

**Baby's Diary**  
Bath NH Wednesday

November 17, 1886

We have a little boy today. He weighs about 8 lbs. They all say he looks like Harry and has dark eyes think they are black. His Grandmother Woods takes care of him tonight. My mother is going to stay here a few weeks. Harry went to Lisbon after her. Father brought her there. Baby's clothes cost \$9.68

Sat Nov 20

Willie [Harry's younger brother William Arthur Woods - age 18] came to see the baby says he wanted to know what we were raising up here.

Sunday Nov 21

Unitarian Hall dedicated Harry went. Mother [Mary Ash Page] is here with me. Baby is strong enough to lift his head up

Monday Nov 22.

Aunt Lucia & Gertri [Alice's Aunt Lucia Ash Hastings and her daughter Gertrude Hastings (14 years old)] came to see Baby . Guess they think he is homely. I am almost afraid he is.

Wed Nov 24

Mrs Lang called to see us. Baby is a week old

Thursday Nov 25

Thanksgiving day . We celebrated it by having a chicken pie and plumb pudding. Snow 8 inches deep.

Saturday Nov 27

Lucy, George and their mother came up. Lucy took babys shirt home to embroider [Harry's mother Adeline Weeks Woods and sister Lucy age 24 and brother George age 21] -

Monday Dec 6

Baby was 2 weeks old Wed. I washed and dressed him . He is good to be washed.

Sunday Dec 19

Baby's Grandfather, [Arthur Woods] Grandma and Georgie came to see him. Baby's chin is very short and he is not very pretty.

Tues Dec 21

Uncle Frances and Lidia came to see us. [Lucien Francis Ash and wife Lydia]

Thursday Dec 23

Harry, Baby and I went to see Father Woods'. Baby was 5 weeks old yesterday. And smiled for the first time. Weighs 10 3/4 lbs. Lucy gave the baby a little cradle quilt for a Christmas present. It is real pretty.

Fri Dec 24

Mother went home today. Has been here 5 weeks and 2 days. Payed her \$12.00

Wed Dec 29

Baby is 6 weeks old today. He wants to be held all the time if he is awake, is quite good if he can be. Does not sleep very long at a time and has to be rocked every little while to keep him asleep. Notices a light and if he is talked to will stop crying. I cannot leave him to do much work. Harry helps me

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1887

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Wed Jan 5, 1887

Baby is 7 weeks old today and has just got a cradle . It is one Harry was rocked in. He sleeps some better in it than he did in the rocking chair. My birthday 30 years old.

Sat Jan 8

Harry, Baby and I went to Uncle Bill Minots. [William Minot, brother of Martha Minot, Harry's grandmother] It is his second ride and a cold one too. It was 14° below zero this morning.

Wed Jan 12

Baby is 8 weeks old . He is growing some better natured and will laugh and kick and spring . He is getting to be quite a large baby. He has always been good nights. He's not cried in the night but a few times and then not long.

Mon Jan 17

Baby is two months old today. His eyes are blue but dark. He is not very white yet and think he will not be very white. His Grandpa and Willie came in to see him a few days ago.

Jan 21 Fri

Annett, [Annette Weeks, sister of baby's grandmother Adeline Weeks Woods] Willie, and his mother came up. Baby laughed and looked real cunning when they were here.

Tues Jan 25

Left Baby with his grandmother Woods and Harry and I went to Lisbon. First time I left him.

Jan 25

Baby staid with his grandmother while I went to Lisbon to get some teeth filled. He was good and was not afraid of them this is the second time he has staid with her. He went to the barn last Sun for the first time. He does not cry much if he can be held and have enough to eat. He is two months and one half old. He will talk baby talk and laugh if he sees some one looking at him and

laughing.

Thursday Feb 10

Father, Mother and Ellie [Ellen Page, Alice's younger sister age 18] came today. They all brought a photograph for us. Baby had some bibs and a little cap for a present that Mother made. This is the first time Ellie has seen him and he is almost 3 months old.

