

**October 18<sup>th</sup> 58**

Left Sandusky and arrived in Dayton this for n. Seen Spicer & Bent, Courthouse very fine, was introduced to Sup<sup>t</sup>. of Ham. & C.R.R. and passed to Cinc. By Cond<sup>t</sup>. Wisner

**October 19<sup>th</sup>**

Stay in Belvidere Hotel, seen Coon Op<sup>r</sup>. of Indep<sup>t</sup>. Tg<sup>h</sup>. Line, Shaw of L.M. & C R.R. who promised Warren some work also M. R.R.

**October 20<sup>th</sup>**

Went to Covington, Ky, fine weather. Seen T.M. Lewis of O & M R.R. who tells us to wait. Left Washing at Shires

**October 21**

Went to Columbia Com. College, some Stores, can not find work

**October 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Moved to Main St. House Rentz Prop<sup>r</sup>. Went to Newport Ky.

**October 23d**

Nothing Remarkable

**October 24 “ 58**

Went to Clermont Hotel, and O & M R R send after Warren to Work tomorrow

**October 25**

Seen Mr. Clement Supt. of O & M. R R who told me Mr. Parson<sup>s</sup>, Treas, will want a Clerk, shall come again, commenced learning Operating.

**October 26**

Wrote to a man who advertised for A Book keeper. Practice Alphabet

**October 27**

No Answer, Seen Mr. Clement, Mr. Parsons not here yet

**October 28**

Wrote a letter to Father. Practice

**October 29**

Nothing News

**October 30**

Seen Mr. Parsons, has a Clerk, but will get me a place in a few days

**November 1 58**

Practice in R. Office Cin

**November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Went to Synagogue of Dr. Wise. Practice

**November 3d**

Seen Mr. Parson has not found any thing yet. Practice

**November 4 “**

Seen Heller Brot<sup>s</sup>., Practice.

**November 5**

Left Mr. Rentz & Trunk. Moved to St. Louis House Mr. Bruce

**November 6**

Practice to day. Wrote again to some Store but no Answer

**November 7**

Went to Church with Warren heard lecture about Sabbath

**November 8 58**

No news yet. Practice. Seen Spicer & Bent

**November 9 58**

Went to Library Room to Walnut St and practice

**November 10**

Went to Woods Theatre, seen Maggie Mitchel play & dance Wrote to Father

**November 11**

Went to National Theatre. Seen Mrs. McMahon play. Lady of Lyons and Stock Loan Man of the Ocean

**November 12**

Rcd Letter from home all well. Wrote to S. Kafka. “ “ Caroline Eberhard

**November 13 “58**

Practice in X Office yet Went Library Room

**November 14**

Was in Catholic Cemetry 2 miles from City

**November 15**

First Snow this Year. Practice in Office. Seen Letter from Henry Carell

**November 16**

Wrote to Merchant advertising for Clerk

**Nov 17**

Rcd letter from Home all well

**November 18 58**

Practice in Office yet think of going to Vincennes

**November 19**

Rcd Pass from Gill for Vincennes left with 250 U.S. Soldiers broke down Arrived in Vincennes 8 hours behind time. Seen Mr. W. J. Stevens who gave me a Pass for St. Louis, introduced me to Clint Cellars. Opr. Left Vincennes in Evening

**November 8 58**

Arrived in E. St. Louis 3.O. A.M. IT is Snowing. I got over in Ferry boat and staid in Missours House till 3 ½ A.M. then looked for Abeles in City Directory found 3 of them, went to Main St. could not find them

**November 20' 58**

Went to Crodelet Avenue, to find Abeles told me he went to Louisiana Mr. Singer sent me to Epstein on Avenue, his Clerk told me to go to Singer & Weingettel Market St. Went there told me to go to Shop 3<sup>rd</sup> St. found Kafka there who did not expect me, went to his Room and then to Walters Coffee Room took breakfast, then went to Mr. Sonnenborns Store, was introduced to his Clerk Mr Finger Afternoon went to F. Epstein & Bohemian Taylor Rcd. 21<sup>00</sup> of Kafka  
Went to St. Louis Theatre in Eve seen Mr. Murdock play Macbeth, then the Devil is in the Room. Slept with Kafka

**Sunday November 21' 1858**

In morning went to Diner at Kafka's Boarding House, then to Catholic Cathedral, then to Mr. Fingers where I wrote home, Evening to German St. Louis Theatre, Seen Lumpaci Vagabundus played

**Monday November 22<sup>nd</sup> 1858**

At 6 ¼ A.M. I left for Depot E. St. Louis but missed and came back Rcd. \$300 from Kafka left in Omnibus 3 P.M. Arrived in Vincennes 12 P.M. and went to Beeler House where I slept in good bed till morning

**Tuesday November 23 58**

Seen Clint who told me Mr Stevens was in Cincinnati and would not return this day

**Tuesday November 23 / 58**

Left Vincennes after Dinner Arrived near Shoals Station we had a serious Accident 1 Breaksmen killed 2 mortally & 13 lightly wounded, I being in the Hind Car escaped all injury, After gathering thing to Order we left. I tellegraphed to Warren, and Arrived in Cincinnati 2 P.M.

**Wednesday November 24 “ 58**

Seen Mr. Stevens at Burnet House he told me to wait here as Mr. Temple was Tg<sup>h</sup> Sup<sup>t</sup>. Seen Mr. Temple, said nothing Went to Storrs Warrens new Office to see him, he told me he was now in his own Office

**Thursday November 25 1858**

Went to Storrs to practice Evening to National Theatre Seen Edwin Booth play King Lear, & the Mountain Lovers

**Friday November 26 58**

Nothing news, practice in Storrs Good weather

**Saturday November 27/ 58**

Practice, Went to Shires Library Room

**Sunday November 28/58**

Seen new Time Table today Went to St. Johns Church Practice

**Monday November 29/ 58**

Wrote to S. Kafka to day and practice in Storrs

**Tuesday November 30/ 58**

Practiced Storrs to day & Seen Bent & Henry Carell

**Wednesday November 31/ 58**

Waiting for Answer from Kafka and from Father

**Thursday December 1/ 58**

New Telg<sup>h</sup> Supt. Seen New Rules Raining all day

**Friday December 2<sup>nd</sup> “ 58**

Seen Marriatta Op<sup>f</sup>. Asked Sup<sup>t</sup> Lawrence for work told me to wait

**Saturday December 3<sup>d</sup> / 58**

Went to Lawrencburgh, seen Mr W.C. Temple, who told me to wait for one week

**Monday Dec 4/58**

Went to Indepent. Tg<sup>h</sup> Office, Covn. asked Supt. for me who said wants a Sub, for Blanchester, but ii was on Marratta R.R

**Tuesday Dec. 5/ 58**

Went to M. R. R Nothing Seen Wallenstein stayed with him Telegraphed for him to Cleveland

**Monday Dec. 6. 1858**

Seen Mr. Temple told me I was not competent enough would give me a job in 4 weeks if I practiced

**Tuesday Dec 7 1858**

Asked M. R. R. Sup<sup>t</sup>. & recd. answer wishes to have a better Operator but would do his best to give me job if I wait

**Wednesday Dec 8 “ 58**

Wrote to father, seen Mr. Wallenstein who told me to come tomorrow

**Thursday Dec 9 58**

Made an Application to Mr. Dunham Western Union Office. Asked Hamilton R.R. Sup<sup>t</sup>. for permission to practice, would not trust that to a Stranger

**Friday Dec 10 .58**

Went to Gravel Pit & Lawrencburgh to see whether Oprator want a Sub, but found him in no want Wrote to Kafka & Sup<sup>t</sup>. Pacific R.R.

**Saturday Dec 11 “ 58**

Went to see whether a Merchant wants a Book keeper, came to late. Rcd. Money from Warren to buy a pr boots

**Sunday Dec 12 “ 58**

Went to Storrs Office, practiced all day. Evening went to Church

**Monday Dec 13 “ 58**

Tried to get Pass to Indianapolis & return Agt at Depot told me to see Mr. C. H. Temple who would give me a pass or probably would give me work. could not find him

**Tuesday Dec 14 1858**

Went to Western Union Office, could not meet Mr. Dunham, he was in Xenia Rcd. Pass from Mr Clement for St. Louis

**Wednesday Dec 15 1858**

Seen the Chief Operator of C. Office told me they could not give me pass as I never worked for the Co

**Thursday Dec 16 “ 58**

Seen Mr. Dunham told me sorry he could not give me pass

**Friday Dec 17 “ 58**

Getting ready to go to St. Louis Was out in Office took leave of Henry Carell

**Saturday Dec 18 “ 58**

Rcd 1<sup>00</sup> from Agent 50<sup>cts</sup> Brunce 25 Warren. Left 11<sup>30</sup> for St. Louis

**Sunday Dec 19 “ 58**

Raining all day. Arrived in St. Louis 4:50 P.M. Could not find Kafka, went to Central House Walnut St.

