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Diary of Capt. John Archiquette

ALL KINDS OF NEWS WRITTEN HERE

~~(Written by Oscar H. Archiquette)~~

(Translated from Oneida manuscript by Oscar H. Archiquette)

1868

Sunday, September 13.

The door is now open for Mrs. E. Archiquette to receive Holy Communion.

Sunday, September 13.

Sol. F. (Funn) has now delivered two five year old steers.

Wednesday, September 16.

The chiefs are now in conference about old widow, Jerusha Powless, they supported the arrangement made by Mrs. E. Danforth at first.

Thursday, August 27.

B. Dextator was now made great; he became chief.

Saturday, September 19.

I have now brought two to three dollars worth of White Lead here.

Saturday, October 3.

Commissioner has arrived here from Washington.

Monday, October 5.

He has now written from Green Bay, Wisconsin, it said, for you to sell 8,000 acres of your land to Stockbridges (Indian tribe) or maybe it is much better for you to divide up your land.

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Tuesday, September 29.

I now traded with C. Hill (Cornelius Chief). He got nine acres and I got one horse, John Archiquette.

Monday, August 29.

I now got, P. Green out of Brown County ^a jail for \$6.50.

Saturday, October 17, 1868.

They have now arrested Jacob Poless at his sister's house, Sarah Powless.

Monday, October 19.

Today they had a hearing for him, who committed a crime. Henry Cooper and Peter Denny pleaded for the defendant, Jacob, to be let to live. Baptist Dox-

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tator and Fire Burning Alongor (John Cornelius) recommended to the Indian Court for the defendant to die, who killed a person. That is all.

Tuesday, October 20.

Again, Jacob was tried and it went according to the law, and the only way it can be settled is for his blood to go for the crime he committed.

Wednesday, October 21.

Again they tried him; they tried different ways of punishment for him, they couldn't get him in the penitentiary for life. They said, maybe he should be shot, but it was decided to hang him. They gave him three weeks to live from that time. That is what took place.

Thursday, October 22.

They are now taking Jacob to Green Bay, Wisconsin, Brown County jail for three weeks. That is the way it happened.

Monday, November 9.

Today two men were authorized to do the executing.

Friday, November 13.

Today ^{they hung him} ~~he was executed~~ here in Oneida, Brown County, Wisconsin, near the cemetery. John Anthony sprung the death trap and was paid \$30.00. There were many people there at the execution. When he was standing on the high scaffold and the rope or string was around his neck he was given a chance to make a speech if he wanted to, so he did, he said, "I have made myself ready to Jesus, Jesus and I only are in one." He spoke many good words to those who do not obey. That is all on Friday.

Wednesday, October 28.

Today we graded the road between here and B. Smith.

Wednesday, October 28.

The chiefs are now in conference about the landless Indians, as they are called.

Tuesday, October 27.

Today, we discussed about putting a tombstone on the grave of J. O. Powless.

Monday, October 26.

P. Swamp and her now moved in this house.

Sunday, Noveber, 22.

H. Stevens sold his son's two-year old steer.

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Monday, November 23.

They now reconstructed a bridge across Duck Creek at or near lashadehge? (Wm. Hill's) place.

Tuesday, December 1.

It is now settled (through the Indian court) about him selling a steer. They found him not guilty.

Tuesday, December 8.

The oxen were shod at and by John Baird's.

Tuesday, December 6.

Today I am going to cut bolts at J. Baird's.

Monday, December 7.

They are having conference again at George Baird's and have decided to buy (E.A.) Goodnough sleigh.

Wednesday, November 11.

John Baird received \$21.64 from E. Powless, he said, buy a \$15.00 casket and for him to wear \$6.64. This is all for Jacob Powless.

In the Year of 1869

All kinds of news will be found.

Saturday, January 2, 1869.

Today, people ate here in my house celebrating my good health and happiness.

Monday, January 4.

? atg^?ze'le?, took a little of his corn stalks what there is here of his.

Tuesday, January 5.

Phebe Archiquette is going to a doctor now.

Tuesday, January 19.

Repairs on atg^?ze'le?'s Bob sleigh is now finished.

Monday, January 25.

I am taking Mrs. E. A. back by agreement (she) returned.

March 18, 1869.

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Saturday, January 23.

They locked up Mr. Powless for fourteen days.

Friday, January 29.

Dark red spotted cow gave a calf.

Friday, January 29.

Blizzard today, a heavy storm.

Wednesday, February 3.

The roads are now drifted, and a person can hardly go any where.

Thursday, February 11.

It is very warm today.

Sunday, February 7.

Abram Webster got married today. (crossed out in original.)

Thursday, February 11.

I went and got pork, tea, and oil, and I took it over there.

Sunday, February 6.

Mrs. Julia Cornelius gave birth to a child. (crossed out in original).

Sunday, February 14 (13).

Joseph Swamp and I have agreed to saw logs together. (crossed out in original).

Monday, February 15 (14).

They are going to take Joseph to Depere, Wisconsin. (crossed out in original).

Sunday, February 14 (13).

Son of Abram O. Hill was born in the month of February on 14 (13)th day. (crossed out in original)

Monday 13.

T. Bread's daughter was born December 8, in the year of 1868.

Tuesday night February 16 (15) 1869.

I loaned Henry Christjohn a domestic animal today.

