

was at Mrs C.'s & I had a very nice call - Pitted & Canned my cherries - had a qt can - cooked them on Mrs K.'s stove - Mr. Young gave me a Chicago paper - containing an account of the assassination of the French President - Another hard thunder shower as I write almost night - Letter from Mrs Samson
Wed 27

Very warm most of the day - but I built a fire boiled ten potatoes & an egg - Made a pt of butter gravy, a quart of corn meal mush with a little flour stirred in - Stewed and Canned my pt of goose berries - took two tea cupfuls of granulated sugar & water enough to fill a qt can & they look nice - Mrs K. canned a qt of green currants & said I could if I chose so I have picked a qt & will stem them today, nothing preventing - Picked a hand ful of straw berries for my supper - Fella has some kittens but I do not know how many, or where they are - She is shy about my seeing when she goes to them - Mrs K. went on the train to Jim's & borrowed a nickle of me for her fare

Thurs 28,

Warm - I canned my currants by Mrs K.'s fire & she gave me part of a tea cupful to fill my qt & they look nice - I used brown sugar - Mrs K. also gave me a piece of Cherry pie & let me use her fire to warm over my potatoes & mush - She says that the hard thunder storm of the 26th sent the electricity down the chimney of a Mr Blodgett's house & immediately killed two little daughters aged 7 & 5 and prostrated another daughter ^{age 16} so she has since died & his wife is in a critical condition - I have read the Kingbridge mystery by Chad Reed - picked a hand ful of S. berries for my supper. Sewed a button on my lawn sack - & began to patch a sheet - Went down in pasture -

Fri 29,

Quite warm - Baked a short cake in Mrs K.'s oven & stewed a dish of pie plant for sauce - She had my flat iron to use for her ironing - Went to Jennie Payne & was measured & she is to make my calico dresses - Carried her three of my white fragrant roses - Got a qt of milk of Myra Tolmery - Mrs Lee called to borrow my wash boiler & granite kettle - I went home with her & hulled 12 qts strawberries & helped her can 5 qts - 5 cans - Washed the pans &c - Borrowed Stand Off by A. E. - Daniel Veranda by George Elliot - & The Fortune Teller of A. Q. by Prof Wm Henry Peck - of Mrs Lee to read - Rec'd my Grape Belt & a letter from Ida - Mr K. brought them from P. Q. to me - I do write all about Maude's marriage - Feel lonely for the friends that have gone over the River - Oh me!
Mrs Lee gave me 3 ginger snaps -