**Monday Dec 20 “ 58**

Found Kafka this morning, was surprised did not find Sup<sup>l</sup>. Pac. R.R. I went to his Office, but could not meet him. Kafka says he will go to Cleveland next Sunday. I should go along with him.

**Tuesday Dec 21 “ 58**

Seen W.U. here. slim chances Seen Finger & Dittenhoefer, who told me Thorman was here tried to find work but found nothing

**Wednesday Dec 22 58**

Made acquaintance of I. M. Bowers off T.H. R. R. who sayd he would talk to Supt. Pac. R.R. for me

**Thursday Dec 23 “ 58**

Mr Bowers has not seen Supt. yet. Seen Thorman. Went to Library Room. Seen Museum. Went to Mr. Richings who advertised for Clerk, but could not agree, as he wants 150<sup>00</sup> Security

**Friday Dec 24 “ 58**

Mr. Bowers seen Supt. who told him would want Operators in Feb’y next, he promised to do something for me by that time, & I resolved to go to Clvd. Sunday with Kafka.

**Saturday Dec 25 58**

Christmas today, great Bustle about town. Went to get a Ticket to Cin, Rcd. One from Mr. Clement.

**Sunday Dec 26**

Took Leave of all friends and Mr. Aeshner. Finger. Left town 2<sup>30</sup> P.M. Seen Operator E. St. Louis Rained P.M.

**Monday Dec 27 “ 58**

Arriv Cincinnati 8 A.M. Went to Brunce, but Kafka did not like it and we found board Smith St. Seen Warren this P.M.

**Tuesday Dec 28**

Tried to get Ticket to Clev.d, but Mr. Shaw Supt, of L.M, & R.R. told me he would get one, for me and leave it with Opr.

**Wednesday Dec. 29. 58**

Took Leave of Warren as I expected to get Ticket. Evening came but Mr. Shaw arrived about 9 K P.M. and being in a hurry told me to tell Duncan the Opr to introduce me to Cond<sup>f</sup>. who would pass me –he did so, but Condr said he could not, if I had no ticket. Bought 2<sup>nd</sup> Class to Cleved.

**Wednesday Dec 29 “ 58**

After being in Cars, I see the Opr has fooled or made a gross joke. The man he introduced me to was no Cond<sup>f</sup>. The Cond<sup>f</sup> wantd have passed me if I would have been introduced.

**Thursday Dec 30 “ 58**

Arrived in Cleveland 12 k P.M. Mr. Kafka went to Stroup Board & I took Hack home. Mother was surprised to see me, as she did not expect me so soon, same with Father. Heard many news.

**Friday Dec 31 58**

Mr. Kafka visited us today I went down to Depot & W.U. Office, but can hear of no work. Went up to Hollister & Felton, but could not find any

**Saturday Jany 1 “ 59**

Went to Western Union Office. Stay at home all day.

**Sunday Jany 2<sup>nd</sup> 59**

Seen my sister, Lisie, brother in Law went up town to Mr. Drabeck Lederen

**Monday Jany 3d 59**

Went down town seen Mr. Felton who told me Mr. Hollister was sick. Then went down Depot Opr. told me to see Mr. Stager. Went back to Union Office talked to Mr. Stager who told me he had no work, but gave me privilege to practice in Depot Office.

**Tuesday Jany 4 “ 59**

Went down the depot & told Opr. that Mr. Stager gave me permission to practice he said would talk to manager. Made Acquaintance of Mr. H.B.Hibbard Manager who gave me permission. There is a boy Messenger who learns Franc Tindall with name pretty good Opr. There are five Instruments 4 Sound. 1 Register with Paper Toledo. W.U. Pittsburgh & C.C. & C. Tgph Lines. The best chance to learn. Wrote to Warren Cin. Told him Affairs of travel & gave him good Remarks about Rich<sup>d</sup> Duncans Character. Practiced some in Office today. Find a good deal news here. Train Report Books &c. I am rather green in Office.

**Wednesday Jany 5 “ 59**

Practiced in Office today. Kafka is making Lounges & sells them at Auction We do not like it here as we find everything dull here. Hollister & Felton have but a few Scholars. No Snow here but awfull muddy.

**Thursday Jany 6 “ 59**

Mary Coufman is in Michigan “ Heller back here in Loeb's. “ Went down Depot this morning Hibbard bought a flute for eight Doll<sup>s</sup>. Seen Mr. Stager today. Prospects rather dull here. Freezing today. Practiced all day.

### **Friday Jany 7 59**

Snowing this morning Seen Barbara Mathea Wants to know what I did such a long time since I have been here. Seen Eliza McNelly, who did not wish or like to see me. No letter from Warren yet. Plenty of fun down the Depot Practicing and find it the very place to practice. Boys all O.K. Great fire here Loss about 80,000<sup>00</sup> Pail Factory owned by Co. of 3 Persons insured only 25,000. Another fire this Evening. There is no Theatre here now, but very little amusement. Seen Fisher who told me he was studying law his business very dull. Deton wants me to go & sell some patent articles. No go. Practice some today.

### **Saturday Jany 8 59**

Met Nany Colman today Seen the rest of the Colmans, they asked me what I did the long time. Told them my business, they gave me better Reception then I expected. Went to Synagoge this morning. Seen Miss A & L. Levy, Skall, &c. Afternoon I went to Depot. Good weather now. Had another but small fire. No letter from Warren yet. Telegraphed to him why he does not write to me? Practice in Office today. Seen Cond<sup>r</sup>. of Bobtail train, asked me whether I wish to go to ~~Cleveland~~ Sandusky? Seen M. from " told me to visit him.

### **Sunday Jany 9 " 59**

Wrote to Warren secd letter told him I thought he was sick or something against me as I had no letter yet. Told him all news & hoped to hear soon from him. Went down town, to new P.O. but it was not opened this P.M. Very cold to day. Went to Woditzka this Eve.

### **Monday Jany 10 59**

Snowing this morning. Sent Letter to Warren by C.C & C mail 11 A.M. Mr. Hibbard told me that I'm considered lion of practicing in Office would have to carry some of their mess when Tindal was out. Consented to his request, I was shown all the R.R. Offices. Practice to day.

### **Tuesday Jany 11 " 59**

We have very cold weather here Days are getting longer Am sending messages now taking train Reports by I. but hear some of the letters distinct & will soon be able to take train Reports by sound

### **Wednesday Jany 12 59**

Cold this morning. Lake frozen. Kafka thinks of going back to St. Louis soon. Business dull. Practice in Office today. Have been out under Pier with Frank Bush this P.M. Went to Mathea this Evening. No Letter from Warren yet. Mr Felton wishes me to act as Agt for him if I should leave here. Will think matters over.

## **JANUARY**

### **13 Thursday.**

Another fire here today. One man killed by R.R. going home from his work in evening. I went down the Depot & stayed there all day. Plenty of work. Snowing to day. No letter from Warren yet. Stager down today. Evening I read Ledger & other thing having them at home

### **14 Friday.**

Nothing from Cincinnati. Bad weather. Practicing

**15 Saturday.**

Weather awful cold – Coldest day this winter Practice all day

**17 Monday.**

Very cold this morning. Went up College to see whether I had letter, as I left Warren directions to Hollister & Felton Nothing yet. Practice

**18 Tuesday.**

Weather getting mild. No Letter from Warren. Practice to day. Nothin News

**19 Wednesday.**

Weather Warm No Letter yet Practice all day

**20 Thursday.**

Muddy No Letter Work in Office Nothing news Went to Industrial School Concert. Very good, heard Mr. Foot from here, & Mr. Ritlen from Cin. speak good

**21 Friday.**

Colder again No Letter think of Writing Practice in Office

**22 Saturday.**

Snowing today Work in Office No Letter yet

**24 Monday.**

Rcd. Letter dat 6 ins from Warren & 1 date 20 from Richard Allen this morning Warren says everything O.K. They want Oprs. On B & O R.R. should write to them. P.M. Rcd. another from him nothing news thinks the Duncan Boys will give me it when they see me. Wrote to C.W. Temple Cin. Finger, St Louis & Bowers same Weather fine. Will write B & O R R tomorrow. Work in Office today

**25 Tuesday.**

Wrote to B. & O. R.R. Sup<sup>t</sup>. for work also to Warren Cin. told him all news & will send him passes soon also wished that he may not insult College again, as they are kind enough to give me use of their Box Weather fine. Work in Office all day

**26 Wednesday.**

Weather cold. I can now take train Reports by sound if written slow. Work in office Mr. Stager, Wade & others in office today

**27 Thursday.**

Weather cold again, Lake frozen. Sent Warren Dayly Revie Work in Office today

**28 Friday.**

Raining this P.M. Mr. Hibbard thinks of going to Rochester N.Y. wishes me to do Tindalls Work and he, Hibbards Work here all day

**29 Saturday.**

Weather mild. Mr. Hibbard left for Rochester N.Y. will be back Tuesday Work hard till 6 PM.  
No Letter yet

**31 Monday.**

Weather cold No letters from Cin. Sent letter to D. Lilienthal. Mr. Hibbard not back today.

