early dinner Patty and I went to Burlington to see Judge Cason on the business of Hilda's estate. Miss Mary R. Furlong who was Mrs. Brady's Committee came to Judge Cason's office and they went over the accounts and vouchers, Miss Mary had. Then they went with me to the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. and Mr. Rice got out Hilda's tin box and they took out the bonds &c. and showed me that they were there. Then Miss Furlong gave me some notices to send by mail and said I was to collect the interest as she had done. Judge Cason says the estate is estimated at 14,832.65 but that it really is not worth so much because the R. R. bond and Telephone Co. bonds are below par now. They gave me the key of Hilda's vault that she wanted me to have. I showed Judge Cason Mr. Kassebaum's bill (see 1<sup>st</sup>). We went to Hilda's house to see Sally Vaughn. It was a beautiful day—the country looked lovely—I think I never saw such a lavish blackberry bloom or as much white clover bloom. We drove Fanny for the first time since her foot was hurt April 19<sup>th</sup>. Harry harrowed and worked in the garden.
- 25 Sent letters to Baltimore and Ohio R. R. Office N.Y. to ask for Hilda's interest and to A. B. Williamson Jacksonville, Ill. for interest on his loan of 4000. and to ask him to pay off the note next August. Wilbur Rice came to see Patty about horses, his Jim and her Major—no trade. Harry and Flave attended to the youngest calf. Harry worked in garden and hauled wood. He killed a big black snake in the front yard. We went to Bellevue after dinner. I took the check from George Shiner (see 23d) to the Cit. Dep. Bk. endorsed it and got Mr. McNeeley to deposit it to my account and put it in my B. book. The check was written to Julia F. Stopped at Mr. Forest Brown's and got Bob Brady's key to Hilda's vault, that Mr. Kassebaum left there. Amy and Harriet came down, stayed to supper—left about 8.10 and Patty went home with them. It was a hot day.
- 26 Flave ploughed his watermelons. Harry harrowed his corn before dinner. I got letter from Sally. After dinner Harry worked in the garden and went down for Patty who came on Spinny's boat. I stopped to tell Mrs. Rue about their hogs. It was very hot, sultry. Joe West came to work.
- 27 Bright hot day—toward sundown a wind and a shower with thunder. I worked in the garden in the morning. Harry stuck some beans &c. after dinner went to mill. Joe did n't come. Sent letter to Sally.

Got check for 49.90 from Ayers Natl. B. from A. B. Williamson on Chase Natl. Bk. N.Y. sent to me as Ex. of I. H. Brady, (see 25<sup>th</sup>). Got letter from Sally I. Tevis. Betsey cow, has a heifer calf dark red with white on head and face, named her Theodate. Flave ploughed and replanted watermelons.

- 28 Sunday—did n't write in this till Wednesday.
- 29 Rained almost all day—sometimes poured hard blew hard and even hailed some. The hardest rain and most thunder and lightning was after night. Got letter from M. Wallace Rice of the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. returning the paper he gave me to sign for The Fayette Tel. Co. Lex. that was wrong and sending me another to sign. And also got from the Baltimore and Ohio R. R. Office No. 2 Wall St. N.Y. a note returning the paper I signed in Bk. and sent 23<sup>rd</sup> saying it was wrong and inclosing me another to sign returning mine! Got letter from Belle R.
- 30 No Mail—after dinner we drove to Ernest's. Patty saw Mr. Wilson in Bellevue and he said he would come Friday or Sat. Harry hauled rock. The rain was so heavy the roads we[re] muddy and the hills badly washed.
- 31 Bright and cool. Sent note to Mr. Wallace Rice returning the wrong paper and the other he sent signed as directed, also letters or notes to Mrs. Parish, Sue and Martha. Cordy Scott came by and gave me a check from Ott Scott on Farmer's Bk. Petersburg for 27.00 signed O.N. Scott for the pasture of the 27 steers (see 20<sup>th</sup>) and he sent word he did n't want the pasture again on account of the bloat. Harry cut grass in the yard &c. with machine and hauled rock. I got letters from Sue and Mr. Carleton Webb and card from Lucy J. in Wash. To-day's mail brought the news of Clara Hill's father J. J. Hill's death. Patty sent telegram. Patty and I went to Bob Brady's and I took his key to Hilda's vault. We went to Bellevue—cool.

## June

- 1 Patty started to Cin. in the ford with Harry. Sent letter to Mr. Carleton B. Webb, Haddonfield New Jersey. Patty came home—brought my strawberries &c. she stopped to see Mr. Revill, saw Patty Deal—stopped to see Judge Cason. A pretty day.
- 2 Put up strawberries. Mr. Wilson came to work. He patched the barn roof and scraped the ceiling of the front hall. Harry ploughed his corn. I worked some in the garden. Patty Revill Deal called up. Rained at night.
- 3 Judge Cason telephoned for me to go to Burlington. I went out in the motor—went first to Bank. Showed Mr. W. Rice the letter from B. & O. R. R. and the four they sent—signed it and he wrote a note and got it ready to send see May 29<sup>th</sup>. Gave him the check from A. B. Williamson 49.90 and he deposited the money to the credit of the Brady estate and entered it in the little book I keep as Executrix (see May 27<sup>th</sup>). Gave him the check for 27. that Cordy brought for Ott Scott and he credited the 27. in my Bk. Book. Judge Cason came and we went to Hilda's house (Mrs. Brady's)—the appraisers came to appraise the things, Mr. Edson Riddell, Cecil Gaines and Mr. James Jones. Cecil Gaines took a list of all the appraised things. Miss Mary Furlong and Sally Vaughn were there and assisted. The men did all the appraising to suit themselves—after they finished we all went to Boone Co. Dep. Bk. and the Judge (Cason) got out Hilda's tin box and added the securities &c. to the list and I signed it as told. He then gave the tin box back to Mr. W. Rice, and we all left. I got home before noon. Sent by Harry to Mr. Revill the rolling chair. It was clear and cool—roads muddy after the rain. Mr. Wilson who stayed last night worked. Paid him in full 4.00.
- 4 Sunday. Telephoned Bob Brady who came down and I told him about the appraisal and asked him to inform the Brady heirs and appoint a time to get the things Hilda left them. After dinner Patty and I went out in the motor to see Mr. Revill, who has had a stroke and is ill. We saw Patty Revill Deal. It was a bright cool day, it rained at night with thunder.

- 5 Bright cool day. After dinner Patty and I went to Ernest's to see Bessie Grant Strouther. Harry replanted his corn and I think worked in the garden. I sent letter to Sally—got note from Mrs. Sara B. Webb.
- 6 Rained last night and raining this morning a chilly rain. Did n't do much.
- 7 Patty's wedding day—poor Patsy such is life. It rained part of the day—but I worked at grape vines. Got from B. and O. R. R. 2 Wall St. N.Y. check[s] for 46. interest on Hilda's (Mrs. Brady's) bonds—after dinner Patty and I went to Burlington. I took the check to Bk. Mr. W. Rice took the check on deposit and entered it in the Bk. Book I have as Ex. I saw Judge Cason and told him. Signed the B. and O. receipt and left it with Mr. Rice to mail. Judge Cason said he would send me the assessment for Hilda's lot for the concrete sidewalk. Got letter and card from Susie Tew saying they expect to be here Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>. Harry worked and ran the machine. Got note and clippings from Sally.
- 8 Sent letter to Susie T. got one from Sally. Mr. Wilson came and worked—he made a hole in the cellar wall and got under the floor and propped the floor of the back hall, then made a frame and screen for the hole, painted some, fixed the kitchen flue on the roof at Flave's—painted some &c. It rained off and on, wind blew and it was chilly. I paid Mr. Wilson in full 2.00. Harry helped Mr. Wilson and worked in the garden some, staked some tomatoes.
- 9 Patty went to Cin. in the Ford—started a little after 12. Harry got back before sundown. Patty started for Buffalo N.Y. to meet Charlie Flandrau there expecting to motor with him to N.Y. Patty called up from Julia Foster's about 8 P.M. It rained after Harry got home and is raining harder at night—very cool. Got note from Carleton B. Webb.
- 10 Raining again and very chilly. Sent letter to Sally—got one from Patty written at Julia's. Patty sent me a telegram from Buffalo—said she met Charlie Flandrau and had a good trip there.  
Settlement with Harry.  
Since our last April 29<sup>th</sup> Harry says he has worked for me 31 ½ days = 23.68. He has had 1.00 cash which leave[s] me owing him 22.63 and I gave him a check on Cit. Dep. Bk. Bellevue in full to date. Sent by Harry a check for 5.00 that he got cashed for me—it was on Cit. Dep. Bk. Rained most of the day—stopped before dark.
- 11 Sunday—did n't rain here—stayed home.
- 12 Sent postal to Mary C. got letter from Sally and dress she had had altered for me, and letter from Susie Parish and card note from Mrs. D. Robinson saying she was sending me The Poetry Review for a year. Joe West came out to cut briers—he began in the garden. Mr. Wilson came and got some potatoes. Harry worked in the garden.
- 13 Wrote and sent note to Mrs. Robinson—got note from Julia F. Harry worked in his garden and mine till noon then ploughed his corn. Joe cut briers in the vineyard and began to cut in the pasture beyond the house.
- 14 Did n't write in this till Thursday and think it must have been Tuesday that Al Rogers came to see me about the pike and I signed the paper he brought proposing to let the Co. have the Bur. and Bellevue pike if said Co. would have 2800 dollars worth of work put on it. Mr. Green came to see me about getting some alfalfa out of the field. Harry cut alfalfa. Joe worked cutting weeds. I got letter from Sue.
- 15 Sent letter to Sally—got one from Belle R. and some for Patty. Miss Leona Cason brought Patty's skirts. I planted the rest of the moonflower seeds. Mr. Green got alfalfa 2 loads. Harry and Joe West worked in it.
- 16 Joe and Leomer came to work in alfalfa. They got one load in the barn. Mr. Green hauled 1 load and then it poured down rain with thunder—long enough to stop work and ruin alfalfa and then quit. Mrs. Kitty Clore Ingram was buried at Bellevue. Got letter from Patty at Syracuse and letter from Sally. My stiff neck was worse.

