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During the years 1853 through 1855, as always, Patty's days were full of domestic and medical activities. But these years invited her into new avenues as well. She went to dancing school. She attended lectures given by Dr. William France, a convert to Mormonism in England and a doctor of fine reputation. She joined a "theological society." She participated in community concerns, such as petitioning for a transcontinental railroad to pass through the territory. She continued to try to name every person with whom she had contact, although, as the population increased, people became increasingly harder to identify. And she wholeheartedly used her energy to be "presidentess" of a society to aid the poor.

If I should not live long enough to become famous, this journal will be interesting to the psychologist. The record of a woman's life, written down day by day, without any attempt at concealment, as if no one in the world were ever to read it, yet with the purpose of being read, is always interesting . . . and I write down everything, everything, everything. Otherwise why should I write?

These words were written by Marie Bashkirtseff in the preface to her journal. Patty didn't exactly write "everything, everything, everything." But she mentioned what we could call everything in passing. What she didn't reveal should fascinate a reader and amateur psychologist as much as what she did.

1853

he left lice enough to pay me for my trouble had they all been coppers and cents

JANUARY 1853

Jan 1 1853 Saturday I have been up to P Gs to Davids infair he was Married last thursday Dec 30 I came home found all well have been gone ever since last monday Sund 2 I went to meeting then went & see Naomi went to Br Jacobs in the evening Mond 3 washed & baked Tuesd 4 ironed & baked pies David down wed 5 split husks to put in a bed Thursd 6 moved the corn Frid 7 mended & churned then went and put Mathew Castows wife to bed with a daughter [Elizabeth Mary] born 11 P M² Satd 8 went to the counsel of health ^then to see sister Tylor [Abigail Abbott, 1829–1854]²⁴^ Sund 9 went to O Conners wife on Br Taylors farm Dr Wms= came³ I gave her up to him Mond 10 David Phebe & Mary came down he went to mill Tuesd 11 we went to sister Fosses I then went and gave sister Moss an Emetic in the evening Wed 12 Cadwaliday brought us a load of wood yesterdays¹¹ to day he is cutting it up Thursd 13 sister Pratt & Mary Ann was here Frid ⁷ put in a quilt for Martha Ann [her granddaughter] Ann Barrot [Barrett?] helped quilt it Satd 15 I got it out David took the calf home yesterdays¹¹ we went to meeting David & Phebe & Mary down we are going out to Smoots Monday we went to Smoots Sister sick Tuesd 18 we came home wed 19 Thursd ²¹²¹ I baked pies went to sister Angels she was not at home got some nails at the store Frid 21 Dixon staid here last night left live vermin in the bed but did not so much as thank us for his loging supper and breakfast I do not know but he left lice enough to pay me for my trouble had they all been coppers and cents for there was two kinds of them Satd 22 went to the counsel of health Sund 23 went to meeting stoped at sister Fosse David and Phebe were there David brought me

2. Mary Elizabeth Daniels (1824–1903) was the wife of Matthew Galland Casto (b. 1822).

3. Ezra Granger Williams (1823–1905) was listed in the 1860 census as a physician. He had come to the valley in 1849 and established a hospital in 1852. Williams’s wife Henrietta wrote in her journal, “We gave up our new home for a hospital when the gold rush of ’52 was on. . . .” The home, a seven-room adobe structure, stood at 44 East North Temple (see Howard D. Wilcox, “Deseret’s First Hospital,” Utah Medical Bulletin [December 1976]: 3, photocopy, Archives of the Historical Department, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Salt Lake City.

4. This possibly could be Matthew Caldwell (1822–1912), a member of the Mormon Battalion. Many of the battalion members boarded at Patty’s home temporarily, and some of them worked for her (see note 5 for Diary 3).
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January 1853

Mon 24 I washed Tues 25 visited at Dr Richards wed 26 ironed sewed carpet rags Thursd 27 commenced a letter to Sylvia Friday 28 Satd 29 David & Judge Childs here6 Sund 30 went to meeting Mond 31 finished my letters one to P G and one to Sylvia and put them in the office Mr Parry has commenced Browns House to day

February 1853

Tuesd Feb-1 sewed carpet rags wed 2 the same Thursd 3 the same Naomi came here Frid 4 my birthday 58 years old to day I feel well and happy praise the Lord Sat 5 Naomi goes away Phebe here Mary Parry came here with Caleb's child to wean6 I go to the counsel of health had much good instruction Sund 6 Wordon came here staid all night7 I do not go to meeting he and Mr Parry goes Mary and child here yet Mond 7 I comence a pair of mittens for Mr Parry Tuesd 8 nitting wed 9 I was called to sister Roads [Rhodes?] she was dangerously sick Susannah was there I soon found we could do nothing for her we sent for sister Shearer she could do nothing for her we then perposed to her to have a Dr but she said she had been butchered once by Dr Vaughn and she would not have a Dr neither would she take any lobelia the child's arm was born before I was sent for and her pains had left her we all staid all night Thurs 10 we all stay she had no pains appeard cheerful conversed about many things sometimes would say she should die then we would tell her she had better take somthing she would then say she was just so easy when her twins were born thus the day pased off we washed her and changed her clothes about 5 oclock P M eat her supper after and commenced having pains the child's arm still in the birth place could not be put back about 9 we became alarmed sent for the Elders again and for a Dr he was not at home the Elders came Br Woodruff staid by her8 Br Willard


6. Caleb Parry and Catherine Vaughn Evans had a son, Bernard Evans, born on 3 March 1852. Mary Parry was Caleb's older sister.

7. Patty is probably referring to Nathaniel P. Worden, who in 1852 married Harriet, the other widow of David Sessions. They moved to Provo, then to what is now Eden in Ogden Canyon. Worden later moved to southern Utah, and in 1867 Harriet married Francis Clarke.

8. Wilford Woodruff writes in his diary: "This was a painful day. I was called at about 1 oclock this morning to administer to sister Rhodes who had been labouring in Child birth for two days. She was nearly worn out as she Could not be deliverd. Brothr Franklin Richards with myself administered to her but she died at 2 oclock amid the greatest Agony. I closed her eyes. At 3 oclock PM. there was a Post mortom examination. The Presidency and several of the Twelve were
[Richards] could not come Dr Sprague was sick Brigham was not to be found and we got no Dr until sometime after between 10 and 11 the child gave a strong move while her pain was on her she instantly put her hand on her left side and said she was dying told sister Shearer she could do no more for her at 2 o'clock A M she fell asleep the child died but a few minutes before she did the next day she was opened found that the child had made a rupture through the womb in her left side where she put her hand and said she was dying the child was taken out she sowed up again the child laid in her arms and Sat 12 she was buried Br Brigham preached a great discourse9 also told the people that he had searched into the whole of the affair and there was no blame to be laid on any one and he did not wish to hear stories about it. I know she would not have anything done for her that was not done neither would she take any medicine Sund 13 I went to meeting Mond 14 [written over 5] we went to see and hear the ground dedicated to the Lord where the temple is to be built and they commenced digging it out10

present. The surgical operation was performed by Dr Andrews. And no blame was attached to the midwives who officiated. <The following is the result of the examination: The child lay across the womb with own hand oblong, the head lay on the right side the feet on the left. The child had torn the womb to bits with this feet and the [afterbirth?] so if the child had been born the woman could not live. The doctor gave the following instructing to the woman: If the child presents feet first put the hand into the womb and bring out the child feet first. And if the child's face is turned so the chin would hook under the [-] bone turn the child with the face towards the backbone. Then it can be born. If the child's feet come doubled up put up the hand and bring down one limb at a time in the womb and turn the child. He said a [-] should not be consulted at such times but the midwife should use her own judgment>" (ed. Scott G. Kenney, Wilford Woodruff's Journal, 9 vols. [Midvale, Utah: Signature Books, 1983], 4:190.

9. Wilford Woodruff reports the discourse of Brigham Young in detail: "... When we loose our Friends we mourn. ... Women were not made to die in child bed as sister Rhodes has done. ... But what would really be a cases of mourning? It would be to follow a person to the grave who had not improved their day of salvation. ... I would say to the children dont mourn for your mother. I would to God you was as sure of salvation as your mother is. ... [Sister Rhodes] lives now more than she did before. ... I request the children to do as well as your mother has done according to the light you have & I will warrant you salvation & Eternal life. ... I want to say to all present there is no blame to be attached to any of the sisters who waited upon Sister Rhodes. They have all done as well as they could for I have enquired into the whole affair & her time had Come to die & so will [yours] in its turn" (Woodruff's Journal, 4:191–92).

10. Willard Richards wrote an account, which was published in the Deseret News. "Monday, February 14th, 1853 [was] as clear and lovely a day as the sun ever shone on G. S. L. City. ... While the people were assembling, they were cheered with the sweetest strains from the Brass, and capt. Ballo's Bands." A survey of the Temple was taken by Jesse W. Fox, supervised by Truman O. Angell, the
tuesd 15 the seventies [Quorum of Seventy] meet to day Mr Parry has gone I am baking I hear that my grand daughter Martha Ann has got a son [William Cochran Adkinson Smoot] one week old to day I am now great grand Mother Wed 16 I go to meeting to day David down to day Thursd 17 I finish Mr Parrys mittens it snowed and rained some I have saved watter enough to wash sister James here to get counsel what to do for her side she has a sweling on her side I gave her counsel what to do Frid 18 sewed carpet rags Ann Barrat here brought a letter to me to read that she had got from her Br Satd 19 I went to the counsel of health much good instruction given Sund 20 we have been to meeting had a good meeting I feel first rate in body and mind the Lord blesses me with his spirit and I have enough of this worlds goods to make me comfortable and I feel happy praise the Lord for his goodness Mond 21 I sewed Tuesd 22 I washed Susannah was here Mr Parry to work on the public works after she went away I made a pig pen wed 23 he brought a pig home put it in the pen sister More came here Thursd 24 Mary here & David in the evening all went home Frid 25 Elizabeth Foss here in the forenoon in the after noon we went to visit sister Kesler [Emeline Parker, b. 1816] Sat 26 went to Br Miloms funeral Sund 27 we went to meeting Mond 28 Mr Parry has gone to the high counsel since sister Roads was opened I have done but little work I touched some of the clothes that was under her when she was opened got my fingers [scratched out: ——] bloody on my right hand they have been very sore every since one is not well yet those that opened her have had very bad hands and also the one that washe d her they seem to be mortification sores Mary Parry and Joseph & wife here Mary has come to stay

MARCH 1853

Tuesday she cleans my house some wed March 2d Thursd 3 Fast I go to meeting Frid 4 we have Co sisters Hyde, Pratt Kimbal and others Br Hyde came in the evening David & wife staid all night Sat 5 I went to the counsel

architect. Brigham Young addressed the assembly, describing some of the vicissitudes the church had endured. Heber C. Kimball offered the consecrating prayer: “it seemed he knew not when to stop, till his lungs failed him, and he said Amen, and all the people with joyful hearts shouted AMEN.” At the southeast corner of the site, the church presidency picked around a piece of earth about one foot square, assisted by the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, the mayor, J edediah M. Grant, and others. Its origin unknown, a one-dollar silver piece fell on the site, and Heber C. Kimball prophesied “that it was a good token, and means would not be wanted to build the Temple.” President Young declared the ground broken and dismissed the people, but some had their tools ready, and “much earth was removed that afternoon . . . ?” (“The Temple” [Deseret News, 19 February 1853], 3:26).
of health much good instruction given David went to Smoots came back they stay all night again here I go to Br Campkins she is sick Sunday 6 I stay with her I put her to bed with a daughter [Sarah] born 9 P M I then came home Mond 7 Mr Parry has gone to hunt for the mare he came back did not find her Tuesd 8 I went to see sister Kampkin she is smart wed 9 Mary [Parry] & I dig the parsnips snows and rains cleared at dark Thursd 10 rains after noon ground covered with snow my thumb is not well yet and I do not know when it will be well Friday 11 Sat 12 Sund 13 we go to meeting sister Shearer came home with us then I went with her to see Susannah Mond 14 made a leach Tuesd 15 ^Mary^ washed wed 16 cannot make soap for the want of wood sew carpet rags Thursd 17 Frid the same Sat 19 go to the counsel of health then up to Hary Waltons 10 miles to see his wife found her very sick Sund 20 staid all day and night left her better then visited his mother found her quite sick prescribed for her then to Br Lovlins to see her babe its thumbs one weak and bids fair to be a cripple I prescribed for that then came home found Wm & Martha here they staid all night Tuesd 22 he caried Martha & I up to see John Smith & family we had a good visit he brought us back left Martha here and ^babe^ he went home Wed 23 Thursd 24 Frid 25 she is here yet we have got the mare home last monday the ground covered with snow this morning Sat go to the counsel had a good meeting Sund 27 go to meeting Martha goes home with David Mond 28 Mary washed Tues 29 ironed Wed 30 sewed ionions Thursd 31 the same