**FEBRUARY**

**1 Tuesday.**

Fine weather. Mr. Hibbard returned this noon Rcd. letter from Tph. Supt. B. & O. R. R. as follows Sir Yours to W.S. Woodside Esq. Has been referred to me. In Reply I would say that we are not in want of any Operators at this time. We have recently closed 3 Stations on our lines by which some of our Oprs have been thrown out of employment. Resp. OW. Westbrook  
Nothing Remarcable

**2 Wednesday.**

Weather fine. Went to Office this A.M. Seen Mr. Cook from Sandy. No letters from Warren yet

**3 Thursday.**

Snowing this A.M. No Letters today. Rcd. & gave to H.B. Hibbard one of Hollister & Feltons Posters Practice all day

**4 Friday.**

Snowing this morning. No Letter today. Practice

**5 Saturday.**

Fine morning cold good Sleigh Rides. Practice in Office. Rcd. Letter from C.W. Temple Vincennes Feby 2/50 Dr. Sir I cannot say now when I can give you a vacancy Yours truly,  
C.W.T No other letters

**7 Monday.**

Fine morning Plenty of sleighing Wrote to Lawrence Supt. of Marratta R. R. Tgph. Line. Practice in Office. No letter today

**8 Tuesday.**

Weather mild, Little of snow left Sent letter to Lawrence No Letters received yet

**9 Wednesday.**

Freezing this morning No letters yet Practice

**10 Thursday.**

Cold weather yet some snow Wrote to Supt. National Tg<sup>ph</sup> Line care Nashville Tgph Office No letters from St. Louis or Cin.

**11 Friday.**

Snowing this morning Cold weather Nothing news

**12 Saturday.**

Snowing. Cold weather Sent Valentine Nelly Colman No Letters yet Practice

**14 Monday.**

Cold weather. No Letter Warren will not write to me I think for I teleghd him & have no answer

**15 Tuesday.**

Fine Weather Nothing news

**16 Wednesday.**

Mr. Hibbard went to Cincinnati to see Piccolomini Concert

**17 Thursday.**

Fine weather Practice No Letter

**18 Friday.**

Good weather Practice

**19 Saturday.**

Snow Stormy No Letters yet Practice in Office

**21 Monday.**

Good weather Nothing news Practice

**22 Tuesday.**

Washington's Birth Day Pleasant Weather Soldiers Parade Practice

**23 Wednesday.**

Kafka left town today for St. Louis Sent Letter to Finger & McKissock Supt of Pac R.R.

**24 Thursday**

Good Weather Nothing News

**25 Friday**

Spring Weather No Letters yet Practice

**26 Saturday**

Cold today Nothing News

**28 Monday.**

Last of the month Weather pleasant Practice

**MARCH**

**1 Tuesday.**

Raining today No Letter yet

**2 Wednesday.**

Fine Weather Navigation will soon open

**3 Thursday.**

Pleasant Weather Practice

**4 Friday.**

Navigation opening 1<sup>st</sup> Proppeller left Buffalo. Practice

**5 Saturday.**

Good weather Practice

**7 Monday.**

Fine Weather Spring open Nothing news

**8 Tuesday.**

No Letter from Kafka yet Pikes Peak fever here as everywhere

**9 Wednesday.**

Rcd letters from Tuscumbia Al. of A.E. Trabue Supt. Tph say I would give no vacancy until I can be Recommended

**10 Thursday.**

Think of going to Tuscumbia Al. Tgph A. E. Trabue told him I could get Recommend & would come if he wishes Rcd. Letter from Kafka St. Louis

**11 Friday.**

Kafka says he did not yet give my letter to Mc Kisson but would do so as soon as Mc would be in St. Louis. Does well Receives 9\$ per week

**12 Saturday.**

Fine weather. No answers on Tgph. Yet. Seen Stager he told me that he would give me a Vacancy if I could read by sound perfect

**14 Monday.**

Fine weather Wrote to Kafka No letters yet Practice in Office

**15 Tuesday.**

Good weather Tindal says he is a going to Toledo Practice

**16 Wednesday.**

Tindal left this A.M. Have sent letter from Europe to Kafka St. Louis

**17 Thursday.**

Nothing news Raining

**18 Friday.**

Nothing

**19 Saturday.**

Nothing

**21 Monday.**

No Letter yet Practice

**22 Tuesday.**

No Letter Seen Man from Elyria wants me to work for him a few weeks

**23 Wednesday.**

No News P.

**24 Thursday.**

Hearing the Bellevue Opr is agoing to leave

**25 Friday.**

Nothing news No Letters

**26 Saturday.**

Recd letters No news

**28 Sunday.**

No Letter from South Pr.

**29 Monday.**

Had a new [*illegible*] taken of [*illegible*]

**30 Tuesday.**

Will see Jackman about B. ofs.

**31 Thursday.**

Seen Mr. West from Sandusky & Parsons from Cincinnati

**APRIL**

**1 Friday.**

Went to Mr. Jackman seen him he says I can have Be Offs. if Hibbard recommends me would send me to Oberlin tomorrow

**2 Saturday.**

Mr. Jackman seen Hibb. OK want me to wayt till Mr. Stager comes home Rcd Letter from Kafka nothing

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Mr. Jackman has taken me to Oberlin today O.K.  
Slept at McKinneys Saw some fine girls been at Tea to Mr Kinneys Brother  
Good Rcd. my new Suit with everything Ok

**6 Thursday**

Oberlin. Fine weather. Made acquaintance of Mary McKinney. Am going to take Music Lessons  
of her

**7 Friday**

Bellevue Operator goin to leave I may have to come there. Good weather but Rather Cold

**8 Saturday**

Cold today dont think I will go to Bellevue Seen Mr. Rasom at McKinneys

**10**

Rained yesterday went to Episcopal Church and Stayed at home all the afternoon Raining today.  
Seen Oprator Bellevue says Mr. Jackman did put an opr fr Sandusky up there so I think I will  
stay here about 3 months. Will take first music Lessons tomorrow Line working well. Made  
acquaintance of Miss Root and some other Miss Paid Mrs. McKinney for first week Room

**11**

Fine but cool weather. Taken my first music lesson. Much intrigue going on here great  
Excitement about the case of 37 before Jury in Cleveland about Fugitive Slave Law. Seen many  
Dark breatheren here Wrote to Father today to get 2 or 3 Dollars

**12**

Cold weather. Concluded to come down to Cleveland week from next Saturday. Practice from 3  
to 4 PM at music lesson

**13**

No Letter from Cleveland yet Wrote to Felton to send me letters if there are any in his Box.  
Weather cool Practiced this morning from five to six

**14**

Received Letter from enclosed 2 Dollars in Gold. All well there Father dont approve my learning  
music. Made acquaintance of Miss Strong at Mr. Kinneys. Paid Mr. Kinney 50 cents I owed him  
from last week

**15**

Bush asked me whether I was coming down today. Line working hard Weather changing  
Nothing from Cleveland Heard that Bushnell will be sentenced and that the Rest are in Jail now

**18 Monday.**

Snowed yesterday heard Sermon about higher Law yesterday, but it was not argued well the Preacher not proving that such Law existed. Weather warmest today Snow off Paid Mrs McKinney & told her that I would remove to Mr Kinneys on account of being accomodated cheaper Wrote to Warren Cincinnati sent Letters by Express taken 2 hours of music today, from 3-4 & 5-6 p.M. Found out that Tindal was down in Cleveland a week now Gave my clothes to Washwomen to be done Wed.

