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Comparison of entries from Thomas Merton's manuscript [Journal 1939-1940](#) to entries from the publication *The Secular Journal* (1959)

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This chart compares the dated entries in the manuscript journal source to those in *The Secular Journal*, and shows where there is a match both in date and in relation to subject matter. The matches are usually not a simple matter of transcription, but rather they involve editing from the manuscript source either by excerpting sections, or by reworking the text in part or as a whole.

Journal, 1939-1940		
"Perry Street Journal"		
(St. Bonaventure University ms. 48)		
ENTRIES	PAGES	
5/2/39	1	
5/3/39	2	
5/4/39	2	
<i>Missing</i>	3-4	
5/11/39	5	
5/12/39	5-6	
5/14/39	6-7	
5/18/39	7-9	
5/30/39	9-12	
<i>Missing</i>	13-16	
<i>Drawings (5)</i>	17-19	
<i>Partial Entry</i>	20-22	
6/1/39	23	

<i>Blank</i>	26		
<i>Missing</i>	27-28		
8/24/39	29-30		
8/29/39	31-34		
<i>Missing</i>	35-36		
<i>Partial Entry</i>	37-39		
9/8/39	39-40		
<i>Missing</i>	41-44		
<i>Partial entry</i>	45		
9/13/39	46-47		
9/14/39 <i>(2 entries)</i>	48-50		
<i>Missing</i>	51-62		
9/26/39	63-64		
<i>Missing</i>	65-68		
<i>Partial entry</i>	69-75		
9/30/39	76-77		
10/1/39	78-85		
		Secular Journal	
		Pt. 1: Perry Street, N.Y.	
		Winter 1939-1940	
		ENTRIES	PAGES
10/1/39	86-91	10/1/39	5-6
10/4/39	92		

10/6/39	93-99	10/11/39	11-13
10/9/39	100-108	10/9/39	7-10
10/14/39	109-110		
<i>Missing</i>	111-114		
10/15/39	115-125	10/15/39	14-21
10/16/39	126-129		
10/19/39	130-131		
10/22/39	132-134		
<i>Missing</i>	135-136		
<i>Partial entry</i>	137-143		
10/23/39	144-146		
10/29/39	147-152		
10/30/39	153-154		
10/31/39	155-163		
11/2/39	164-169		
11/8/39	170-171		
11/16/39	171-174		
11/19/39	174-178		
11/20/39	179-181		
11/21/39	182-186		
12/8/39	187-192		
12/11/39	192-197		
12/14/39	198-202		
12/17/39	202-210		
12/18/39	211-216		
12/19/39	216-220		

12/20/39	220-224
12/21/39	225-227
1/4/40	228-235
1/5/40	235-244
<i>Missing</i>	245-268
<i>Partial entry</i>	269
1/13/40	270-277
1/14/40	277-281
1/18/40	282-284
1/23/40	285-287
1/24/40	288-289
1/25/40	289-293
1/26/40	294
2/13/40	295-297

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