APRIL 1853

Frid April 1 worked in the garden Sat 2 went to the counsel of health Mary Parry went with me Sund 3 went to meeting Martha and Wm came here & went home Mond washed baked & cleaned Tuesd ironed baked pies Wed 6 went to confrence saw the corner stones laid for a temple conference held till sund Thursd 7 Marry was Maried by Mr Parry to Job Rolin [Job Rolland/Rowland, 1813-1879] Frid 8 Sat 9 Sund 10 the conference closed Mond <11> we washed made soap Tues <12> ironed & finished my soap sowed peas last tuesd ^& potatoes^ wed 13 worked in the garden Thursd 14 Frid 15 the same Sat 16 go to the counsel I have been at Eldridge [Eldredge] his babe is sick two days Sund 17 Mary & Job leave to day to go to Iron County we go to meeting Mond 8 plant potatoes Mr Parry has not been well since conference he took cold then Tuesd 19 Wed 20 Thursd 21 Frid 22 Satd 23 I have worked in the garden all this week and visited Eldridges boy he is better Sund 24 I went out to Cannadas [Cannaday?] last night get home to night find the boy worse a sore coming on his neck Mond wash Tues 26 work in the garden Wend 27 the same Thd 28 Frid 29 wind blows so hard we do not work much in the garden I fear we shall not finish puting in all the potatoes Satd 30 go to the counsel
MAY 1853

Sund May 1 go to meet. Mond 2 Tuesd 3d Wed 4 Thursd 5 I go to fast meeting in the tabernacle I go to sister Keeler she miscarried Frid visited her again as the after birth did not come away then went took sister Kamkin through a course of medicine Br Eldrige boy died Dr Wms tended on him the last two weeks last Tues put sister Cannada to bed with a pair of twins Sat 7 Sund 8 went and took sister Keeler through a course of medicine Mond 9 got a letter from Sylvia & more from P G Tuesd ^10^ worked in the garden Wed 11 took sister Kamkin through another cours of medicine Thursd 12 the afterbirth came away from sister Keeler Frid 13 visited her again found her better Sat 14 went to the counsel we meet next wed in the tabernacle Sund 15 went to meeting Mond 16 Sarah Ann came here to live awhile I wash Tuesd 17 we work in the garden wed 18 the same ^1^ & attended counse ^1^ Thursd 19 the same our cow has I then went put sister Miller to bed with a pair of twins miscarriage Frid 20 took two children through a course of medicine Sat 21 set out cabbage plants Sund 22 went to meeting Wm & Martha came told about Br Smoot getting burnt with powder Br Sister Georges boy has been very sick with scarlet fever rash & throat got distemper I attended him he has got well Mond 23 work in the garden Tuesd the same, wed 25 the same, we have got our cow home she has been lost for four weeks she has dried up her milk Thursd 26 work very hard in the garden Frid 27 the cow has got away again I have been up to the store and see Susanah Sarah Ann has gone to a party Satd 28 Sund 29 we go to meeting Brigham preached on the lack of confidence Mond 30 the mail came in got two letters from P G Tuesd 3[1]

JUNE 1853

May [June] 1 Wed [4 marked out and 1 written over it] 1 I have worked hard in the garden sold $2 50 form [from] the garden for the national Party then went to the counsel of healt[h] Thursd 2 I washed and ironed Sarah went home her


12. Abraham Owen Smoot described the experience: "I was emptying a small keg of powder and standing in a stooping position right over it, and as it did not run out very freely I shook the keg, when it exploded. The staves and pieces of hoops were scattered in every direction, some pieces being afterwards found at least eight rods distant. I was blown into the air and my face and hands most terribly burned. It was a marvel that the staves of the keg were not driven through my body, but it did not appear that a single one had struck me. The whole of the skin came from my face and hands, yet, wonderful to relate, there is not now a mark of powder about my face, and my eyesight, the loss of which I was most fearful of, was not impaired by it" (G. Elliott Berlin, "Abraham Owen Smoot, Pioneer Mormon Pioneer Leader." [master's thesis, Brigham Young University, 1955], 65).
Mother is sick Frid 3 sew turnip seed Mr Parry is replanting corn Sat 4 weed garden Sund ^5^ do not go to meeting Martha came here ^staid all night^ Mond 6 Tues 7 and so on to Sat 11 I worked hard in the garden Sund went to meeting Mond 13 Br Smiths son dro[w]ned in the creek brought in to our house we tried to bring too but failed Tues 15 I went to the funeral Wed 16 went to the counsel Thurs 17 Frid 18 Sat 19 I worked in the garden Sary came back Sund 20 all went to meeting I have worked all this week in the garden Satd 26 Sund 27 [the 6 is written on top of 7 and the 7 on top of 8] put sister Harper to bed with a son born 6h P M Mond 27 worked and Tues 28 [8 written on top of 9] wed 29 went to the counsel Phebe came home with me Thursd 30 she is making me a dress Cottoms boy killed last tuesd by fallig from a waggon13 Thursd 30 I wrote a letter to Sylvia got one from P G

**JULY 1853**

Frid July 1 Phebe finished my dress then went home Satd 2 I baked Sund 3 went to meeting Wm and Martha here and sister Smoot took supper went up to P Gs Mond 11 [4] we all went to celebrrate the day Wm Martha, Mary & Emorett Lasley & 5 others all here to dinner Tuesd 5 I went to the store bought 10 lb sugar & carried my hat to get it alterd went again got 10 lb more wed 6 Harriet came here Thursd I gave her cloth to make James a coat and got Mcentire to cut it gave her some bed valances and gimuim [gingham] to make the babe an apron Frid 8 put Sarah Snow [Ann Prichard, b. 1826] wife of Lorenzo to bed with a son [Lorenzo Dow] born 11 h P M July 7 Frid 8 baked & brewed Satd washed and ironed Sund 10 went to meeting Harriet went up to P Gs Mond 11 watered the garden Tuesd 12 I was caled to sister Winegar [Mary Judd, wife of John Winegar] wed [14 smeared; should be] 13 to the counsel of health ^^Last^ Mond 11 sisters Angel & I & Susannah washed and anointed sister Hunter Thursd I put sister Winegar to bed last night with a daughter born 1 h A M Frid 15 watered the garden Sat 16 Cate here yestarday Sund 17 went to meeting Mond 18 washed ironed made preserves of currents Tuesd 19 go and wash and anoint sister Higbee wed 20 worked in the garden Thursd 21 commenced a letter to P G and one to Sylvia Frid 22 took care of the peas Sat 23 the mail came in Sund 24 go to meeting got two letters from P G & one from Sylvia Mond 25 went & washed & anointed Franklin Richards wife, quite a fuss with the indians14 Tuesd 26 put sister Eldred to bed

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14. On 25 July 1853, an entry in the “Journal History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints” stated that “An express arrived in Salt Lake City at 3 A.M. bringing report of the Indians who had shot two men, who were riding through Summit Creek, Utah County; one was shot in the right wrist and the other
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with a son born 4 P M wed 27 went to the counsel of health Thursd 28 David Lucinia Mary Carlos Julia here Frid 29 made Sarah Ann sack & skirt Sat 30 I have finished a letter to P G and one to Sylvia put them in the office Sund 31 we went to meeting Mr Parry was taken sick in the forenoon meeting we brought him home Enoch Tripp and family came here from the states

AUGUST 1853

Mond August 1 Mr Parry no better Tuesday 2 no better Harriet went away wed 3 Enoch went away up North Mr Parry no better we have the Dr Thursd 4 no better Frid 5 we thought last night & this morning that he must die we sent for Brigham about the time his son Caleb got to Brigham he exclaimed that the destroyer had let go his hold and that he should get well Brigham came but he was quite easy when he got here he laid hands on him and said he would soon be about his son staid with him two nights & 3 days the most of the time Sat 6 he is still better Harriet went home Sund 7 Mond 8

through the left shoulder. The Indians took one horse.” The report further stated that the Indians had driven out the families and taken possession of their houses. On 30 July 1853, another report explained that Chief Walker (Wakara) had been difficult for more than a year, despite the “mild” course of action Governor Young had advised the citizens to take toward him and his tribe. On 18 July, it said, many of the tribe, including Walker and his two brothers, Arrapia (Arapene) and Ammon, were camped on the Peteetneet River just above Payson. “... as Arrapia was riding from the town to his camp he passed close by Alexander Keele, who was on guard, and though another Indian was near by, as near as the spectators could judge, it was Arrapia shot Keele dead on the spot, and this too, after having partaken of a hospitable meal in the fort with all apparent friendliness ...” (hereafter cited as JH), Archives of The Historical Department, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Salt Lake City).

15. Enoch Bartlett Tripp (b. 1823) was the eldest son of William Tripp, Jr.(b. 1794), a Methodist preacher and shoemaker, and Namah Hall Bartlett (b. 1798) was Patty’s sister. He arrived in the Salt Lake Valley on 27 July, 1853. He had first come to Nauvoo because of a rumor that one could profit through speculation as the Mormons prepared to flee their city. However, Tripp visited his cousin Sylvia at Lyons Drug Store—a part of which served as her home. She sent for her mother, Patty, who was happy to greet her nephew. Although Enoch was prejudiced against the Mormons, he observed what he felt were good qualities and later inquired of Patty to see the “Mormon Golden Bible.” Patty showed him a Bible that he recognized as similar to the one his father used. “Aunt Patty said they had another book that the Mormons held as sacred as the bible and brought it forward saying it was called the Book of Mormon ...” Heber C. Kimball came to the home of Windsor P. Lyon to rebaptize him on 1 February 1846 and baptized Enoch as well. Enoch was asked to stay in Nauvoo to aid in the removal of the saints since as a newcomer, he would arouse less suspicion (see Enoch Bartlett Tripp, “Autobiography,” 8–10, microfilm, #ms 8795, Archives of the Historical Department, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Salt Lake City).
he is getting better Tuesd 9 wed he is so that I went Mond 3 and put Jane [Ballantyne] Taylor to bed to day [with a son, David John] go and to the counsel of health Thursd 11 Frid 12 he is still better Satd 13 a special confrence I went Sund 14 he and I both went in Enoch Tripps carriage in the forenoon went home with Enoch & David that night it has done him good riding Mond 15 I took a man through a course of medicine up there Tuesd 16 we came home wed 17 I washed Thursd 18 ironed commenced to make Sarah Anns dress I got her and me a dress and other things of Enoch Frid 19 cut her a bonnet we have had a fine shower her mother is here making her dress Mr Parry has got so he works a little in the garden Satd 20 Sund 21 we went to meeting in the afternoon went & helped wash & anoint sister Reece Mond 22 Sarah Ann went home Tuesd I was called to Jane Orman[d] [Jane Lloyd Jones, 1831–1853] she had Dr William sister Daniels &c since last Thursday I took her through a course of medicine she was better Thursd 24 she is worse and but little hopes of her I am sent for counsel Dr Sprague came said the child must be taken away by force I told him somebody else must do it he went and came again with Dr Andrew he said perhaps she would get through herself with without force told us to wait and he would stay at home and if we needed him he would come any time Susannah came before Andrews she staid with me both Dr went home about 3 o clock in the morning the childs head was born but we could not get the body with force we sent for Br Andrews he came put a towel around it neck he puled on that I steaded the child and kept from making any incision on the Mother as soon as the child was born we could not get the body with force we sent for Br Andrews he came put a towel around it neck he puled on that I steaded the child and kept from making any inscision on the Mother as soon as the child was born we had to burn rags and sugar to cleanse the house as we had done it many times before when I first went there I then took the afterbirth we put her to bed she soon appeared as comfortable as we could expect she had her sences we staid with her the most of the day but felt that she could not live she said she was well satisfied with what we had done and could meet me in another world and hail me with joy she died about nine oclock P M Frid 26 she was buried with her babe in her arms Sat 27 Sund 28 I commenced a letter to P Co Sylvia and one to Mother Sund 28 ^got letters^ we went to meeting Mond 29 finished my letter wed 30 put them in the office Phebe & David came here staid all night Thursd 31 David went to Smoots she staid here made me a dress her Mother was here David came took her [the mother] home & Phebe staid here

