Gertrude Tallman Diary - July/August/September 1904

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39	1	Fri	warm 4# showry	I baked bread, cookies, churned 4# butter, +c				
19	2	Sat	cool rainy	I washed dishes 3 times made cake + frosted it made ice cream moped +c. Dr Boyd here P.M.				
13	3	Sun	cool clear	Bertie M. Miss Benjamine F. B + I went to Hannibal to Pres churhc.				
15	4	Mon	warm sprinkle	I made cake, pie, picked berries +c took G + Miss B to train PM 5.20 + 5.45 went up Silas to see fireworks				
16	5	Tues	cool 4# rainy clear	I washed dishes, baked bread +c B churned 4# butter. Ida washed	4 1/2 doz eggs @ . 18			
14	6	Wed	cool cldy sunshine	I worked butter, ironed +c	3 egs .05			
14	7	Thur	warm pleas	I washed dishes churn, made cake, filled pie, picked berries. Went up to Silas P.M. Mowed eve.				
10	8	Fri	hot 2 3/4# clear	I baked bread made pudding Uncle S. churned 2 3/4# butter.				
14	9	Sat	hot showry	I washed dishes milk can _?_ butter got dinner +c clearned lamps	3 doz eggs @ .18	4# rolled oats .20 1/2 Roayla Bk Powder .25 lamp chimney .05		
15	10	Sun	warm clear	Ma + I went to Mrs. Wiltses. Min Kent came + came back with ins.				
13	11	Mon	warm cool cldy clear	I did work + helper _?_ clothes put up I at + pt sweet cherries				
10	12	Tues	cool 4 I/2# rainy	I baked bread, cake, filled pie + c. Uncle S + I churned 4 I/2# butter.				
14	13	Wed	cool clear	I washed dishes worked butter +c Uncle S + I went to Center after my _?_ + dress				
20	14	Thur	cool warm cldy clear	I picked currants + made I5 glasses of jelly				
15	15	Fri	warm	sick		8# roast @ .09 3# steak @ .12		
16	16	Sat	cool 3 1/4# clear	I washed dishes churned + work 3 I/4# butter cleaned lamps	6 doz eggs @ .18	1/2 gal molasses .20 2# coffee .56 2 pk Force .25		

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EGGS	DAY OF MONTH	DAY OF WEEK	WEATHER	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATIONS OF THE DAY	SALES	PURCHASES	CONTRACTS/ BARGAINS MAD
17	17	Sun	hot clear	B took Uncle S. to Center			
13	18	Mon	cool clear	Ida washed, I did work picked berries, moped, baked bread			
9	19	Tues	hot 2 1/2# clear	lda + I ironed. I washed dishes got dinner +c 2 I/2# butter			
16	20	Wed	cool clear pm shower	Uncle S + I went to Hannibal Morn. Ma, Ida + I went to Mrs J?_ to tea party P.M.	7 1/2# butter @ . 18 1 1/2 doz eggs @ .18	1/4 # cinnamon .10 yeast .04 tooth picks .05	
10	21	Thur	comf clear	I washed dishes baked cookes +c. Carrie + Katherine Calvert Miss Kent + Fred + Harry Hall here am.			
16	22	Fri	cool clear shower	I baked bread, cake, pudding, washed dishes +c.	7 3/4# butter@. 18	roast .42 steak .40	
21	23	Sat	cool 3# cldy	I wash dishes Uncle S + I churned 3# butter cleaned lamps +c	3 doz eggs @ .20		
9	24	Sun	cool warm cldy	B + I went to Hannibal to Pres church, to Florries to dinner then up to see Nell			
14	25	Mon	warm cldy	I washed dishes worked butter moped +c. Ida washed			
5	26	Tues	warm cldy	I baked bread ironed got dinner +c Uncle S went to center with Bess a.m.			
7	27	Wed	warm 3 1/2# clear cldy	I baked cookes cake. Uncle S churned 3 I/2# butter			
25 rotten 12	28	Thur	warm cool cldy rainy	I worked butter swept my room got dinner +c	3 doz + 3 eggs @ .20		
4	29	Fri	cool clear	I baked bread cake made pudding +c Went up to Kate Smiths to see Irv		6# roast .48 steak .26	
8	30	Sat	cool 2 1/4# clear	I + US churned, worked butter 2 I/4# got dinner +c			
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<u> </u>		Sturge. 5#+ beef .39			B took me to Ina Coopers + Ida to Crocketts to go to Oswego on PM train
2					Ida came home. Gertie M Phoebe Benjamine + Uncle Sylvester came tonight. Frank went to Grange
3					Girls + I took ride to North Sterling + Center. Nell + Walter + babies there.
4		SV. Store. I# coffee25			B took Jim Green to 8 P.M. trains Uncle Joe brought him over P.M.
5	SV. Store 4 1/2 doz eggs .81	5 gal kerosene .65			B took me to Ina Coopers tonight
6	3 eggs .05				Minn Kent here P.M.
7					Uncle Joe here + took Uncle S. to Hannibal
8		6 1/4# beef .50 3# pork steak .30			Kate Dominick came this P.M.
9	SV. Store 3 doz egg .54	Groceries .50			Took Kate D. to Mrs. McFarlands + went to Ina Coopers to have dress fitted.
10					Minn + Fred Kent here eve
[]					Will + Fred Kent here eve. Mr Cummins brought us some beans, + cherries.
12					
13		3# cheese. @ 7 3/4 16 28 Factory			Minn + Fred Kent here eve
14					Min Kent brought two qts red raspberries
15		Sturge # beef 1.07			
16	Stevenson 6 doz egg \$1.08	Groceries \$1.07 I doz lemons .20	Board for men \$7.35		Ida + I went to Fred Flacks + Frank Eastons PM F+ B went to Hannibal eve.