**19 Tuesday.**

Cool & Dry. Left Mrs McKinneys tonight Told Tindall I was coming down Saturday. Saw Mr. Jackman today Business Dull No Letter from Cleveland Am going let paper operating go have taken all messages this week by sound

**20 Wednesday.**

Raining this morning Nothing from Cleveland

**21 Thursday.**

Cold and Rain. Rcd. Letter from Warren containing his Likeness Says will meet me somewhere between here and Clvd. Wrote to him right off.

**22 Friday.**

Very Cold to day and raining Nothing news Received passes from Mr. Jackman to go to Cleveland

**23 Saturday.**

Snow storm in the morning Evening pleasant Went to Cleveland Seen Hibbard Tind. Bush Went to Union Offs and got a sign to T. Sup<sup>l</sup> Offs and saw Operator. Came home unexpected Folks glad to see me Saw Fisher today Went to Post Offs but did not ask for Letter.

**25 Monday**

Yesterday weather fine and clear. Saw Drabek Bought some soap of Ruzicka Spoke to Woditzka went to Jail in morning and afternoon heard sermon preached. Was down in Depot in morning and at C & E Tgh Offs PM Went to Church in Eve. Wrote some Letters to Uncle B. and Cousins E & C Arrived here again today. Weather warm. Was at Mr. Jones House this morning and got some letters in Jail to distribute gave Mary & Flora McKinney the Soap. Took Practice.

**26 Tuesday.**

Raining. Nothing news. Wrote to Kafka St. Louis today Practice Wrote to Mr. A.E. Trabue Supt. New Orleans & Ohio

**27 Wednesday.**

Weather cold & raining. Nothing remarkable. Expect to hear from Warren Offered Mrs McKinney to board with her will let me know doubts very much. Wrote to Warren another letter sent by Express

### **28 Thursday.**

Mrs. McKinney tells me that she will board Room & wash for 2.00 pr week will decide for myself. Case of Habeas Corpus refused to Rescuers. Mr Rucker been here Weather fine

### **29 Friday.**

Received Letter from Warren Cincinnati Says may be here some day this week Pay master passed here did not pay me. Mrs. McKinney agreed to board & Room for 1.75 pr week. She borrowed 3<sup>00</sup> from me besides two Dollars I paid for Music Lesson Will Return the money next week some time Wrote to Father that I would if possible be home a week from tomorrow. Weather pleasant.

### **30 Saturday.**

Warren did not come. Have no Letter from him.

## **MAY**

### **2 Monday.**

Fine day & very warm yesterday went in to Bush. Commenced boarding at McKinneys yest. Am going to C this week Fine weather today No Letter today working at Monthly Report

### **3 Tuesday.**

Very Warm & dry Sent Monthly Report to Secretary & Supt. with 17.29 in money for April. Had my book fixed at Royces Mrs. McKinney thinks that boarding is such a trouble she will try & get along without. No Letter from Warren this Week.

### **4 Wednesday.**

Hot & dry today. Wrote to Warren & coant him to answer soon Dont McKinney any way Found out that Woodard was the Messg. Boy in Sandusky when I was there he has no Offs. yet will be here sometime this or next week Loveland Clerk at Kinney & Reamers has taken Mary's Room.

### **5 Thursday.**

Hot Weather. McKinneys think of renting their Room at 50 cts & not boarding don't care. Bought pair of patent Leather Shoes for 2 50. Want Billy Woodard to go down to Cleveland with me he will see if he can

### **6 Friday.**

Fine but hot Weather. Asked Mr Rucker for Passes to Cleveland & return. Billy cant tell whether he can come tomorrow.

### **7 Saturday.**

Warm & dry & dusty. Billy can not come No Letter. Went down to Cl. in the 144 train Left Boots at Whitakers Seen Frank Opr a 3 Offs. Talked to Mr Rucker he told to stay at of till he gave me Notice to leave will probably give me the Monroeville Offs. Came Home ok they did not expect me went to Lizie Saw Barbara Mathea. All well at Home

### **9 Monday.**

Hot weather yesterday was in Town in Mng. Saw Hinkley & Higgins & Bush Went to Supt Rucker in Opr out. Got Report for Off but could not get Clyde & Fremont Offs. Rucker mad. Went to Dangelasent Garden. Eve to Mr. Days Church Raining today left on [illegible] in mng Left Mrs. McKinneys this P.M. Pd Royce 2.25 & Kinney 11<sup>00</sup> Slept at Wacks Hotell

### **10 Tuesday.**

Cold this A.M. Rainy Weather. Bought my breakfast & Dinner. Took Mrs. Wentworths Room at 37 ½ pr week. Board with Lymans this Evening pay 1 50 pr week, Have no Letter this day. Bushnell sentenced in Cleveland to 60 days co Jail. \$600 fine & cost

### **11 Wednesday.**

Fine Weather today. Langston sentenced 20 days co Jail \$100 fine & costs nothing news

### **12 Thursday.**

Fine Weather. Nothing Remarcable

### **13 Friday.**

Fine Weather. 10.20 AM. Went back to Offs had fuss with L B Kinney Agt who struck me & put me out of Off. I had States warrant taken out & he was tried before Justice and bound over to Elyria before Court. Wrote L D Rucker all abt affair & hope either to be discharged or get into another Offs Baggage Man swearing & cussing all day. Kinney wrote to Supt this P.M. Will hear decision tonight probably.

### **14 Saturday.**

Weather fine. Mr. Simpkins Asst. Supt. here today Kinney sayd all settled so he let us go. Wrote to Frank Wilson Opr Supt Offs He gave me answer will let me know if any change will be going on Had order to stay in Offs fr 9-10 A.M. tomorrow

### **16 Monday.**

Fine weather yesterday in offs in A.M. Munson & Chester in Chester will learn to operate charge \$25<sup>00</sup> to learn him. Rode Horse in Evening. Fine weather this mng. Opr fr. Supt offs of Wabash & Western R R here nice little fellow. Simpkins returning to Cvd this Am Wrote to Warren Received Garters from Cleveland

### **17 Tuesday.**

Fine weather. Saw Langston told me better let Kinney go now I will not trouble myself about him anymore

### **18 Wednesday.**

Fine Weather. Nothing news Chester practicing Alphabet

### **19 Thursday.**

Good Weather. Chester practicing par Want him to pay me 3 or 5 Dollars he wrote to his Uncle

**20 Friday.**

Seen Chesters Mother this AM Am going to board with them next Tuesday

**21 Saturday.**

Chester paid me 3 Dollars had not got the money from Uncle

**23 Monday.**

Fine Weather yesterday Received Mess from Norwalk abt some stolen Horses. Fine Weather today. They are selling Tickets at Kinney & Reamers for the Convention tomorrow sold over 300 today these had to telegraph after some more

**24 Tuesday.**

Fine morning. Convention in Clvd today half fares no great crowd of folks in Depot today sold 530 Tickets for the Excursion Returned in Evening Bushnell and Langston did not go today will go to Columbus tomorrow.

**25 Wednesday.**

Fine Weather. Bushnell & Langston went today Received Letter from Warren Cincinnati he is well full of fun his Mother in C already will write him tomorrow

**26 Thursday.**

Nice Weather. Wrote Warren today told him I was agoing to Cleved next Saturday. Wrote Letter to Kafka St. Louis. Ask him why he does not answer my former Letter

**27 Friday.**

Good Weather. Mr McKinney and Helen McKinney went to Clevd to have Dr. operate on H, Eye

**28 Saturday.**

Rain in mng but cleared up in afternoon. Recd 2<sup>00</sup> from Ch. Pd Washwoman & som other Debts Left for Cleveland. Arrived Ok. Boys glad to see me Mr Hunter & Dan talked to me Looked about some mess

**30 Monday.**

Been in Supt ofs yesterday agreed to stay for Frank Wilson tomorrow he is going with Paymaster. They only pd me 20 for last month but Mr. Rucker will make it right next month. Telegraphed to Mary McKinney about her Sister which had her eye taken out. Fine Weather today. Work Supt. ofs. Take Train Repts &c Saw Kinneys Wrote to put my wages to 23.