SEPTEMBER 1853

Frid Sept 1 she and I went to her Mothers Sat <Mr> Parry & I went to the singing exebition at the tabernacle\textsuperscript{16} Sund 3 we went to meeting Mond 4 we went to E Tripps Tuesd 5 cut and shocked the com & made Sarah a sack wed

\textsuperscript{16} This would have been the "old" Tabernacle, completed for conference in 1852. Made of adobe brick, as Patty mentions, the building was dedicated during the
6 I go to the counsel of health \got a load of wood from Woolcot\ \Thursd\ \^8 Frid 9^ washed & ironed \Satday 10 baked pies \Sunday 11 put Harriet Taylor \[Harriet Whitaker, b. 1825\] to bed with a son \[William Whitaker or John\] born 7 PM \Mond 12 went to see her \Tues 13 I went again \wed 14 went up to town \Thursd 15 made preserves of mellons \Frid 16 \Satd 17 \Sund 18 went to meeting Enoch Tripp & wife here \Mond 19 made preserves & couloured black \Tuesd 20 Mr Parry commenced work last Thursd on Littles house he has been sick a long time \wed 21 I went to the counsel had a good meeting \Thursd 22 visited Abigail Tylor she is very sick \Frid 23 Martha came here \Sat 24 we went to see Abigail again Phebe came here both staid all night \Sund 25 rains I do not go to meeting Martha commenced a letter to P G her Father I commenced one to Sylvia Br Smoot & wife came took Martha home David came took Phebe home Mr Parry came from meeting is writing in Sylsias letter the first he has ever wrote to her \Monday 26 I put in Martha\s quilt \Tuesd 27 washed sister Higbee here helped me quilt in the afternoon \Wed 28 she came helped me get the quilt out staid all night \Thursd 29 starched & ironed gathered my peaches had 1:40 \carried \Frid 30 finished my letters put them in the office the mail came in

**October 1853**

\Sat Oct 1 \went to the Office got a letter from P G I carried sister Abigail Tylor 3 pies \Sun 2 \went to meeting \Mond 3 \paid 14 peaches for tithing bought me a bonnet gave 3 dollars for it got it done up \Tuesd 4 \quilted my peticoat \wed 5 baked went to the counsel got my bonnet \Thursd 6 \went to conference last Mond I got the things P G sent by Br Forsgreen\^17 \Lucinia & Mary came & got them today he sent me a cravat very nice one \Frid 7 \went to conference \Sund 9 put Elizabeth \[Kaighin\] Taylor to bed with a son \[Arthur Bruce\] born 10 minutes past three A M was with her all day yesterday \Mond 10 Wm Parry & wife came here\^18 and others sister Taylor Lee John Morris & wife Joseph Parry & wife kc \Tuesd 11 I put Wms wife to bed here with a son born 2 oclock & 16 minutes P M \wed 12 \washed Br Migley \[Joshua Midgley, 1832–1912\] here

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first session of conference on 6 April 1852. For the first time, three thousand saints could meet indoors at any time of year. This Tabernacle, with its triangle-shaped frame enclosing a carved pine sun and rays beneath the apex of the roof, was used until 1867, when the present Tabernacle was completed. As early as 1854, however, seating did not accommodate the crowds, forcing congregations outside again (see Stewart L. Grow, *A Tabernacle in the Desert* [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book Co., 1958], 20–27).

17. John Erick Forsgren (1816–1890) had been a member of the Mormon Battalion. His wife was Mary Ann Hunt.

18. William Parry (1820–1891) was another son of John, Patty’s husband. His wife was Jane Vaughn (b. 1820).
told me much about P G Thursd 13 Mary ^Morgan^ here from the camp ^washed^ Frid 14 ironed Sister ^Agnes^ Moss here I wrote for her she ironed for me Satd 15 Sund 16 do not go to meeting Mond 17 Tuesd 18 Eliza Morgan washed wed 19 ironed went to the counsel of health Thursd 20 Frid 21 Sat 22 I have a hard time to take care of Wms wife and do my work Sund 23 do not go to meeting Mond 24 sent for to go to David Tubmens [Tubman?] Jane his daughter sick thought she was dying wed 26 Thursd 29 Frid 28 I have been here every day to see her Sat 29 they send me word she is dead Sund go to meeting get a letter from P G Sund 30 Mond 31 I wrote one to him one to Sylvia put them in the Office put 15 dollars cash into the Poor fund and a cloak prised at [blank space] and a hat prised at

**November 1853**

**Tuesd Nov 1** washed Sister Waylet helped me wed 2 went to the counsel Thursd ironed cut my cloak & sack Frid 4 Sat 5 sent for to a sick man took him through a course of medicine then I was sent for to go North 13 miles to Harry Waltons wife she is sick called from there to another sick man then came home then went to see another sick man Tuesd been to see if I could get him into a house he is poor and in a poor place Wed 9 husked corn Thursd 10 husked corn Frid 11 called to Ann Parrys babe Satd 12 went again thought it would not live Sund 13 went to meeting again to the 14th ward school house in the evening Mond 14 set up a leach for soap two men gone for wood had two load hauled last week & finished diging the vegetables Frid Br Waylot worked for us 10 days Tuesd 15 washed wed 16 went and washed & anointed a sister her backbone out of place Thursd 17 visited the sick Brs Moody & cox [Orville Southerland Cox, 1814–1888] ironed Frid 18 made my quilted peticoat Satd 19 went to the counsel of health Sund 20 went to meeting Mond 21 sewed Tuesd 22 visited sick Wed 23 we have had 5 load of wood holoed four from Brighams canyon 1 from red bute 5 in all Satday 26 went up to P Gs Phebe had a daughter [Sarah Phebe] born before I got there Sund 27 I came home

**December 1853**

**Dec 3** went to the counsell[l] of health Sund 4 went to meeting Tuesd 6 we washed Sund 11 went to meeting day before yestarday put Edward Wades wife [Belinda Hickenlooper] to bed with a son born Dec 9 5 A M Mond 12 Sat 17 went to the counsel of health Sund 20 went to meeting Mond 19 visited the sick last week set out Apple trees Tuesd 20 wed 21 cut carpet rags Thurs 22 killed the pig weighed 226 lb Friday ^23^ put sister Radmall to bed with a son [Alma] born 6 A M19 came home cut my meat ma^de^ my sasuges

19. Caroline Severn (1825–1883) was the wife of Henry Bullivant Radmall (1814–1908).
Satd 24 gave sister Bouk [Euphronia Bouck] emetic the second one due me 5 dollars from Bouk Sund 25 went meeting forenoon then went to cotton wood to Br Pews staid all night Mond 26 went to Br Bunchs took diner went to a dance at Dr Richards in the evening Tuesd 27 Mr Parry commenced a stable wed 28 I wrote a letter to Sylvia yesterday let Enoch have it to finish commenced to double my carpet yarn Thursd 29 wash and ironed Frid 30 double yarn sat 31 Mr Parry gone for the cow Enoch ^Tripps^ wife after us to go to PGs to new years20 ^I went to the counsel^

1854

that I may do good to my self and all others while I live this is my prayer

JANUARY 1854

Sund Jan - 1 1854 I go to meeting Monday 2 put Elonor [Eleanor Houtz] wife of Lorenzo Snow to bed with a son born [left blank] AM Tuesd 3 go to a dance at the school house21 wed 4 Thursd 5 went to the social Hall to a picnic party22 Frid 6 Sat 7 Sund 8 we went to meeting Mond 9 Tuesd 10 put caleb Parrys wife to bed with a pair of twin sons [Arthur Evans and Lewelyn Evans] one born 15 minutes after 12 AM ^other 2 h after^ put Sophia Taylor [Sophia Whittaker] to bed with a son [Hyrum Whittaker] born 7 2h

20. At this time Enoch Tripp had one wife, Roxanna Sophia Billings, whom he had married in 1846. In 1856 he married Phebe Peterson Eastman; in 1857 he married Jessie Eddins; in 1864 he married Kate Jane Allen; and in 1888 Mary Openshaw became his wife.

21. The casual manner in which Patty mentions community buildings shows how Zion was being built. As has been mentioned, Mary Jane Dilworth met with six pupils in her tent barely weeks after the first pioneers arrived. By 1850 bishops were in charge of education in their own wards. Some established schools in their meeting houses; others built schoolhouses. By 1851 each town was required to operate a public schoolhouse. To what schoolhouse Patty is referring is unclear (see John S. McCormick, Salt Lake City: The Gathering Place [Woodland Hills, Calif.: Windsor Publications, 1980], 16).

22. A sandstone and adobe brick hall, forty by sixty feet, with a capacity of 350 and said to be the first theater west of the Missouri River, had been erected at the west end of Social Hall Avenue where it joins State Street. On 1 January 1853 a program, a cotillion dance, and a supper celebrated the dedication. On 18 January two plays were presented, Don Ceasar de Bazan and The Irish Lion, beginning a new era in the development of a cultural climate in the valley of the Great Salt Lake. The Musical and Dramatic Company, under the direction of William Clayton, had been performing amateur theatricals as early as 6 October 1849 in the Bowery (see Dorothy Stowe, “A New Life Begins for the Old Social Hall,” Deseret News, 19 July 1980, 31–33).
AM wed ^11^ visited sister Southworth with Enoch wife^23^ then went to dancing school^24^. Thursd 12 gave Br Goff emetic Frid ^13^ he died I gave him a shirt to lay him out in I washed Sat 14 went to the counsel of health a dreadful storm of wind and snow Wm= Parrys babe buried Sund 15 do not go to meeting so much snow Mond 16 put Mary Ann Taylor [Mary Ann Oakley] to bed with a daughter [Mary Elizabeth] born 5 minutes before 12 A M Tuesd 17 twisted carpet yarn wed 18 baked Jane and Wm Parry here Thursd 19 cale to Mary Ann Taylor she has took cold a dreadful cold day went to prayer meeting Frid 20 went to Br Climmans [John Clements]^25^ gave his sister a course of medicine then went to a dancing school Sat 21 went to see Mary Ann again it has been the coldest time we have had since we came into the valley Sund 22 went to meeting Mond 23 Tuesd 24 carded & spun wool wed 25 the same Sund 26 the same Thursd 26 went to a party at the social hall^26^. Frid 27 wrote a letter Sat 28 went went to the counsel of health Sund 29 went to meeting Mond 30 wrote letters to P G Sulvia & Mother Tuesd 31 put them in the office then went to a mass meeting about the Railroad^27^.

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23. Chester Southworth (1793–1874) was married to Abigail Church and Mary Byington.

24. What constituted “dancing school” can only be imagined, but Richard F. Burton in The City of the Saints and across the Rocky Mountains to California wrote, “Dancing seems to be considered an edifying exercise. The Prophet dances, the Apostles dance, the Bishops dance. A professor of this branch of the fine arts would thrive in Zion . . . ‘positions’ are maintained, steps are elaborately executed, and a somewhat severe muscular exercise is the result. . . . Besides the grand fetes at the Social Hall and other subscription establishments, there are ‘Ward Parties,’ and ‘Elders’ Weekly Cotillon Parties,’ where possibly the seniors dance together . . . in private . . . ” ([New York: Harper & Brothers, 1862], 230). Another early settler stated, “The Mormons love dancing. Almost every third man is a fiddler, and every one must learn to dance. In the winter of 1854–1855, there were dancing schools in almost every one of the nineteen school houses, and necessarily so much more attention to dancing involved so much less attention to study. Just so much less education and just so much more injury” (John Hyde, an apostate, quoted in Andrew Love Neff, History of Utah 1847 to 1869 [Salt Lake City: Deseret News Press, 1940], 599).

25. According to the bishop’s list of 1852, John Clements would have been a member of Patty’s ward.

26. The JH of 27 January 1854 describes the party: “. . . In the afternoon the Nauvoo Brass Band, the Military and Martial Band and the Tabernacle Choir met in a social picnic party in the Social Hall, G S L City. Pres B. Young and H. C. Kimball were also present.” The reason for Patty attending this occasion was that John Parry, her husband, had been conductor of the Tabernacle Choir since 1849. Curiously, she never mentions that historical fact.

