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Wednesday April 15th 1891

Father & I fixed up the "Fairies Palace" and put a few other small specimens in with it & he took it to town with him (ofcot) today I got a few samples of flint & agate this forenoon. This afternoon I went down to our stone quarry & brought up my rabbit trap that has been down there ever since last December. I have over a hundred samples of stone in my geological collection now and I am adding more to it every day.

Friday April 16th 1891

4:00 in cave — Sampson Palace Route 1 trip

About 1 hour after dinner Elmer went over to Capt. Willards on a visit. He came back at 3:45 P.M. with the information that J. L. Downs & Mr. Wicker of Custer were to be here at about dark. Father got home at 6:00 P.M. with the horse. At 7:30 P.M. Mr Ed. L. Grantham & Mr Belle of Custer came to see the cave but Mr. Downs did not come on account of not being in extra health. At 8:00 P.M. Mr. Belle, Mr. Grantham, Father & I started in the cave. We got as far as Fallen Flats, on the Geode Hall Branch of the Sampson Palace Route. We also visited the place that J. L. Downs & I discovered to the North West of Fallen Flats. Mr. Grantham & I found a passage leading to the East of the middle of Fallen Flats. Mr. Belle expressed himself as well satisfied with his trip & the scenery in the cave was much better than he expected to see it.