Frid Feb 11

Went to Father Woodses in morning . In afternoon went to Lisbon. Left Baby with his Grandmother. He has laughed aloud twice.

Feb 17 Thursday

Baby is three months old today. A few days ago he weighed 14 lbs. Think we shall call him Arthur Page. We shall if his grandfather Woods does not object. Uncle Tim and Aunt Lucia [Hastings] were here last Tues. Sunday we went to see Mrs. Lang [Ruth M. Lang of Bath, NH]. Harry is driving her colt for the first time.

March 3

Baby is 3½ months old. He is having his first hard cold. He is real hoarse and his nose troubles him very much. It woke him up in the night and cry for he wants to breath through it and cannot. His Aunt Mary Woods sent him some pretty pink and white socks. [Mary Sanderson Woods, wife of Andrew Jameson Woods] It is hard to do my work and take care of him for he will not let me leave him long alone and he will not sleep long unless he is rocked. Harry has to help me when there is a washing or baking to be done. He has done the washing alone many times this winter. The baby notices what is going on around him considerably. He watched the cat go across the room and will look at himself in a glass and laugh . I am almost afraid he has got quite a temper for if he cannot get something to eat just about as soon as he wants it he will not touch it for a long time and scream if it is given to him till he is made to forget it by taking his attention with something else. Harry says lay him down and make him wait an hour or so longer and he will not do that then. Guess I will have to when he is older.

Wed March 23

Baby and I have made 2 visits since visiting last. Last Sat we went to Mrs. Langs and Sunday I went to church and Baby stayed with his grandmother. He is a week over 4 months old; he is quite good now and will lay on the bed and laugh and crow and will go to sleep without rocking sometimes. He does not sleep in the cradle now but will be on the bed and sleep so I can do my work quite well if I have a little help when I have a washing or baking to do.

Mar 27

Yesterday we all went to Sugar Hill. It is the first time baby has been there. Quite a number came in to see him. Sunday we came home after going to church. It was Eld. Tuckers last Sun to preach there. Harry and I went in the forenoon. Baby was good going up and coming home for he slept all the way till we got most home and then did not cry much. He was not much afraid of the organ when Ellie played but when we both sang too, he began to cry. – Babys eyes are hazel or grey cannot tell which am about sure they are not blue. We have thought they were black,

then blue and now hazel or grey.

April 17

Baby is 5 months old today. I have a very bad cold and Ellie is here. The baby is good and sleeps well if I can't. Since writing last we have been to Uncle Horaces [Horace T. Weeks - brother of Alice's mother] and Tims [Hastings] visiting. Baby was most sick and made believe he was afraid of them to Tim's and the piano too but when we got to Horaces he was not afraid and did not cry any. He can almost sit alone. He could if he knew how but he will spring back.

May 17

The little boy is 6 months today he has been away from home 3 times since writing last; twice to grandpa's and once to see Mrs. Lang. His grandpa and Willie were here a week ago. He weighs 17 lbs. Now. I weigh 110. He does not quite sit alone yet

May 29

Baby's great grandmother Woods was buried here the 21<sup>st</sup>. [Martha Minot, wife of William Arthur Woods] We carried him but he cried some because some candy was given him and then taken away. Before the funeral quite a number took him. He was not afraid. He was introduced to the minister a Unitarian, Mr. Bean. The next day Harry and I left Baby with his grandmother and went to church to hear this man preach. Baby is just having a tooth come through. I am making him short doths [not sure of spelling]

June 2

Baby has got 2 teeth now. He will jump in any ones lap and if they laugh will jump harder. Mother and Ellie were here yesterday. Father [Hiram Page] is collector of taxes.

June 7

Baby has been to Uncle Bills [Great Uncle William Minot and daughter Martha age 27] and Martha took care of him and let Harry and I go to church last Sun. Yesterday we all went to Father Woods'. Baby would sit close to the piano and Lucy would play he was not much afraid.