- 11 Did n't write in this till 21<sup>st</sup> on account of being so poorly. Julia Foster came down to see me and because a bridge was out and they had to go back and round, did n't get here till late and could n't stay long. I sent by Susan check for 5.00 to Mr. McNeeley to get some cash. At night I got telephone from Susie T. in Cin. Sent postal to Sally by Susan R.
- 18 Sunday. Harry went to Aurora for Susie T. and Miss Shields—they got here about 11 A.M. and afterwards it rained hard with heavy thunder.
- 19 It did n't rain to-day and the men spent the day spreading the hay to dry it. Flave worked ½ day and Joe was here all day. I got letters from Patty and Sally.
- 20 Harry said they got in 6 loads—it only rained a sprinkle. Flave worked all day. I sent letters to Patty and Sally.
- 21 Last night there was a hard rain with heavy thunder and it is gloomy weather, but I am feeling better. It did n't rain and Joe came after dinner and they spread out alfalfa again. It remained so horrid and cold that Harry made a good fire at night [and] it felt good—what a June! Julia called up at night. Harry took the buggy wheel to Mr. Dolph.
- 22 This was a perfectly beautiful day—a what is so rare as a day in June. After dinner Harry took us in the motor to Burlington. I went to Bank—and then to the Clerk's office and got Miss Lizzie Rogers to make me a type-written copy of the Appraised list of Mrs. Brady's estate that Mr. Cecil Gaines wrote see June 3d. She said the expense 1.50 was on the Estate. When I got home I called up Mrs. Susie Brady who wanted to see it and Bob B. came after it and I lent it to him. Mrs. B. said that Eugenia Mrs. Logan Gaines, wrote that she was n't coming to the division of the things and that Emma Brown could have her share. Mr. L. Gaines was buried last Sunday. I notified Miss Furlong and asked her to tell Sally to meet us Saturday. I sent letters to Sally and Julia F. got one from Sally. Joe came out to work at hay and Harry and he got in the rest of the alfalfa that was down.
- 23 Wrote to Sally—got telegram from her to tell Harry to meet her in Cin. to-morrow—got letter from Mary C. at Eagle Rock. It was bright and hot. Harry cut alfalfa and Joe cut weeds. Getting better.
- 24 Went to Burlington in the motor with Harry who went on to Cincinnati to meet Sally who came from N.Y. Mr. S.P. Brady's children R. A. Brady (Bob), Mrs. Carver, Mrs. Lou Scott, and representing Eugenia Emma Brown, met at Hilda's former home and divided the things she left them &c. Bob gave me back the Appraisal List. Miss Mary Furlong and Sally Vaughn were there assisting. Sally came by for me and we got home about 1.15. Got letter from Patty at Farmington, and from Sally. Harry went to mill—I sent by him a check on Cit. Dep. Bk. for 5.00 and he got it cashed.
- 25 Sunday. Pretty day—and not hot. Harry and his family went to Florence to church. Harriet and Mrs. Eckstein came down to see us—took tea and went back.
- 26 Harry and Joe worked getting in alfalfa, Flave helped ½ day. Mr. Green got 1 load. It was very weedy Harry said. I sent letter to Mary C. and got one from John Riddle's Theodate. It was a lovely bright day.
- 27 Susie Tew and Miss Shields went away. Harry took them to Aurora in the spring wagon—he hauled some wood later. Flave said Joe was going to plough for him to-day. Sent note to Julia. Amy telephoned this evening. We transplanted Zinnias. It was clear and warm.
- 28 Sally and I went to Burlington. I went to Bank and got Mr. W. Rice to get Hilda's box out—sent to B. and O. office Wall St. N.Y. for int. on her 4 bonds also he cut the coupon and I sent to A. B. Williamson Ayers Bank, Jacksonville, Ill. for his interest. Went to Clerk's Office and looked at the original will. Went to Miss Furlong's, who read us a letter from Miss Kate Shreve and to Hilda's house. Left letters with Mr. Rice to post. Harry ploughed his corn. Joe said he helped Flave plough corn till noon to-day, and was going to cut briars. A lovely day. Got telegram from Patty.
- 29 Bright warm day. Harry took the Ford to Cin. to meet Patty they got back about 1.30 safe and Patty well. Sally and I went to Bellevue. I got at Bank 20.00.

30 The day my beloved sister Belle died. Lord love her pure soul. Warm and after dinner had a gentle shower with distant thunder. Harry worked in the garden and on motor. Sent letter to Belle R. Patty had a telegram from Susie Parish saying that her mother had broken her hip.

## July

- 1 Hot day. Sally and Patty went to Cin. and Sally was to start for N.Y. on the Pa. R.R. night train. Patty and Harry got home after 10 P.M. Harry worked in the garden and fixed the Ford. Got letter from Susie at Chautauqua and Patty's Midget.
- 2 Sunday. Hot day. Towards evening it thundered and lightened hard and there was a slight shower. Susan's brother's family was with her and Virgie came to see us.
- 3 Sally telegraphed she got home safe and had a good trip. I got check from National Bk. Wash. for 66. one from Farmers' & Mechanics' Bk. Wash. for 28. one from Frank's office Goodrich Co. for 22.95 and check for 40. int. on Mrs. Brady's B. and O. Bonds. Patty and I went to Burlington and I deposited this at Boone Co. Dep. Bk. with Mr. W. Rice and he set it down in my Ex. Bk. Book. Patty renewed her note for 6 months for 100. and I endorsed it see Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> 1915. We went to Hilda's and I brought home Sally's chair the 'ship chair' &c. I made raspberry jelly to-day. I got a letter from Miss Shields and forwarded one to her from Burlington. Patty got one from Jamie T. Not so hot.
- 4 Beautiful day—no mail. Harry worked he began to cut the weedy alfalfa again. Joe cut briers and weeds, in the calf lot part of the day.
- 5 Another beautiful day—sent letter to Sally and to Jamie Tew. Got check for 49.90 int. from A. B. Williamson, Jacksonville Ill. as Executrix for I. H. Brady—also letter from Julia Foster. Harry, Joe and Flave worked in Alfalfa—they brought in 1 load weedy and put the rest in gullies. I went to Flora's to see John Walton about rye.
- 6 Went to Bellevue to Bank and got 25.00 from Mr. McNeeley. Harry and Joe worked ½ day hauling weedy alfalfa off—then Joe cut weeds and Harry mowed the yards with the machine. I sent letter to Sally. Got another bill from Kassebaum for work on Hilda's crypt. Flave was ploughing his watermelons. Pleasant
- 7 Sent letter to Susie Tew—got letters from Sally, Sue, and Sally Mallory in N. York. Joe cut briers and weeds in calf lot. I paid him for his work up to this week in hay, in weed cutting and for the honey he brought Sunday 16.38. Harry cut weeds with machine in sand field. Let Harry have a can of lard 30 lbs at 15 cts.
- 8 Sent letters to Sally and Sally Mallory—got one from Jamie Tew, saying they could n't come. Joe did n't come to work. Harry worked and in the evening ran the Ford to Petersburg and Patty went after a box.
- 9 Sunday—warm and bright. After dinner Ernest and Lily came down.
- 10 Had my rye cut—with John Walton's machine. Flave worked—also his team of mules. Joe West shocked. Harry drove and Mr. Forest Brown helped—paying for pasture he got last year. It was hot and cloudy and towards evening cleared off. Georgy Loudon came.
- 11 Harry took Mr. Rue's hog home—took the binder home to John Walton—and got wood. Joe cut weeds. Ernest and Lily came to supper and we went out to Burlington to the Chautauqua to hear Lieut. Donald H. McGibney of the French ambulance corps speak about the trench warfare.
- 12 We went to Burlington after dinner to the funeral of Miss Olga Kirkpatrick. Patty and I and Flora. Will went out with us and bought 16 head of young cattle and turned them in his pasture next mine. It was very hot. Joe was cutting weeds. Harry hunted my sow &c.—sprinkled off and on. Got letter from Belle R.
- 13 Patty went to Cincinnati and I went as far as Burlington with them—went to Hilda's house and Miss Mary Furlong and Sally and I went over the trunks of clothes &c. Miss Kate Shreve having given Miss Mary the clothes Hilda left her. I brought home some of my things. It was a hot day—there had been