DAY OF MONTH	CASH RECEIVED	CASH PAID OUT	BILLS RECEIVED	BILLS PAYABLE	MEMORANDA
17	4 qt currants 12				Sura Moore + Geo. Schafer here. S. took kitten home
18					Fred Kent here 3 times jennie Dominey here eve.
19					Ma + I went up to Silas Uncle S + Ida over to Kents
20	J Stevenson I I/2 doz eggs 27	4# 6oz cheese @?32 Factory J Stevenson Groceries .19			B + I went to Irve Smiths evening.
21					Allie + Carrie Calvert here eve. B + F went to S?_ Oswego after mowing _?_
22		beef .82			Canned 3 qt red raspb qt pt black)Ida)
23	J Stevenson 3 doz eggs .60	I# Royal B.K.P50 4 qt beans .30			B + I went to Hannibal + S.W. Oswego this P.M.
24					Ma Ida + Uncle S. went to Center P.M. Uncle S staid
25					Ida + Uncle S. went to N.S. Ida went to Valley eve.
26					Ida got berries at Kents B + F went to Hannibal eve
27					Irve Smith came after colt. I rode with Kate + Mrs Jarris to pature eve.
28	J Stevenson 3 doz+3eggs .65	6# starch .60 I doz. lemons			Sila spent day here.
29		beef .74			B + I took Dick to shop. drove Maud. I went into Mrs Coopers + then B + I went up to _?_ eve
30					F. Ida B + I went to open Grange to hear Rev Maunder lecture.
31	\$4.00 .12	\$8.20	\$4.08		Ma + Ida took Uncle S. to Center. Eve they went over to Kents. I up to Silas a little while P.M

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		WEEK	Ther butter Asp'cts				MADE
7	1	Mon	hot clear cldy	I baked bread +c			
3	2	Tues	cool 2 1/4# PM showry	I washed dishes churned 2 I/4# butter got dinner +c	2doz eggs @ .19	I# Mocha + Java Coffee 28 I pk. Force .10	
9	3	Wed	cool clear	I made cake worked butter got dinner +c.Went after Roy Darling at noon. 6 men at work			
6	4	Thur	cool clear	I baked bread washed dishes got dinner +c. P.M. Ma + I went up to Silas. Ida went to Valley.			
7	5	Fri	hot clear shower	I baked cake pealed potatoes got 2 dinners +c	2 doz eggs @ .20		
7	6	Sat	hot 2 1/2# pleas cool	I baked bread churned + worked 2 I/2# butter cleaned lamps c			
6	7	Sun	cool clear	Ida + Ma went to Center with Bess horse A.M. P.M. B Geo W. + I went to see cattle + to Fairleys			
7	8	Mon	cool clear	I washed dishes made yeast got dinner +c.			
9	9	Tues	cool clear	I baked bread got dinner +c. Ma went to Min K's eve			
7	10	Wed	cool 3 1/4# cldy rainy	Ida churned 3 I/4# butter I sick. Mr. C. finished oats P.M.			
8	11	Thur	cool clear	I washed dishes worked butter, got dinner addie Doiney here few min P.M.			
13 10	12	Fri	cool clear	I baked bread cake got dinner washed dishes +c			
13	13	Sat	warm 2# cldy rain	I washed dishes churned + worked 2# butter, canned pickles	3 1/2 doz eggs @ .20	I# tea 45 - I# Mocah + Java coffee.30- I/2# ground pepper.I5 - Soda _?_	
10	14	Sun	cool clear	Went to Valley to Church A.M. P.M. B. Ma. + I went to Center:			
9	15	Mon	cool clear	I washed dishes, picked cucumbers got diner moped +c			
11	16	Tues	warm clear	I baked bread, made pudding, ironed, got dinner	I doz eggs @ .21		

