Distant Diary

Invocation, Alteration

Level: 4

Range: Touch

Components: V, S, M Casting Time: 4 Duration: 1 day/level Area of Effect: 1 book Saving Throw: None

A more powerful version of the diary spell, this spell is similar in most regards (see below). The principal differences are these:

- The diary book records regardless of the caster's distance, although the caster must be on the same plane.
- If the wizard re-casts the spell before a previous casting ends, the diary continues without pause; the diary book need not be nearby to continue the spell.
- If the wizard prepares a series of volumes before casting the spell, the spell will go to the next volume as each volume fills, without ending the spell.

Thus, a wizard could prepare several large journals and leave them in the safety of his tower, dictating to them constantly as long as he casts each distant diary spell before the previous one lapses completely.

The diary records all things said or heard by the caster. The wizard can transcribe mental notes and record scenes or portraits by concentration on them; one round for a simple sketch. Typical adventuring and Light conversation fills the book at about 10 to 20 pages per hour. The magical properties of a text cannot be copied by this spell, though the caster can summarize the material in his own words.

Notes: Very rare. Known to be in Prismal's Pocket Library, Vol. IV.

