

July 24. Monday, fine, threatening, E. S. E. trade fair. Down to Packard's in the evening, to sympathize with him, on the loss of his best earthly friend "his Mother." The loss seemed too great for ^{him} to realize yet it is hard to realize, & we seem to be in a dream, awaiting the time of awaking, to see if it really is so or not. He has received several - ^{when his trials come upon him} sympathizing letters, which seem to soften grief. She seems to have died happy, & therefore - why sorrow, where there's hope, she is removed from further trials by our Heavenly Father, & now she is reaping her reward, she seemed pleased to find a heart to sorrow with him; yea! it does lighten grief, when a living heart, unburthened its troubles to another, & two sorrow together. "Weep with those that weep."

July 25. Tuesday, stormy rain S. W. trade dull in consequence, making paper bags & tickets, to the Mechanics in the evening.

July 26. Wednesday, showery, S. W. trade dull, Frank was taken by bad last night, & continued in bed all day, cold in his stomach, which caused him a great deal of pain & made him reach & vomit excessively. within reading in the evening.

July 27. Thursday, squalls of hail, rain & snow S. W. cleared towards evening & commenced freezing trade very dull, to an Inquest at the Hospital A. M. ^{held} on the body of Joseph Drounce. He died from the effects of a gun-shot wound in his right thigh a mate of his was in act of shooting some ducks flying over head, when in moving, he caught his foot in the rope of the tent, which brought him to the ground, in falling, he upset Drounce, the gun immediately went off & entered the poor fellows thigh, the muzzle being so near, as to burn his browers, the entered just above his knee on the outside & came out just below the groin. He was quite sensible & not a murmur escaped his lips. The accident happened on Sunday the 15th instant, ten miles this side of Brossings pass, in the gorge of Maikie, & it was a week before she reached the Hospital, which he entered on Saturday last, on Sunday Dr. Orrin & Steadman, saw that the chance of saving his life was by amputating his leg at the hip joint. which operation was successfully performed, & he was progressing favourably till