- a rain towards Burlington and beyond that we did n't have—a shower in Cin. Patty said. Got letter from Sally. Gave Patty my check for 22.75 Goodrich Co. (see July 3) and she cashed it in Cin.
- 14 Hot. 94° in the shade at 3 P.M. Sent letter to Sally and Mary C. Harry worked in the garden.
  - 15 Hot. All went to Lawrenceburg Fair. Grace and Harry and family. Sent letter to Sue. Frances and Miss Atkins (?) came down in the afternoon.
  - 16 Sunday. Roasting hot day 94° in the shade.
  - 17 Roasting again—got letters from Mary C. and Sally W. Mr. Wilson came to work he began to paint the little barn roof. It thundered heavily and about 3 sprinkled. Harry went after stock animal and tinkered. Orin Phipps came and gave me a check for 4.80 for alfalfa he bought (see April 10<sup>th</sup>). Patty and Susan looked over the meat and resacked the hams. Grace said Joe came out after dinner for a while.
  - 18 Mr. Wilson finished the roof and painted and patched up the racks. Harry was cutting timothy—Joe briers & weeds. It was scorching hot—thundered.
  - 19 Harry, Flave and Joe worked in timothy—hailed 3 ½ loads from over the creek. Mr. Wilson painted &c. Flave brought up the big sow that was out. Torrid—thunder.
  - 20 Mr. Wilson came and worked—made benches painted &c. Joe was out. Harry said they hauled in 1 ½ loads of timothy from the patch on the mud road—later Joe cut weeds and briers, probably Flave helped with the hay—at noon and after there was much thunder and heavy clouds with every appearance of rain, and a few sprinkles. Frances and Owsley Grant's wife Mrs. Theresa Grant came down in the afternoon. Later Amy and her office and confidential clerk William came down. They took supper with us and Patty went back with them. Harry said Will Arnold's cattle were in my pasture. Got letter from Sally.
  - 21 Sent letter to Sally. Mr. Wilson came and worked part of the day—he made an estimate of the lumber &c. to get for me. I went to Bellevue—at Bk. got the check for 4.80 that Orin Phipps gave me (see 17<sup>th</sup>) cashed. Got 25.00—gave Mr. Wilson 10. for himself and 10. to get my things—left with Mr. McNeeley for Mr. Jap. Sullivan 9.00 for stock animal. Harry worked and went to Cin. in the motor to bring Patty home—they got here before 10 P.M. Very hot. Joe cut briers and weeds.
  - 22 Mr. Wilson went to Aurora to get lumber cement &c. Harry went down twice to get it. Spinny brought it the second load. Harry worked in the yard and hauled wood and cleaned up. Someone telephoned about the stove lining. Sewed most of the day.
  - 23 Sunday. Amy and her brother Mr. Charlie Campbell came down about noon. It was very hot, thundered a great deal and about 4 P.M. there was a slight shower.
  - 24 Mr. Wilson came to work. Amy and her brother went away about 11. I canned berries. Hot—thundered as usual but no rain. Got letter from Sally about the visit of the Mallorys. Harry helped about the work and after dinner cut alfalfa.
  - 25 Harry said the water had given out in the pasture on the mud road and he turned the cows in the big pasture. Orin Phipps sent the machine knife head by D. Blyth. Sent Mr. A. B. Berkshire, Petersburg check on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. for 1.15 to pay for the stove lining that was sent there by some fool order from Gibson's and letter to Sally. Got letter from Sally Chenault telling me that her Lucy is engaged to Matthew William Anderson of Kansas City. Mr. Wilson went to Aurora to get some pieces of lumber for front gate. Flave and Joe West helped Harry with the alfalfa—they got in 3 loads, all cut. Very hot—thunder as usual and no rain.
  - 26 Sent letters to Sally Chenault and Sally. Got one from Sally asking me to come. Mr. Wilson worked—at gate &c. and fixed a hole in Flave's cistern. Harry cut alfalfa. Joe cut briers till noon and helped in alfalfa afterwards. It was very hot. I canned blackberries.
  - 27 Got letter from Mary C. Harry, Flave and Joe worked in alfalfa—got in 6 loads. Mr. Wilson worked. Ernest came to see about money for road. Late I went to Burlington with Patty in the Ford, brought some things from Hilda's. It was hotter than usual.

- 28 Mr. Wilson, Mr. Eph Clore, Flave, Joe, and Harry worked. They hauled 3 loads of gravel from Will Huey's and 3 sacks of cement from John Maurer—worked at the gate. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Clore patched the end of the porch. The men hauling brought the stove lining Gibson sent for. About 4 P.M. there was a pleasant shower. Got letter from Sue. I packed my trunk.
- 29 Flave and Joe worked ½ day finishing setting the gate. Mr. Wilson painted a while after dinner. I settled with him in full to date gave him a check for 14. on Cit. Dep. Bk. Settled with Joe West to date. He said he had cut briers and weeds 10 days = 10.00 and worked in alfalfa rye and concrete 1.50 per day 7 ½ days = 11.25 and I gave him a check for 21.25 on Cit. Dep. Bk. Went to Bellevue and got 50. for myself at Bank. Stopped to tell Mrs. Rue about the hogs in the corn. Blazing hot all day.
- 30 Sunday. Patty went to Cin. with Harry to take the trunks get tickets &c. they got home by 1.30. It was sweltering hot all day. Julia telephoned at night.
- 31 Sent note to Belle R. and postal to Sue.  
Settlement with Harry  
Harry said that since June 10<sup>th</sup> he had worked 40 days = 30.00. He had received in cash and lard 12.50 so I gave him a check for the balance 17.50 on Cit. Dep. Bk. and settled up to 29.

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1915 Chickens	July 23d	Susan
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	15	7
	20	1
	28	3
	Sep. 1	2
	5	2
	8	2
	10	2
	19	2
	23	2
	Oct. 8	1
	10	2
	14	1
	17	2
	20	1
	Nov. 20	1
Chickens	July 4 1916 up to this time I have had	
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Nov. 9 Mr. Brown and Willie Huey put in pasture 2 yearling colts.  
May 1<sup>st</sup> 1916 Joe West borrowed the big froe.

