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Monday April 6th 1891

Father went to Hot Springs, with J. C. West, of Beaver valley, this morning on business. The wind from the cave has acted the most strange to me than I ever saw it act before. It was going in (light) this morning and kept getting lighter until about noon. It was then still for about 2 hours, when it started out violently, fairly making the big wheel buzz but it stopped all at once in abot (3) ten minutes after starting. It was then still until evening & was going in (lightly) at dark.

Tuesday April 7th 1891

about 9:00 a.m. I put the Harness on the horse and went after a log of pitch wood. I got the wood on the Hill South of our spring. After getting the wood, I took a couple of 5 gallon cans, fixed on a yoke & went to A. M. Willard's spring for some water. When I was drawing the water from the tank, I heard something that sounded like the hum of a top, or the noise of a threshing machine, getting up power speed but it stopped in a few seconds. after I had drawn the water and was preparing to start home with it, (a little over half a mile), I heard the same noise again, but this time it lasted about three (3) minutes & then I knew it was the hum of the large wind wheel at Wind Cave. This afternoon I went up on the hill South of our spring & got another log of wood. When I got home I found J. L. Simons here