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Gordon, Nelson

Creator

Gordon, Daniel

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Scope and Contents

Diaries, 1890-1899, of Nelson and Daniel Gordon, brothers from Thorndike, Maine. Nelson Gordon was the town clerk of Thorndike, Maine, and Daniel Gordon was a school teacher who also made caskets. Nelson's diary, 1890, talks about his wife, Emma, his daily activities, his interaction with his local community, his job, among others.

Daniel Gordon's diaries, 1894 and 1899, include his views on teaching school, his students, inventions that he makes, and his work making caskets with the Coffin family. He also discusses his declining health and the various methods he uses to try and improve it, including making electric warmers for his feet and buying zinc plates "for electrical purposes."

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