## August

- 22 At Frank's And Sally's. Received a note from Frank inclosing two checks on the Equitable Trust Co. N.Y. one for 53.46 the other for 31.25 for interest. Frank has sold my 25 shares of General Motors Preferred Stock and Sunday night I signed 2 papers for him to that effect.  
Now I will set down a sketch of things as I have not kept any day book since we got here. Patty and I left home Monday July 31<sup>st</sup> and went by motor to Cin. and took the Pennsylvania train for N.Y. It was intensely hot and had been for some time at home also very dry. We got to N.Y. Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> and Sally met us in the Station and brought us down here—where Patty stayed all night. Charlie and May Goodrich came down to stay a little while. Patty went on the next day to Narragansett Pier where she expects to stay the month of Aug. with Susie Parish, who is in very poor health. When I left home Frank was expecting to start for his trip abroad on the 8<sup>th</sup> but he has not gone yet. The weather has varied from very hot to pleasant—is now warm or rather hot. I have had letters from Lucy J. from Julia, Sally V. and several from Patty, and have written to her and to Julia and to Susan at home. The whole country is affected by the epidemic of infantile paralysis. Eleanore and Margaret came to see me and later Willie and Eleanore who are at Westbury. I have had a letter from and written to Sue. Sally has taken me for motor drives to Fox Point and to Sea Cliff and to the other towns, Glencove Locust Valley, Bayville, Oyster Bay and on one long trip we saw other towns. We went to Glen Cove to the harbor to meet Dave Goodrich who brought Frank down on his fine new boat that makes 28 knots an hour. Dave took us a ride in the boat and the Sound and shores were beautiful and the little trip fine. Miss Natalie de Vivier dined here.
- 23 The Times says it was 94 in N.Y. yesterday after the hottest night in 15 years. Got letter from Sally Wooley. Dave went back to N.Y. It was a very hot day. Sally and I went to Fox Point and to the Club bathing houses and walked on the beach. It was cloudy and thundered and after we got home there was a shower. I got a letter from Patty. Sally and I dined at Mr. Taylor's, Frank got home later.
- 24 This is papa's birthday. Lord love his sweet soul. Not so hot. Sally took me to see the waterworks, chicken yards, &c. She went with Frank to N.Y. Patty sent me letter from Lily who said the heat and drouth continue at home.
- 25 Frank started for N.Y. expecting to sail this evening—sent letter to Lily by him. Beautiful bright morning. Sent letter to Lucy J. Sally went to N.Y. with Frank and he left on the New Amsterdam the Holland American Line for Falmouth Eng. Mr. Taylor came home with Sally and dined. She said it was very hot in N.Y. hot here.
- 26 Got letter from Susan—and from W. R. Davrainville 327 Lindsey St. Newport about Hilda's house and lots in Burlington. Hot morning. Sally and I went to see Henry jump the horses—Virginia, Rebel, and Bobs. Sally took me to Westbury to lunch at Eleanore's. Saw her, Willie, and children. After lunch Margaret and family—went to Oyster Bay on way home. Windy, warm.
- 27 Sunday. Pleasant day—towards sundown thundered and sprinkled. Sally took me to Mrs. Winslow Pierce's beautiful place to see her.
- 28 Raining. Sent letter to Susan by Sally. Sent note to Mr. Davrainville. Had fires it was so damp. Stopped raining and we motored to E. Norwich, Oyster Bay &c.
- 29 Bright and cool. Sally got a letter from Patty about going home—and she started in the motor for N.Y. May went with her. After Sally came home I don't remember.
- 30 Perfectly beautiful day. We went to Oyster Bay. Mr. Parish came down by train to see us. Sent postal to Harry. Sally had Mr. and Mrs. Erskine to dine.
- 31 Mr. Parish went away. I got postal from Patty on her way to Mrs. Robinson's.

## September

- 1 Sally took me to Mrs. Seaman's to have my dress fitted. She went to N.Y. in the motor to check the trunks.

- 2 Sally and I went in the motor to New York and started about 10 A.M. on the Pennsylvania for Cin. Cool and pleasant—comfortable trip. Before we left the papers stated that the railroad strike had been given yep—it was to be the 4<sup>th</sup> and people were coming home to avoid it.
- 3 Sunday. Cool beautiful day. We came down on the Cincinnati—the river was so low the boat came through the lock at the Fernbank govt. dam and we had to land at McVillie where Harry met us and we got home about 2. found home all right thank Heaven—the rain storm of the 21<sup>st</sup> blew down the corn and tangled it badly. Found letter from Mary C. here.
- 4 Labor Day—no mail. Patty telephoned from Cin. and Harry went up for her in the motor. I sent by him postal to Lucy J. They got home about 2 P.M. without Patty's trunks. Turned hot again. Sent postal to Belle R.
- 5 Got invitation to Lucy Chenault's wedding Sep. 26 to Matthew William Anderson. Flave Loudon brought me my half o the watermelon money so far 6 8.50. Went to Bellevue and to Bank—and deposited 50. And had it set down in my book. Paid Mr. McNeeley 3.00 on the Insurance Ass. I found here and he receipted it—telephoned to Bob Huey about it. The threshing machine came. M. Hoffman engineer Harry said. John Walton with them and he furnished 3 hands they said. Flave worked and Harry. They threshed 31 bushels and I paid Mr. H. 5.00—they worked about 2 hours. Harry went to Bellevue and got 17 bus. coal and I paid for it at 3 cts. . He set out plants before that Sally brought. Hot day.
- 6 Went to Burlington with Patty to see Judge Cason about Hilda's house and lot—showed him the letter from Mr. Davrainville about it. He said he would write an advertisement and have it put in the Boone Co. Recorder offering it for sale Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> Co. Court Day. Went to see Miss Furling. Patty brought me home and started for Cin. It was cloudy but warm. Got letter from Lucy J. about Lucy C's wedding. Patty came home before night. She said it poured torrents while they were in Covington. It thundered and sprinkled here. Flave said he worked till 1 P.M. helping the threshers on my account. We got new straw for ticks.
- 7 Hot—90°. I gathered ironweed bloom. Lily and Frances came after dinner Frances to tell us goodbye. Got note from Mrs. Cutcheon and Ex. notice. Harry hauled straw wood &c. Mr. Eddins came and fixed the telephone said he put in new batteries.
- 8 Some light showers and turned cooler. Harry cut some sweet corn fodder in the garden. Went to Bellevue, got 35 bus. of coal from John Maurer and had Hector shod. Flave brought 3.00 w. money.
- 9 Cool and beautiful. My precious mother's birthday—and the day buddy died—may they rest in bliss. Flave brought me 6.00 watermelon money. Sent note to Julia F. Mrs. Kelly stopped here Mrs. L. Kelly, Harry worked—helped in the house a while. I made grape jelly.
- 10 Sunday—my darling sister's birthday in Paradise.  
Settlement with Harry.  
Since our last (see July 31) Harry says he has worked 34 days = 25.50—he has had 2.00 and I gave him a check on Cit. Dep. Bk. for 23.50. Harry got a jar of lard 57 lbs. to go on next settlement.—18 ½ lbs. jar. A Mr. Wm. Grier and Mr. Conners came from Cin. and 2 sons of the latter to see Sally and Patty about improvements. Perfectly lovely day.
- 11 Harry took his coe away—then went ot Burlington and got the safe Hilda left me, two chairs &c. then went to Dump Rains and took Mr. Nettles home. I picked grapes and boiled juice. Two Messrs. House came to make an estimate for Sally on building—two Messrs. Foster came with them—they left after 2 P.M. I got letter from Amy C. Susan took Cleo down yesterday to put her to school on R. Sun and brought back with her Sally Ramey! Hot day—lovely night.
- 12 Sally and I went to Susie Walton's and I left with her 2.50 for John to pay for cutting rye. Harry took the Ford to Bellevue and tinkered on it most of the day. Patty and Sally worked in the store room. I cleaned the onions. It was bright and warm.