27. An article appearing in the Deseret News of Thursday, 2 February 1854, with the headline “Railroad Meeting” reported that thousands appeared in the Tabernacle on Temple Square on Tuesday, 31 January 1854. The article praised the
February 1854

Wed Feb= 1 put Wm Andersons wife to bed with a son ^born 9 A M^ 1854 then Highees to a party Thursd 2 card & spun Thursd 2 spun went to Higbees meeting in the evening Frid 3 ^dance school^ took sister Orman through a course of medicine Sat 4 my birthday 59 years old Mr Parry and I visited at Br Shirtleifs Sund 5 went to meeting Mond 6 card & spun Tuesd 7 finished wed 8 ^dancing school^ commenced some fringe for bed triming Thursd 9 Mary came here Sat 10 Phebe came here both staid Sat 11 they are here Phebe went to her mothers ^dancing school^ Mary staid here Sund 12 David came here all went home we went to meeting Mond 13 snow & blow work on the bed fringe Tuesd dito wed 15 made Mr Parry a cap Thursd 16 put Harriet Snow [Harriet Amelia Squires] to bed with a pair of twins born daughter [Amelia Henrietta] 9 & 15 minutes son [Alonzo Henry] 9 3h A M Thursd 19 Frid 17 ^Wm= and Martha^ here went to dancing school 18 finished the fringe sat 18 Sund 19 went to meeting Mond 20 coulered my carpet yarn tuesd 21 made fringe for a table cloth wed 22 cut carpet rags went to dancing school Thursd 23 spooled & warped my carpet sister Smoot & Martha Ann here Frid 24 put in my carpet wove one yard & a half Sat 25 wove two yards went to the counsel of health then to dancing school Mr Parry & Edward has gone after the cow28 we here she is at Luke Jonsons29

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music for the occasion rendered by the Nauvoo Brass Band and by Captain Ballo’s Band and quoted a poem by Eliza R. Snow, written in two hours’ time for the occasion. Finally, the resolution to Congress urging the railroad route to come through the territory was read. According to the last paragraph, “This meeting was got up on very short notice; and altho’ the weather was cold, and much snow on the ground, and no fire in the Tabernacle yet that large place was filled; and so great was the interest felt upon this subject, that even the ladies would not remain at home. The first citizens of this place, both male and female, were present; and all noted with a spirit and resolution that said, they wanted the Railroad this way, and intended to have it, if possible.” Nationally a movement for transcontinental railroads had been brewing since 1845, and the discovery of gold in California accelerated the process of surveying and promoting various routes to the Pacific. A young railroad man named Theodore Judah planned the route and guided through Congress the bill that brought the railroad through Utah. But Judah disapproved of the tactics of the financial investors he had wooed and was squeezed out of the process (Henry Sturgis, “The Iron Spine,” American Heritage 20, no. 3 [April 1969]: 46–57).

28. Probably John Parry’s nephew Edward (1798–1854), the son of his dead brother Edward (1769–1842).

29. Luke Johnson (b. 1807) had been one of the original members of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, ordained on 15 February 1835. In April of 1838 he had been excommunicated. At Nauvoo in 1846 he was baptized again. He died on 9 December 1861 in Salt Lake City.
Sund 26 Mr Parry did not get home it storms snows & blows hard and cold Oh Lord comfort and strenthen them to come home for they are gone 12 miles on foot it is bad I do not go to meeting 12 oclock ^they^ came home Mond 27 wove on my carpet & wrote a letter to P G and one to Sylvia got one from P G Tuesd 28 wove David down here brought a letter for P G I wrote in it

MARCH 1854

wed March 1 cold snowy I wove Thursd 2 wove 2 yards went to fast meeting Frid 3 wove Sat wove Sund 5 went to meeting Mond 6 wove Tuesd 7 dito wed 8 the same Thursd 9 got my carpet out Frid 10 washed went to the store bought some linen for Mr Parry a robe Frid 10 washed Sat 11 went to the counsel of health Dr Richards died this morning Sund 12 went to meeting he was buried Mond 13 spooled & warped my blankets Tuesd 14 put them in wove 1 yard wed 15 had co Susannah sisters Pew Elizabeth & Tripp Thursd 16 wove six yards Frid 17 wove 3 4h & got them up made them up Sat 18 washed them out Lucinia & Mary here Sund 19 they staid all night we all went to meeting Mond 20 David here got a letter from Sylvia cut Mr Parry some temple clothes and a pair of pants Tuesd fixed my pictures raked the weeds from the garden Naomi moved to sisters Risers yestarday wend 22 Jane here help me make the temple clothes Thursd the same Finished them Friday ^24^ visited at Edward Parrys Sat 25 went to the counsel of health Sund 26 went to meeting Mond sowed onions Tuesd 29 Mr Parry saw Brigham wed 27 told me what he said I felt bad that he did not tell me before Oh Lord help me to do right he is to have a woman sealed to him next sunday and this is the first I knew about and he has known it a long time but denied it to me Thursd 30 wrote a letter to Sylvia with David or in his letter and one to P G Frid 31 put them in the Office saw Susannah talked with her

APRIL 1854

Santd April 1 the Lord is my trust oh thatt he may help me to do right at all times and in all places that I may do good to my self and all others while I live this is my prayer all the time Sund 2 we went to meeting they were sealed his wife was Hariet Parry³⁰ his children [Mary, John, William, Caleb] came home with us took supper Mond 3 Tuesd 4 Wed 5 she is here still he has not said one word to me about her staying here but she told me she was according

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30. Harriet (1822–1901) should not be confused with Harriet Teeples, the wife of Patty’s first husband, David, who was later married to Nathaniel Worden. This Harriet was the daughter of William Parry and Ellen Foulkes. They came to Utah in 1853. There was also Harriet Roberts Parry, who was the wife of John, a son of Patty’s second husband.
to what he said to her it was his intent she has gone to work appears very kind to me she was a stranger to me. **Mond 10** Thurd 6 we went to conference Mary came here staid all night. **Frid 7** went again Lucinia came staid all night. **Sat 8** we went again David & Wm & Joseph Parry staid here allnight. **Sund 9** Wordon [Nathaniel P. Worden] & J Parry staid conference ajoined last night untill June 27 **Mond 10** Mr Parry gone to the high counsel. **Tuesd 11** he took out his potatoes froze bad. **Wed 12** plowed this lot I payed for it. **Thurd 13** I have paid 16 dollars to John Taylor for wood 4.50 to Edw Wade 6-75 to Winegar [Alvin Vinegar, 1816–1874] 6 to sister Walker this last winter total 33-25 **Frid 14** received a part of a letter from P G he is sick will start for home as soon as well enough to come I planted all the potatoes on this lot to day. **Sat 15** then went to the counsel of health. **Sund 16** went to meeting. **Mond 17** sewed flower seeds peas beets carrots &c. **Tuesd 18** planted corn took the potatoes out Lucinia down with the bishop. **Wed 19** rained sheled corn changed the beds. **Thurd 20** rains put fringe on a table cloth nit some more wrote a letter to P G to send by O Spencer. **Frid 21** went and see Br Spencer do not send the letter put my name in to give all I have to the church. **Tuesd 22** then went to Mr Parrys lot planted beets. **Sat 22** finished putting in my lot I have put in all the seeds corn & potatoes myself except a few redish & lettuce & pepper grass seed. **Sund 23** went to meeting. **Mond 24** nitting fringe went to Cables. [John Cable, 1810–1885] staid all night. **Tuesd 25** rained finished the fringe. **Wed 26** caled to Cables then went to Br Colmons [John Coleman] with sister Angel & Susannah washed and anointed his wife then came back to Cables staid most all night put her [Mary Ann Cornelius, 1823–1904] to bed with a son [John Cornelius] born 15 minutes past 12 A M. **Thurd 27** went with sister Angel Susannah to see sister Abot went a foot she sent for us wished to see us befor she died as she does not expect to live long we had a good visit carried her some things for her comfort blessed her and was blessed we went all of 3 miles to see her. **Friday 22** I feel none the worse this morning for my walk the Lord has strenthned me. **Satd 29** been down to Mr Parrys lot planting corn finished it. **Sund 30** went to meeting sent a letter to Sylvia 2 to P G.

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31. A law of consecration, instituted by revelation through Joseph Smith, had been announced in 1831, asking members to give their all for the Kingdom of God. The law of tithing superseded the law of consecration, although the latter was still considered to be a higher law. By 1854 demands on the church and the territory far exceed the resources. So the original law was revived, and church members were asked to deed all their properties to the trustee in trust, after which inheritances would be assigned by the presiding bishop according to need (see *The Doctrine and Covenants*, Section 42, and Leonard Arrington, *Great Basin Kingdom* [Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 1958], 145–46.
MAY 1854

Mond May 1 made soap Tuesd 2 finished then helped wash went to school to learn the new alphabet 32 wed 3 went to see MarthaAnn Thursd 4 she and I visited at Br Pecks Frid 5 I came home Sat 6 rainy some Hariet went to Edwards [probably Edward Parry] ^left Mr Parry he was bed^ when I was gone to Enochs [Tripp] Sund 7 I was sick they went to meeting I staid at home Sophia [Tripp] came staid with me Mond 8 I am some better Tuesd 9 Mr Parry has gone to work the first he has done this spring only on the lots I am quite well to day went to the school May 9 1854

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| to 3/4 bush potatoes | 050 |
| dito | 050 |
| to 1 quart molases | 075 |
| 21/2 bush potatoes | 050 |
| do 1 bushel potatoes - | 100 |

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32. Juanita Brooks states, “The Deseret alphabet was an attempt to simplify the writing of the English language. It was evidently designed to help European converts and to set up a common medium of communication. . . . Although two readers, the Book of Mormon, and excerpts from the Bible were printed, the system never came into general use” (Hosea Stout, 2:509, n. 9).
Sept 23 4 bushels onions 800 (2970) 1854

[u Upside down, at the bottom of the page:]
Honey lb Food April 15 [and some other faded words]

Wed May 10, 1854 I went to Roads [George Rhodes] bout some fringe then went with Enoch & wife to a party at Wilkins Thursd 11 washed stuck the peas Frid 12 bake pies and sweet cake went to social Hall to school Harriet carried her clothes away while I was gone Phebe came home with me Sat 31 [13] Sister Foss Olive Tripps an wife here to dinner Harriet gone to Edwards the case of her leaving do not know we went to Tripps in the afternoon Sund 14 went to meeting David and Phebe came here stay all night Mond 15 rains they go home Tuesd 16 fair I clean the house wed 17 sick Thursd 18 some better Frid 19 went to the social Hall to school Mr Parry came after me I came home he took a bedstead carried it to Harriet Satd 20 fixed my silk dres Sund went to meet gave Br Grant 25 dollars to bye wheat for the Public hands Mond 22 Mr Parry has laid a bed all this forenoon feels bad in mind I staid alone last night Tuesd 23 went to counsel of health Wed 24 worked in the garden Thursd 25 the same Frid 26 the same in the morning rains I was pulling weeds for the pigs today and found a five dollar peice gold that I lost last year a wattering I thank the Lord for finding it I have set some cabbage satd 27 Mr Pary went [o] the High counsel in the after noon he was a planting corn where the beats did not come Vilate & Mary Kimb Sarah Geneat & Ellen all here to day Sund 28 went to meeting Mond 29 snowed I went to cotten wood to Br Pughs to a party Tuesd 30 came home Wed 31 go up to Enochs & to the store^ bought a pint of Osage orange seed

JUNE 1854

Thursd June 1 planted them Wm= Smoot here yestarday & to day gone home Frid 2 worked in the garden Saturday 3 went to Caleb's Sund 4 went to meeting Jane [Vaughn (Parry)] came here staid allnight Mond 5 she done me some caps up Tuesd 6 she and I went to Enoch Tripps she then went home I went to to the counsel of health wed 7 I washed my dresses &c Thursd 8 rains I set out some cabige baked sprouted potatoes ironed Frid 9 ironed Frid 9 hoed in the garden Sat 10 went to the ward meeting of the sisters organised a benevolent society to clothe the Indians & squas I was put in Presidentes33 I then went to the new school Sund 11 went & put Elizabeth