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Saturday night, February 20 (19).

Abram Danforth is minus two teeth.

Tuesday morning, March 2.

I loaned Wm. Antone my domestic animal for 50 cents a day.

Monday, March 1.

They are now having a conference at the community hall.

Monday, March 1.

I put up wall paper today.

Wednesday, March 3.

Today, we planted at George Smith's.

Thursday, March 4.

It is quite cool this morning.

Monday, March 1.

They brought my horse back now from H. Christjohn.

Monday, March 8.

The calf died today. It is very warm today.

Sunday, March 14.

Martin Cornelius carried large sum of money.

Monday, March 15.

I am now going after straw at T. H. (Thomas House).

Wednesday, March 24.

We quit hauling saw logs for good now. The roads is bad now.

Tuesday, March 23.

I now loaned my domestic animal to D. Jordan (David).

Thursday, March 25.

Lucy Parkhurst has now left for home.

Thursday, March 25.

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I used old B. Smith's horse today.

Thursday, March 25.

And Peter Swamp B. is gone to haul road ties for Moses Webster.

Monday, March 29.

Old Mary Hill's cow was butchered.

The first Bible printed in North America was in the year of 1657.

Thursday, April 1.

The building of the First National Bank of Green Bay, Wisconsin, burned down but the money was not damaged.

Saturday, April 10.

Many logs have arrived at Foster's (Sawmill).

Friday, April 9.

A litter of eight pigs.

Tuesday, April 6.

Mrs. E. A. left for home.

Sunday, night, April 18.

Lots of rain fell last night.

Sunday, April 18.

I mortgaged my due bill.

Wednesday, April 21.

G. S. is very sick today (F) (George Smith)
The snow is three inches deep.

Tuesday, April 20.

P. Swamp is now going to drive logs in the river for one day only.

Monday, April 26.

Mrs. Jane Smith traded horses with John Wheelock, William Antone gave

\$5.00 ~~to Webster~~ to boot.

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Tuesday, April 27.

Many wagons of white people going by from fishing at Foster's.

Tuesday, April 27.

The old man left here this morning to repair the old net.

Wednesday, April 28.

E. A. and Jesse started to work for me.

Thursday, April 29.

One barrel full of suckers are now salted.

Monday, May 3.

I am now going to cut pinetrees for shingles.

Thursday, Eve., May 6.

Hank Salvan orderd Aaron Ninham to be put in jail on account of whiskey.

Wednesday, May 12.

They got him out today.

Wednesday, May 12.

My lumber of 18 inch shingles in the amount of one thousand and a half is now sold.

Saturday, May 22.

The business between Irish and our fellows is now settled for \$30.00.

Saturday, May 22.

Mr. Mr. P. bought a three quart pail at Depere, Wisconsin.

Saturday, June 12.

I bought a hat from John Stevens.

Saturday, June 12.

We made and finished two thousand shingles (pine shingles).

Saturday, June 5.

Today, I bought a blue pants, vest and blouse.

Monday, June 14.

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I cut my knee with a draw knife.

Monday, June 14.

He now sold a three year old cow by the pound.

Sunday, June 13.

Doctor was here for medical service. I paid him \$1.50.

Tuesday, June 15.

They are now taking Mr. M. Powless up north in the pine where we are going to make shingles.

Tuesday, June 15.

Peter Swamp is now going to work.

Wednesday, June 16.

We hired him to make shingles.

Thursday, June 17.

Today, Loles Powless is praying here.

Saturday, Eve., June 20.

Cobas Syles was badly hurt. He was cut with an axe by Hanyost Smith. This happened between the buildings of Syles near dayojalu'sle's (Fire Burning Along or John Cornelius) place and walele'ne (Frog's).

All Kinds of News (written here) 1869.

Saturday, November 7, 1869.

C. (Cornelius) Hill, James Powless and Lucy Parkhurst are back.

Tuesday, June 22, 1869.

B. Doxtator is looking for help to drive logs.

Tuesday, June 22.

The old man (Martinas Archiquette) left this morning at 8:00 o'clock for Depere or Green Bay, Wisconsin, with eleven dollars in his pocket.

Wednesday, June 23.

dagadaka? (John) Powless is having his wedding celebration at D. (Daniel) Bread's.

Saturday, June 26.

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The oya'da'--cherokee nation, Indian doctors have now found our settlement.

Saturday, June 26.

Henry Antone found our settlement.

Monday, June 28.

I bought a calf from George Smith for \$12.00.

Monday, June 28.

It has been very warm this morning, and this afternoon it rained very much.

Tuesday, June 29.

They are grading Depere, Wisconsin, road again.

Friday on July 2.

I quit making shingles today.

Friday, June 25.

We started hoeing corn today.

Tuesday, July 13.

Henry Antone is now going back home, and we are going with him to Canada.

Monday, September 27.

Today, I came back here in Oneida, Brown County, Wisconsin.

Wednesday, September 29.

I paid back one silver dollar to gahnogwa (cloth name fished out).

Wednesday, September 22.

degahawagwa is going to Canada (name of F.) again.

Sunday, October 3.

I loaned one dollar in gold to Joseph (Swamp) and Raccoon (Cobis Peters) in Depere, Wisconsin.

Tuesday, October 5.