June 19

Sunday Aunt Annette took care of Baby and let Harry and I go to the Unitarian meeting yesterday she and Baby and I went to Mr. Bucks. Last week Harry and Baby and I went to see Flora and Katri.

July 8

Lucy and Frank [Lucy Woods, Frank Alden, her fiancé] came here Fri June 24. Baby was just in his first short dress that day. Annette was here and helped me do some sewing. Baby, Harry and I have been out to Sugar Hill last Sat. And came home Sun. He has got four teeth, two uper and two lower. He can sit alone now. Harry set him in the grass and left him alone and asked me to come and see him. While to Sugar Hill Dora Batchelder took care of him a while and his great, great Aunt Hithi [possibly Mahitable Noyes Ash] a while and Harry and I went to Hotel Lookoff. Ellie went too. I left Baby on the bed with a half dollar in silver on a string to play with. I suppose he swalled it for a found him crying and he had vomited all over his face and down his

neck and the money was over his head: blood was mixed with it. How pitiful he looked crying that way. His eyes were full of sour milk. Poor little thing it was too bad and I will not leave him alone long again. If there is anything near him he can swallow. He is 7 ½ mos.

July 17

Baby is 8 months old today. He staid with his grandmother and Harry and I went to Lisbon yesterday. Father and Mother were there. Baby sometimes when he does not feel well gets mad and will not eat till he forgets what has provoked him. By taking hold of his hands he will pull himself up on his feet. He can roll over if he is on his face

August 17

Little boy is 9 months old today. He is just beginning to creep and can stand alone by holding on to something. Baby and I have been to see Aunt Rebekah [Rebecca Ash Emery], Uncle Bill's Folks, Mrs. Patterson and Grandpa Woods' folks. We have had for company in the last month Misses Addie & Jennie Child [Adeline & Jennie Child of Bath - daughters of Dwight Child], Mrs. Shattuch and Mrs. Lang and Birdie and Geo Oaks and Babys Grandpa Woods.

October 30

Baby is 11 ½ months old. Harry baby and I went last Frida to an Antiquarian Supper to Mrs. Langs. There were 100 there. We staid till 9 o'clock the baby did not cry while we were there and he sould let stragners take him but he rather stay with me

Nov 17

Our little boy is one year old today. Last night he took a step alone but nearly fell doing it. He would laugh and dance so much that he could not walk. He knew what we were trying to have him do and he was very much pleased to go from Harry to me and then back again but we had to hold him most of the time. His eyes are dark grey, his hair is very light colored and not very long or thick. I cannot comb it yet. People say to me he is pretty and I think so of course. He is very quiet away from home or if strangers are here but usually he is talking his baby talk and playing. He creeps very fast and walks around chairs and by the side of the house. He pushes chairs some and then he will go pretty fast. Yesterday baby and I went down to Uncle Tim's. He was afraid of them but he is not generally afraid of people. The baby was looking over the dirty clothes and found a handkerchief and he took it and blowed his nose. No one has tried to learn him to do it. He tries to kiss when he feels good but is generally very sparing of his kisses.

Thanksgiving Day

We all went to Harry's Father's. Annette was there. It was Baby's first Thanksgiving away from home. He was weighed and it was 22 ½ lbs. He still puts every thing in his mouth that he can get. It is a good deal of trouble to keep him from having something in his mouth half of the time for he seems to be looking around to see what will go in whether large or small.

Dec 11

Last Friday eve, we took the baby to a sociable to Mr. Huchins; he was real good we started for home at 10 o'clock. Baby can almost say milk.