- 13 Patty and Sally started for Cin. in the Ford. I gave Sally my check for 28. from Farmers' and Mechanics' Bk. Wash. endorsed so she could get the cash. I went to Bellevue. Paid John Maurer 4.55 for the 35 bus. of coal Harry hauled (see 8<sup>th</sup>). Got letters from Sue, Belle R. and Julia. They got home from Cin. before sundown. Sally got my present for me and sent it to Lucy C. Grace canned tomatoes. I picked grapes.
- 14 Rained a few sprinkles and about sundown there was a beautiful perfect rainbow. Patty and Sally worked cleaning the store room out. Harry went to Bellevue to get an iron fixed for the mowing machine. Hector Kicked and cut Fanny. I cooked grape juice. Cooler.
- 15 Cooler and a lovely bright day. Harry took the big sow to Mr. Rue's. Sent letter to Sue. Harry dug potatoes in the garden and helped some in the house. I made grape juice and canned peaches.
- 16 40° at 6 a.m. Sent note to Mr. Davrainville (see Aug 26<sup>th</sup>) to tell him that in this week's Boone Co. Recorder Mrs. Brady's house was advertised for public sale in Burlington Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Some said there was slight frost last night at night Sally had a little stick fire. Harry dug potatoes said he got 14 bus. out of the garden. Sally Rainey went to R. Sun.
- 17 Sunday. Warmer and a lovely day. Harry and family went to the Cin. Zoo.
- 18 Patty and Sally went to Cin. and Cov. To see the men about the improvements—got home rather early and Mr. House came with them and Harry took him to B.
- 19 Sent letter to Mr. R. B. Williamson about Hilda's money he has on interest. Harry cut alfalfa \_\_\_\_\_ Patty and Sally worked on little back room. I made grape jelly. Had wood fire at night.
- 20 Sent check for 4.00 to Century Mag. and one for \_\_\_ to \_\_\_ both on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. to \_\_\_\_. Harry cut alfalfa fixed stove pipe and went to Bellevue and got mattress. Patty and Sally worked on the back room. I walked to see Flave's corn over toward Will's—tangled and down. Not so cold.
- 21 Raining. I saw a partial rainbow in the east. Could not have the alfalfa taken in. Flave Loudon brought me the rest of the watermelon money 2.35. Ernest came to see us after dinner. Harry went to Jesse's to get apples.
- 22 Alfalfa too wet to work with at first. Flave helped, and for a while after dinner Jenny, Tom and Susan helped shock it—they got in 4 loads—3 after dinner. Mr. Jack Eddins came and fixed Patty's Ford. Between 5 and 6 there was a thunder storm—with sharp lightning. Got postal from Fanny G.
- 23 Bright and cool. They finished getting in the alfalfa by dinner. Jenny and Susan and Tom helped. Afterwards Harry fixed the stove flue in the kitchen moved furniture &c. Mr. House and the other one came to see Sally about the work—they signed the contract. I signed it too—as Sally asked me to. Patty and Sally finished working on the back room.
- 24 Sunday. 44° at 6.30 A.M. Bright and cool.
- 25 Patty, Sally, and I started for Lexington in the Ford—left about 9 and got there about. We went via Florence, Walton, Williamsburg &c. and had a pleasant trip—cool and not dusty. We went to the Phoenix Hotel and saw Lucy there and all went to the church to the rehearsal and from there to Kitty (Chenault) Simrall's to a supper given by Sarah Buckner. It was warm in Lex. like summer.
- 26 We went to Sally's to see them all and the presents &c. and to call on May V. M. who was gone away—at 6 P.M. the wedding came off at Christ Church Cathedral—Dean Massie performing the ceremony—they had no end of pretty girls as bridesmaids—flower girls—best man—matron of honor, groomsmen—flowers, all the frills. Lucy was a lovely bride and she married Matthew William Anderson—of Kansas City. The wedding supper was at Sally's and the bride and groom left on the train. We all went out in the afternoon to Ingleside to see Miss Lily. Both Joes were at the wedding and Frances Grant. It was a beautiful night fair and warm.
- 27 We started home after 8 A.M. It was windy and dusty all the way—blowing up for rain. We got home about 3 P.M. Susan told me they sent for a Veternarian [sic][ Mr. Tom Randall for Ella cow and he attended to the calf and charged 4.00. The men were hauling gravel and lumber. I found letter from Sue. It kept on blowing and rained in the night.

- 28 Harry found Patty's Ty on Cherry Hill with her hind leg broken—she was down with the other horses yesterday and it is probable that Hector kicked her. Patty had her shot—poor old Ty. The Messrs. House and hands came to start in work. It began to rain about 11 and rained most of the day. The men began to dig the trench for the foundation of the addition. It turned much cooler.
- 29 Cloudy. Sent letter to Fanny G. Harry got up my 6 hogs to fatten. He then shucked some of his patch of corn which seems poor and tangled and down.
- 30 Bright beautiful day. Harry and family and Grace all went to Erlanger Fair. Mr. House came with a motor and took the hands away at 1. Sent letter to Sally Chenault.

## October

- 1 Sunday. Another beautiful day. After dinner we went in the motor to Ernest's—he was gone to Lexington—Lily at home.
- 2 Sent Dr. T. E. Randall check for 4.00 on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. for medical services (see 27<sup>th</sup>). Both Mr's Howe came with hands. Went in the Ford to Burlington to see Judge P.E. Cason and to hear Mrs. Brady's house and lot offered for sale at the Court House door. Mr. Edson Riddell cried if there were only 2 bids George Blyth and Mr. Eddins—the highest bid \$1600 which was rejected and no sale. Then went to the bank and Mr. Wallace Rice prepared the forms to send for the interest on Hilda's bonds R.R. and Telephone and Mr. A. B. Williamson's loan—left the letters with him to send also the Ins. Policy of Mrs. Brady's house that I found in her box—the expires Jan 13, 1917. It was a perfect day. Harry got some corn for the hogs—and later mowed the weeds off his potatoes. While I was gone the workmen took down the partition between my room and the little passage. I got letter from Lizzie H. saying she had sold her home in Carthage Mo. and was packing to move to Doylestown Pa.
- 3 They took up the dining room carpet and furniture out to prepare for workmen. Harry cleaned the chimney. He gathered his potatoes too—one of the men worked in my room plastering the strip where the partition was removed. Sally and Patty worked on the mantel piece I bought. Perfect day.
- 4 Harry took Patty in the Ford to get packages from Bellevue. My dress came that Mrs. Seaman made. Harry finished getting his potatoes. The workmen worked on the house—one cut the door in the dining room, by the chimney. Got letters from Natl. Bk. Wash. with check for 66.00 int. and one from Mr. A. B. Williamson 614 Jordan St. Jacksonville Ill. about Mrs. Brady's \$4000. and from Miss Furlong, from Belle R. and Fanny G. beautiful day. Lily came for a little while.
- 5 Warm as summer—no fire at night. Harry went to Bellevue and cut alfalfa. The men worked on the foundation (concrete) of the addition. Got note from Alberta H. Sandt in the Cutcheon office inclosing check for 22.75 Goodrich int. Sent letter to Belle R. Harry said Jenny helped with the hay about 3 hours.
- 6 Flave helped Harry with the alfalfa half a day and Jenny too—they got in 2 loads. I got knit shoulder wrap from Fanny G. and newspaper. After dinner Harry hauled coal from John Maurer's 47 bus. the first load. Hot as summer—the men worked at the foundation of the addition. Harry said the 2<sup>nd</sup> load was 50 bus.
- 7 Harry, and Oakley in Flave's place with his team hauled me 2 loads of coal Harry's load 50 bus. Oakley's 45. Then they hauled 2 loads for Harry. I went down and pd. John J. Maurer by check on Cit. Dep. Bk. the coal 192 bus. came to 24.96 and I gave the check for 25. and John gave me the change. I went to Bk. and got 5.00 from Mr. McNeeley cash on check. Hot and dusty—it was 88° in Cin. yesterday. The other Mr. House came down at noon for Mr. House and hands. I sent letter to Fanny G. Got bill from Gibson for stove lining 2.40 (see July 25<sup>th</sup>).
- 8 Sunday. Lovely summer day.
- 9 Rained last night and warm still. Lily Grant came and we went in the Ford to spend the day with Mrs. Mary Ott Gaines the daughter of Paulina Huey Gains (Mrs. Owen G.). On the way we stopped to call

on Mrs. Lizzie Gaines Kreylich and see her new house. It was like summer going up and after noon a cold wind blew and it misted rain a little while. Lily went home. I found check for \$40. int. on Hilda's (Mrs. Brady's) R. R. Bonds. Patty and Sally put down the dining room carpet on the other side after painting in the room.