Joseph Swamp hired me to work in the pine timber.

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Wednesday, September 29.

Two great men left today, Baptist Doxtator and Daniel Bread.

Monday, October 11.

We are now going to grade the road towards Foster's Mill.

Sunday, October 10.

They are looking here and there for Henry Skenandoah.

Monday, October 11.

I am going to hire Jackson to cut corn stalks.

Wednesday, October 13.

Janigohgoho (John Denny, Sr.) and Peter Sickles have now found our settlement.

Thursday, October 14.

Old man Danforth found out it is perfectly alright that he got married again.

Thursday, October 21.

I started digging a well today.

Tuesday, October 26.

(my son) Joel is very sick.

Saturday, November 6.

Old man Doxtator started digging a well (for me).

Monday, November 8.

Today he stoned up the well about two feet.

November 7.

Peter A. Powless and I settled about the bob sleigh.

Tuesday, November 9.

Old man Webster butchered an ox for himself.

Tuesday, November 9.

I paid P. (Peter A.) Powless one dollar for one bottle of Helmbolds.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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Tuesday, November 9.

I am going to haul stone now.

Week, November 3.

He came home and brought ----- it? for L. Antone.

Thursday, November 11.

About eight feet of the well is stoned up; it seems that old man Duxtator is going to quit.

Monday, November 15.

J. Danforth gave me one dollar, at Holomes's part of which I gave him for safe keeping.

Friday, November 12.

John Stevens, Sr. and I settled everything about the steer, he is to pay me \$40.00.

Wednesday, November 17.

I brought shoes for P. A. which was made by P. (Peter A.) Powless.

Wednesday, November 17.

First snow storm this fall. The snow is about 18 inches deep.

Monday, November 14.

John Stevens is now going after lumber at McArthur's Mill for Moses Powless.

Thursday, November 18.

Today dewa?gineta? (Elizabeth Webster) is having a bee to make shingles and to cut brush.

Tuesday, November 16.

The little black calf is back now.

Monday, November 8.

It came in view again first great. (crossed out in original).

Monday, November 22.

The Indian Agent fooled us, he did not show up at the community hall.

Saturday, November 20.

Old D. Duxtator took the blue over coat for four dollars.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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November 20.

Good sleighing.

Saturday, November 27.

D. Medakzan (Metoxen) failed to make a trade with me, he wanted to give me a farm for a horse.

Monday, November 29.

Our agent visited us, he wanted a record made as to the size of land each of us have (or number of acres).

Tuesday night, December 1.

Old diweta?'s domestic animal was hurt between the barn and the shed.

Friday Eve., December 10.

Moses Powless finished a vehicle for J. Stevens.

Saturday, December 11.

Baptist Doxtator let me have 40 cents worth of beans on credit.

Saturday, December 11.

It rained heavy all day.

Tuesday, January 25.

I started (hauling) pine logs to Foster's (mill).

Friday Eve., January 28.

adonihgo (Big Antone) gave up waiting for Elizabeth Danforth and her grandchild.

Friday, January 28.

Jonas James has been elected to take the place of Jacob Hill as overseer of the tribe.

Sunday, February 6.

lacg\lhaks (He is eating Beechnut--Mr. ? Skenandore, father of Zackariah Skenandore) was arrested for having trouble, with John Baird (arrested by Indian police).

Friday, February 4.

We started selling our logs at Foster's (Sawmill) today.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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Friday, February 4.

Henry Stevens offered to sell me his hay.

Monday, February 14.

The landless Oneidas presented their case before the Chiefs today, asking that they be allowed to have land, same as those who have land here in Oneida Brown County, Wisconsin.

Wednesday, February 16.

I hauled logs for Henry Stevens.

Wednesday, February 23.

We are now stalled from selling pine logs.

Saturday, February 26.

It rained heavily Saturday night.

Sunday, February 27.

I found my domestic animal, Mike (name of horse) again, at Yohanesgowanhne.

Monday, February 28.

I wrote an order of (\$5.00) to Foster for John Danforth.

Monday, March 7.

We drew up a petition which we are going to send to Washington, D. C. asking whether or not we can be forced to have our land allotted here in Oneida, Wisconsin;

Tuesday, night, Monday 8.

Old Abzam Webster was injured by his son Abr. Webster, Jr.

Monday, March 14.

Wm. Antone and I settled up, for six hundred pounds of hay for the four dollar loan I had given him about two years ago.

Tuesday, March 25.

It snowed heavy all day today.

Sunday, March 20.

Heavy snow storm all day today.

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Monday, March 21.

J. Danforth will give me 573 pounds of hay today.

Tuesday, March 22.

Mr. H. Smith is going to sell a hide, so I loaned him my horse and sleigh.

Saturday, April 2.

Today, the bridge over Duck Creek at George Doxtator's and George Baird's floated away.

April 2.

There never was such a flood as it is now this spring or season.

Thursday, April 7.

I am now driving logs in Duck Creek for two dollars a day and my board.

Thursday, April 14.

I bought five bushels of potatoes for seed.

Saturday, April 16.

Thomas John sold his oxen to B. Smith for fifteen acres of land.

Wednesday, April 20.

Jacob Smith (crossed out in original) left for Canada.

Wednesday, April 27.

Isaac Powless went home to Onondaga (New York)

Wednesday, May 14.