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EGGS	DAY OF MONTH	DAY OF WEEK	WEATHER Ther butter asp'cts	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATIONS OF THE DAY	SALES	PURCHASES	CONTRA CTS/ BARGAIN S MADE
12	17	Wed	warm 3 1/2# clear	I baked cake Ma churned 3 I/2# butter: I went to woods P.M.			
10	18	Thur	cool clear	I worked butter mowed lawn got dinner +c. Ida went to the Valley.			
22	19	Fri	cool clear	baked bread, made fried cakes +c.			
14	20	Sat	cool 2 1/4# rainy	B. churned 2 1/4# butter I worked it, washed dishes +c.			
18	21	Sun	warm clear	Ida + Ma went to church We all went up to Silas P.M.			
22	22	Mon	warm shower cool	I picked + salted cucumbers went up to Silas P.M. Ma + I went to Valley eve	7 doz eggs @.22	Kerosene .65 R.B.K. powder .50 I# rice .08 chipped beef .25	
22	23	Tues	cool 2 1/4# clear	I baked bread cake churned 2 1/4# butter			
9	24	Wed	cool clear	Bernham, Frank, Geo W. + I went to Circus. got to Oswego about 8 o'clock. Home about 9.30	2 doz eggs @ 25		
19	25	Thur	hot shower	Baked cake, made chicken pie, Ma, Ida, +I went to picknic			
37	26	Fri	cool 2 3/4# clear	I washed dishes swept dining room churned 2 3/4# butter +c			
17	27	Sat	cool clear	I washed dishes baked bread worked butter picked cucum +c			
10	28	Sun	cool clear	All went to Church AM Frank to George to Han.			
19	29	Mon	cool 3 I/4# clear	I did work pick cucumber +c P.M. B + I went to Hannibal	7 doz eggs @ .20	I# M + J Coffee 30 2 can salmon . 30 4# lard .40 molasses .20	
14	30	Tues	cool clear	churned 3 1/4# butter picked tomatoes made cookies +c			
10	31	Wed	cool 24# pleas	I up up tomatoes worked butter got dinner +c 24# butter	2 1/2 doz eggs @ .22	4# rolled oats .20 chipped beef .25 I doz can rubbers .08	
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DAY OF MONTH	CASH RECEIVED	CASH PAID OUT	BILLS RECEIVED	BILLS PAYABLE	MEMORANDA
I					Geo Washington + Charlie Sayre came AM.
2	J Steveson 2 doz eggs .38	Groceries .38 3# + beef steak .39			Frank took Billy + Dick to Hannibal to be shod.
3		2 1/4# beef steak 28			B + G.W. went to Hannibal
4		3# 3oz cheese .28 Factory.			Aaron help fore noon J. P.M. B.F. 2 Geos, Charlie S + Jim Wile 6 men 2 teams drew in 30 loads of hay across road.
5	Aaron Eaton 2 doz eggs .40	Sturge 10# beef \$1.00			Florrie, Bessie, Jess, Aunt Sot. + Dorothy here
6		4# rolled oats .16			Will + Min Kent here this eve.
7					Ma + I went down to Addie Domineys eve
8					Mr Crockford here cutting oats. Georgia Cooper called here P.M.
9		3# beef steak .38			John D + Fred Kent + Roy D helped. Be hurt finger + F. took him to Dr. Moran
10				Finished haying this A.M.	Ma + I went up to Silas S + I transplanted begonia + I brought it _?_
11					Ida went to Church Florence + Fred Green here P.M.
12		Sturge beef .72			B + Fred Kent went to Fred Lockwoods am. Eve B.F.+B.W. went to Hannibal
13	Stevisons 3 1/2doz eggs .70	Groceries .97			S_?_ person emersed by Baptist minister eve.
14					B. F + G.W. went to Fred Lockwoods after 7_2 yr olds
15	doz eggs 21				Ida went to Valley P.M. Ma + I went to bridge eve

