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Quire: Abbr. qr. or q. A set of 24 or sometimes 25 sheets of paper
of the same size and stock; one twentieth of a ream.

Enosburgh. September, 10, 1858.

I went up and settled with the Dr I owed him
\$7.25. he paid me \$10. and owes me a little over \$9.
I paid Mr Corse \$5. for board. \$1. for Phisiology
16 for one quire of paper and \$2 to Elder Buzzel
for a paper and what I signed for his preaching
\$2 for my Ambrotype. Gloves, 7C
The remainder 3.25 for a bonnet - 3.50 Tuition
2.25 for board

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