I started plowing today.

Wednesday, March 11.

The question of borrowing \$200 or \$150 of nation's money by the men of the tribe was discussed with the chiefs today. Eleven warriors--by eleven men.

Friday, May 20.

Jotulagwadu--trumpets have arrived.

Saturday, May 21.

The sale of railroad ties is stopped.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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May 25.

Ties is being sold again.

Monday, May 23.

The agent for Oneidas is at the community hall, the purpose of his presence is to stop the sale of any standing timber here. (Oneida Reservation)

Sunday, June 19.

Mr. E. A. Goodnough informed us that our land will be allotted now, if we so desire. This the order from the president of the United States we were notified today.

Friday, June 24.

Today, is the first time I ate new potatoes that I planted in the year of 1870.

In June.

A bridge has been completed again at G. Dextator's.

Saturday, July 2.

Daniel Skenandore and George Button got into trouble so D. Skenandore was put in jail.

Tuesday, July 5.

Rev. E. A. Goodnough is now going to Arkansas.

Thursday, July 7.

Little pig ran away today.

Wednesday, August 3.

I started haying at Baptist Hill's; I bought the hay for \$10.00.

Tuesday, August 2.

Old Henry Powless is going to visit t'gana'wade?

Thursday, August 4.

John D. Cornelius' wife was seriously injured when she was thrown from a wagon in which she was riding when the team of horses ran away near John Baird's place.

August 17.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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During the month of August T. House was threshing around with his new threshing machine.

Wednesday, September 7.

They started building a railroad ^{at} new John Reed's today.

Monday of September 12.

I now started working on the railroad.

Saturday, September 3.

I loaned my domestic animal to gwadugohdani? - - - - - for a period of one month for \$1.50.

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This season the crops are good. That is all.

Friday, October 14.

We saw the first frost this fall.

Monday, October 17.

Chief Henry Powless came back from tganawade? where he had been doctoring.

Saturday, October 22.

David Christjohn and I loaned each other overcoats.

Wednesday, November 3.

I am now working for Bob. Smith Iron Company.

Monday, October 31.

They have started building a bridge in a little different place from where it was near or down the hill from on (d)le?lahéhne's place, first week in November.

Tuesday, November 8.

Old Henry Powless is celebrating for being a chief.

Thursday Eve., November 24.

People gathered at the school house to be thankful for everything that is going alright.

Wednesday, November 9.

Today we had the first little snow this fall.

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Tuesday, November 29.

I have started hauling logs for a building for my stock.

Thursday, December 1.

Today I traded with William Schuyler. I gave him a steer and \$5.00 and I got a wagon.

Wednesday, December 21.

Mr. John Baird left for Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The rumor is that he is gone to trade his three (Indian) ponies.

Saturday, December 24.

A rug is now laid in the F. E. Church. This is the end for 1870.

It is now 1871.

Thursday, January 12.

The snow is just about all gone. It has been raining for two days now.

Monday, January 9.

We the men of the tribe have agreed with the chiefs to make laws similar to that of the white man's. We are going to meet again about this on January 16, D., 1871.

Sunday, January 22.

The roads here have not been good once still up to this time.

Monday, January 16.

Mr. Ritchardson the agent asked us this question, to be sure and stop selling pine logs. That is what took place.

Monday, February 13.

It is now approved by the Indian Court that we the people who live here in Oneida, Wisconsin will now have laws. James Syles, and Adam Bo Cornelius were elected for Justice of the Peace, for Sheriff, John Archiquette for constable Big Abram Wheelock. (crossed out in original)

Friday, February 24.

Sleighting is done for and the ice in Duck Creek is all melted away.

Friday, February 24.

A case against the New York Tribune is now settled for \$2,401 a year.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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Monday, March 6.

Today Abr. Danforth and Sol. Skenandoah are going to be tried again for killing dehohaleta? Mr. ? Danforth's horse (before the Indian Court).

Friday, March 9.

Solomon Funn (Cornelius) left the Oneida reservation by order of the Indian Court.

Monday, March 13.

The chiefs are in conference about the laws at the community hall.

Tuesday, March 21.

Pretty good sleighing for two days now.

Monday, March 20.

I asked before the council at the community hall, to have somebody take over my position as sheriff. That is all.

Saturday, April 22.

We have received an answer from Washington, D. C. in regard to allotting our land. It seems that Mr. J. How is relieved of handling our affairs. This was the contents of the letter.

Friday, May 6.

I wrote two letters one to P. Powless and the other to J. Sickles Province, Ontario.

Tuesday, May 2.

I settled with the Chiefs today for my work as Sheriff for the Oneida Nation from February 13, 1871 to date for twenty-two dollars. I will be paid in merchandise from the store. Abram Danforth took my position as Sheriff. Adam Tailor took over the Duck Creek sawmill in February A.D. 1871.

Thursday, May 18.

I have finished cultivating where it is going to be planted.

Saturday, May 20.

Mr. Armstrong trusted me for four bushels of potatoes. I will pay him \$2.50 a month from now.

Tuesday, May 23.

Today Peter Swamp planted.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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Tuesday, May 23.

It is raining this morning which is very good for the crops.

Monday, June 29.

Louis Hill is now home from Onondaga, New York.

Thursday, June 15.