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DAY OF MONTH	CASH RECEIVED	CASH PAID OUT	BILLS RECEIVED	BILLS PAYABLE	MEMORANDA					
16					Min Kent here P.M. Ida went to Ice cream festival at Valley eve.					
17					Leon Darling Geo W. Frank + Bernham drew in oats P.M.					
18		Sturge roast + steak .64			GW. + B drew 2 loads of gravel from lake am. P.M. 2 loads sand from Brakckets					
19					Bernham went to Oswego on 12.31 + back on 5.25					
20					Arthur Wiltsie + Matt Callahan here min eve.					
21	S V. Store _?_ doz eggs 1.54	Groceries 1.48		Red cow (Miss Henthoron) calf came last night or morning	B took load of chees to Crocketts morn. He, G. + F worked at basements F worked at Bridge while					
22		Bridges + Grey 3+# steak 40			Matt Callahan spent PM here + stay all night _?_ Ida + I went up to Allies eve					
23	2 doz eggs .50									
24					Picnic at schoolhouse Ma + Ida went to Fair Haven this eve.					
25		5# roast .45			Carrie Myers here while Belle Welling drove in. Ma + Ida came home about 6.					
26		I sack Graham 25		Drew last of oats in today. Roy D. helped	I went up to Silas. Jen Dominey came about 5.30. B went to Valley to rehersal. F + G went to Hannibal.					
27					Aaron + Brother Dave here P.M.					
28	J. Stevenson doz eggs 1.40	Groceries 1.53			Nellie Finkey Osborn + Allie Calvert here P.M.					
29				Men worked on road	I went to Bell WellingsMa went to Silas eve + Ida went to Valley meeting					
30	doz eggs .55	Groc + beef. 68	Factory \$4.03	Men worked on	Ma + I went to Center P.M. Bernham Ida + I went to Valley to hear					
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14	I	Thur	warm cldy	baked bread cake got dinner washed dishes Ida up 5 cans tomatoes			
10	2	Fri	hot 2 3/4# clear shower eve	Ma churned 2 3/4# butter B. F. Ida + I went to picnic.			
12	3	Sat	hot showry	baked bread, cke, cleaned lamps, worked butter +c			
28	4	Sun	cool rainy pleas	Ma + Ida went to church a.m. B went to salt cattle am.			
14	5	Mon	cool clear	I washed dishes, picked toatoes + canned them, +c	2 doz eggs @. 22	3 doz can rubbers .24 (for canning jars)	Potted ham .10
17	6	Tues	cool 4 1/2# clear	I churned 4 I/2# butter caned 5 cans pears got dinner +c			
10	7	Wed	cool clear	B and I went to Syracuse on 6.45 a.m. train. Staid at Freds			
12	8	Thur	cool clear	B + I came to Oswego on 5.42 + got home 9.30 P.M. drove Maud			
20	9	Fri	cool cldy	I put up 10 cans plums got dinner +c Frank came P.M.			
14	10	Sat	warm 1/4# pleas	baked bread swept got dinner churned 1/4# butter canned 6 cans tomatoes. 4 plums	7 1/2 doz eggs @ .21	I doz cans .75 5# brown sugar .25 mustard seed .05 ginger root .10 I# coffee .25 fly paper .08	
13	11	Sun	Warm clear	Ida, Ma, Bernham,+ I went to church a.m. Ida went eve.			
13	12	Mon	cool 2 3/4# clear	I did work, cooked crabapples +c			
12	13	Tues	cool clear	Ma churned 2 3/4# butter I baked bred made crabapple jelly pick cucum + pickeled	ored made crabapple I 1/4# butter .25		
25	14	Wed	warm cldy rain	I sliced tomato pickles put up 8 cans tomatoes got dinner _ sup caned 7 cans pears			
15	15	Thur	cool showry	Finished pickles, worked butter, made cake got dinner +c	ed pickles, worked butter, made cake got dinner +c		
16	16	Fri	cool clear	I baked bread cleaned lamps washed dishes got dinner +c	6 doz eggs @ .20	I 1/2# pork steak .15 5 1/2# beef .36 2# sugar .10 20# sugar \$1.20	