33. At the 1853 October conference, President Young initiated missionary work to the Indians of the Great Basin. Parley P. Pratt took up the banner: "... we are
[Loomis] Shirtlief to bed miscarriage then went to meeting Mond 12 Tuesd 13 hoed in the garden wed 14 I washed rained Thursd 15 sewed & hung out my clothes Frd 16 ironed & baked Satd 17 worked in the garden Sund 18 went to meeting Mond ^19^ had my lot plowed among the potatoes I hoed Tuesd ^20^ hoed in the forenoon rained in the afternoon ^hauled^ wed 21 rained Third 22 rained Frd 23 & Sat finished hoing my lot two boys helped me went to the meeting of the sisters in the ward Sund went to meeting Mond 26 Tuesd 27 conference wed 28 it ajarmed the mail came in got a letter from P G Thurd 29 I went up to PGs with Wm= & Martha Frd 30 ^wrote^ a letter to P G ^came home had green peas

JULY 1854

Sat July 1 Phebe Olive and Tripps wife here had peas & potatoes for supper Sund 2 went to meeting Mond work in the garden I do work so hard I am almost tired out Tuesd 4 went to the celebration to a ward party in the evening Wed 5 worked in the garden Thursd 6 Mr Parry went to work to Br chases Frid 7 a man came and worked in the garden with me Sat 8 the same I went to the benevolent society Mr Parry came home Sund 9 went to meeting Mond 10 Mr Parry went back again I watered the garden Tuesd 11 did the same in the forenoon in the afternoon we went to the counsel of health wed 12 went to the store to buy cloth for the Indians got none it had not got in then watered garden Thursd 13 Wm= Alred came to put new shingles on my kitchen^{34} Frid 14 he is here to day I have to work very hard get so tired I cannot sleep good Sat 15 finished my roof Mr Parry came home Sund 16 went to meeting Mond 17 he went back Tues 18 he came home I have washed yesterday been to the store got two bolts of cloth for the Indians & a dress for me wed 19 cut out the Indians clothes Thursd 20 put Charlotte Baker [Charlotte Leavitt, b. 1820] to bed with a son [Wiear Leavitt] born five minutes past 7 A M^{35} Frid 21 Sat 22 went to the benevolent society Sund ^23^ went to meeting Mond 24 went to the aniversary in the evening went to Wilkins to a party with E Tripp & wife Tuesd 25 went to the counsel of health wed 26 Thursd 27 Frid 28 Sat 29 Sund 30 went to meeting Mond 31 washed Tues As here from P G and Sylvia Lucinia David and Carlos came down here staid all night

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able to feed and clothe the Indians, or at least, the women and children," he said. Without formal authorization, several women organized themselves into a "society for the purpose of making clothing for Indian women and children." This was in January and February of 1854 (see Richard L. Jensen, "Forgotten Relief Societies, 1844–67," Dialogue 16, no. 1 [Spring 1983]: 108–9.

34. William M. Allred was listed as a carpenter in the 1860 census.

35. Charlotte Leavitt married Simon Baker when he was a widower with eight children.
AUGUST 1854

Tuesd August 1 I went with them to meet P G and Sylvia camped that night alone beyond the big mountain I slept in an open waggon Wed 2 went on crossed webber river went to the mouth of Ecko canyon there we met them and a happy meeting it was my son had been gone almost two years and been very sick the most of the time and I had not seen my daughter for over seven years we wept for joy and rejoiced exceedingly we then came crossed the river & camped Thursd 3 we came and camped on kanyon creek [in what is now Parley’s Canyon] Frid 4 we camped on the between the mountains P G caleed his co together and thanked them for their good conduct on the way and bore testimony to them of the truth of mormonism, as some of them were jentiles they then gave him a vote of thanks for as he was their captain Satd 5 we then came home took dinner at Enoch Tripps. Sund 6 did not go to meeting Mond 7 Sylvia went to see Heber36 Tuesd she washed I baked went to the counsel of health wed 9 P G his wives & David come down Sylvia went home with them Thursd 10 not well E R Snow here Frid 11 I gathered onion seed sage & rasbery leaves Sat 19 been to get a pickle tub hooped went to the benevolent society Sunday 13 went to meeting P G & wives here & Sylvia Mond 14 went to the store with sister Roundy got a bolt of hickery 26 yds calico for the squaws cut half of it out Tuesd 15 made a dress of it wed made another ^wed 16^ went to the store got some cap stuff Thursd 17 made more dresses Frid 18 went 10 miles North to Lasles [Lasley] his wife sick [Elizabeth White, 1813–1884; two letters scratched out] put her to bed 11 & 8 minutes P M staid all night Sat 19 went t[o] P Gs staid till after dinner David & Phebe came home with me Sund went to meeting Mond 21 washed Tuesd 22 sewed wend ^wend^ 23^ visited at sister Foses Thursd 24 ironed Friday 25 visited at Tripps Sat 26 went to the benevolent society Sund 27 went to meeting Mond 28 went to the store bought with Sister Round ^dy^ fifty five yards of hickery for the squaws cut 2 h it out Tuesd 29 had co sisters Foses & Lucijane wed 30 coulered squaw dresses 6 Thursd 31 sick

SEPTEMBER 1854

Frid Sept 1 not well last Sunday night put sister janes to bed with a daughter born August ^27^ 11 P M Frid Sep 1 P G down here Phebe here has been almost this week made me a dres & Sylvia 1 she has now gone to her mothers Satd 2 I am some better take care of the onions Sund 3 went to meeting

Mond 4 washed Enoch started on his mission 37 Tuesd 5 went to the counsel of health wed 6 visited with Sylvia at Br Leonards then went and put sister Parks to bed with a son born 11-24 P M Thursd 7 went with Sylvia & Dimic to find a stove & tub Frid 8 we visited at Br Hydes Brighams Rockwoods Sat 9 at home Sund Sylvia & Josephine ^re^Baptised & Mr Parry Sund 10 went to meeting then went and put my granddaughter [Martha Ann] to bed with daughter [Martha Ann] born 10 minutes before 11 P M Mond 11 Sylvia moved away Dr Bernhisels wife here Tuesd 12 made caps Wed 13 took care of garden seeds Thursd 14 have been to Jonzes to get my tray got it ^2-00^ cailed to Mr Parry house he is plastering the roof Fri 15 I went up to the store with Sophia Tripps in the afternoon went with P G & folks to see the two Indians hanged 38 Satd 16 cut up my corn and husked it Sund 17 went to meeting Mond 18 been to see the sick Tuesd 19 went to the counsel of health had a good meeting then cailed to Bakers [Henry W. and Charlotte had a son] Wed 20 put sister Jordan to bed with a daughter born 2 & 10 minutes A M then went to susannah met Pres Richards there & Caroline 39 came home noon Thursd 21 washed baked & ironed Frid 22 made preserves Satd 23 visited sister Cates been confined Mr Parry cutting up his corn Sund 24 went to meeting Mond 25 went up to Buells to get an order on the stove Tuesd 26 went again got none wed 27 visited at Dr Spragues Thursd 28 visited at Br Haywood [Joseph L. Heywood, 1815–1910] Frid 29 went to see Rhoda Richards boy 40 very sick Sat 30 went to Doltans on the church farm miscarriage then wrote a letter to my Brother Jonathan, and Mother put it in the Office

37. On the anniversary of Joseph Smith's martyrdom, 27 June 1854, Enoch was called on a mission to Texas. He took a bit of a detour, stopping in Wapello, Iowa, to look after his business, then visiting his parents in Maine since he hadn't seen them for nine years. On 15 January 1855 he set out for New York City, where John Taylor, mission president, made his headquarters. President Taylor reassigned Enoch Bartlett Tripp to Maine, where many of his relatives and friends lived.

38. On 8 August Allen Weeks, who lived in Cedar Valley, had sent his two sons, William F. and Warren D., to the canyon for a load of poles. A small group of Goshute Indians had separated from their tribe, intent on taking revenge for the killing of some of their friends and relatives a year before. They therefore waited at the mouth of the canyon for some inhabitants of the valley to go for wood. The Weeks boys, the first to pass by, were slain and scalped. Long Hair and Antelope were turned in by friendly Indians, a trial was held, and they were hanged two miles below the Jordan bridge on the other side of the river (Brooks, Hosea Stout, 2: 525–27).

39. Franklin Dewey Richards (1821–1899) was a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles.

40. There were two Rhoda Richardses. The first Rhoda Richards (1784–1879) was a sister of Willard, Levi, and Phineas. She was one of the numerous women sealed on 31 January 1846 to the prophet Joseph Smith. Accounts of her marital
OCTOBER 1854

Sund Oct 1 went to meeting Harriet came in here the first time she has spoke to me since she left here she would not set down then Mond 2 sister Orman here ^sick^ gave her Emetic Tuesd 3 she went home last night better to day visited sister Robert in a waggon sick went to couns^el^ of health then went to see her again she is better then called to sister Galley [probably the wife of John Gailey] sister Amen [Ahman?] had been with her 24 hours hard labour I delivered her less than ^8 1/2 P M^ half an hour child dead had laid in the birth 24 hours Wed 4 put sister Wheeler to bed with a son born 3 3h P M Thursd 5 caled to sister Morton she had a bad foot and leg baked Frid 6 went to con­ference Sat 7 there again Sund 8 again visited the sick every day to day caled to Br Shirtleifs put Mary [Elizabeth Hadlock] to bed with a son [Brigham Young] born 2- 1h P M conrence ajourned Mond 9 sister jones here gave her babe emetic Tuesd 10 Brs Gally commenced diging my potatoes wed 11 danish man dug beets Thursd 12 dito Frid 13 finished my potatoes 80 bushels sister Wardrope brought her babe here I gave it Emetic Sat 14 I am sick afternoon better go and anoint sister Williams daughter Sund 15 go to meeting went to Jane Taylor [Jane Ballantyne] miscarriage then to meeting Mond 16 wash and iron Mary Elen Kimbal here Tuesd 17 visited sister Foss and Olive and sister Angel all sick then to the store bought ten lb sugar then to the counsel of health wed 18 worked in the garden all day gathering ground cherries Thursd 19 worked in the garden Frid 20 dito Sat 21 dito Sund 22 went to meeting Mond 23 worked in the garden diging beets Tuesd 24 wed 25 finished the beets Thursd 26 took care of my roots Frid 27 had a man to mow the grass Sat 28 did up a cap went to the benevolent society Sund 29 went to meeting in the forenoon rained in the afternoon David Lucinia & Sylvia here let Sylvia have some cabbage beets carrots & some pork Mond 30 dug carrots Tuesd 31 went to the Counsel of health bought eight yards flannel apron parasol cover

NOVEMBER 1854

wed Nov 1 1854 made me a sack and apron Thursd 2 sewed carpet rags Frid 3 the same Sat 4 bought some mutton visited a sick woman in Bouks house Sund 5 visited her again went to meeting caled to caleb Parrys babe [one of the twins] very sick dont think it will live see the woman again Mond 6 washed went to Calebs again babe no better the other sick some better Tuesd 7 there again that quite well but the other died about 4 P M wed 8 went to the

status conflict. One source says she was a spinster; another that she was wid­owed; another that her fiance had died in 1812; still another that she was later sealed to Brigham Young. The second, Rhoda Harriet Foss, married Franklin Dewey Richards in 1857. The reference to "her boy," then, is confusing.
funeral Thursd 9 cut me a dress Frd 10 bought 11 lb of tallow tried it out went to the store got an oil cloth for the table Sat molding candles have got 6 lb rags cut and sewed for the benevolent society and went there have visited that sick woman every day Sund 12 went to meeting Mond 13 doubled carpet yarn for the benevolent society Tuesd 14 finished it wed 15 mended Mr Parrys coat Thursd 16 sewed on my dress went to the store bought more yarn for the carpet sister Angel died 6 oclock P M Frid 17 she was buried Sat 18 finished my dress went to the benevolent society Sund 19 went to meeting again in the evening to the school house Mond ^20^ have a man here getting out manure Tuesd 21 he is here to day again Wed 22 in the forenoon cut wood for Harriet Thurd have a wheel I am spining Frd 24 same Satd 25 went to town found Sylvia there went to the counsel of health Sund 26 put sister Tomlinson to bed with a daughter born [blank space left] A M then went to meeting Mond 27 put sister carew to bed with a daughter born 10 minutes before 10 A M Doubled 14 skeins of stocking yarn Tuesd 28 caled to sister Messor [Anna Barr Musser] Wed 29 finished twisting my yarn Thursd 30 wash iron ^ commenced stockings^ went to waltons in the night

**DECEMBER 1854**

Frid Dec 1 visited at P Gs then to Sylvias in the afternoon and evening went to P Gs to sleep caled to waltons 11 2h P M put his wife to bed with a son born 3 1h A M Sat ^Dec 2^ then came home went to the benevolent society Sund 3 went to meeting Mon see P G & folks been to see Martha she came in with them I see them Mond 4 caled to sister Cooms she not well I stoped at wheelers she let me have 10 1h yards of calico also been niting Tues 5 to Cooms again to Sister Risers red his imprisonment42 Wed 6 went to Cooms again Thursd 7 niting for Mr Parry Frd 8 nit him some mittins Sat 9 went to town and setled part of my tithing then to Calebs then to the store got some 1 2h velvet on an order 3 lb sugar got me some alpaca for a cloak then to susannahs saw sister Pew she came to ask us to go there to christmas then to the counsel of health Sund 10 went to meeting ^Br Whitcor here^ Mond 11 sewed some went and see about ^making weving^ the carpet for the tabernacle as this ward is to make 60 - 2h yards we that belong to the benevolent society make it Tuesd 12 made me a night dress wed 13 been and setled up my tithing paid this year [space left blank] and $10 into the emigrating fund to

41. Phebe Agnes Morton (1786–1854) and James W. Angell were the parents of Truman Osborn Angell, architect for many of the early church buildings.