John Stevens and I made a deal for him to let me have the steers if I build them a house where him and my grandmother will live. That is all.

Monday, June 12.

We had a meeting at the community hall about our laws. Henry Cooper was elected to be Justice of the Peace by the men of the tribe and Thomas John as constable. (The eligible voters are made only)

Monday, June 12.

We have agreed to have our fourth of July celebration at George Duxtator's. (crossed out in original)

Tuesday on June 13.

Today, Peter Swamp planted corn.

Friday, June 16.

Today, I could not find my domestic animal (horse) Mike.

Friday, night, June 16.

I have received band instrument for me to practice.

Week of June 1871.

Heavy frost during the week.

Thursday, June 29.

Isaac Duxtator again found our settlement, he came from Kansas.

Friday, June 30.

I have a wagon again. I bought it from Nathaniel Duxtator for \$20.00.

Monday, July 10.

Those who are going west where they will make their home signed up today. That is all.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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Monday, July 10.

It seems that the agent for the Oneidas will now be able to stop the white people from selling liquor to Indians by a fine of \$300.00 or two year imprisonment or both if the white man is caught selling liquor to an Indian. That is the law of the United States.

Wednesday, July 12.

A six year old oxen died today. He was worth about \$90.00.

Thursday, July 13.

It seems that the wishes of the landless Oneidas have been accepted by the chiefs, and that is for them to get land here in Oneida, Brown County, Wisconsin. This was not definite.

Tuesday, July 18.

Today several Oneidas were waiting for a minister to duck them in to the water but the ducking minister failed to show up. (Seventh Day Adventist).

Monday, July 17.

Today atgA?ze·le? (name of men) bought a calf from Peter Swamp for \$2.50 or twenty shillings.

Thursday, July 20.

Today Wm. W. King, William Somers, old Jacob Powless, Johahi'za-----, and his wife were ducked into the water by a white Seventh Day Adventist. This is the first organization of this kind ever started here in Oneida, Brown County. This kind of religion was brought here by Nicholes Kutkut. This is all.

Thursday, June 22.

Circus arrived in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Tuesday, June 27.

Circus arrived in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Saturday, July 8.

Cynosi falls circus arrived in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Tuesday, July 18.

Circus arrived in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Monday, August 7.

Henry Stevens cut himself on the ankle with an axe pretty bad.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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Tuesday, August 15.

Today, she was taking census to find how many there are in a family by order of John Hadcock.

Wednesday, August 16.

Oats was put in the barn today.

Monday, August 28.

I am leaving tomorrow to go to work on the other side of Suamico, Wisconsin for Northwestern Railroad Company. I am to report to Stock Weathes; I suppose he is the boss.

Saturday, August 26.

We played band in Freedom today.

Wednesday, September 13.

Baptist Doxtator and his wife left for Onondaga (New York) to visit.

Wednesday, September 20.

First heavy frost this fall.

Wednesday, September 20.

Today I was made road master to be in charge of highways and a group of men working on the road.

Wednesday, September 20.

Today they practiced debating and they elected one to act as chairman at P. Denny.

Tuesday, September 26.

We are now going to haul logs to build a jail with.

Thursday, September 28.

Today Abr. Danforth killed my horse, he was worth \$75.00.

Saturday, September 30.

Today two of my oxen died. They were worth \$80.00.

Friday, September 29.

Today Antone James and Mr. Burns left for Milwaukee, Wisconsin on a liquor charge.

Oscar H. Archiquette--News, continued.

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Wednesday, October 4.

Today Mr. G. R. Cook and N. C. Foster are going to be tried at Milwaukee, Wisconsin (Federal Court). They are charged of buying logs from the Oneida Indians illegally. Mr. Cornelius Hill, the chief, is the witness.

Wednesday, October 4, 9:00 o'clock A. M..

Today there are fires burning all over the reservation which have been burning for a week. There is so much smoke that a person can't see any further than 30 rds., and there is so much smoke it is suffocating.

Friday, October 13.

Mr. N. Kutkut gave us band music called Chieftain and Merrily for \$1.25.

Monday, October 16.

Today we put up the rafters on the building, which is going to be a jail.

Saturday, night, October 7.

It is surprising what a great fire there was in the city of Chicago, Ill. The city was on fire for several miles and the village of Pestigo, Wisconsin. The whole village burned down excepting one house. The number who died in the fire were several tens. This is what the fire done in Pestigo, Wisconsin.

Friday, October 20.

Today the cobs were picked from the cornstalks, the whole season has been dry. We have had very little rain. The forest fires caused lot of damage. The rail fences burned down, the forest fire is out now.

Thursday, October 22.

Mr. Wilson arrived today to teach our band.

Sunday, November 2.

I wrote a letter for George Doxtator on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, October 29-30-31.

Thursday, November 2.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Doxtator returned from Onondaga, New York.

Friday, November 10.

Johahi'zA - - - - - got the cow back from dehohAleta? (Danforth) by order of the chiefs, the owner of the cow is Thomas Swamp.

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Wednesday, November 8.

dihdih (Wm. Hill) had a celebration again.

Monday, November 6.

They started laying rails for the L. T. Railroad, also started laying ties at Thank Town. (corner of Broadway and Mason St. Green Bay, Wisconsin)

Wednesday, November 15.

Today the train came as far as the Trout Creek Bridge.