**31 Tuesday.**

Raining This AM. Wilson returned Went to See Wormser Saw Hibbard and Bush Left for Oberlin arrived there all ok. Bushnell & Langston returned without Writ of Habeas Corpus Excitement here today. Chester did not practice since I have been gone. Wrote to Jackman and sent Letter to Frank Wilson to fwd it Billy Woodard here today

## **JUNE**

### **1 Wednesday.**

Fine Weather Chester did not practice here yet today nothing of importance Returned 2 00 to Chester

### **2 Thursday.**

Nice Weather. Chester practice Nothing of imp. Nigger here 86 Years old dancing & Lecturing singing about Canada & Liberty of Colored Man

### **3 Friday.**

Nice Weather. Received Dispatch from Nashville Ten. You can have Murfreesboro Tenn office by bringing Recommendations of Stager or Eckert sig Trabue Answered will let him know whether I can take the offer. Wrote Rucker that I would stay if he assured me of getting Monroeville or another office. Will leave if not Make arrangements to leave

### **4 Saturday.**

No Answer from Rucker yet. Will leave probably very little prospect of staying. No Answer from Rucker. I left 8o4 Evening to see Rucker in Clev My folks surprised to see me Think I better stay but will let me do as I think best

### **6 Monday.**

Saw Rucker yesterday would like to keep me but cannot promise an Office as he dont know whether will have one. Frank wants me to stay will see Saw Eliza McNelly likes but her Aunt don't like it took leave of her Took Leave of Jenny B. Mathea Returned to Oberlin today. Telegpd to Trabue will start immy if ofs is permanent answered Start at once pd up had Shirts washed took Leave Chester to pay Kinney 200 Good bye Niggertown

### **7 Tuesday.**

In Mr Ruckers Office this AM to get money and Recommend. not yet. Hunter dont like my leaving. Telegraphed Stager about want passes and Recommend. Recd Payment till 7 Recommend from Mr Rucker but no answer from Stager Took Leave of my folks and been introduced by Robinson Depot Master started free to Columbus pd. Condr from Columbus to Cinc. 3 25 Rode and slept in Sleeping Car

### **8 Wednesday.**

Arrived in Cincinnati Telegraphed to Trabue for Directions & Dunham for passes Answer Trabue fr Dunham cant pass Opr not on his Division. Got Letter from Stevens Chief Opr and pass from Mr Clement to Sandoval bought Umbrella fr Mandelbaum. Saw Warren Brothers Walter Bell of Riggins, Left in Eve Tom Houston condr says go to Louisville. Did so and went in Seymore

### **9 Thursday.**

Left Seymour for Jeffersonville pd 1 50 Crossed Ohio to Louisville in Omnibus to Louisville and Nashville Depot. Arrived there Supt passed me on train to Mumfordsville fine country fine day. Saw Stage Agent who passes me to Gallatin Ten. free Rode in Co with 3 men & one Negro Girl. Dinner in Plantation very good hard Riding in Stage

**10 Friday.**

Arrived in Gallatin mng. Took Cars to Nashville free 26 mls. Arrived in Nashville 830 AM Saw Mr Trabue in Ofs not satisfied with my Recommend Telegphs to Hibbard Clvd Saw State House there Library very fine Buildings. Left on Cars 2 of clock for Murfreesboro arrived there Opr there not in Ofs is a Drunkard Stay at City Hotel 300 pr week good House. Place beautiful just as I like it

**11 Saturday.**

**Fine Day.** Mr Trabue here this Mng gave me charge of ofs. Chamberlain Opr discharged. Telegraphed father. Look around town Meeting of Governor and Opposition are speaking today Hot day

**13 Monday.**

Doing nothing yesterday went to see Telegraph pole did not fix it Chamberlain left this P.M. Got passes of Mr Thomas Agt here Wrote to father. Business dull fixed operating table Slept in ofs

**14 Tuesday.**

fine Weather No Bsns folks very dear with Clothing here left my Washing at Hotel Have my Casemir Coat fixed Pd 50 cts. bot Hkf 20

**15 Wednesday.**

fine mng. Meeting of Artillery Co from Savannah Geo. And the german Yeagers from Nashville Took Breakfast here. Music and Salute

**16 Thursday.**

Fine Day. Nothing News But Hot Wrote Chester Pond and Kinney also Warren

**17 Friday.**

Nice Weather. Artillery Co Returned Set up Pole 1 ½ Miles above here

**18 Saturday.**

Nothing Remarcable Wrote Father to send me 2 pr Pants

**20 Monday.**

Been through town Yesterday Seen University Went out on Train till Christiana. Seen Pole down 1½ Miles below here

**21 Tuesday.**

Went out this P.M. to Smyrna see Whether Line is down nothing. Rain this PM.

**22 Wednesday.**

Left on Train This A.M. Took Line off Ground 20 Miles from here Return Evening Train

**23 Thursday.**

Fine Weather. Wrote to Hibbard and Bush

**24 Friday.**

Nice Weather. Left on Train this mng Repaired Line 21 miles from here near Bellbuckle Tenn.  
Hard work Returned Evening

**25 Saturday.**

Fine Mng. Received Letter from home all well. Brother born last week Wednesdays Read about  
Battle of Magenta 20 000 Austrians killed and wounded 12 000 French also

**27 Monday.**

Fine Weather yesterday. Rode down to Christiana to see if I could get any thing out of Ross  
owes me 110 can not. Nice Weather today Received Letter from Chester Pond Write him  
Answer today No Letter from Warren Wrote to Frank Wilson

**28 Tuesday.**

**Rained today.** Wrote to Chester father Papered my half of my offs fence

**29 Wednesday.**

Weather fine Nothing News

**30 Thursday.**

**No Letters Business dull**

**JULY**

**1 Friday.**

Nothing News

**2 Saturday.**

Rain some today No Letters Saw Whiteman want to sell child suppose to be stolen mother of it  
regular Brute dont care a bit for that

**4 Monday.**

Weather fine yesterday. Went down to Stevenson Ala. With Johnson Opr N. Saw Thurber Opr  
Stevenson. Missed train to go back must stay over night. Long talk with Thurber Fine Morning  
this, got up in Ala left on train and reached Nashville 2 P.M. Dined with St. Cloud Hotel "Asa"  
found G. Trabue in Offs. Introduced me to Mr. Baker of Memphis Offs. Loafing round in P.M.  
Good Time in gnrl. Left on Train this Eve.

**5 Tuesday.**

Fine Day. Sent father Letter and \$25<sup>00</sup> by Adams Express Borrowed 6 from Thomas Bought  
Bedstead for 2 75 dear enough.

**6 Wednesday.**

Nice day. Bought Bed clothes for \$2<sup>00</sup> Wrote Warren another Letter

**7 Thursday.**

Telegraphed for Check of Balance due me from T.Co. 10.75 Rcd answer from Carter Louisville will be sent today

**8 Friday.**

Fine day Business dull Commenced boarding with Mrs. Brock. Left Hotel. Board at Brocks 225 pr week

**9 Saturday.**

Fine day. No check yet No Business Hard Times

**11 Monday.**

Fine weather yesterday Ross gone. Wrote Leah Colman, Kendall Supt Magnetic Line & Pierson Cleveland about some Ks Very warm

**12 Tuesday.**

Hot weather Thermometer 100. Letter from Chester Oberlin Nothing news. Letter with Draft for 10.75 from Mr Carter Louisville sent Draft to Carville & received money pd Thomas Paid Gen. Lytle Hotel for Board & 1,50 for 3 nts sleeping

**13 Wednesday.**

Fixing office Hottest day of Season % 104 in Shade

**14 Thursday.**

Hot today. Jack Jarrett big Russian accosted and beat me. Went up town took 2 Warrants out Peace & Assault & Batty. Trial will be tomorrow.

**15 Friday.**

Hot. No Rain. No Letter fm home yet. Tryal commenced today, 3 Oc P.M. Thomas & Leiper Witnesses Leiper not present. Stated Difficulties as they happened Brooks a mean Puppy went up to testify against me & I did not let him talk he was not present at action. Fined Jarrett \$5<sup>00</sup> & costs 2,50 I withdrew the peace warrant paid 85 cost. Brooks awfully mad.

**16 Saturday.**

No Letter from home yet nor from any body else Left on Train for Tullahoma to instruct Agent

**18 Monday.**

Came to Stevenson yesterday Agt at T not in at 1 k P.M. Returned to St. to T. found Thing ok agent a Lady very well educated Son deaf & dumb but nice boy 15 years old Staid & dined. Returned in Evening. Received Letter from Father all well he had been sick short time. Recd my money but had to pay Am. Ex. Co 1,25 US.E sent & took things & DH for me. Very warm to day.

**19 Tuesday.**

Hot heard of sunstroke in N. Received Things by Ex fr Cl Wrote father all about Sitation times &c. Paid Ledbetter 2<sup>00</sup> in full for Bed cloths and other man 200 on Bedstead no letter from Warren. Line not working tonight.