Dec 28

The baby likes to chew paper and he knows I don't want he should so when he gets a good large piece in his mouth he will creep in some corner when he thinks I cannot see him. I can tell when he has some in his mouth for when I look at him he will hurry for a place to hide. Last Sun. Baby Harry and I went to his grandpa's. I went to church. Baby had for Christmas presents a bib, mug and a little toy and bag of candy. Sometimes he will tell me when he wants to sit on his chair but it is generally when it is too late but he will tell what he has done if nothing more. He tries to play peek-a-boo and will say after he has hid a minute "pee" "pee." He can almost go alone. Lucy came to see us but we were gone to make Mary Jackman a call and to get a library book. The last time she was here was the last of June. Frank came then

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Jan 17 1888

Arthur P. Woods can walk alone: he has been almost across the room. He feels so smart doing it that he will laugh and almost fall, he will keep going faster till he falls; if he would go slow he could walk all round but he wants to run. His grandpa & grandma Woods have been here lately.

Jan 26

Little boy goes all round alone now he tries to talk some he will say to the cat "get-on-top-here" We are having a hard storm of snow and the roads are drifted full.

Feb 5

Baby Harry and I went to call on Addie and Jennie Child last Tues. Baby will say "pretty" when he sees pretty things also "pee-a-boo"

Feb 17

Dea Morrison and Rev Aikin called today. Harry has gone to Lisbon to the Musical Convention. Baby and I are at home alone this makes twice that Baby and I have staid at home and Harry has gone to the convention. Mother went with him last year.

Feb 19

Sunday Baby went to church today for the first time. He was good and all the noise he made was to talk a little. He got down on the floor and played between Harry and I as soon as the service was over the minister came and spoke to us and said baby did nicely.

March 24

Baby was 17 months old last Sat. A few weeks ago the Sugar Hill young people came to make us an evening visit. Baby has a very bad cold, came near having lung fever. Harry was gone to Haverhill as a juror while he was the worst.

His grandmother Woods was here two nights. Aunt Lucia died last Friday [Mar 28] sick only a week, Mother was with her till the last.

Apr 6

Mother was to church and came home with me staid till Monday morning. Harry carried her to

Tim's. Baby climbed up in a chair today he said, "crow"

Apr 30

Baby goes out doors and will walk to the barn and go all round alone I have to watch him or he will be in some place where he will get hurt. He has 12 teeth, 4 have just got through. His eye teeth and 2 double teeth were the last ones through. New on the lower jaw 2 more double teeth nearly through. He has not been sick but has looked pale and is poorer than usual. He says a number of words and will understand a quite a number of things I tell him to do. He will get his high chair if we tell him to, he is 17 ½ months old

May 13

Baby has been quite sick think his teeth are the cause, he has had a sore mouth with canker. We cut his hair today.

June 20

Arthur has cut his eye teeth and his stomach teeth are nearly through. He seems real well now that his teeth do not trouble him. Ellie has been here a while. Mrs. Dick and May came to make us a visit also Jones and Martha while she was here.

July 4

Baby and I went to Bath to a S. S. Picknic. If he always has as much attention as he had then he will think he is a person of some consequence. He was not afraid if he could be in my lap. There were drums, firecrackers and strangers very close to him, but he was all right if I held him.

July 22

Baby went to church. He did not cry but would not keep still and talked aloud. I kept him still part of the time by giving him my walet with card in it. I think he will not go again very soon. I have taken him out in the hay field while I helped Harry get in hay. I have helped him quite a lot but Baby has been in the house most of the time asleep. He and I have just been to his grandpa's. Lucy showed me some of her wedding clothes and samples of her expected wedding dress.

Oct 3

Baby Harry and I have just been to Lucy's wedding. [Oct 2 1888] She was married last night and today which is her birthday she starts for her home in Peoria, Ill. There were about 20 to the wedding. Mr. Bell of Lisbon married them outdoors. Willie stood up with them they all looked very nice. Baby behaved very well but got tired and sleepy. Ellie is here she has been here about 3 weeks. We had a party last week about 27 came. Baby will talk a little he will say "thank you" and "where is paper." He is not afraid of people but if papa or mama are in sight he will leave strangers and come to us but if we are away he will stay with almost any one and not cry only for a few minutes. Aug 20 we went to Sugar Hill and from there to the "coach parade" Arthur staid with Mrs. Young while Father, Mother and Ellie went with us to Bethlehem.