Tuesday, December 5, 1871.

Mr. William M. Jacobs went back home to Onondaga (New York). Today he was paid \$26.00 for teaching us band music.

Friday, December 8.

Peter Swamp took my sleigh for John Stevens. I loaned the sleigh to John Stevens.

Sunday, December 10.

Very good sleighing. (crossed out in original)

Saturday, December 9.

We the band played at Corners or Mill Center for the fun of it.

Tuesday, December 19.

They have now completed building railroad between Green Bay and New London.

Tuesday, December 19.

I let ganyo?godu (Henry Huff, Sr.) have bob sleighs, he paid me \$12.50 right away and the balance of \$12.50 one week after the fourth of July. The sleigh I gave him is worth twenty five dollars, J. Archiquette.

Tuesday, January 16, 1872.

I gave John Silver (Hill) \$10.00 as down payment to Nathaniel Doxtator for a wagon.

Monday, January 8.

He gave me the balance of \$12.50. (Presumably from Henry Huff, Sr. for the sleighs)

Month of February.

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Dr. Louis an Ottawa Indian is visiting our settlement.

Wednesday, March 20.

The cars which were hauling logs for A. Taylor is now resting until about May when it will haul Abram Taylor's logs again.

March 25.

We have had a very good sleighing from December 1871 to March 1872 there is lot of snow yet.

Friday, March 22.

Mr. John George went back to Canada.

Saturday, April 6.

Thomas House and John Henric returned from Washington.

Monday, April 8.

The first little rain we have had this year 1872 and there is still snow here and there.

Thursday, April 11.

The chiefs have agreed to let Adam King do what he wants to do if he wants to lease ten acres of land to L. P. R. R. Co. they will O, K. it. It seems from this agreement, any Indian can now lease to a white man if they wish and it will be O, K'd by the chief provided they are living on the land they claim. This was ^{the} ruling made by the chiefs but the chiefs were not all present at the meetings. There were three or four missing. I suppose the agreement made will be of no use again. This the way it happened.

Monday, April 15.

We are now going to drive logs in Duck Creek for A. Taylor, Chief C. Hill is the foreman.

Wednesday, April 24.

Today I am hauling wooden rails with a single horse. It is very warm.

Wednesday, April 24.

Today the chiefs authorized and signed an agreement with John Henrick for him to draw or get the money from Washington, D. C. which belongs to half breed Stockbridges.

Friday, April 26.

Paul Powless is back from Kansas, he didn't like it there. This is all.

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1872. This Tells All Kinds of News.

Monday, Morning.

The first heavy rain this season, it rained for four hours. We sent Mr. Wilson M. Jacobs \$10.00 the first week in May, for him to teach us more band music when he comes again.

Tuesday, April 30.

I planted peas today.

Saturday, May 4.

I planted eight bushels of oats on (two acres--crossed out in original) today.

Wednesday, May 1.

John Stevens bought a house and a field from Mrs. Elizabeth Danforth, he paid her \$40.00 down right away.

Thursday, May 2.

Today they took back the bargain, they made (this refers to John Stevens and Mrs. Elizabeth Danforth) Mr. Stevens got his \$40.00, back and Mrs. Danforth got her house back. A case was settled by the chiefs about a field between James Wheelock and David Charles. Mr. Charles was well satisfied what he got.

Saturday, June 8.

I quit working for a Mr. Monges.

Monday, June 10.

Today John Stevens is plowing here, where they are going to plant beans.

Friday, June 14.

Today Solomon Fonn (Cornelius) is traveling around here again, he does not obey.

Monday, June 17.

Today C. Hill, J. Jill and D. Ninham left for Milwaukee, Wisconsin where they are going to attend a meeting of ministers, the congregation delegated the three men, they were given \$50.00 for their lunch or eats.

Friday, June 21.

The delegation returned from Milwaukee.

Wednesday, June 26.

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Hanyost Parkhurst is back again from Kansas; he came back with Eve Powless.

Saturday, morning, June 29.

John Stevens loaned me eight dollars. I paid him back in September.

Saturday Morning, June 29.

Mr. C. Hill brought a German Silver band instrument here, the price is \$30.00.

Thursday, July 11.

A man from New York saloon, Green Bay, Wisconsin, was here and he wanted to hire us (the band) to play there every Sunday evening for \$24.00.

Wednesday, July 10.

John Stevens got a cow from Sally Cooper.

July 15, 1872.

Moses Doxtator and Cornelius Doxtator are now back from New York. Moses drew \$700.50 from Green Bay (bank) and Cornelius Doxtator drew \$800.00.

Tuesday, July 16.

Mr. M. Doxtator loaned me \$5.00 with interest for two months. I mortgaged a two year old heifer. J. Archiquette I paid him back on January 19/73.

July 18, 1872.

We have had very little rain during the months of January, February, March, April, May, June and July, the weather is dry.

Friday, Evening, July 19.

Mr. A. Haos (House) joined the band, he is going to practice to play the 1st E. b. Sop. It has been raining often now.

Saturday, July 20.

Today it rained nearly all day, which is very good for the crops.

Saturday, July 20.

John Henrick let me cut one acre of hay on halves.

Monday, July 22-24.

I was George Doxtator's employee for two days.

Wednesday, July 31.