**20 Wednesday.**

Had to go & repair Line in Mng at 12 K Left for Line cause Stevenson Line OK but Offs wrong Cant get in have to return. Returned 10.00 K PM Instrument out of order

**21 Thursday.**

Line OK this Mng. Ed Mitchell fm Chattanooga repaired it Thurber returned. Noon. Received Tarriffs fm Ch No Letter fm Warren

**22 Friday.**

Fine day. Rcd Letter fm Warren. He is well, does well says may come here next month. Had Telegraphed to him in Mng. Raining cattle in P.M.

**23 Saturday.**

**Raining today.** Nothing news

**25 Monday.**

Fine day yesterday. Wrote Leah Colman & Butler & Tanner Local Supt of Magnetic Line. Nothing Remarcable

**26 Tuesday.**

fine weather. No Letters.

**27 Wednesday.**

Line down went to Repair it

**28 Thursday.**

Back Line not in order yet. Rcd Letter from Chester Pond

**29 Friday.**

Out Repairing. Come to Nashville. Warm

**30 Saturday.**

Repairing yet Line not in Order.

**AUGUST**

**1 Monday.**

Ed Mitchell here today. Set up a new Pole & Line in Order now. Wrote to Pond & Warren.

**2 Tuesday.**

Raining awfully. Line works hard. No Letters fm home Kentucky Election. Returns People excited abt it

**3 Wednesday.**

Raining all time additional Ky. News No Letters. Rcd amt due me by Draft

**4 Thursday.**

Election here today Excitement great. Recd over \$10<sup>00</sup> this Eve up till 1 ½ K P.M. working like thunder.

**5 Friday.**

Crowd in here. Election News Cheering for Opposition. Taking Plenty of Money. Excitement on all Sides Rains most all day

**6 Saturday.**

Opposition gains great Democrats knocked under Rains Line works hard Receiving & Sending all day

**8 Monday.**

Wrote Pond & Warren yesterday. Elections News doubtful nothing Reliable Plenty of Work. Rain plenty

**9 Tuesday.**

All News at last. Opposition gains 7 Members of Congress some in Senate & House

**10 Wednesday.**

Fine Weather Nothing News Wrote Home

**11 Thursday.**

Warm nothing remarkable

**12 Friday.**

Nice Weather Nothing news Rain this Eve

**13 Saturday.**

Nothing News. Left for Chattanooga this Eve

**15 Monday.**

Arrived in Chattanooga yesterday mng found Mitchell at Critchfield House fine Scenery between Stevenson & Ch crossed Tennessee River Bridge beautifill foggy in Mng. at 9 AM. Rode part & walked balance to Lookout Mountain 3000 feet high Scenery Splendid See abt 100 Miles distance Wilson Opr thr sick. Return. Aqainted with Howard & Crow Oprs. Critchfield did not Charge me for Meals. Returned in Eve to T.

**16 Tuesday.**

Yesterday fine day. Been tired fm walking. Fine Weather today. Yesterday I took the Paper out of Register & Rule too because Brooks hd bn practicing & broke my Door open Thomas mad wanted to return \$40<sup>00</sup> Says if I was a White man he would whip me if Money or Influence with

Cole Whiteside or Trabue will discharge me he will use Brooka mad wants to fight I forbid him to practice any more. Put Rule back. Wrote Trabue all abt it.

**17 Wednesday.**

Yesterday. Wrote to Ed Mitchell abt that Affair. Today Warm Line down I started & found it broke in 2 Places 3 Miles fm Nashville. Got Geo Trabue to go with me & we got through with it at night did not have Dinner nor Supper Tired awfully fm working hard in the Sun, Rcd news Ppr Commercial fm Warren he is well will write soon

**18 Thursday.**

Fine Morning. Rcd 85 Cts fm Norton Tullahoma. Letter from Opr Pascagoula miss enquiring abt Peck former Opr. here Wrote him

**19 Friday.**

Nothing News. No Letter fm Trabue yet

**20 Saturday.**

Fine Day. Rcd. Letter fm Pond says he goes to Cleveland to practice nothing news. Wrote Father

**22 Monday.**

Fine day yesterday. Rain afternoon Camp meeting here Seen some of the funniest Looking Niggers I ever did see. No Letters yet Fine Weather Rcd Letter fm Warren today. Says is coming to see me

**23 Tuesday.**

Fine Day. Rcd Letter fm Trabue he says should let Mr. Thomas practice. Says I can keep Office as long as I please during good Behavior Wrote Warren this afternoon. Repairing today

**24 Wednesday.**

No Letter fm Home Business brisk. Weather pleasant Rcd Letter fm Miss Opr & answr

**25 Thursday.**

Weather fine. Rcd Letter from Mobile fm W. Tanner Supt. N.Y. & N.O. Lines says may give me an Ofs in 2 months Answered his Letter this evening

**26 Friday.**

Rcd. Letter fm Kafka Alton Ill Answered it Wrote home today told em to send me pants Boots &c Ourilla Spanish Mexican former Opr here introduced this eve. Slept with smels like a whisky BBe

**27 Saturday.**

Sent Father \$30<sup>00</sup> in Gold by Adams Ex. Sent Letter to Am Ex. Co Agt Cleveland to DH that package for me Loaned Ourrilla my Shoes which were destined to go with him

### **29 Monday.**

Rain yesterday visited Tullahoma Saw Norton. Returned without Supper on Barney Hughes Train. Fine but cool today. Nothing news

### **30 Tuesday.**

Rcd. Dispatch fm Louisville this Mng that Thurber would relieve me here the fifteenth September fm Trabue. Answered by Telegraph inquiring for Reason Says he wrote me & I would get Letter in few days. Geo. Trabue astonished says I might as well work for an Offs. Wrote Trabue by Exp. Wrote Home to W. Tanner Mobile & Wm S. Morris Supt. Lynchburg Va. Opposition Jubilee today. Ourrilla left for it Sold him my shoes for 50 cts gave him my coat

### **31 Wednesday.**

Fine Day. Rcd Letter fm Trabue says I will be succeeded by Mr H T Thurber if I desire Telegraphed back to him did not desire but if he wanted me to change with Thurber at Stev. Would do it. Answered it is Thurber & Brother he will write me today & see me before I leave. Tis strange, oh Life is drear & righteousness would only seldom at least I am wronged again, & in a hard fix. Wrote father for Money. Wrote Mitchell for help in getting pass over Geo. Road So ends the month but I will try always to do right & fear no man.

## **SEPTEMBER**

### **1 Thursday.**

Fine Day. Nothing news. Thurber wants me to go to Stevenson tonight & Clarke Opr some here. Left for Stevenson on night Train.

### **2 Friday.**

Arrived at Stevenson ok Saw strange electric Light on Heavens Last night worked all day all night

### **3 Saturday.**

Hot & Cloudy. Rain over Line Capt Ross of Memphis Road wishes me to take the Burnsville Miss office. Accepted it He says will unite Ticket Ofs after whole whit it Pay \$50<sup>00</sup> says will tell me Monday Sure Raining this evening.

### **5 Monday.**

Raining yesterday. Arrived in Murf. ok. Got Letter fm Trabue says Letters came to Lesses I am [blacked out] & that the Lesses cld not keep any such Opr. on their Line but that I had done my duty they pay me & we are quits Showd Letter at different places everybody says they never told such thing. Showed Letter to Thomas. Says he wrote one [blacked out] me. Left his house wrote Trabue that accusation is false & it is. Wrote Thurber & sent mess to Capt Ross. Rd Letter fm Pond

### **6 Tuesday.**

Capt Ross answered. Wants to see me I telegraphed Would see him Sunday next No Letter from Home

**7 Wednesday.**

Fine Weather No Letter yet

**8 Thursday.**

**9 Friday.**

**10 Saturday.**

**12 Monday.**

**13 Tuesday.**

**14 Wednesday.**

**15 Thursday.**

Last Week Rcd Mrss fm Thurber he is sick & by the permission of Capt Ross will stay here till 20<sup>th</sup> No Letter yet. Rcd Dispatch fm Trabue has no Objection to my taking Burnsville. Been in Huntsville Ala last. Sunday prettiest Town I ever was in perfect Garden Wrote home Last Week for Money Rcd Letter fr Mobile says the Line he is building will be finished by next Fall.

**16 Friday.**

Rcd Letter fm home all well says they send me Clothing I wanted Rcd my money \$30<sup>00</sup>

**17 Saturday.**

Rcd My Clothing fr home Fine Day. Nothing News Very warm

**19 Monday.**

Fine Day yesterday. Went to Methodist Church. Raining today Rcd Invitation to go to Barleys Show. Went in Evening D.H. Saw Child of the Regiment. Mummy & Dances & Songs. Good enough for Murfreesboro & the Place & Stage. No Letter.

