The 1875, 1876.1, and 1880 class diaries seem to have been written by instructors of the Worcester Normal School. The 1876.2, 1877, and 1879 class diaries were written by students of the Worcester Normal School.

The Apprenticeship Diary collects week’s worth of entries from Worcester Normal School apprentices during their training in local schools.

The Child Study Records were written by Worcester Normal School students as they observed children or reflected on their own childhood.

Notes on the text are in red with brackets. Errors in the text have been preserved and some are noted by the transcriber.

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