42. While George C. Riser was on a mission in Germany, he was arrested for preaching and imprisoned. This was in August of 1854. He was released and arrived home in September 1855. (See Andrew Jenson, *L.D.S. Biographical Encyclopedia*, 4 vols. [Salt Lake City: Deseret News Press, 1936], 4:338.)
gather the poor⁴³ Thrusd 14 washed Frd 15 reading the history of Mother Smith & niting Sat 16 went to the B. society Sund 17 went to meeting Monday 18 Tuesd 19 caled to Br Flonys then to Br Coons [Abraham Coons] put his wife to bed with a daughter born 10 P M then to sister Flony again put her to bed with a pair of twins daughters born 1 2h A M wed 20 went to the counsel of health Thrusd 21 killed our pig Frd ^22 & salted it Sat 23 mad[e] sasages caled to sister Tinga [Tingey?] she is very sick I do not think she will live Sund 24 see her again go to meeting Mond 25 see her again go to Br Pews to christmas he came after me Tuesd 26 we went to Br Birchs [probably Francis Birch, b. 1808] danced and staid all night Wed 27 came home had a good time see sister Tinga again is no better Charles Hyde came here and David Charles blesed Mr Parry and me Thrusd 28 went to a meeting of midwives Frd 29 made half of the carpet for the tabnercle I was sick took emetic Satd 30 better Sund 31 went to meeting in the forenoon staid at home in the afternoon then Mr parry and me went up to P Gs

1855

I was apointed Presidentess over the females of that Counsel

JANUARY 1855

Monday Jan 1 1855 had a party there I was sick we danced I danced some had a good time Tuesd 2 about 14 inches of snow had fallen still snowing we came home in the storm I took my bed set up no more untill Satd wed 3 the wind blew very hard Thrusd 4 Frid 5 a little more moderate Satd 6 fine I got out door I have been alone the most of the time Wm= & Martha came here staid all night Sund 7 I do not go to meeting they go home Mond 8 Tuesd 9 put Sophia Dimic Huntingtons wife to bed with a son [Joseph Smith] born 1-25 minutes A M wed 10 worked on caps Thursd 11 went to meeting of the midwives staid all night to sister Fosses then went to Calebs came home sister Colebrook came here cut me a cloak Satd 13 made me a sack sund 14 went to meeting Mond 15 went to store got some buttons for my cloak fixed my dress sister Moss here Tues 16 I washed Wed 17 went to the President ^Br Richards^ of the counsel of health told me that I must go tomorrow and preside over the counsel as he could not be there also told me that I must take sister Angels place and Susannah take mine and she and I must choose another counsellor wed 17 I went to the counsel Br Deremus came I gave the charge of the meeting to him he being a member Thrusd 18 ironed and knit Frid 19 I have been to see the Bishop he told me he would apoint a meeting for the

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⁴³ This is a reference to the Perpetual Emigrating Fund.
sisters next week as the Presd had caled on us to do somting for the poor said we had clothed the squaws ^and children^ firstrate we now must look after the poor in each ward David has been here to day I sent Sylvia some cabbage and also my *Amidrens* handirons to have untill I caled for them *Satd 20* been to Sister Colbrooks got my cloak *Sund 21* went to meeting Harriett went with us set with us I came home then was called to Br Cowins his wife had a pair of twins one was born before I went Sister Harrington was there delivered her of the first the other more difficult she sent for me I delivered her of the other soon left them all comfortable *Mond 22* called and see her again found them all doing well Br Manson brought us a load of wood *Tuesd 23* I hired Br Moxon to put up some fence *Wed 24* nit me a pair of mts *Thursd 25* went to a meting of midwives *Frd 26* finished me two pair of stockins got sister Foster to colour them black *Satd 27* done me up a cap went to the female society of benevolence Bishop Roundy there had a good meeting received much good instruction from him *Sund 28* went to meeting *Mond 29* Mr Parry put down 2 fence posts very warm & pleasant *Tuesd 30* I commenced a hearth rug yesterday work on a frock for Mockson *Wed 31* went to the counsel of he[a]lth spoke much upon the subject of raising children

**FEBRUARY 1855**

*Thursd Feb 1st* went to Tripps on a visit with sisters Higbee & Dudley *Frid 2* worked on the rug *Sat 3* Phbe staid here last night sister Tomas sent for me she was sick *Sund 4* my birth day went to meeting Sylvia & David here at noon gave them some beets carrots cabbage & onions *Mond 5* called to Sister Gambel miscarriage I then went to dancing school *Tuesd 6* caled to sister Kamkin put her to bed with a son [George Campkin] born 20 minutes before 6 P M *wed 7* went round sister Tripps block for her to collect for the poor *Thursd 8* went to a meeting of the midwives *Frd 9 Satd 10* went to the be went to Wordels to dancing school *Sat 10* went to the benevolent society *Sund 11* went to meeting *Mond 12* went to see a sick child in the 14 ward Br Cooms *Tues 13* worked on my rug *wed 14* went to the counsel of health had a good time much good counsel given good things spoke in toungues *Frd 15Fri* worked on my rug baked pies Mr Parry put down 3 fence posts *Frid 16* sister Cross & daughter & Caleb & wife Harriet came here for the first time since she left she apeared Br Birch & wife was here this forenoon to have me go down there to a party next *Mond Satd 17* visited some poor in the ward found them kneedy I then saw Br Jackman and reported to him he sent

44. Shadrach/Shadrack Roundy was bishop of the Salt Lake sixteenth ward from 1849 to 1856.

45. Levi Jackman was a counselor to Shadrach Roundy. He had helped to build wagons for the trek west.
me to visit those poor sund 18 went to meeting my children all there then Lucinia came here staid all night Mond 19 went to Br Birches to the party they sent a carriage after me we had a good dance a good spirit prevailed many speeches were spoke songs sung speaking in tounge interpretations and thus we spent the time good order and the Spirit of God which caused peace governed the party and truly it was a good time Tuesd 20 they brought me home Mr Parry and Harriet would not go but was willing I should go Wed 21 quite cold Thrusd 22 I went to a meeting of midwives then to Br Leonards with Lucinia staid all night Frd 23 we then went to Dr Richardsons then home Sat 24 old sister Wilson here went to the school to the benevolent society I gave her my muff and boea and a black lace veil and a pair of stockings Sund 25 went to meeting wrote a letter E S Bartlett Maine Mond 26 washed Tuesd 27 put the letter in the office and I sent a Book of Mormon with it to E S Bartlett I visited sister Davis,s babe sick I then ironed then visited a sick man I had to get an interpreter to go with me they were french I found them destitute of food I boiled some flour potatoes & meat carried to them for thier supper wed 28 I went to see Bishop Hickenloopers babe it is a criple & has a bunch on its back Susannah went with me we took dinner at Br Warcmans then went to the counsel of health I was then caled to go up north ten miles to see my son David he had hurt himself loading rock I left the counsel we found him very sick Br Kimbal was there I gave him Emetic and swet him set up a most all night

MARCH 1855

Thursd March 1 David is a little better this morning but soon took a chill then a fever Br Kimbal preached in the school house last night talked here at P Gs to day good in the after noon I went to see H Waltons wife she is sick P G took sick to night very sick all night Frd 2 gave him emetic after noon came home not well myself Satd 3 my sons worse they send for me again I went up in the stage found them quite sick I then went and see sister Duncan she was very sick gave her some medicine Set up part of the night with P G & David Sund 4 went and see sister Duncan found her much better then went and see Waltons wife found her much better took dinner with Sylvia then came home with Wm Smoot & Martha they came up last night I found Sophia Tripp sick Mond 5 put her to bed with a son [Arnold Ondree] born 12 & 12 AM Tuesd 6 caled to Br Messengers babe sick gave it emetic then to Edward Waides wife Elen [Mary Ellen Page and Edward Davis Wade] staid all night Wed 7 put her to bed with a son [Daniel] born 15 minutes before 11 AM Thurs 8 went to counsel of midwives Frd 9 I brought my molasses home 2 2/3 gallons Sat 10 went to the benevolent society Sund 11 went to meeting went to see Harriet took supper there Mond 12 worked on my rug Tuesd 13 carried my onions to the store got Mr Parry a neckstock gave $4 00 for it got me some things wed 14 put John Bagers wife Ann to bed with a daughter [Electa Ann] born [space}
A M\textsuperscript{46} then went to counsel of health caled to see sister Brown came back to the counsel I was apointed Presidentess over the females of that Counsel sister Susannah Richards & Judith Higbee my counselors all three by unanimous vote to be sustained \textit{that} in their places \textbf{Thursd 15} \textbf{Frid 16} David wife & Sylvia went to see Marthann wished me to go with them but I could not go \textbf{Sat 17} P G here to dinner Sylvia P G & children & Chester Lovlin staid here all night \textbf{Sund 18} went to meeting they went home \textbf{Mond 19} Josephine came down staid at Tripps \textbf{Tuesd 20} staid here \textbf{Wed 21} put sister Mcentire to bed with a son born 3 & 35 minutes A M then went & bought me a mahogany chest sugar bowl & tumbler gave $3=50 for all then went to Br Kimbals with Josephine stopt & see sister Birnhisel \textbf{Thursd 22} cut me a dress then went to a meeting of midwives Carline wife of Br Martindale [Caroline Smith, b. 1814] was there had been growing large for ten years she is now very large looks as though she would be confined every hour yet there is nothing of that kind the matter and Susannah R= and myself are a going to try to do something for her according to Prs=d Youngs counsel my children came & caled for me and I left the meeting home let them have garden seeds and roots let P G have 26 peach trees 50 cents each each $13=00 \textbf{Frd 23} went and see sister Bagger Cate came here \textbf{Satd 24} I went last night took sister Bagger through a course of medisene to day \^Carline^ to then counsel of health sisters Pew Birch [probably Elizabeth Hardman, b. 1810, wife of Francis Birch] and Susanah came home with me staid all night \textbf{Sund 25} put sister Parker to bed this morning with a daughter born 5 & 5 minutes A M\textsuperscript{47} then went to meeting Br Higbee & wife stopt here to supper \textbf{Mond 26} caled to sister Cowin she has got a bad breach \textbf{Tuesd 27} went and see Carline again then to the benevolent society had a good meeting \textbf{Wed 28} caled to Harriet Taylor put her to bed with a son dead born-born 15 minutes before 2 P M \textbf{Thursd 29} worked on my dress \textbf{Frd 30} went to see sister Cowin and Harriet Taylor found them comfortable then to the store got me some ribband then to susannahs to see caroline Martde [Martindale] then to a party at Br Kenzys he came after us we had a good time feasted body & spirit \textbf{Satd 31} sewed \^on dress\^ \\

\textbf{APRIL 1855} \\
\textbf{Sund} to meeting \textbf{Mond 2} washed \textbf{Tuesd 3} ironed \textbf{wed 4} finished my dress \textbf{Thursd 5} covered my parisol went to meet the midwives \textbf{Frid 6} to confrence P G & Mary staid here P G plowed this lot sowed it with oats \textbf{Sat 7} to con= David & Phebe staid here \textbf{Sund} to con= Wm= and <confrese done> Martha ann & Harrit Sessions or \^Wordon^ staid here I gave Harrit a new dress delaine and \\