Nov 1

Arthur had his hair shingled a few weeks ago. Mother has been here 4 days. He will say "thank you" he calls it "tat go" He will say "where is the kitten" and quite a number of other words. He

is trouble with a ??? [looks like humor or bumer or burner] some, he will itch so that he will cry in the night till we get up and wet the "burm" as he says with medicine. He has worn drawers some time, and I do not have much trouble with him to keep them clean.

Nov 17

This is Arthur's birth-day. He is two years old. He is just having a very hard cold and came very near having the croup. We had the Dr. come but did not take any of his medicine for he was better. His eyes have been sore. The ground has not been frozen much yet. Buns are being fired almost every night over the Republican victory. Don't know as Arthur will remember the first presidential election since he was born but he will be old enough to remember the next if he lives. This one is Harrison and Morton.

Dec 3

Arthur likes books very much, he will hold one up and pretend he is reading for a long time. He will read aloud and laugh as though it was very funny, he will look at pictures and tell what some of them are. He will find "a baby" and "boy" and "doger" he will say "there is a man its dare" He says a lot of words now. He went down to grandpa's to Thanksgiving last week

Christmas - We all went to the village to the Christmas tree last night. Arthur was very good. Ellie was there. It was warm and pleasant. No snow yet. Baby went to church last Sun. Was as good as could be. Baby got a scrapbook from his auntie Ellie, knife fork and spoon from great aunt Mary Woods of Berndsten Mass. A ball from aunt Lucy, a money bank from grandpa's and handkerchief too . . . .

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Jan 20, '89

Harry Arthur and I have been to Haverhill. Arthur was very much pleased to see Elsa Hunsdkf ief;? baby and would put his arm around it and try to take it from her. Mother has been here to take care of Arthur and I have been to the Musical Convention to Littleton. I was gone almost a week. Arthur will go away from me and say "by" as he shuts the door.

March 28

Arthur has got 4 new double teeth some of them are through and the rest are coming through. He goes all round out doors and to the barn with papa when he does the chores; if the cattle get to near him he will run and say "faid 'faid" till he gets to us. He talks quite a lot. He can tell what he wants and can say a few sentences. He tries to say what he hears us say; he is 2 years and 4 months old. He has got so he asks questions and he must have an answer too. He likes to put his things away in their places every day he has to go out doors and wear his rubbers and come in and they must be put away in place by him.

July 5

Arthur is 2 year & 8 mo. old. He is full of mischief and keeps me quite busy looking out to see if he is safe and not in mischief. He has got a new cream colored dress and cap. He went to church and Sabbath school last Sun. Was good. He goes about every Sun with me to church. Harry

goes to the hall. Arthur weighs 29 lbs. I 107.

November 17, 1889

Arthur is 3 years old today. He is healthy all but his eyes they are real weak and last summer were so bad we took him to Dr. Boynton, he said the trouble was his liver. He would cry every morning and wanted the window blinds shut. Now he has to have his eyes covered when he rides or the tears will run out of them. He is as good behaved in church as he can be. He has learned 4 of his letters and wants to learn what every thing he sees is, so I have a lot of questions to answer. He talks now quite well. He weighs 32 lbs.

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May 20

Arthur is 3 ½ years old. He weighs 32 ½ pounds. He knows all his letters. He can ride horseback and wants to be with papa all the time most. He runs down to Mr. Langs when we tell him not to but Harry went after him and “spanked” him and he has not ever asked to go there since. He talks about all the time and tries to do as he sees others. He will laugh like all the different ones he has heard laugh and does not laugh very often his own natural way. His grandmothers think he is pretty full of mischief. He has a brother and sister, twins, three months old. He staid with grandma Woods nearly a week when the babies were a week old. Mother was here 4 weeks then we paid her \$11.00.