- 10 I feared there would be frost but there was n't. The flowers are lovely—it has cleared off mild and beautiful. Harry gathered some corn for the hogs and after dinner took the Ford to Mr. Dolph and worked with it. I got check from Ayers Bk. Jacksonville, Ill. for 59.90 the int. due on Mrs. Brady's 4000. loaned to A. B. Williamson inclosed by Wallace Rice. Patty and Sally papered the new part of my room.
- 11 34° at sunup. Harry worked most of the day with the Ford. Ray worked putting down the new floor in my room and tinkered the fireplace. I got letter from Sally Mallory and one from the Board of Trustees of Burlington about the concrete sidewalk at Hilda's property (Mrs. Brady's). Signed E. W. Duncan and Jas. A. Caywood [sic]. Al Rogers brought out and put in the big pasture 20 head of long yearlings that he wants to pasture here a month at .75 a head.
- 12 Warmer and bright—a lovely summer-like day. Orin Phipps came to tell me about the town ordinance about sidewalks in Burlington—paid him .50 for knife head. We went to Bellevue—Sally and I. Ray finished my floor and closet in the cellar way. Sally got letters from Frank in Paris. Harry cut some alfalfa.
- 13 Harry got in some alfalfa 2 'jags' he said equal to one load and it was short—early it sprinkled a little but cleared and was lovely. Jenny and Susan helped get in the hay and Flave helped Harry too—the women  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a day—then Flave and Harry fixed watergap between Bee Walton and me. The workmen were working on the water supply. I canned K. pears.
- 14 Patty and Sally went to Cincinnati. I gave Sally to be cashed my check of April for 66. from Natl. Bk. Wash. and the check for 22.75 Goodrich Co. int. to get cashed. See 5<sup>th</sup>. Leeomer Loudon came and said he would sell me the spotted heifer calf that has been on pasture here since April 30<sup>th</sup> for 25. if I would knock off the pasture which I did. I owed him for  $\frac{1}{2}$  day in alfalfa so I gave him check on Cit. Dep. Bk. for 25.75. He says this heifer is good stock—her sire Sid Kite's animal her mammy a 12 lb. a week cow and her grandmammy Mr. Parson's 15 lb. a week cow—that she was born last Christmas and I name[d] her Noel. Canned the last of the Kiefer pears. Sent letter to Lucy J. They all got home safe before night. Mr. House and his men left at 3.
- 15 Sunday. Rained all day. Jane Utz came—Aunt Sally's granddaughter.
- 16 Rained last night. Mr. House and hands came. I went to Burlington. Went to see Judge Cason about the home (Hilda's) and my business as her Ex. Went to see Miss Mary Furlong and saw Sally Vaughn, gave her as Ex. 36.00 in payment of her claim for taking care of Mrs. Brady at the last and got her receipt. Went to Bank and gave Mr. W. Rice the int. from Mr. A. B. Williamson sent me as Ex. also the int. from the B. and O. R. R. Bonds 89.90. Went to Mr. Kelly's and gave Dudley Blyth a check on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. for 74.25 for city taxes on Mrs. Brady's property. Went to the Sheriff's office and paid my taxes to D. S. Mr. L. A. Conner and got receipt. Taxes amounted to 174.53. I paid him 130. cash and gave him a check on Boone Co. Dep. B. for 44.53. Bought of Miss Mary Furlong a homemade coverlet and gave her a check for 8.00 on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. Got from Natl. Met. Bk. Wash. check for \$10. int. Got home for dinner—it was a lovely mild day.
- 17 Sent note to Judge Cason consenting to the sale of Mrs. Brady's house and lot for \$1800. as he said he had that offer for it—payment to be cash and prompt. Flave and Harry hauled a load each of anthracite coal from Pittsburg Coal Co. Aurora. It was not regular furnace coal but small range coal. Patty telephoned the Co. about it and they said it was all the anthracite they had for sale. Flave hauled with his own team—and they got back about 1. Mr. House and hands worked framing the addition &c. It was a perfectly beautiful day and turned cooler at night. Harry went to R. S. late.

- 18 As the Judge told me to pay off the claims on Hilda's (Mrs. Brady's) estate I sent to-day checks to John Allison Cov. Undertaker \$252. to F. W. Kassbaum, Aurora 10.30 to Dr. Yelton Burlington 18.50 and to Mary R. Furlong 4.95—all these were on Boone Co. Dep. Bk and were for debt for Hilda's illness and death—sent note to Lily. The workmen worked on the kitchen building. The other Mr. House came and stayed. Flave and Harry hauled anthracite from Aurora 2 loads one apiece from P. Coal Co. They did n't get back till 20 min. of 4 and it was raining slightly and rained hard later and still rains at night. A fake front tooth came off to-day.
- 19 Raining yet. Sent letter to Mary C. check 16<sup>th</sup>. Harry fixed hog lot fence and tinkered round. The workmen put in Florentine glass in the lower sashes of my room and pantry and put hinges in the cellar closet in my room and it quit raining and they worked on the frame of the addition. Flave brought out a box of stove castings from Huenefeld Co. and I got a receipted bill of 3.20 from them that Julia Foster probably paid when she got them. Patty and Sally took the paper off Hilda's room.
- 20 Rained hard last night with heavy thunder and very windy this morning and turning cold. 40° all day and a fierce wind. Harry and Flave put the crêpe myrtles in the cellar. The workmen put siding on the addition and worked on frame of it. I sent note to Huenefelds about another stove piece. Harry put up mantel piece in Hilda's room. Georgy came. Got note from Judge Cason and Kassebaum receipt.
- 21 38° at sunup. Cold and cloudy and raw all day. Mr. House and hands went away before dinner. I went to Bellevue and got \$15. at Cit. Dep. Bk. Paid Mr. Dolph 7.15. Harry shucked corn. Settlement with Harry.  
Since our last (see Sep. 10) Harry has worked 33 ½ days = 25.13—has received cash 10.00 lard 5.85 = 15.85. I gave him a check for balance 9.28 on Cit. Dep. Bk.
- 22 Sunday. We all went to Ernest's to dine. It was a beautiful day.
- 23 Messrs. House and hands came and worked on the addition. Mr. House worked on the cornice and they worked on the roof. Flave and Harry began to sow rye in the standing corn. It was bright and warm and I cut vines off the trellises. Got letter from Belle R. and note about the stove repair from H. Co. Sent letter to Sue.
- 24 Beautiful day. Sent letter to Belle R. and note with .65 in stamps to Huenefeld. Mr. House's men worked on the roof and he went home. We all went to see Flora. Sally got letter from Mr. C. D. Chenault about selling her La. Land Harry disked rye and Flave worked in it.
- 25 Disagreeable day—chilly wind and a little rain. Mr. Hood the chimney man worked on the flue for the addition. Harry hauled some wood and fixed the Ford and went with Patty to get some apples from Mr. Flick.
- 26 Patty, Sally and I went to Cin. in the Ford. I went to Dr. Clancey and had my teeth fixed. We all went to the Pa. Station with Sally who left on the 1.50 train. She and Patty went with Mr. House to collect [sic] a range for the waterworks. I went to Dr. Robert Sattler and had my eyes examined for the first time in my left—for a change of glasses—he said there was no disease about my eyes—only the change on account of age. President Wilson was in town and the streets thronged with people wanting to see him—on our wanderings we did n't see him—got home just before dark. Mr. Hood finished the flue—the rest worked on the building. It was a perfect fall day with one of the most beautiful afterglows I ever saw. I took with me the check for 66. from Natl. Bk. Wash (see 4<sup>th</sup>) and Patty got it cashed for me. Got letter from Miss Mary Furlong. Flave brought in potatoes.
- 27 42° at sunup. Got receipted bill from Pitsburg Coal Co. Aurora \$40.16 for the coal that Sally paid for hauled 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Also got the iron for the stove grate from Huenefeld. Sally telegraphed she had a good trip and got to N.Y. on time, thank Heaven. Mr. Johnson of Aurora who puts in Pipeless Furnaces came in. The other Mr. House came down. Mr. Hood built higher the chimney carrying the flues for the furnace and my room and the one above used Mr. House's bricks, finished it. Harry found my sow with 6 pigs alive and one dead.

- 28 32° at 6. Bright beautiful day. Mr. House got a bundle of shingles from me. Flave said he hauled me two loads of corn and with the one before 3 loads so far. Judge Cason came to see me about selling Hilda's house and lots to Mr. Eddins. The Messrs. House and hands went away before noon. I went to Bellevue, engaged a roll 20 rods, of 26 in. woven wire from John Maurer. Went with Harry to see the six new pigs. Sent Sally a note, got receipt from Huenefeld for casting. Got glasses from Benedict the frame does n't fit—I can't wear them.
- 29 Sunday. Beautiful warm day.
- 30 Sent note to Benedict about my glasses. Got letter from Sally. Frank not expected till Tuesday. After dinner went in the Ford to Burlington to see Judge P. E. Cason. As Executrix of Isabella H. Brady I sold to O. S. (Stanley) Eddins her house and lot in Burlington. He paid 1700 dollars and agrees to pay for the concrete walk that is to be built. He gave his note and Judge Cason received it and put it in Bank. I also made over to him as Ex. the Insurance Policy she had on the house a mem. of which is on the blank leaf at the end of this book. I went to the Sheriff's Office and paid Mrs. Brady's taxes to Mr. Cropper \$158.75 and got receipt. I paid it by check as Executrix. Went to see Miss Furlong and Sally Vaughn. Lovely day like summer.
- 31 Warm and beautiful. Mr. House took down the addition Mr. Hood built to the chimney that is for the furnace and rear grates. It did n't do any good and was very ugly. Mr. House put on the fireplace flue a 'crock' in hopes of helping the cause. I went to get some wild crabs for jelly. Flave was ploughing the water melon patch. Harry cleaned stalls and hauled some manure. Mr. Strong a plumber came and Mr. Clint House went back. I got a letter from Mary C.