**20 Tuesday.**

Cool & Cloudy Thurber will be here tonight. Thurber arrived Saw Part of Our American Cousin.

**21 Wednesday.**

Thurber taken Charge. Raining all Day. Left my Bedstead got balance of 2.76 ok Left Murfreesboro

**22 Thursday.**

Raining Mng. Arrived in Huntsville. Had to go to Decatur Ala found Capt Ross. Crossed Tennessee River in Steam boat. Saw some beautifull Casimere goats on St Boat. Arrived in Burnsville Miss. 3 ½ PM Small Town. Office at Pride Hotel

**23 Friday.**

Fine Day. Line working Splendid sending thru to Louisville fr N. Orleans Wrote father

### **24 Saturday.**

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Moved Office to Dept with McPeters fm Iuka Hard work had a Bedstead made Got Letter fm Kafka Alton Ill

### **26 Monday.**

Fine Day yesterday. Talked to Mr. Trabue says I can have Stevenson Office Wrote Capt Ross about it Fine Day today. Capt Ross says I can go & Sam Smith stay here. Van Horne says he dont care

### **27 Tuesday.**

Sam Smith takes Charge of Office. Left in Mng for Memphis. Arrived there 11.45 AM Saw Grand Junction Miss Opr. Breakfast there. Made acquaintance of Crowther. Opr in Sup Office. Saw Baker, Kendall Van Horne. Gave me Pass to X Talked a good while with me. Saw Levee Theatre Park Public Square & Main Streets Pretty good Looking Town on Bluffs Went to Depot in Eve. Bought Hat & Pants \$9<sup>50</sup>

### **28 Wednesday.**

Fine Mng. Returned to Burnsville. Stayed till Night Left. Broke one of our Wheels and delayed 4 Hours

### **29 Thursday.**

Arrived in Stevenson 1 P.M. Fine Weather. Thurber repairing Line Cant come in Office Thurber returned Evening Train

### **30 Friday.**

Thurber left for Murfreesboro today. Doing Business here now Found out Salary is \$40<sup>00</sup> New Orleans Lessees 25 & M & C. 15 pr Month

## **OCTOBER**

### **1 Saturday.**

Nothing News Work here pretty Busy. Cold & raining

### **3 Monday.**

Fine Day yesterday but Cold Both Thurbers here today Wrote Warren & Father Train off Track. Arrived here in Eve instead of Morning Cripple here from Zanesville O.

### **4 Tuesday.**

H.F. Thurber left last Night Making out Report today Fine Day. Cool Cripple left on Train this Morning. Wrote.

**5 Wednesday.**

Fine Day. No News here Agreed with Joe Hill he should board me if I give him Reports And learn him how to telegr<sup>ph</sup> Agreed

**6 Thursday.**

Nice Day Nothing News

**7 Friday.**

Nothing News yet Thurber left for Chattanooga on Evening Train. Coming back tomorrow

**8 Saturday.**

Fine Day. Commenced boarding with Hill today told Rice reason

**10 Monday.**

Nice And Cold yesterday. Both Thurbers here raising H-- Both left on Evening Train. Good Weather today Wrote Letter to Leah Colman & father

**11 Tuesday.**

Fine Day. Train fm Memphis behind Arrived at 11 Oclock Nothing News. Gave Washing to Washwoman at \$1<sup>50</sup> pr Month

**12 Wednesday.**

Fine Weather. Memphis Train behind arrived 9.15 A.M. Williams mad because I did not tell him they were to Breackfast here Hill had them all No News. News Boys here in Evening

**13 Thursday.**

Fine Day Cloudy Wrote E.R. Felton Com. College Nothing News Fair in Nashville

**14 Friday.**

Fine Weather. Nothing Loaned Seep Hall 2<sup>00</sup> News Boy 25

**15 Saturday.**

Seen Mr. Vanhorne here this Morning. Nothing News

**17 Monday.**

Fine Day yesterday. Both Thurbers here to spend Sunday. Big Women measuring 7 foot 4 Inches & little Women here. Fine Weather today. No Letter. Line down.

**18 Tuesday.**

Letter fm Warren. Hes OK. Went out on Line today but nothing found. Sent for Shaffners Book to Carville Nashville

**19 Wednesday.**

On Line in Mng fixed it over Tenn River Bridge. Near Bridgeport Another Letter fm Warren. Recd Book Shaffners Telegh Manual Priced 5<sup>00</sup> first frost here this year

**20 Thursday.**

Sent Carville 5<sup>00</sup> by Express fine Weather cool in Mng Wrote Warren Cin. No Letter. Wrote Jordan Supervisor for Hand Car. Sent H.F. Thurber 75 cents to pay to Hall & Co. Murfreesboro.

**21 Friday.**

Nothing News Fine Weather No Letter from home yet

**22 Saturday.**

Nice Weather. Rcd Letter from home by Engineer who got it from Sam Smith Burnsville all well say will write more distinct next time.

**24 Monday.**

Fine Weather yesterday. Walked with Sleeping Car Conductor fm Norwalk or somewheres near there, up to Mountain & Spring 45 Niggers came up on Train and remained here over night. Those Niggers waked me up about 3 oclock this Morning dancing & playing & exercising round some nice Women in Crowd. Fine day no Frost this Morning. Sent Letter home.

**25 Tuesday.**

Fine Day. No Letters Trabue here this P.M. on his Way to Chatt Introduced to Phillips Opr Cincinnati going to Memphis

**26 Wednesday.**

VanHorne here this Morning wants to see Trabue. Telegraphed to Trabue & he answ would come. Both came & stopped over night Fine day no Letter. Thurber Ch abusing me this Morning will report him

**27 Thursday.**

Fine Morning. Van Horne left on 5.30 AM train. Trabue stayd here till 5 30 P.M. No Letters Talked to him about General Matters. Did not refer to Murfreesboro Affairs. Have a Bile on Face hurt Went to Bed abt 8 P.M. H.F. Thurber wants Shaffner after I get throu with it dont think I will lend it Pretty warm during Day

**28 Friday.**

Nice Morning but Cold No Letter this Mng Letter from home this Evening all well. Want to know whether I got my clothes & advice whether Marcus should continue going to School He is in 1<sup>st</sup> class Grammer School Huntsville Line not working

**29 Saturday.**

Fine day but Cold. Cutt hole into partition this PM & made fire Thurber from Ch came here in Eve but returned Agn as his Bro was not here to meet him. No Letters today

**31 Monday.**

Nice Day yesterday. Rice object to hole in Partition. Wrote Bob Asa to talk to Cole abt it. Changed keys with Asa Hard work Cutt Wire near Depot and fluid No Letter. Thurber from F here gng to D this Mng Nice Day today. Put in Ground Wire found fluid connected Wire Put

new Piece of Wire in new Ofs found Ground Wire for Ofs no account . Babb & Larcomb came with extra Engine to fix it put in new G.W. long Rod & new Copper Wire she works. Both Thurbers gng to F. here this P.M.

## **NOVEMBER**

### **1 Tuesday.**

Fine Day. Cold. Fixed G.W. to Williams Ofs. Both Lines OK Report made out & sent to Trabue Receipts being 3709 Expenditure 3595 Larcombe Our Line 1675 Nu Line 745 sent both Reports. No Letter. Nashville Train late arrived 830 PM. Had Axle broken on Tender whole Train stopped here over night Some Passengers drunk Barney Hughes Conductor Did his Telegraphing himself Thurbers have chills in F. I hear Wrote Father & Mailed today

### **2 Wednesday.**

Fine but Cold Letter from Warren this Eve. Says he is moving across River. dont know how soon he is coming down here. Says Ladd opr coming south here. All well Billy Riggin & Gill send me 73

### **3 Thursday.**

Fine Day. Warm & Clear. Wrote Warren pretty lengthy Letter. No News from Home. Bought 2 Shirts for 4 Dollar

### **4 Friday.**

Fine Day. No Letter Sent in Monthly Report Recd Receipt & nine Dollars Accident on Memphis & Charleston R R near Cherokee killing Colton Engineer breaking firemans Leg & injuring another Engineer. Train arrived here about 1 Oclock PM

### **5 Saturday.**

Nothing News Sent in my Bill against M & C RR Co \$22

### **7 Monday.**

Fine Day yesterday. Thurber come from Murfreesboro wanted me to start in Mng to repair Line near Bellbuckle. Wrote Tanner Mobile Fine and warm like Summer today. Went out and found Line broken in 2 Places Spliced & repaired and when Thurber & Deany Wilson came had her OK soon. Went to Bellbuckle & then with Construction Train to Christiana Expens on Line 160. Went to Murfreesboro with Passenger & back from there with night Train pretty tired.