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There was a celebration for or about Hanyost Parkhurst and his better half, the Turtle Clan reconciled.

Monday, August 5.

The debating society are going to meet at the community hall Monday night.

Monday, September 2.

We are now going to start quarrying stone, to build a church, the protestant Episcopal Church.

Sunday, September 22.

John Baird is now back from Kansas.

Tuesday, September 17.

Gilbert Parkhurst and his brother-in-law asalahgwa? (Abram Baird) and his wife are now back home.

October 8.

H. Parkhurst is back again with his family.

October 6.

It seems H. P. (Hanyost Parkhurst) has come back for good now. Cobas Scyles came back with them.

Tuesday, October 29.

Mary Christjohn let Nicholas Huff have two one year old steers on credit, for three months, if he does not pay her \$35.00 at that time then he is to give her a horse on January 29, 1873. I am the witness, John Archiquette. Everything was finally settled.

Saturday, Morning, November 4.

Solomon Cornelius was put in the Brown County Jail. It seems that he is charged with very serious offence. This is the way it happened.

Saturday, November 9.

The city of Boston was on fire, which caused a \$100,000,000 damage.

Thursday, November 25.

Mr. Cornelius Hill, the chief, had a celebration at Wm. Hill's, on this day. Abram Danforth, John Danforth, Jr. and Cornelius Danforth resigned as members of our band, they are going to join some other band. We have to have some to practice to play 1st E.b. Cornet, 1st B. b. Alto, 1st E. b. and B. B. Bass. This is what happened.

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Monday, December 2.

Daniel Skenandoah took the 1st E. b. Bass, Solomon John took the 2nd B. b. Bass, Skenandoah took the 1st B. b. Alto. We are to pay \$2.50 apiece. C. Hill plays the 1st E. b. Cornet. I took L. Hill's place as band master for our group.

Thursday, December 5.

P. Powless let me have a heater.

Friday, December 6.

Peter Swamp butchered a cow for beef.

1873.

Thursday, January 2.

It rained all day today.

Friday, January 3.

A heavy wind storm today.

Thursday, January 9.

I brought vinegar bitters from Green Bay, Wisconsin, for Margaret Stevens.

Sunday, February 16.

Today Rev. E. A. Goodnough gave up getting any more money from where it used to come from. So from now on, it will be up to his congregation to take up collection from time to time for his living, as long as he is a minister here in Oneida, Brown County, Wisconsin.

Saturday, March 1.

There are some more band instruments brought here by John Baird.

1873.

The way different things happened.

Tuesday, March 25.

They are going to hew timber again which will be used in building the church, it may be used for a foundation for the new church.

Monday, April 7.

I loaned John Powless \$5.00 for one month with 10 cents interest on a dollar.

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Wednesday, April 16.

The names of the present and first Oneida Band:

C. H. (Cornelius Hill) Chief, 1st E. b. Cornet.
John Archiquette, 1st E. b. Cornet.
Simeon Hill, 1st B. b. Cornet.
Cornelius Baird, 2nd B. b. Cornet.
Wilson Elm, 1st B. b. Alto.
Leowin Hill, 2nd B. b. Alto.
Joshua Skenandoah, 1st baritone.
Henry Powless, 1st baritone, or Tenor.
Solomon John, B. b. Bass Tuba.
Nathaniel Skenandoah E. b. Bass Tuba.
Lewis Hill, Bass Drum.
Neddy Hill, Snare Drum.

Thursday, April 17.

It is raining and snowing today. Peter Swamp was examined by Dr. Cawe last night.

Monday, April 21.

John Steven's domestic animals (two) came to plow here. It snowed a little yet today.

Monday, April 21.

Mr. Simeon Hill will use or play B. b. Cornet instead, and Nicholas Archiquette will take the 1st B. b. for \$2.75.

Wednesday, May 28.

The landless Indians are now ordered to stop. (perhaps from cutting timber) here, by order of the chiefs which they signed on May 1-2-3.

May--

Four apple trees were set around my house today. I paid 50 cents apiece for them, total - \$2.00.

Wednesday night, May 28.

Mr. Charles Hill took over the 1st B. b. Cornet for \$2.75. There are two new band instruments, one is 1st E. b. Cornet for \$27.00 and the other for \$1.70. This will be bought for \$27.00.

Wednesday, May 28.

I bought a watch from Curtis Demy for 1500 ft. of pine lumber.

May--

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This is the first time timothy has been planted here, and oats.

Friday, June 6.

John Baird went and got the Nation's Flag from C. Hill (Cornelius Hill).

Monday, June 9.

Today, there was some more yellow corn planted here.

Friday, June 13.

I practiced castrating on two bulls.

Monday, June 16.

Today they planned for a fourth of July celebration /73.

Tuesday, June 24.

Seymour, Wisconsin, storekeeper is now permitted to buy any kind of timber here (Oneida reservation). The Nation will get fourteen cents on a dollar stumpage.

Tuesday, June 24.

The chiefs have agreed to give aid to those who are sick. It is not known for sure just what kind of epidemic disease. It seems to be small pox. The aid for the sick will be paid out of tribal funds. Mr. John W. Cornelius will be in charge. This is the way it happened.

Tuesday, July 1st.

I let Hanyost Parkhurst have eight-year-old steer for \$60.00 on credit for three months, time will be up October 1. He mortgaged a three-year-old mare.