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22	17	Sat	cool 3 1/4# clear	I washed dishses churned + worked 3 I/4# butter swept +c	2 doz eggs@ .22		
20	18	Sun	comf shower	Ida went to church Frank went home			
21	19	Mon	cool clear	Ida washed I did work, picked cucum + tomatoes +c			
16	20	Tues	cool 3# am rainy	I baked bread cake picked 3 chickens, ironed churned 3# butter +c	3 doz eggs@ .22	I# BK powder .50	1/2 doz lemons .12
11	21	Wed	cool showry	I partly dried I bu corn worked butter got dinner washed dishes +c			
16	22	Thur	cool clear	I washed dishes pick cucums put light in door +c	2 doz eggs@ .20		
12	23	Fri	cool clear	cleaned lamps swept dinning room filling for cake got dinner mended P.M. B + I picked 2 chickens night.			
24	24	Sat	cool 1/4# rainy	I baked bread, churned I I/4# butter put glasses in windows _?_			
16	25	Sun	cool cldy	B + I started for Nell's. she came home + we went to Mrs. Clums + called at Aunt Sarahs Uncle Joes Mr.Turners			
17	26	Mon	cool PM clear AM rainy	I did work, Ida washed I moped.			
17	27	Tues	cool 2 1/2# clear	I made cake + pudding churned 2 I/2# butter +c	6 doz eggs @ .22	3# rolled oats .15 chipped beef .25 lamp 25	
12	28	Wed	cool clear	I made yeast worked butter +c			
20	29	Thur	coolshowry	I did work +c figured. Frank Ida + I went to view lecture at Hannibal.			
14	30	Fri	cool 2 1/2# pleas	I made cake cookies figured took Ida part way to train got dinner +c	3 1/2 doz eggs @ 20	yeast .04 4 lamp wicks .05 I # tea .35 2 oz lemon extract .20	
500=	31 41doz+8			sold 1/2# \$.25 2 1/4 # butter	32 doz. sold		

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DAY OF MONTH	CASH RECEIVED	CASH PAID OUT	BILLS RECEIVED	BILLS PAYABLE	MEMORANDA
1				Men worked on road F. drew wood	B.F.+ Ida went to Valley to meeting. Ma + I went up to Silas. Mat to Kents
2	milk sugar +c .32	Pork beef .64			Carrie Myers went to B+I to Fair Haven
3					Bernham went to Valley eve. Ma up to Silas
4					F went to Hannibal eve Ma + I went up to Silas
5	S.V. Store 2 doz eggs .44	Groceries .34			B + I went to Valley evewent to Hannibal A.M.
6					B+I drove to Osego + stay all night.
7					went to Fair then up to Freds Bessie + Floyd Follett got on at Fulton
8		1/2 _?_ plums .45			Went to Fair (State) P.M.
9		7# beef + steak .70			Belle Welling here P.M. Jennie Dominey DeForrest came P.M _ stay allnight
10	1/2 bu. tomatoes 25 7 1/2 doz eggs 1.58	Groceries 1.48			Ma + Ida went to Hannibal P.M.
11					Mother + I went up to Silas P.M.
12					Carrie Myers began teaching school (in Dis no 1) over here
13					Ma went to Watertown on 12.31.1 went to Alice Irvins to see Georgia Cooper.
14					Ida cooked catsup Fred Kent Will Calvert _ Sillie Vincent here P.M.
15					Belle Welling after crabapples Mrs Van Dusen came to spend day with Ma. Sillie V here _?_

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16	J Stevison. _?_ doz eggs 1.20	22# sugar 1.30 7# meat .50			Ida went to Valley I to Silas P.M?_ Bernham + Frank went to Hannibal.
17	S. Valley. T?_ doz eggs 44	matches .10 I# pepper			Ida + I went to see about Harry Hall + Bert McMillen P.M. Bernham + Ida went to Valley eve.
18					I went up to Silas eve. Uncle Joe's here P.M.
19		3 1/8# cheese 28	Factory		
20	S Valley. 3 doz eggs .66	Groceries .62			B + _?_ Smith went to Victory AM. to Valley P.M. Addie Dominey here P.M.
21		sack salt 10			B went to Hannibal P.M Ida went to Center to Rob McFarland's funeral.
22	J Stevison 2 doz eggs .40	2 lamp chimneys 16			B went to Hannibal am. Center P.M. Frank went to Hannibal eve. Mr Kellogg (minister) called here P.M.
23		I 3/4# beef steak .21			
24		5 gal Kerosene .65			B + I went up to Aarons John _?_ came + got old wagon.
25					Frank went to meeting eve
26	Mrs Kent. 2 1/4# salt pork \$.23				Min Kent here few minutes P.M.
27	S Valley. 6 doz eggs \$1.32	Groceries \$1.30			I took eggs to Valley with Bess. Edd W. here P.M.
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29				Board for men \$3.60	
30	3 1/2 doz eggs .70 \$7.54	Groceries .64 2 3/4# meat .35	#0.22		Went up to Silas P.M.
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