December 27

Arthur is 4 years and a mo old weighs 36 ½ lbs. He minds quite well, though he waits till he is sure he must. He has had some pretty hard whippings for getting into mischief. I hope he has had the last one though I am afraid not. He is not a naughty boy and nothing makes him feel as bad as it does to tell him you don't love him and he is naughty. He is very hard to give up if he gets started to do something that he wants to but he can be made to by being severe with him. He knows all his capital letters and can spell some words. We have not tried much to teach him for we have so much work to do. He seems quite healthy but any thing that is a little too h?ty makes him have a bad breath Irregular eating is sure to. He plays all the time with the cats and his play things. He had a Christmas tree this year in the sitting room with his little presents on it. He was very much pleased with it and his presents. He goes down to Mr. Langs to do little errands quite often and can do little chores for us.

This is the end of Arthur's little book written by Mama.

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APPENDED PAGES

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1891

Arthur is 5 years old. He can read some in his primer and can count a little and ask a great many questions, so many that he wears our patience all out. He wants to talk about all the time and wants to know why I am cross if I am not ready to answer all he can ask. He has seen animals die and wants to know if I will die and if I should where would he find another mamma. He plays about all the time. He likes books very much and is careful of his little books that have

been given to him and will cry if the babies get hold of them for he is afraid they will be torn. He likes to play with the babies and does not like to have them go to sleep. He likes to plague them too and they will cry if he goes near them sometimes, but most of the time they are very happy together and it is quite a pretty sight to see all three playing together hours at a time. He thinks all bad and wrong things are done by "nasty men" as he calls them. Even a word not pronounced right is "what nasty men say" and drinking cider is what they do. I hope he will always think so. He seems now to want to do right and not be a "nasty man." He can do a number of little chores that is quite a little help. He will get in wood and last summer he would go alone to the pasture and get the oxen and put up the bars and shut the gate after they were in the yard. He has led a horse some last summer. He is not afraid of anything hardly. He will go off in the dark without thinking of such a thing as being afraid because he has never been told there was such a thing as being afraid. He has asked me if there were monkees in dark rooms and I said no and he does not think of it now. He is very much pleased to go away from home especially if there are any little boys there. He likes to go to church and Sabbath school very much and will learn a verse to say. He spends a great deal of time looking at pictures and asking questions about them and will not leave it till he thinks he understands it. He is very fond of his cats and does not want them hurt. He does not want anything hurt and will cry a long time if he thinks an animal is whipped too much. I hope he will always think they must not be abused. Sometimes he will not tell the truth if he has done something wrong for fear he will be punished but he is getting so he does not do it much. He has heard "bad words" and used them some but was told it was wrong and would make him a "nasty man" so he has not used the words again.

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November 17

Arthur Page Woods is six years old today. He has just finished his second term of school. He commenced going to school last summer and he has been nearly every day this Fall. He can read quite well and spell some and can repeat quite a lot of things the teacher has learned him. We came to live in our new home November 2, 1892. Came to live in Grandpas house the middle of March. He likes very much to go to Sabbath School and I hope he always will. He learns some short verses to say but cannot read any of them yet but he likes to read so think he will soon learn. He likes to follow his Grandpa Woods round and ask him questions. Grandpa says he would as well have a wildcat around. He is pretty full of play sometimes but is generally a pretty good boy and if he knows a thing is wrong will not do it.

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March

Arthur has learned to tell the time of day it troubles him some to tell the minutes but the hour he can tell. He weighs 46 lbs.