Thursday, July 17.

I brought home music entitled, "Hail Columbia," which I paid \$1.00 at Vananzelin Music Store, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

July 10.

We are getting a new Flag for \$2.00.

Monday, July 21.

Nathanial Skenandoah had a mowing bee.

Sunday, August 2.

Today was the first time collection was taken up for Rev. E. A. Goodnough who is our minister here in Oneida, Wisconsin.

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Monday, July 21.

U. S. Agent for Indians, Thomas Chase, visited the chiefs for the first time at the community hall.

Monday, July 28.

I am almost done harvesting timothy hay.

Wednesday, July 30.

Hail storm went through here and damaged the crops especially oats. Those whose oats were damaged to the amount of hundreths of bushels were Nicholas Skenandoah, C. Hill, Wm. Hill, John Baird, John Danforth and myself. There is no need of thrashing the grain. This is the way it happened at this time.

Sunday, August 10.

Today a thunder bolt struck my barn and it burned to the ground in a very short time. I had about five or six tons of hay and some oats in the barn.

Saturday, August 16.

John Baird's band played in Depere, Wisconsin for beer.

August 1873.

James Wheelock bought a new threshing machine for \$700.00. George Doxtator also bought a new threshing machine.

Friday, August 28.

Mr. Wm. Schuyler drove my milking cow to George Smith's who is going to keep her over winter.

Saturday, August 23.

Mr. Louis Elm gave me one load of hay.

Saturday, August 23.

Thomas John gave me half a ton of hay.

Friday, August 29.

Mr. Solomon Bread gave me one load of hay.

Monday, September 1st.

Mr. Moses Webster bought a spring calf from me for one tone of hay.

Friday, September 5.

Circus in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Coles Great New York and New Orleans Zoological and Equestrian, Exposition.

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Thursday, September 11.

I am now going to cut hay along the marsh.

Monday, September 15.

J. Baird, Hanyost Parkhurst, Thomas Swamp, Jacob Hill, G. Doxtator, and good many others were in favor of selling our land and let the landless Oneidas on it. While old Aaron Hill, Nicholas Archiquette, Peter Hill, Hon. Daniel Ninham and others were not in favor of approving anything without fully understanding it first. There was a lot of discussion about the subject, quite a number disagreed. This is what happened.

Saturday, September 27.

I sold 16 cords of oak bolts to Mr. Matteson and Hatch for \$3.00 per cord at Oneida Station, Wisconsin.

Friday, October 10.

The women are giving a dinner at Solomon Bread's, the proceeds to go towards the building of a stone church. The dinner is 75 cents per person, husband and wife is \$1.00 or him and his friend and three in a group is \$1.25. This is the way it is going today. There were more than 150 persons ate. The old Oneida National Brass Band are playing.

Saturday, October 18.

Bishop Hobart Hare has called a meeting for the chiefs at the school house.

Tuesday, October 21.

Joshua Parkhurst gave me a horse as payment for a loan of \$60.00. I had given the family on July 1st to October 1st in 1873. Thomas John was witness, I am John Archiquette.

Saturday, November 15.

John Stevens loaned \$5.00 to Adam Swamp for one month with ten cents interest on a dollar, he mortgaged a bob sleigh. I am the witness, John Archiquette.

Sunday, November 30.

It is very good sleighing this time of the year. There is about 12 inches of snow.

Monday, December 1.

Mary Powless adopted herself to Jerusha Swamp.

Tuesday, December 2.

It rained and thundered during the day and all night.

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Thursday, December 4.

Today it turned cold and blizzard storm took place all day.

Tuesday, December 2.

I gave Elizabeth Danforth a cow valued at \$30.00 on credit, she paid me \$12.00 right away, that is, she gave me a seconded stove for \$12.00; she is to pay me the balance of \$18.00 on March 25. This is the way we agreed today. She gave up the agreement and took her old stove back.

Monday, January 14, 1874.

The chiefs left for Albany, New York. The chiefs, C. Hill, Jacob Cornelius, Elijah Skenandoah, and Jacob L. Dextator, interpreter, were called there by John Headcock. This is all.

Monday, January 1.

Power of Attorney was drawn up for lands in New York State, which belongs to Oneida Indians, which was never sold. It is very necessary that this be settled.

Tuesday, January 20.

Mr. Antone Mehinah started teaching John Baird's band for fifty dollars a month.

Monday, January 26.

The men of the tribe have agreed to stop the landless Indians from working on our land, Job Swamp, David King, N. Archiquette and Henry Christjohn will look after this.

Saturday, January 24.

I wrote to C. H. (Cornelius Hill) Chief to Albany, New York.

Monday, February 23.

Today we are having a great snow storm. I bought a watch chain in Seymour, Wisconsin last Saturday.

Thursday, February 19.

Abram Webster gave a \$10.00 order to Case Klaus and Company for old Margaret Stevens.

Tuesday, March 10.

I made a bargain with Elizabeth Danforth that I get the two oxen on installment plan and pay all funeral expenses when lateclunih? (Mr. Danforth) dies. This is the way the bargain was made. S. J. Archiquette. This bargain was dissolved by Elizabeth Danforth.

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Wednesday, March 11.

Adam Danforth took the old oxen I had.