### **8 Tuesday.**

Fine and warm. No Letter. Thomas talking to me over Line and Brooks also T wanted reconciliation & I consented on Terms if he would treat me like a man The Population had a Riot last night Demolishing the Houses of Illfame &c Feathers cover Streets instead of snow today

### **9 Wednesday.**

Pretty nice Weather No Letters

### **10 Thursday.**

Nothing Remarkable Loaned Frank Campbell 1.00 to be returned Monday

**11 Friday.**

Circus of Levi J. North here with Calliope Humbug and no account. Man cutt a Tree down ½ mile above here I tool Line out of Pole but it broke in Switch awfull work with it. Raining & Cold Had to put in a Piece to make connection. Connected Line with Copper Wire they worked thro. Bought Over coat & Silk vest for 11 Dollars

**12 Saturday.**

Traded about knife Spendr & Pocket Book freight off Track 3 Miles fm here. Cold tonight Hailstorms in Nashville & Hard work with freight this Evening Rcd Letter from Home and 1 Uncles Bernhard Prague all well

**14 Monday.**

Cold yesterday first Snow this year in Nashville. None here Wrote to father today. Rcd Letter from Chester Pond fm Geneva. O where he is now Opr Says has been there 3 Months+ Man killed Saturday Night And Condr DeWoody is going to be tried for Murder as he put him off Train & He was Drunk Cold here but clear

**15 Tuesday.**

Cold and Clear this Morning. Sent Theo Thurber Shaffners Book to read within this Week DeWoody found Innocent

**16 Wednesday.**

Fine Weather Clear & Warm

**17 Thursday.**

**18 Friday.**

**19 Saturday.**

**21 Monday.**

**22 Tuesday.**

**23 Wednesday.**

**24 Thursday.**

Thanksgiving Day. Rain Lesses order all ofs closed by 11 AM. Bothe Thurbers here today went to Ch in Eve. Been in F. last Sunday. Pretty warm Crowd at Brocks gave Brooks Pipe & he spoke to Me. Spoke to Thomas in Eve. Sent 40 Dollars home yesterday had to borrow 8 Dolls from Dryer keeps Store here Williams Agt gon to be married Wrote home today

**25 Friday.**

Clear & warm today. Nothing new, Wrote Warren Cin today Raining this Eve Lightning reverses my magnets had to change Wires

**26 Saturday.**

Raining today but warm have to rept Oh & N Busns No Letters

### **28 Monday.**

Rained yesterday Went to ch yesterday saw both Thurbs fellow named Bunch Howard opr for Richmond Atlanta Line went down with us Had to repair Line today was out of Pole above Lookout Tunnel Warm & Clear Took Dinner in Shanty on Mountain paid 50 Cents. Back in Eve

### **29 Tuesday.**

Clear & warm No News Pretty busy

### **30 Wednesday.**

Letter from home. Father says Send Letters No 46 Belmont St as my Letters are recd Late. Uncle Simons Wife dead & he is to marry again. Gans ran away and left his Wife & Child to his father in Law. All well. Weather Cloudy & warm

## **DECEMBER**

### **1 Thursday.**

Raining today. Wrote home today Recd Letter from Chester Pond Geneva Oh Says he's well sends 73 from Boys

### **2 Friday.**

Stormy and raining today O. watomie Brown hanged at Charleston Va today No News Sent my Rept to Larcombe Supt 4.83 Balance due me

### **3 Saturday.**

Cool & Cloudy. Rain in Evening Memphis Train arrived at 1 oclock instead of 5 PM detained by much Snow near Memphis No Letters

### **5 Monday.**

Lonesome yesterday. Raining today had to connect both Lines to work through to Memphis & Tuscumbia. Sent Letters one to Thos L Carter Louisville & 1 to Pond Geneva No Letters today

### **6 Tuesday.**

Stormy last Night .Line worked hard Snow this morning first Snow this Season I have seen. Cold Nashville Road in bad fix high water in all creek and Rivers ordered to be up tonight Went to Bed at 12 oclock.

### **7 Wednesday.**

Coldest Day this Winter yet Frost very hard. No Trains on Time today Trestle near Florence reported in bad condition. Up till 2 ½ AM No Stove in Office mighty cold

### **8 Thursday.**

Mighty Cold this Morning. Train runs off 14 Mile from Station in Morning Smith Condr Mighty lot of Telegraphing done. Cole reporting Thurber for not repairing Line Trabue decided he must do it but that Our Business hours were from 7 A.M. to 9 PM. 14 hours if Mr Cole wished us to Work after 9 P.M. he had to pay. Mr Cole telegraphs us he will compensate us. Suppose well charge him 1 Dollar per hour. Up till 3.30 AM

**9 Friday.**

Cold again Road fixing up all right again freight started from here today Not so cold as has been before this Week Snow about ½ inch getting warm this Noon

**10 Saturday.**

Cold milder in P.M. Recd Letter fm home saying 40 D all right. Wish to have me hold My Word as I said I might send 50 in Dec. or Jany. Letter from Louisville written by Douglas Esq our Traces with 9<sup>32</sup> Draft on Carville. Another Letter fm Geo Trabue Nashville to say hes ok enclosed Rules of Lessees. Dispatch recd fm Tuscumbia to get Opr Mc Passes to U. by next Train

**12 Monday.**

Raining yesterday. Nothing News Fine Day today. Rcd Letter from Warren says his Bro has Gravel Pit Ofs at 30.00 per Month. No News Recd Dispatch fr Carville he sends me 9<sup>32</sup> by Mail.

**13 Tuesday.**

Fine Weather. Partition made in my Office Wrote Letters to Asa, Quarrels between Cole & Thurbers about Amount to pay for extra Work

**14 Wednesday.**

No News. Things going ok

**15 Thursday.**

Nothing News Rice Mad at me

**16 Friday.**

Fine. Rain in Evening Ladd from O & M RR here today he goes to Hu & then to Memphis Trabue decided that in Case of danger of Life as Trains on R.R We have to Work free after 9 P.M. or be rewarded according to Supt Will Ident for som Supplies

**17 Saturday.**

Rain today. Ladd worked in Hu Office. Today went to Memphis in E. Wrote Capt Ross Letter for increase of Salary. Williams reporting tonight time & No of Passes contrary to Purse No Letters

**18 ~~12~~ Monday.**

Nothing News yesterday. Went to Chattan. Yesterday to get my book & was left. Come back today with pretty busy Capt. Writes that \$15 is enough & if I wished to leave to notify him

**20 ~~13~~ Tuesday.**

Nothing remarkable. Sent Book with Letter to Bob Asa. Told him if Cole is going to pay Thurbers \$1 pr hour I am going to have same

**21 ~~14~~ Wednesday.**

Clear and Cold Nothing News

**22 Thursday.**

Letter from Warren this Eve says Billy Riggins is now Train Dispatcher and Billy Woodard is Opr in [illegible] Nothing more. Have a very bad Bile on my Neck

**23 Friday.**

Wrote Warren. Nothing news. Bsns Brisk. Gent from Norwich N.Y. here today helps me little with Boile Weather clear & cold

**24 Saturday.**

Clear and cold. Nothing News heavy Pain with Boile

**26 Monday.**

Cool yesterday. Said in Bed till Noon. Bile very disagreeable. Nothing News today. Got Gold for father with trouble. Recd Letter from home father & Mother & ?eil & Lisie wrote so much good News. Am very glad to have all the News at once

**27 Tuesday.**

Sent father fifty 50 Dollars in gold Wrote by Mail in S BM Warm today

**28 Wednesday.**

Nothing News plenty of Business Warm & clear

**29 Thursday.**

Raining hard today. Rained all night yesterday Line works very Hard to Ch & U

**30 Friday.**

Bad weather Rain Memphis Train went through No Train for U. Memphis Train broke through Trestle, breaking one Mans arm & injuring slightly several others Great Crowd here. Have to repeat by P. Line down to N—Trains all stay here over Night

**31 Saturday.**

Cold & snowing. Had to go out in Mng found big Tree on Line had it cleared by Section Men. Got back at Noon Line OK but Hu Line down today All Trains working at Wreck first Train for Ch since yesterday at 3 30 P M. Had 250 South Carline Niggers aboard great crowding here in Eve regular Memphis Train stopped here over night. Thurber fm F been here all day. Lazy chap

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