November 17, 1893

A.P. Woods is 7 years weighs 55 lbs is quite healthy though eating very rich food and or a little too much is apt to make him sick. He is quite tall and slim and looks poor, he can endure long walks and does quite a lot of work by helping run after cattle and sheep. He gets in the wood

some and does many other chores, does not go to the school this winter, has been 3 terms , can read quite well in the second reader spells some and writes a little does this at home this winter. He goes to Sabbath school and learns little verse quite easy. He speaks ? sometimes and does it quite well. We think he will be a good scholar if he keeps on learning as easy as he does now. He plays with Minot and May most of the time if he is not with his grandpa or papa. He goes with them if he can and I do not see him only at mealtime if we let him. He and grandpa go round together a great deal and I do not know which enjoys it the most. His Grandma Page stayed with the children, and papa and mama went to the World's Fair, were away nearly two weeks. They were all home and say we must not go the World's Fair again, and I think we will not.

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Nov 17

Arthur is 8 years old weighs 57 lbs. Is 4 ft 2 ½ inches high. He goes to school studies reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic and geography. He can write quite a good letter. He reads in second reader but will soon be able to read in the third reader. He cannot read in Sunday School books or papers yet but likes to have me read them to him. His SS teachers name is Mrs. Harni. His school teacher is Elsie Swain. She is a good teacher has been here 2 terms. Last year the teacher's name was Mabel Amisen? before her Alene Child, before her Nell Deming, before her Max Clark, which was the first teacher he went to, was 5 years old and it was the same year we moved in the neighborhood. He is getting so he does not like to speak praises(?) down to the church and is afraid so does not do it very well. He is quite a healthy boy but does not look real strong as I wish he did. I am afraid it would not take much to make him sick. I do not try quite as hard to make him study as I should if he was more healthy looking. His eyes are not very strong either. This summer he went to Woodsville to a circus with his papa and grandpa. It was wonderful to him.

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Bath, NH March 2, 1896

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Arthur is 9 years 4 mo old. He is 4 ft and 5 in. Tall in stockings and weighs 63 lbs. He is growing fast now. S teacher the same as he did last year: has learned the multiplication table and can cipher some in the first four rules. Read in third reader. He can drive a horse some alone and does quite a lot of light work. He is quite well but has sick spells once in a while. His eyes are stronger but are not quite well. Ned Atwood taught the school last summer, Clara Scinner in the fall. Ida Drew in winter. His SS teacher is Mrs. Raymond Lang. He has lessons in a quarterly.

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March 7, 1897

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Arthur is 10 years weighs 71 lbs and measures \_\_\_\_\_. He is quite strong and healthy. He and his grandpa are breaking two years old studs. They have a little sled and they go to the woods to the Lang place and draw some wood home. Minot and May ride and he drives alone sometimes but does not go far off only with his grandpa. He has fun this fall and winter to school. Elsie Swain taught both terms. He reads in Third Reader has finished small Geography and is studying the

Brief Course in Arithmetic. We have had our picture taken in a group this winter. Arthur learned to skate this winter but soon broke one and that stopped skating. His Grandpa got them for him.

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March 16, 1899

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Arthur is 12 years and 4 mo. He weighs 80 lbs. This winter he had built the first for the school 20 weeks and received \$5.00 for it. He puts this in the bank to Lisbon which makes \$10.00. Gertrude Hastings has taught the school this year. He studied the complete Arithmetic (Robinson) and has got to Discount.

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Nov 17, 1900

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Arthur is 14 years old. He is taller than his father and weighs 110 lbs. Is going to Bath village to school. Has been there one term before this. He is in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade studies Arithmetic, Geography, Grammar, Reading and Spelling. The reading is "Evangeline" by Longfellow. He is in Interest in Arithmetic. Harvey Woodard is the prof. Arthur has been through United States History and has studied Algebra some, is now evenings.

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March 1902

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Arthur is 15 years 4 mo old. He weighs 137 lbs. And is a few inches taller than his father. His father's clothes are too small for him though he can wear them. He goes to Lisbon to school this year; commenced last fall in the high school. His health is good has but only one day in two terms and that was a cold that made him nearly sick.

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ALICE PAGE DIED APRIL 12, 1902

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