## November

- 1 Cooler but bright and beautiful. Harry and Susan went to Cin. in the Ford. I got 2 letters from Sally and Patty got 2 telegrams that Frank got home safe yesterday after a tedious passage of 11 days. Got notes from Benedict about glasses. Plumber motor came with material and Mr. Carl Strong worked at the bath rooms—Ray worked on kitchen. Harry and Susan got back from dentist's in Cin. I went to look at the rye—none sprouted.
- 2 Another beautiful mild day. I got letters from Lucy J. and Belle R. Sent letter to Sally. Patty got note from Sue about coming. Harry hauled manure. Flave was ploughing watermelon patch. The plumber worked on bathrooms. The men took down the linen closet and Patty worked on the wall. Flave came.
- 3 Colder and bright. Blanche has a heifer calf red with white much like her. Went to Rising Sun via McVille in the spring wagon. Got a roll of woven wire a pump &c. at Gibson's and a roll of wire at J. J. Maurer's, paid for all—got home before dinner. Harry went to put the pump in and it had no bucket chain—telephoned Gibson &c. Got letter from Sally and note from Frank's Office from Miss A. Sandt with check for 37.50. Put note for Sue in R. S. P. O. The plumber worked on Bath room fixtures and they weatherboarded.
- 4 Did n't write in this till 8<sup>th</sup>. Beautiful weather still. Harry ran cattle out and tinkered around. The men left before dinner.
- 5 Sunday. Sue came on the boat. I went to church and to baptizing. Mr. Wallace Green and a McNeeley boy were baptized. Lovely day.
- 6 The men came down and put up the stair-steps [sic] in the addition. Mr. House's machine was broken and they tinkered with that and all went away on account of election.
- 7 Election day. I got a note from Lucy C. Anderson yesterday. At night Harry went down and got the cistern bucket chain. The beautiful weather continues.
- 8 The papers say Hughes is elected—too bad. Elmer Rice came and paid for pasture. Gave me a check on Cit. Dep. Bk. for 6.00. Later news is that Wilson is elected! Some people are going to feel flat as a pancake. Harry hauled clay to stalls &c. The men brought down the tank for the water works and

Harry hauled the engine to its place—also a truck load of lime or plaster came—the men put on laths. It remained warm and the wind blew during the night. The moonlight nights have been beautiful this month and warm like summer. Patty worked on upper hall.

- 9 After 6 a.m. it began to rain a little, and it rained off and on all day. Mr. Strong plumbed in the cellar and they lathed in the addition. Harry hauled rock for waterworks and helped Patty in the afternoon whiten a wall. Patty got a telegram from Isabella that Mrs. Selmes Sr. is very ill.
- 10 Cleared off last night and turned colder. 34° at 6 and ice at cistern. Heard of the death of Davis C. Anderson, it was in the Enquirer. Patty sent a telegram to Annie and got reply—also received one about Mrs. Selmes—still living. The plumber and lathers worked. Harry worked.
- 11 Mild beautiful weather—got letter from Sally. The men all left before noon.
- 12 Sunday. Pleasant—unusual for the season. We had greens for dinner—tender and young. Grace went to her mother's birthday dinner 62 and Susan cooked—Ethel here. Patty went to Cin. after dinner. Harry took her to Julia Foster's and came right back. She went up to go to the funeral of David Anderson. I gave Patty my check for 37.50 see 3d to get cashed, and my glasses to have frame changed.
- 13 Chilly and rained part of the day not hard. The two Messrs. House, Mr. Strong, Ray, the lather, and Tom came down before 8. Mr. Cliff House, Mr. Strong, Ray and the lather went back after 4 P.M. Harry worked—hauled. Patty telephoned she wanted to come home to-morrow. I got a letter from Sally and card from Ill. World Magazine.
- 14 Sent Sally letter. Patty came home—Harry went for her after his dinner. It turned colder and was 20° before we went to bed. Mr. House and Tom potted over some wet sand. It was cloudy all day—very unpleasant.
- 15 16° at sunup—sun came out bright. Harry lit the furnace and ran it.
- 16 Mr. Cliff House and 2 plasterers came, and they prepared for plastering—it was less cold. Harry ran the furnace and I think hauled clay to stalls.
- 17 40° most of the day. Lily Grant came and Ernest stopped for her. The men plastered. Harry hauled some clay to stalls. Sent letter to Sally and got one from her.
- 18 Bright and mild. Patty went to R. Sun with Susan. The men plastered and went away before noon. Harry said he would prepare for hot killing.
- 19 Sunday. Patty went to see Virgie. Windy and much warmer.
- 20 The Messrs. House came with plasterers and Tom—and they plastered on the addition. It was so warm that I gave up having hogs killed—and the furnace was allowed to go out—the thermometer was up in the 60s. Harry got ready for killing—sorted corn &c. Sent washrag to Sally—got card for Katherine Allen's début tea.
- 21 Cooler—down to freezing or below. Flave got ready to kill and Harry went to R.S. after his father, buckets &c. Joe West came after dinner. They killed my 4 hogs 3 barrows and 1 sow, a young one—and Harry's 3. John Brown helped Harry. The workmen plastered.
- 22 George Roseberry came and cooked the lard. Joe West came and cut up and salted the meat. Flave worked and they ground sausage &c. It was 36° at sunup—turned milder, was misty. The Messrs. House and the boss plasterer Kelly went back to Covington. Patty went in the motor with them to go to Julia's—who called up to-day. I got letter from Sally. Raining at night.
- 23 Rained hard all night—rainy and windy and turned colder. Harry and I worked with sausage—after his dinner he went to Cin. in the Ford for Patty who came home. Sent by him 3 buckets of sausage to Sally, Polly R. and Mr. D. Robinson. Harry sent 2 by E. and brought me the receipt. Messrs. House came back as Harry left. The plasterers worked.
- 24 34° at sunup and a cold wind. Sent note to Lily and postal to Miami Valley Farmer. Went to Bellevue—got Mr. McNeeley to cash Elmer Rice's check for 6.00 (see 8<sup>th</sup>). Stopped at Flora's. It was very windy and disagreeable and colder. Harry cleaned up after hog killing—and cleaned up the

furnace pipe and flue. The men worked on the partition of the upstairs bathroom and on the lower one—a truck came with tubs or some supplies.

- 25 20° at sunup—but not windy. The workmen left about 11 a.m. Mr. House took the sausage out of 2 buckets 1 of 17 the other 11 lbs. Ernest stopped by. Got letter from Sally telling me that Joe Humphreys wrote her he had sold her place in Louisiana that his mother gave her for \$600. 200 down and the balance in 1 and 2 year notes for the same at 8 per cent.

Settlement with Harry.

Since our last Oct. 21 he has worked 25 ½ days = 19.13—has received cash 9.00 leaving balance of 10.13. I paid him .15 and gave him a check on Cit. Dep. Bk. for 10.00.

- 26 Sunday. Bright pretty day—chilly wind.
- 27 45° at sunup—bright. Messrs. House came back Mr. Kelly, Ray, and painters. Sent letter to Sally. Mr. Kelly worked on plaster in upstairs bathroom. Ray sawed sashes. Mr. House worked on tank. Harry shucked some corn.
- 28 Mild and rained off and on. Two men brought a truck with the extra pipe for the furnace and put it on with a register in the addition. Also another truck brought another bath tub. Mr. Kelly worked on bath room. Ray worked on the (little) porch. Harry said he finished shucking his corn. I sent cards to K. Allen and got a letter from Miss Mary Selmes.
- Settlement with Flave Louden.
- Flave had worked 18 days at .75 = 13.50 3 days with team at 2.00 = 6.00 makes 19.50. He said he had received 10. cash on it and I gave him a check on Cit. Dep. Bk. for the balance 9.50.
- 29 Sent letter to Miss Mary Selmes—saw in the N.Y. papers the death of Jack G. McCoy's wife and wrote to Fanny—sent letter by Mr. B. House. Cloudy and warm—like spring. Harry sorted corn. The men worked—plastering bath room, putting window lights in, setting up the old pantry closet &c. towards sundown they all went but Tom.
- 30 Thanksgiving Day. Ernest and Lily dined with us. Bright and mild.