\textsuperscript{46}. Ann Haynes Kindness (1830–1929) was the wife of John Chamberlain Badger (1825–1888). \\
\textsuperscript{47}. Margaret Kittle (1826–1899) was the wife of William Knowlton Parker (b. 1809).
some other things **Mond 9** they all went home I went to the store with Martha Ann & bought a ring gave 3-00 for it I have sowed some peas, parsnips & clover seeds since **Tuesd 10** went to see sister Cowin carried my bonnet to Agatha Pratt to clean **wed 11** **Thursd 12** **Frd 13** went to Jane Blackest [Jane Hamilton Blackhurst, b. 1807] had a good time David came down Lucinia Sylvia came I let them have my keys he got some my potatoes <bush> **Sat 14** I went to sister Williams 13 ward she was salivated & had canker**48 to take her through a course of medicine then to the counsel of health sister Higbee appointed treasurer Br Bager came for me his wife is salivated she & sister Williams have both had med= of the same Dr Vale William & Martha Phebee & Elizabeth all staid here all night **Sund 15** went to meeting **Mond 16** planted potatoes Br Bensons man worked here Mr Parry & I went to Lorenzo Snows to a philosophical meeting**49** **Tuesd 17** cold I nit **Wed 18** I nit **Thursd 19** Phebe & Olive here **Frd 20** Sylvia & Sophia here Sylvia staid all night **Sadt 21** I Susanah & sister Higbee went to Br Wareham washed & anointed both of his wives Mary Watt Caroline Martindale & Julia a french girl then came home went to the benevolent society yestarday sold potatoes 8 bushels to Lorenzo Snow for a load of wood 3 to Sylvia I give sold 2 to Rhd [Richard?] Moris for 25 lb flour let David have 10 Sylvia 2 last week **Sund 22** went to meeting **Mond 23** planted beans & melons cucumbers **Tuesd 24** went to see sister Cowin she is better made me an apron watered the garden it rains a little to night **wed 25** wet down my leach & prepared to make soap Mr Parry went to the theologic society heard Brigham speak **Thursd 26** made soap four pails full **Frd 27** put sister Shaw to bed with a daughter born 20 minutes past 12 A M name Eliza I have paved around the kitchen door **Sadt 28** went to the counsel of health **Sund 29** went to meeting **Mond 30** washed sister Moss helped me

**MAY 1855**

**Tuesd May 1** she came & ironed I am not well **Wed 2** I have done up some caps went and joined the theological society **thursd 3** went to the midwives

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48. Salivation produces an excess secretion, often accompanied by soreness of mouth and gums.

49. The *Deseret News* (14 March 1855, p. 7) announces under the heading “The Polysophical Academy” the following: “Will be opened next Monday in Lorenzo Snow’s Building, East of Gov. Young’s Residence. Reading, Spelling, Writing, Arithmetic, Grammar, Composition, History, and Declamation, together with such other Branches as may be required, will be taught in this Institution. During interval of School hours the Young Gentlemen will be taught Gymnastic and Military exercises. The Young Ladies also will have the advantages of classes in Music and Drawing. . . Terms of Tuition, five dollars per quarter. . . .” The names at the bottom of the notice are “Lorenzo Snow, Wm. Edington, Saml. Cornaby, Instructors.”
meeting Frid 4 Sat 5 went to see sister cowin then to Dr Frances lectures
Sund 6 went to meeting Mond 6 went with sister Smoot & Wm= & Martha
up to P Gs Tuesd 7 came home this morning in the afternoon went to Tripps
with Br Heywood & wives Wed 8 went to the theological society Br Hyde
spoke on language Thursd 9 visited Bishop Brown's wife with Sister Vary or
Heywood caled and see sister cowin Frd 10 watered the part of the garden
Satd 11 went to the counsel of health Sund 12 went to meeting Mond 13
sprouted potatoes Tuesd 14 cleaned the cellar then went to Dr France
Lectures wed 15 making a smock for Moxen Thursd 16 went to the midwives
meeting Frid 17 made me a bonnet white one Satd 18 went to France Lecture
Sund 19 went to meeting cottenwood Mond [21 to sister] ^Pews she sick^
made me a calico bonnet Tuesd 22 Mr Parry sick gave him emetic Sund I was
caled with Susanah to sister Pew she was very sick wed 23 I watered some
Thursd 24 made me a cap done up some more I bought a load of wood I got
it paid with potatoes to day Frd 25 sold 8 bushels potatoes for an other load of
wood Satd 26 went to the counsel of health Sund 27 went to sister Page she
had a pair of sons born before I got there one dead born went to meeting
in the afternoon Mond 28 washed & ironed Tuesd 29 wed garden afternoon
went to cotton wood to Br Pews with sisters Susannah Higbee & others they

50. On 18 April 1855 Dr. William France (1814–1860) advertised in the Deseret News
that he was beginning a series of lectures on “The Principles of Midwifery and
the Management of Women and Children.” He would avoid “all unmeaning
technicalities, and speculative theories. Plain matter of fact and principles of
undoubted truth—drawn from an extensive experience in one of the most cele-
brated Lying-in Institutions in the world—which form the nucleus from whence,
guided by the light of Eternal Truth, it is hoped much useful Knowledge may be
developed” (p. 44). The cost was ten dollars for the midwife lectures and five
dollars for the mothers’ lectures.

Dr. France was born in Kidderminster, England, graduated from the
University of Glasgow, and practiced in Liverpool, England. After he converted
to Mormonism, he came to Salt Lake City in 1850 and set up practice. Upon his
death on 20 March 1860, Wilford Woodruff recorded in his journal, “Dr
[France] died this morning at 6 o'clock with the pleurisy of the heart. He died
very suddenly. He has been one of the most skilful Surgeons of his generation”
(Woodruff’s Journal, 5: 444).

51. Joseph Leland Heywood’s first wife was Sarepta Maria Blodgett, to whom he
was married in 1841. His plural wives were Sarah Symonds, Martha Spence,
and Mary Bell. He managed a store for Joseph Smith, was a bishop in Nauvoo,
and was left behind with others to manage church affairs when Brigham Young
and his followers abandoned the city. Heywood joined church members in Utah
in 1848, made a number of trips to Washington, D. C. on behalf of the church,
and acted as postmaster and United States marshal. He was instrumental in
founding and settling several towns in San Pete and Utah’s Dixie, moving final-
ly to Panguitch, where he was a patriarch and lived out his life.
came after us had a good party there Wed 30 went to Br Birches had a good party there Thursd 31 came home then went to the midwives meeting

JUNE 1855

Frid June 1st painted my doors Sat 2 cleaned & picked herbs went to Dr Fr= lectures Sund 3 went to meeting Brigham preach the [law of] consecration Mond 4 watered garden Tuesd 5 went to Dr France lectures ^John heart here sister Higbee here^ wed 6 went to the theological Lecture Thursd 7 P G came here I went with him down to see Martha she was sick Frd 8 came home he went to Fort Harriman came here staid all night Satd 9 he went home I went to the counsel of health Sund 10 we went to meeting Mond 11 John Pulsipher's wife here Tuesday 12 sister Higbee here Wed 13 Sister Higbee here Thursd 14 went to the midwives meeting Frid 15 watered the garden then went to sister Higbees to the benevolent society Sat 16 I am not well go to Frances lecture Sund 17 went to meeting Mond 18 sick Tuesd 19 went to Frances lecture wed 20 not well Thursd 21 went watered the garden in the night Frd 22 Lucy Smith and Sylvia here Sat 23 I went to the counsel of health Sund 24 went to meeting Mr Parry did [not?] go Mond 25 I washed Sisters Foss Elizabeth Rhoda Olive here on a visit Tuesd 26 went to Frances lecture wed 27 puled the peas planted potatoes Thursd 28 sold peas 200 worth one to France one to Southworth Frd 29 went to a picnic ragcarpet party to Bishop Roundys Satd 30 went to Dr Frances lecture Judge Shaver buried

JULY 1855

Sund July 1st wrote a letter to E S Bartlett 29 and to Mother 29 [of June] Mond 2 made a truss for sister Whipples child it has a breach Tuesd 3 moved the stove into the kitchen cleaned the house Wed 4 went to Br Southworths to see the prosesion in the afternoon went to the bowry north of the tabernacle to hear the oration and toasts Thursd 5 carried peas to the tithing office Phebe & Elizabeth came here staid all night Frd 6 David and Ezra here to Dinner Phebe and I went up to Tripps Satd 7 went to the counsel of health Martha

52. John Pulsipher (1827–1891) was married to Rosella Huffaker (b. 1837) and Esther Minerva Murray.

53. Appointed by the federal government, "Judge Leonidas Shaver had arrived in Utah in October of 1852. . . . A Virginian and an affable bachelor, Judge Shaver had up to this time maintained cordial relations with President Brigham Young and the Mormons in general. Although there is no account of a definite or violent break, there is evidence of a growing coolness . . . " (Brooks, Hosea Stout, 2: 503, n. 1). The judge was found dead in his bed on 29 June. An inquest was called, according to Stout, that concluded death came from a disease of the ear and brain. There were those, however, who maintained the judge had been poisoned. At any rate he was accorded great honors at his funeral.
Ann here staid all night **Sund 8** I do not go to meeting in the forenoon Sister Smoot here to dinner I went to meeting Brigham spoke forbid the feeding or taking Soldiers sent here from the states into our houses we suffered enough last winter by doing it **Mond 9** put our wood inside the lot bought a pound of rols of sister Grow twisted some yarn at Br Foxes **Tuesd 10** P G here brought me a cheese I went to Frances lecture **wed 11** packed down my chese **Thursd 12** watered garden I was niting **Frd 13** I went to the benevolent society **Satl 14** went to Dr Frances lecture **Sund 15** went to meeting went to Br Eldridges took sick with colery marbus sick all night Mr Parry left me 2h past 2 A M to water his lot did not come again till 11 A M I was very sick did not set up any I was all alone **Mond 16** after he came he staid here some **Tuesd 17** I staid alone all night quite sick **Wed 18** I am some better so that I can work Mr Parry has been here the most of the time yesterday and to day taking care of the oats and hay watered the garden this morning **Thursd 19** made me a cap nit **Frid 20** washed and ironed baked David here to dinner **Sat 21** went to see sister Cowin she has been carless and the breach has come down again it has been doing well I then went to the counsel of health was caled to cottonwood to Br Pews his wife was sick came home **Sund 22** went to meeting **Mond 23** nit **Tuesd 24** went to Br Shurtlefs and [Seth Millington] Blairs with Sister Higbee **wed 25** nitting **Thursd 26** I went to Dr Spragues took dinner there Mr Bullock was there sick I then went to Bishop Perkins to a midwife meeting54 Mr Parry went to Ogden in the Stage Sister Foss staid here all night again **Frd 27** Lucinia and Sulvia here Lucinia staid all night **Sat 28** we went up to Tripps she staid here all night again **Sund 29** I was called this morning to Stepehen Mores wife put her to bed with a son born 4 - 3h A M premature birth child lived 6 hours I then went to meeting P G and David down and Emerett down brought me some service berries Lucinia went home with them **Mond 30** got a load of wood of Alexander A Lemon for for Kanada worth 5 Dollars) I wrote a letter to Wm= Smoot and one to E Tripp the 24th **Tuesd 31** went to Dr Frances lecture ^Mr Parry came home^ **AUGUST 1855** **wed 25 Aug 1** went up to P Gs with Lucy Jane Thurstin55 staid all night **Thursd 26** ^2^ came home **Frd 27** [a 2 has been changed to a 3] cut peices for a quilt **Sat 29** [a 2 has been changed to a 4] went to the counsel of health **Sund 5** [5 is written on top of 29] put Mary Caroline More [Caroline Hawk, b. 1837, 54. Thomas Bullock (1816–1855) had been a member of the Pioneer Company. William G. Perkins (1801–1886) was bishop of the seventh ward from 1849 to 1856. 55. Lucy Jane Leonard was a daughter of Lyman and Abigail Calkins Leonard. She was married to Moses Thurstin (1817–1873).]
wife of Samuel Moore] to bed with a daughter [Mary Hawk] born [left blank]

Mond 6 [6 is written on top of 7] Tues 7 [7 is written on top of 8] put Mary Sessions to bed with a son [Cyril] born 20 minutes past 11 A M came home Nancy came with me found my house broke open many things taken breast pins needles pins hymb Book &c &c Wed 8 Harriet sick she would not have me with her I watered my garden in the night alone she had one son [Joseph Hyrum] born 8 P M Thursd 9 P M she sent for me after having Dr France there twice for twenty twenty minutes past one ^Frd 10^ I delivered her of another son [Bernard Llewelyn] a very difficult case as she had a blood vesel broke when the first was born and was badly tore and injured she had a sister Frances with her I staid with her took care of her and the two babes till

Satd 11 9 oclock P M Sund 12 went again till meeting time then went to meeting ^then^ went again staid till 6 P M Mond 13 went again the most of the day Tuesd 14 went in the morning as I have to wash and siringe her out many times a day I then came home took sister Nancy Hickenbottom [Higgenbotham?] through a course of medicine after noon went and aprised sister Higbee ^and Tate^ things to put into the church then went staid all night with Harriet went away I went to the benevolent society then staid all night with Harriet came home got bread went again staid all night made risen baked bread Frid 17 ironed churned took care of her and children came home staid all night then Sat 18 morning went anointed sister Higbee laid hands on her felt quite sick myself then went to see Harriet staid till 9 A M then came home sick was sick all day could not go to the counsel of health Mr Parry came administered to me I got better he wanted me to go down said the babe [Bernard Llewelyn] was very sick he went back came after me at 3 A M ^sund 19^ again said it was dying I went he wished me to anoint and lay hands on it I did again it stoped crying but it breathed very hard at 3 P M he wished me lay hands on it again said he was to sick himself I did it went to sleep slept the most of the time untill 5 A M Monday ^20^ it breathed its last we buried in the evening I came home staid all night Mr Pary staid with me Tuesd 21 several has been here for counsel for themselves and children I gave both counsel & medicine wed 22 worked in the garden gather herbs & seeds P G Lucinia and her sister here Thursd 23 went to setle up taxes then to a midwife meeting Frid 24 baked) garden taking care of things Ransom moed the grass Sat 25 put Elizabeth Shirtleif to bed with a daughter [Laura Celestia] born 1: 2h P M then came home gave H. Waltons babe emetic she and Sylvia David & Ezra staid all night Sund 26 do not go to meeting sister Walton stays here with her babe they all go home Mond 27 got got county orders $4=50 gave sister Bauk emetic Tues 28 cut up my corn Wed 29 settleed and paid all the tax on both lots $19=5 stoped at P P Pratts saw Elizabeth then to the benevolent society Thursd 30 made cankor medicine and bitters for Harriet Frid 31 gathered herbs and seed
SEPTEMBER 1855

**Satd Sept 1** I went to the counsel of health **Sund 2** do not go to meeting stay at home to watch my peaches some ripe gave sister Ann Tomas child emetic and sister Elizabeth Taylors child one also **Mond 3** put in my peticoat to quilt visited the sick **Tuesd 4** quilted watched the peaches **Wed 5** got my peticoat out Mary & Sophia here **Thursd 5** did not go to the midwives meeting **Frd 7** sister Bouk here Worden and Sidney Teeples here56 **Sat 8** they came back took supper went home Ralf Smith [1835–1914] came here to board to day David & Pheebee came here Staid all night **Sund 9** went away this morning I do not go to meeting stay at home to watch the peaches **Mond 10** baked went to see Caleb Parrys babe very sick **Tuesd 11** Mr Parry work for J Gibbs yesterday **wed 12** went to see Caleb's babe it is dead Dr France tended on it sister Steed washed for me and Br Smith **Frd [Thurs] 13** cut peaches to dry **Frd 14** ironed Cate here **Sat 15** caled to Ann Cottom Jhons wife the child born the string cord tore from the placenta before sending for me sister [left blank] took the child & cord I took the placenta left her comfortable **Sund 16** do not go to meeting P G David Emerett here **Mond 17** many here the most of the day **Tuesd 18** cut peaches to dry ^Rolf Smith started south^ **Mond 17** put David Emeses [1826–1885] wife [Esther or Hester Cullen] to bed with a daughter [Catherine Mary Cullen] born 11-3h P M **wed 19** cut peaches to dry made preserves **Thursd 20** cut peaches to dry caled to sister Whitehead57 found her very sick Dr France has Drd her **Frd 21** cut Peaches **Satd 22** the same it rained sister Smoot & Martha here staid all night **Sund <23>** they go home I do not go to meeting **Mond <24>** cut peaches sisters Chase Whitne & Snow here **Thursd 25** gathering & cut peaches **Wed 26** the same **Thursd 27** P G David & wives & Sylvia and sister Shirtlief here let P G have two bushels of peaches & a basket 2 dollars been to see Br [corner torn off] **Frd 28** cut peaches **Satd 29** the same **Sund 30** do not go to meeting had peaches stole near all that was not gathered

OCTOBER 1855

**Mond Oct 1** cut peaches Br Henry staid here last night Mary Re [torn off] here and Betsey 2 cut peaches **Tuesd 2** cut peaches **wed 3** finished cutting went to P Gs Lucinia sick **Thursd 4** came home [torn off] have an other bushel of peaches I got [torn off] feet of lumber for my fence wed bought all my winters wood & got it [torn off] **Frd 5** **Satd 6** went to confrence **Sund 7** went again **Mond 8** went again it ajarmed **Tuesd 9** dug carrots **wed 10** Mr

56. This would be Nathaniel Worden, husband of Harriet Teeples (Sessions), and Sydney Teeples (1838–1902), her brother.

57. William Whitehead (1816–1885) had been married to Jane Hardman, who had died in 1847; he later married Ann Spencer and Jane Taylor.
Parry sick I gave him Emetic he then went over to the other house took cold

**Thursd 11** I went and see him dug carrots & beets **Frd 12** dug beets got Mr Parry brought here very sick **Sat 13** got my potatoes dug **Sund 14** do not go to meeting **Mond 15** **Tuesd 16** Mr Parry still very sick **wed 17** got all my vegetables took care of **Thurd 18** **Frd 19** **Satd 20** **Sund 21** all I can do to take care of Mr Parry **Mond 22** **Tuesd 23** **wed 24** I was caled to P Gs to Emoret she had a daughter [Fanny Emorett] born **Thurd ^25^** 7 minutes past 2 A M came home Sylvia staid with Mr Parry while I was gone Sophia Tripps babe is very sick **Frd 26** **Sat 27** bought 2:28 feet pickets I had nit a pair of stockens for Ralf Smith this week **Sund 28** did not go to meeting Mr Parry still sick **Mond ^29^** sister Peck wa[shed] for me **Tuesd 30** ironed Br Staynor [Charles Stayner] c[ame] here I gave him Emetic **wed 31** Sophias babe verry sick yet

**NOVEMBER 1855**

**Thursd** Ralf Smith came here to board **Nov 1** **frd 2** Sophia Tripps babe [Arnal Ondree] died **Sat 3** buried **Sund 4** do not go to meeting **Mond 5** P G & David here bought me a cash of nails bought it here I must go and pay 30 dollars for them **Tuesd 6** I have been and paid for them got 15 lb Sugar **Wed 7** I have been to meeting the benevolent society P G & David brought me a peice of beaf [torn off] Mr Parry walked to his other house to day and back **Thursd 8** I went up to P Gs to see Julia she is sick Sylvia is here staid with Mr Parry while I gone **Frid** went to Bishop Stokers to[ok] his daughter through a course of medicine then come home found Mr Parry worse had a chill Sylvia went home with D[avid] I went up in town got some things of the store on order **Sund 11** do not go to meeting ^it stormed^ **Mond 12** quite a snow six in[ches] mostly gone before night **Tuesd 13** snows again **wed 14** **Thursd 15** went to the midwives meeting **Frd 16** David here **Sat 17** gave Staner Emetic **Satd 17** **Sund 18** do not go to meeting **Mod 19** visit C Stainer & Mary Daniels **Tuesd 20** visited them again **Wed 21** went to the benevolent society **Thursd 22** I visited them again Mr Parry is getting better **Frid 23** R Smith left here to go work on the canal58 **Satd 24** Snowed David here went to get some Aple trees did not get any I gave him what I did not set out for P G **Sund 25** I did not go to meeting Mary here **Mond 26** I went to town **Tuesd <27>** washed **wed 28**

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58. According to Leonard Arrington, "... a decision was made in 1855 to build the temple of granite from quarries in the Little Cottonwood Canyon twenty miles southeast of Salt Lake City. Using tithing labor, the public works devoted two years to building a canal from a point near the canyon to the Temple Block. This canal was intended to augment the supply of water for irrigation and for the operation of mills, as well as for boating granite rocks to the temple. The canal proved to be impractical as a means of transportation, however, and was largely abandoned ...." (Great Basin Kingdom, 112).
went to town to the post Office spun and visited the sick Thursd 29 Mr Parry worse had a chill last night Frid 30

DECEMBER 1855

Sat Dec 1 take care of him Sund ^2^ do not go to meeting he is a great deal worse Sylvia came here staid all night Mond 3 he is better P G sent me a peice of pork David here Tuesd 4 Mr Parry better R Smith left again to work on the canal I found him a weeks pro[visions] wed 5 do not go to the benevolent society Thursd 6 finished a pair of mittens for the poor Frid 7 P G came after me Lucinia sick Mr Parry went down to the house Sat 8 I put her to bed 20 minutes past 4 ^P M^ with a son [Keplar] sister Smoot & MarthaAnn came there just before the child was born Sund 9 I came home with sister Smoot found Mr Parry comfortable Mond 10 Sulvia staid here last night went home Tuesd 11 R Smith came here again wed 12 Thursd 13 Mr Parry went to his house I went to the midwives meeting Frid put Walter Thomsons wife to bed with a son born 7 A M lased [laced] the mittens and let R Smith have them Sat 15 David brought me 2=00 cwt of flour Sund 16 Ralf Smith left here at night David & Phebe came here staid all night Mond 17 Mr Parry and I went home with them59

Tuesd 18 visited Sylvia wed 19 we spent the evening there again Br Dible there both evenings Thursd 20 we came home Mr [Parry] went down to his house staid all night I went to Wordles Hall to a party Mr Parry not able to go Frid 21 I washed Sat 22 ironed Sund do not go to meeting the snow has blowed in through the roof and it has melted yestard and much of the plastering fell off it is very cold let Br Dible have 5 peech stones Mond 24 very cold tuesday ^25^ christmas Harriet here wed 26 still cold Thursd 27 the cellar freses Frid 28 snows and blows ^R^ Smith came back again Sat 29 Sund 30 more moderate I do not go to meeting I go and put John Nortons wife Becke [Rebecca Ann Hammer, b. 1827] to bed with a daughter [Rebecca Ann] born 5 minutes past 12 P M Mond 31 R Smith cut me wood half days

[Records compose the covering pages]

April 4 1853 Carlos took the cow put her to Turnbows

Br Waylot work 10 days had 2h bushel carots do 2h do popatoes

59. This ends one page of Patty’s diary. At the bottom three lines of strange characters appear, penciled in a kind of shorthand. According to Ron Watt, the expert in Deseret Alphabet, Patty was probably practicing the Deseret Alphabet in script, although some of the characters appear to be more like Pitman’s phonography.
Isaac Moris 2/3 do carrots
1 bushel potatoes
1 bushel carrots
2 bushel potatoes
Day 1 bushel carrots
Waylet molasses— 250
1 qt molasses— 075
cabbage 80

Patty Sessions
1853–1856

[crosswise] Isaac Moris
Dr 85 cts

[crosswise] Luis Forsith
$2=50 if Anns
is paid at the
tithing office
if not $1=40
Martha Blair
Dr to me 250
She quilted
a peticoat 100

[vertical along the margin:]
Jan 1

[upside down, with the corner torn off:]
on garden seeds 250
Hovey seeds 125
settled this day
Jaobs seeds 120
cabbage plant
April 18 1855 350 Norton Jacobs

[on the other covering page:]
Jan 1 1853

[upside down at the bottom of the page:]
Isaac Littlehales wife
sister Higins
Diary four (1853–1855, titled 1853–1856), also handmade, has at least two different colors and sizes of paper sewn together. The first part is written on discolored white or beige paper and is 6⅛ inches long and 4⅞ inches wide. A white section of the same size sheets follows. Light blue 5½ x 4⅞ inch pages begin on 10 May 1854 and are for the most part folded separately. Whereas the first handmade diary was sewn together with three long stitches along the middle pages, this one is overcast along the left edge. The white pages are secured by gray thread and the blue by black thread. The thread looks handmade. The ink is brown. At the bottom of the next-to-last page, Patty practiced the Deseret alphabet; this was her only entry in pencil. Courtesy of LDS Church Archives; photograph by J M Heslop.