## December

- 1 Patty and I went to Burlington in the Ford. Harry drove. I went to see Mr. Kirkpatrick about the hogs. Went to the Court House to see Judge Cason—he told me to give the letter from A. B. Williamson, Jacksonville Ill. to Mr. Wallace Rice. I did so and I said he would write to Ayers Bk. about the mortgage. Met Al Rogers there at the C. H. and he said his cattle were on 5 weeks and gave me a check for \$18.75. I took this to the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. and deposited it and Mr. W. Rice gave me a certificate of deposit. The road was good—day bright and mild but windy. Messrs. House and hands came back after 8 A. M. Later Mr. Strong with truck load of plumbing &c. Got letter from Sally—she got her sausage. The young man who ran the Underhill truck met with an accident this side of Burlington and Mr. House and 2 hands went to get his machine on the road again.
- 2 Another bright pretty day. Patty and Sue started with Harry for Cincinnati and got home about 4. The men went to Cov. at 11.30. I got a letter from Fanny G. about the death of Jack's wife.
- 3 Sunday. Sprinkled before day. Warm and mostly cloudy.
- 4 My precious own's birthday. Lord love her. Wrote to her and to Fanny G. The men came down to work. Ray worked on inside and cellar steps &c. Mr. Strong on waterworks. Harry watched them part of the time. By 1 o'clock there was a hard rain with thunder and lightning—rained off and on and at night very hard again, as the water ran into the cellar in streams.
- 5 Like spring—clear and very mild. Sent letter to Belle. Patty packed cans for Isabella. Flave killed hogs 4, and Harry helped him. Turned cooler towards evening. A big truck came down and brought lumber for inside work—door casings &c. came about 4 and went back. I showed Mr. House about cellar steps.

- 6 Harry and Flave took 3 head of hogs up to Mrs. Eliza Walton's scales—2 fattening hogs—young sows and my big listed brood sow. Mr. Will Kirkpatrick's brother received the hogs and sent me the weights, the two fattening hogs 562 lbs. the big listed sow 470 lbs. The Enquirer gives good butcher hogs 10.05 to 10.15. Another truck came about noon with pipes drain tiles &c. —left after 1. I got letter from Sally and newspaper picture of Sir Ronald. Mr. C. House went home.
- 7 Patty went to Aurora in the Ford and got home by 11—she took up the boxes of cans for Isabella. It sprinkled before day—was clear till about noon then rained right hard several times. Mr. Clif House [sic] came back and brought the range Sally bought and they set it up in the new kitchen. Mr. Strong worked on the bath rooms and water works. Mr. House brought the linoleum. Leeomer brought
  
- 13 Last night cold and very windy—and a skim of snow. After breakfast snowed very hard a while but stopped—cold all day. The men worked hard in the building—and Mr. Strong on bath rooms. Tom concreted under the cellar steps. To-day Susan sold some hens to huckster Moore—and some roosters. All came to 11.14—.52 for one she bought = 10.62. She gave me my half 5.31.
- 14 13° at sunup—cold all day—snowed a little off and on, at night snowing steadily—22° at 9 P.M. A truck came down after 9 A.M. with the doors &c. and went right back. About 3 the truck with the two men who worked on the staircase yesterday and to-day—and finished them. Patty got letter from Sally to-day. I got bill from T. J. Ewing Agt. For the freight on the 4 boxes sent on B. & O. (see 7<sup>th</sup>). Harry got wood &c. The men hung the 2 outer doors in the addition, and put on the chair board in the kitchen, steps from closet &c.
- 15 0 at sunup and snow not over 2 inches. Dode Pope came to set the grate in the kitchen chimney, took out the stove and cleaned out and connected the hearth—could n't set the grate for lack of a frame. Mr. Strong went to Covington and got one. He went to take Ray the carpenter to see his brother who was taken to the hospital. Mr. Clif House Mr. Strong and the old painter worked and Tom. Harry helped all. Sent letter to Sally. Got note from Amy and letter from Sally Vaughn with book for Bobby. Sent note to Mr. T. J. Ewing (see yesterday) with check for 4.25 on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. Cold and windy—10° at 9 P.M. To-day Mr. Strong showed me the water running in the pantry sink.
- 16 10° at sunup. Dode Pope came back and got the grate in the kitchen. Harry helped him. The men worked and went away before dinner. It moderated.
- 17 Sunday. 10 at sunup. Bright pleasant day.
- 18 Patty started for Cin. with Harry Grace and Susan—gave Harry check for 10. on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. They got back all right though it was very cold and snowed a while after they left. Messrs. House and men came down at 9. Turned colder at night—got letter scraps from Sally.
- 19 Not so cold. Mr. House and Mr. Ben went to Covington after breakfast. The plumber Mr. Strong went away for good—said he had finished his work—he showed Patty and Harry last night about the water works. Harry said he hung the meat. Patty had a telegram from Sally about coming after Christmas. Patty brought me a calendar. Mrs. Blanche Saxton sent . Got Christmas gifts. Pralines from Susie. Box from Lucy J. Book from Mrs. Margaret Guion Ellis. French books from Susie Parish. Christmas card yesterday from Sally Mallory.
- 20 Milder, cloudy and snowed some wet snow. Went to Bellevue with Sue and to Bank. Got 20.00 and left my book. Got letter from Belle R., Christmas card from Jamie—invitation to Eleanore Tevis' wedding—she is to marry Elijah P. Faulconer Jr. Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> 1917 at 11 A.M. it was 39°.
- 21 The day my beloved father died. Lord love his soul. Patty took Sue up to Cin. on her way to N.O. It was a horrid day—30° at sunup. I saw it up to 39—turned colder towards night. It 'spit snow' misted rain, sleeted a little and the rain of yesterday afternoon was frozen. Patty did n't get home till about

- 6 P.M. I sent letters to Belle R. and to Mary C. and note to Lily and 2 letters Sue left—some came for her. Mr. House and the men painters &c. worked. Harry ran the motor.
- 22 22° at sunup and a snow 4 in. or over. Turned cold at 10 P.M. 16° Patty said. Mr. Strong came and put finishing to the water works and went back to Cov. He told Patty they were all right. I think Mr. Ben House went with him. Painters worked. I got book from Bob F. Cammaert's Poems. Got bill for the 3 sows 562 lbs at 9.50 the big sow 470 lbs at 8.50. He sent check for \$93.04 on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. Patty called up to ask about Virgie and Ira Sanders said Virgie had a 9 pound boy born to-day at 3 P.M. Had note from Gibsons R. S. about the fence wire. Patty took her first hot bath to-night in the up stairs bathroom.
  - 23 The men all left before noon. Harry spent most of the day at Mr. Dolph's shop with the motor. I sent by him check for 5.00 to be cashed and he brought me the money from Mr. McNeeley. Cold and snow frozen.
  - 24 Sunday. Christmas eve—44 years since my dear papa was buried. Lord love his sweet soul. It turned warmer and the snow melted some and a little rain or sleet fell.
  - 25 Christmas Day. 22° at sunup. Birds sang and the sun came out bright. Patty and I went to Ernest's to dine. Harry drove the motor and the roads were even dangerous, a glare of rough ice. Frances was at home and a classmate Miss Julia Burbank was there. I got letter from Sally and cards from Sally Tevis, Belle Fisk Andrews, Julia Ethridge, Helen H., Frances Sampson and notice from F. and M. Bk. Wash.
  - 26 Rained most of the day. The men came back. Harry went to R.S. for Clio and on the track of his 'crook' passing guest. I got present from Sally and from Fanny G. and cards from Sally W. Patty Deal, Margaret P. Fanny G. and Mary C. card from Cit. Dep. Bk.
  - 27 It poured down last night and is misting rain. Telegram from Sally about coming. Harry took Patty's Ford to Mr. Eddins' shop. It has turned mild and the rain has melted off the snow and it is muddy. Sent letter to Sally W. Got postal from Sue and note from Mrs. Ellis, cards from Enid, Eleanor T. and book from Julia F.
  - 28 Bright and rather pleasant. Patty went to Bellevue. I sent by her my note from Mr. W. L. Kirkpatrick endorsed and she deposited it in Bk. and Mr. McNeeley sent me my Bk. book. The note was 93.04 see (22<sup>nd</sup>). River clear and rising—boats running again. Harry went to B. &c. and got a little hickory wood for smoking. Sent note to Frances Grant, got letters from Belle R. and Sue at N.O. The men worked—painted finished up with locks &c.
  - 29 Clear and colder. Ethel came. Mr. House gave me the bill for the work done on the chimney—the tops he brought—and the work on the cellar steps 34.15 and I gave him a check for that amount on Boone Co. Dep. Bk. Mr. House, Mr. Ben H. and hands all went away. Harry worked—all getting ready for Sally.
  - 30 Patty went up for things and to meet Sally and Frank. They got back by 1.30 all of them, safe, thank Heaven. It was cold and turned colder. Patty showed me the note for 100 that she took up in Boone Co. Dep. Bk. and burned it up. I was on the note. I sent by Patty and Sally to buy me a present for Eleanore Tevis which they did. At night hailed and snowed a little—then turned warmer and rained a little. Frances Grant and Miss Julia Burbank came down to call after dinner.
  - 31 Sunday. Cold and what I said about the weather just above applies to Sunday night. I got mixed up not writing till Monday.